

# 1 | The Holy Roman Empire

Attempted to adopt the model of European universality => one church, one emperor.

But... They didn't! Because...

## 1.1 | Reasons for non-universality

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1. Lack of transportation and communication systems made tying large countries together difficult
2. HRE had separation between church and state, which makes the authority less authoritative
3. Pope + emperor constantly fought
  - Need constitution to settle
  - Enabled feudal rulers to enhance autonomy
  - Habsburg dynasty + combination with Spanish royalty => Über powerful HRE => Almost centralized nation
  - Yet, eventually weakened pope brought end to religious universality, which brought end to that centralized Europe idea

Meanwhile, in France... KBhHIST201RaisonDeEtat

## 1.2 | Counter-Reformation

A process of "reviving Catholic universality".

See KBhHIST201CounterReformation

## 1.3 | Emperor Ferdinand II

Practiced the... well... opposite of KBhHIST201RaisonDeEtat => Religion

- Morality > state interest
- Refused to treaty with Muslim Turks + Protestant Swedes
- "Less concerned with the Empire's welfare than that of the will of God ... The state existed to serve the religion ... for Ferdinand" – KBhHIST201Kissinger
- **Edict of reinstatement** => Demanded land taken by protestants since 1555 be returned