### Lecture Topics

**Sept. 4**  
1. Introduction (Mazzaoui)

**A. The Warrior Society of the Early Middle Ages**

2. The Roman Aristocratic Class (Clover)
3. German Warriors (Thompson)
4. The Clerical Elite in the Primitive Age 700-1050 (Mazzaoui)
5. Beowulf and the Anglo-Saxon Heroic Ideal (Ringler)
6. The Icelandic Sagas and the Viking Heroic Ideal (Ringler)

**B. The Feudal Class of the High Middle Ages**

7. The Decorative Arts (Horlbeck)
8. The Origins of the European Nobility: Wealth, Status and Life Style (Mazzaoui)
10. The World of the Crusaders (Barker)
11. The Byzantine Aristocracy (Barker)

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**C. The Chivalric Society**

12. The Ideal of Knighthood (Mazzaoui)
13. German Epic: *The Nibelungenlied* (Gentry)
14. Jews as Aristocrats: The Courtly Society of Medieval Spain (Roth)
15. The Cid (Temprano)
16. The *Chansons de Geste* (Caulkins)

**SIX WEEKS EXAMINATION**
F. and J. Gies, *Women in the Middle Ages*

Robert Haller, *Literary Criticism of Dante Alighieri*

Dante, *The Divine Comedy* (tr. Sinclair)

Eliyahu Ashtor, *The Jews of Moslem Spain*

Yitzhak Baer, *History of the Jews in Christian Spain*

Section A: The Warrior Society of the Early Middle Ages

Hollister, Pt. I

Duby, Pt. I

Herlihy, *Feudalism*, Introd. and Pt. I

*Beowulf*


Section B: The Feudal Class of the High Middle Ages

Hollister, Pt. II

Duby, pts. II and III

Herlihy, *Feudalism*, pts. II and III

Southern, chs. I, II

Riche' (pages to be assigned)

Section C: The Chivalric Society

Herlihy, *Feudalism*, Pt. IV

Southern, V


Selections from Power, Gies, Ashtor and Baer (to be assigned)

Section D: The Aristocracy in the Later Middle Ages

Hollister, Pt. III

Herlihy, *Medieval Culture*, Pt. II, sec. V, no 22 (pp. 314 ff); Pt. III, sec. I, no. 3 (pp. 361 ff) and sec. II, no. 4 (pp. 385 ff).

Dante, *Divine Comedy*, Inferno, cantos 4, 5, 6, 10, 15, 16, 17, 29, 30, 33; Purgatory, cantos 6, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27; Paradise, cantos 6, 15, 16, 17.

Haller, "De vulgari eloquentia," Bk. I.