**Discussion Character Profiles:**

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| **Roman Catholic Bishop (Pope)** | * Bishop in the western Empire
* Roman Catholics believe that the Pope should be the leader over all Christians (after Peter was the first Bishop in Rome)
* Used to follow “caesaropapism” but now there is no Emperor in the West
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| **Romans in the Western Empire** | * Speak Latin
* Under attack
* Emperor moved to greener pastures
* Eastern empire has a different language and cultural influences
* Church survived in Rome
* Need leadership
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| **Emperor in the Byzantine Empire** | * Moved the capital
* Made Christianity the official religion of the Empire after moving
* Built a new church to rival St. Peter’s Basilica
* Assumes “Caesaropapism” will be upheld
* Ruling the region with more people and money
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| **Greek Orthodox Bishop** | * Leading all the churches in the new Eastern Empire
* Using a new language in his churches
* Living under the Emperor
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| **Romans in the Eastern (Byzantine) Empire** | * Speak Greek
* Protected by Emperor
* Influenced by new cultures
* Following the Greek Orthodox bishop
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