

Grace OPC High School Sunday Class Worksheet			
Year:	1 of 4		Date: Week 1
Quarter:	3 of 4	Church History	
Lesson Title:	The Early Church (Sketches from Church History – Chapter 1)		

Question 1. From this chapter, trace the development of the attitudes of the Romans towards Christians in the early years of the Church and explain the causes and the consequences of each change that took place.

Question 2. What are the similarities and differences between our worship and practice and that in the early church? Explain, indicating which historical sources give us the information in each case.

Question 3. Describe the event known as The Thundering Legion and explain the effect it had on the Roman Emperor.

Question 4. We often see the symbol of a fish on car bumpers. What is its origin and its significance?

Question 5. Summarise the reasons why historians believe that Christians were persecuted

Question 6. Describe the reaction of the believers to the persecutions they endured, as they are recorded in this chapter. What was the effect on the persecutors? Was the persecution successful in any instance?

Question 7. "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it" (George Santayana, 1863 - 1952). What can we learn of practical value from the accounts in this chapter?