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The Battle of Milvian Bridge

The eventual emperor of Rome, Constantine, saw a vision of a cross in the sky with the words "in this sign conquer" just prior to the crucial battle of Milvian Bridge.

Constantine changed Roman Law (as emperor) making Christianity legal

571

The birth of Muhammad who started the religion of Islam which is the world's second largest.

732

At the Battle of Tours Charles Martel led a group of Franks in resisting the Muslim advance in Western Europe. Muslim armies retreated back across the Pyrenees to Spain, and the Franks developed an Empire from the Pyrenees to the Rhine.

1066

William, the Duke of Normandy defeated Harold, the King of Wessex, becoming the King of England. French became the official language in England and mixed with the Germanic-based language of the Saxons to eventually develop into Modern English.