

Peninental Ordinance (1070)

'Anyone who knows that he killed a man in the great battle must do **penance for one year for each man that he killed.**'

'Anyone who **wounded** a man, and does not know **whether he killed him or not**, must do **penance for forty days** for each man thus struck (if he can remember the number), either continuously or at intervals.'

'Anyone who does not know the **number** of those he **wounded or killed** must, at the discretion of his bishop, do **penance for one day in each week for the remainder of his life**; or, if he can, let him **redeem his sins** by a perpetual alms, either by **building or endowing a church.**'

Penance: an act of satisfaction, a sort of spiritual healing (e.g. prayer, fasting, almsgiving, pilgrimage).

Tancred

Spiritual Crisis of 11th Century Warrior

'...**burned with anxiety** ... warfare seemed to **contradict the Lord's commands** ...'

'a secular military life **required him to avenge** the spilling of his relatives' blood ...'

'This incompatibility **dampened the courage of the wise man...**'

'...**Pope Urban granted remission** ...his **courage was born** ...'

'But after the **call to arms in the service of Christ**, the twofold reason for fighting inflamed him beyond belief.'

- Alexios I Komnenos

Council of Clermont 1095

Muslim occupation of Holy Land

Christian shrines desecrated

Eastern Christians suffered

War of liberation

Religious significance of Jerusalem

'Whosoever for devotion alone, not to gain honour or money, goes to Jerusalem to liberate the Church of God can **substitute this journey for all penance.**'

The Reponse

'When this speech had begun to be noised abroad ... the Franks sewed **crosses on their right shoulders**, saying with one voice that they wished to **follow the footsteps of Christ**, by which they would be **redeemed from the hand of Hell.**'

Expeditions of First Crusade

Two forces: People's (Peasants') Crusade, Princes' Crusade

Leaders of Princes' Crusade: Bohemond of Taranto, his nephew Tancred

Raymond of Saint Gilles

Godfrey of Bouillon

Baldwin of Boulogne

Duke Robert of Normandy

Count Robert of Flanders

Count Stephen of Blois

Expeditions of First Crusade (cont)

Bishop Adhémar of Le Puy, papal legate

Peasants' Crusade

15 August 1096 Official departure date set by Urban

Crusade departed in spring 1096.

Main leaders: Peter the Hermit and Walter the Penniless 'Sans Avoir'.

Constantinople to Antioch

November 1096 – May 1097: Their arrival at Constantinople

May–June 1097: Siege of Nicaea

1 July: Battle of Dorylaeum

20 October 1097: Siege of Antioch begins

October 1097 – June 1098: Siege of Antioch

2/3rd June: Crusaders enter Antioch (except citadel)

5 June: Kerbogha's army arrives outside Antioch

15 June: Discovery of the relic of the Holy Lance

28 June: Battle of Antioch (crusader victory)

Anti-Jewish Violence: Rhineland 1096

Notorious Swabian, Count leader: Emicho of Flonheim

Some local clergy attempted to defend Jewish communitie

Forced conversion

'[The crusaders] said to one another: "Behold we travel to a distant land ... to **kill** and to **subjugate** all those kingdoms that **do not believe in the Crucified**. How much more so [should we kill and subjugate] **the Jews, who killed and crucified him.**"

'God Will's It!'

7 June 1099: Siege begun

15 July: Crusaders enter city

12 August: Battle of Ascalon (crusader victory against Egyptian force)

The First Crusade (1096–99) was regarded as a '**miraculous success.**

'Since the creation of the world what more **miraculous** undertaking has there been (other than the mystery of the redeeming Cross) than what was achieved **in our own time** by the journey of **our own people** to Jerusalem?' - Robert the Monk, 1107