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a leaf from the Chudleigh Bible, in Latin,  
illuminated manuscript on vellum - north-  
eastern France, c.1220-30





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