

Viewing Guide Luther Religion 9
The Life and Times of Martin Luther

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Use the following skeleton outline to make notes during the viewing of the Luther DVD

The Early Years

- Birth year: 1483
- Birth place; Eisleben
- Father name: Hans

- Father's plans for Martin Luther: Lawyer

- Year entered the university of Erfurt : 1501

- Why did Luther decide to become a monk? : B/C of the death of three close friends and a near death experience of his own in the thunder storm.

- Entered the monastery on: July 1505

- How did his father react? : He was very angry and upset

- What did Luther become more aware of the longer he was in the monastery?
There was nothing he could do to get right with God

- In what year was Luther ordained a priest? : April 3 1507

- Who was John Tetzel? A Dominican monk

- What was he selling? : Indulgences

- Why was he selling them? : To offer forgiveness of sins and to raise money to refill the coffers of the church

- How was this practice directly against God's word? : forgiveness is our by faith in the redemptive work of Jesus

- Why is October 31, 1517 an important date? Luther nailed the 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg

- What did that date signal the beginning of? The Reformation

- What were the 95 theses? : Statements against the sale of indulgences and the authority of the Pope to do so.
- Where were they posted?: The door of the Castle Church
- What was Luther's intent with the posting of the theses? His intent was to have an academic discussion about the sale of indulgences.
- How is salvation only attained? : By God's grace through the redemptive work of Christ
- The 95 theses were originally written in Latin. Why did they quickly spread across Germany once they were translated into German? B/c of the printing press
- What is the most important doctrine in the Christian faith? Salvation by faith alone
- Who was Frederick the Wise? The Elector of Saxony and protector of Luther
- Why was he important for Luther? He was a professor at Wittenberg University and brought many students to Wittenberg U. He also brought notoriety to Wittenberg because of his stance against the church's false teachings.
- What was the Papal Bull? It pronounced excommunication on Luther
- Why did Luther burn the Papal Bull? : It was the fiery signal of absolute and final separation from Rome.
- Diet of Worms, date: April 17, 1521
- Frederick of Saxony: why was he again important? : He had Luther kidnapped on his way back from diet at Worms
- Where did Luther hide away for 11 months?: the Wartburg Castle
- What was one of the major writings during this time? : The New Testament written in German
- How did Luther respond to the Peasant's Revolt? He called upon the princes of Germany to stop it using whatever means necessary.
- Who did Luther marry? : Katherine Von Bora
- How many children? Six, three boys and three girls.

- Why did Luther write the Small Catechism? To help the fathers train their children the basic teachings of the Bible
- Luther's death: In his hometown Eisleben in the year of our Lord 1546 on the 18th day of February after having lived for 63 years, 2 months and 10 days.
- Where is he buried? In the Castle Church