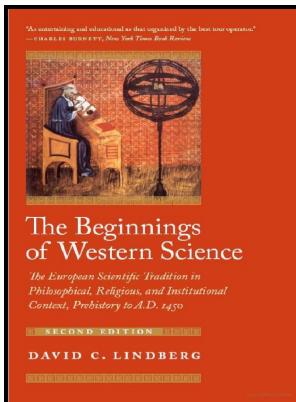


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It was about 315 that an ill-advised letter from Christian Emperor Constantine to his Persian counterpart probably triggered the beginnings of an ominous change in the Persian attitude toward Christians.

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Any Christian who complied with the requirement of sacrifice might confidently expect no end of trouble if he attempted then to convince his co-religionists that he was still a loyal Christian at heart.

Persecution of pagans in the late Roman Empire

Eugenius sought recognition from Theodosius and failed to get it. Constantius also enacted a law that exacted a fine from those who were guilty of vandalizing sites holy to pagans and placed the care of these monuments and tombs under the pagan priests.

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According to the historical writings of , the deconsecration of a temple merely required the removal of the cult statue and altar, and it could be reused.

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During the reign of the Ostrogoths in Italy discussed further below , intermarriage between Goths and Romans was explicitly outlawed.

Political Mobility in the Later Roman Empire*

Ambrose campaigned against any financial support for paganism and anything like the Altar that required participation in pagan practices. Thus some Arian Christians in the west used the vernacular languages, in this case including Gothic and Latin, for services, as did Christians in the eastern Roman provinces, while most Christians in the western provinces used Latin.

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