

7.51 Explain the institution and impact of missionaries on Christianity and the diffusion of Christianity from Europe to other parts of the world in the medieval and early modern periods.

Monasteries

- The Catholic Church established many monasteries during the Middle Ages
- Monks lived, worked, and prayed together
- Monks were responsible for copying texts by hand
- Monasteries eventually started schools and hospitals

Missionaries

- Eventually, missionaries would leave monasteries in groups to spread their message and convert new Christians
- Missionaries first went to Africa and Asia
- Converting new Christians became a main reason that European countries explored and colonized the New World