

Humanities 214

Reformation Lecture Notes

- I. Where We've Been: Conditions/Events that Precipitated the Reformation
 1. The Black Death/Responses to it
 2. The all-powerful (?) Catholic Church
 3. The rise of the merchant class/Different kinds of wealth

- II. The Reformation's Beginnings: Not Just Luther
 1. John Wycliff, Oxford troublemaker
 2. Council of Pisa
 3. John Huss, Bohemian
 4. The Council of Basel

- III. Luther/Calvin
 1. Background/dedication to God
 2. Speaking out against greed among the clergy/indulgences
 3. 95 Theses/Rome's Reactions
 4. Ultimate Defiance
 5. Calvin and the Doctrine of Election

- IV. Aftermath
 1. Charles V
 2. The Peasant War
 3. The Catholic Church's Response/Counter-reformation and other religious reformations
 4. Shift in European power
 5. Why should we care?