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0 C.E.	Jesus crucified (33)	Gospel of Matthew (ca. 80–90)	Chaitya Cave (ca. 50)
100		Apuleius, <i>Initiation into the Cult of Isis</i> (ca. 155)	
300	Edict of Milan (313) Gupta empire (320–550) Council of Nicaea (326) Byzantine empire (330–1453) Battle of Adrianople (378)	Saint Ambrose, “Ancient Morning Hymn” (ca. 380) The Nicene Creed (381)	Old Saint Peter’s basilica (4 th century) <i>The Good Shepherd</i> (ca. 300)
400	The Visigoths attach Rome (410) The Vandals sack Rome (455) Fall of Rome (476)	Saint Augustine, <i>Confessions</i> (ca. 400) Saint Augustine, <i>City of God against the Pagans</i> (413–426)	
500	Early Middle Ages (ca. 500–1000)	<i>Vishnu Purana</i> (recorded after 500)	San Vitale (ca. 526–547)

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	Benedict established monasticism (529) Justinian codifies Roman law (533) Era of regional states in India (550–1192) Birth of Muhammad (570)	Plato's academy closes (529)	Hagia Sophia (532–537) <i>Emperor Justinian and His Courtiers</i> (ca. 547) <i>Empress Theodora and Retinue</i> (ca. 547) Gregorian chant, "Alleluya, vidimus stellam" (590–604)
600	Tang dynasty (618–907) Umayyad caliphate (661–750)		Dome of the Rock (ca. 687–691)
700	Abbasid caliphate (750–1258) Carolingian Empire (768–814) Heian era (794–1185)	<i>Beowulf</i> (8th century)	
800		<i>The Thousand and One Nights</i> (ca. 850)	

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		<i>Diamond Sutra</i> (868)	
		Lindau Gospels (ca. 870)	
900	Song dynasty (960–1279)		“Alleluia, Justus et palma” (ca. 900–1150)
1000	Movable type invented (1041)	<i>The Diary of Lady Murasaki</i> (ca. 1000)	Great Mosque at Cordoba (11 th century)
	Norman conquest of England (1066)	Vidyakara, <i>Treasury of Well-Tuned Verse</i> (1050)	<i>Shiva Nataraja, Lord of the Dance</i> (11 th century)
	Split between Roman Catholic and Greek Orthodox Church (1094)		Bayeux Tapestry (late 11 th century)
	Major Christian Crusades (1095–1204)		Kandariya Mahadeo temple (ca. 1000)
1100	Kamakura shogunate (1185–1333)	<i>Song of Roland</i> (12 th century)	Gislesbertus, <i>Last Judgment</i> (ca. 1130–1135)
	Muslin conquests of Delhi (1192)	Hildegard of Bingen, <i>Scivias</i> (ca. 1146)	Hildegard of Bingen, <i>O Successores</i> (ca. 1150)
		Bernart de Ventadour, “Can vei la lauzeta mover” (ca. 1150)	Chartres Cathedral (begun 1194)
		Chretien de Troyes, <i>Lancelot</i> (ca. 1170)	

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1200	Franciscan order established (1215)	Pope Innocent III, <i>On the Misery of the Human Condition</i> (ca. 1200)	Notre Dame (ca. 1200–1250)
	Magna Carta (1215)	Rumi, poems (ca. 1250)	Comabue, <i>Madonna Enthroned</i> (ca. 1280–1290)
	Mongols conquer Baghdad (1258)	Thomas Aquinas, <i>Summa Theologica</i> (1274)	<i>Sermon to the Birds</i> (ca. 1290)
	Mongol rule (1260–1368)		
	Marco Polo reaches China (ca. 1275)		
1300	Ashikaga era (1336–1573)	Dante, <i>Divine Comedy</i> (ca. 1308–1321)	Simone Martini, <i>Annunciation</i> (1333)
1400			Zeami, <i>Kadensho</i> (1400)
1500		<i>Everyman</i> (ca. 1500)	