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the internationally bestselling author of *alive* explores the rise the catastrophic fall and the

far reaching legacy of knights of the temple of solomon this is an engrossing and beautifully written work of popular history that unfolds like a well structured crime novel booklist in 1099 the city of jerusalem a possession of the islamic caliphate for over four hundred years fell to an army of european knights intent on restoring the cross to the holy lands from the ranks of these holy warriors emerged an order of monks trained in both scripture and the military arts an order that would protect and administer christendom s prized conquest for almost a century the knights of the temple of solomon or the templars in this articulate and engaging history piers paul read explores the rise the catastrophic fall and the far reaching legacy of these knights who took and briefly held the most bitterly contested citadel in the monotheistic west drawing on the most recent scholarship and writing with authority and candor read chronicles the history of the blood splattered monks who still infiltrate modernity in literature as the inspiration for secret societies and in the backyard fantasies of any child with access to a stick and a garbage can lid more than armed holy men the templars also represented the first uniformed standing army in the western world sustaining their military order required vast sums of money and to that end a powerful multinational corporation formed the prosperity that european financiers enjoyed from the efficient management of levantine possessions and from pioneering developments in the field of international banking would help jump start europe s long slumbering dark age economy in 1307 the french king philip iv expropriated templar lands unleashing a wave of repression that would crest five years later after templar leaders broke down and confessed under torture to blasphemy heresy and sodomy pope clement v suppressed the order in 1312 was it guilty as charged and what relevance has the story to our own times in this remarkable history piers paul read explores the crusades and the individual biographies of the many colorful characters that fought them

even 700 years after the suppression of the order of the temple and the execution of the

last grandmaster jacques de molay there is no shortage of publications on this influential military order yet unlike other medieval institutions the templars are subject to speculative fiction and popular myth which threaten to swamp the fruits of scholarly endeavour fortunately recent years have produced a thriving academic scholarship which is challenging these myths more and more sources are currently being edited particularly those for the trial of the templars 1307 1312 others are still awaiting indepth study among them surprisingly the greater part of the charters that cover more than 150 years of the order s history the papers in this volume step into this gap and critically evaluate new directions in templar studies on the basis of as yet unedited source material open issues and desiderata regarding the sources are discussed and from a range of inspiring results a new status quaestionis is proposed that will not only provide a better understanding of the order s archaeological economical religious administrative and military history but also set new points of departure for the editing of charters and administrative documents the papers here are grouped into six sections focusing on the headquarters of the order its charters manpower and finance religious life and finally the suppression and the order s afterlife

the medieval historian who revealed the real history behind the da vinci code uncloaks the templars in the year 1119 these noblemen found their calling as protectors of the faithful on a dangerous pilgrimage to newly conquered jerusalem now historian sharan newman elucidates the mysteries and misconceptions of the templars from their true first founding and role in the crusades to more modern intrigues including were they devout knights or secret heretics did they leave behind a fantastic treasure hidden to this day how did they come to be associated with the holy grail did they come to america before the time of columbus does the order still exist

the trial of the knights templar is one of the most infamous in history accused of heresy by the king of france the templars were arrested and imprisoned had their goods seized and

their monasteries ransacked under brutal interrogation and torture many made shocking confessions denial of christ desecration of the cross sex acts and more this narrative follows the everyday reality of the trial from the early days of scandal and scheming in 1305 via torture imprisonment and the dissolution of the order to 1314 when leaders jacques de molay and geoffroy de charnay were burned at the stake through first hand testimony and written records of the interrogations of 231 french templars this book illuminates the stories of hundreds of ordinary members some of whom testified at the trial as well as the many others who denied the charges or retracted their confessions this is a deeply researched and immersive account that gives a striking vision of the relentless persecution and the oft underestimated resistance of the once mighty knights templar

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an order of warrior monks founded to protect pilgrims to jerusalem the templars were among the wealthiest and most powerful bodies in the medieval world yet two centuries later they were arrested accused of blasphemy heresy and orgies and their leaders were burnt at the stake part guide part history this book investigates the templar legends and legacy from the mysteries of solomon s temple in jerusalem via nineteenth century development of the freemasons through to templar appearances in dan brown and indiana jones this book explains the whole context of templar history including the recent evidence discovered by the vatican that the templars were not guilty of heresy it also features a guide to templar castles and sites

barbara frale gives us an explosive exhaustively researched history of the medieval world s most powerful military order the templars at its height the order of the knights templar

rivalled the kingdoms of europe in military might economic power and political influence for 700 years the tragic demise of this society of warrior monks amid accusations of heresy has been plagued by controversy in part because the transcript of their trial by the inquisition which held the key to the truth had vanished templar historian barbara frale happened to be studying a document at the vatican secret archives when she suddenly realized that it was none other than the long lost transcript it revealed that pope clement v had absolved the order of all charges of heresy the templars chronicles the spectacular rise and fall of the organization against a sweeping backdrop of war religious fervor and the struggle for dominance and finally lifts the centuries old cloak of mystery surrounding one of the world s most intriguing secret societies

the internationally bestselling author of brethren and crusade tells the cataclysmic story of the last days of the knights templar robyn young s historical fiction has topped international bestseller lists and won praise from the likes of raymond khoury steve berry and alison weir the fall of the templars chronicles an era few people know about what happened when the templars returned from the crusades and found that the monarchs of europe did not want an army of religious warriors back on european soil leaving the christian empire in the east in ruins knight templar will campbell returns to the west to discover that the temple has forged an alliance with his enemy king edward of england vowing to help the king wage war on scotland this pact against his homeland strikes at the core of will s faith and allegiances while his daughter rose is led into a dangerous affair in the french royal household will now faces a choice should he protect his family or lead his men into a new world the fight for the holy land has ended but the temple s last battle has just begun

this book presents for the first time an english translation of henri de curzon s 1886 edition of the french rule derived from the three extant medieval manuscripts both monastic rule and military manual the rule is a unique document and an important historical source the

rule is divided into seven main sections the primitive rule hierarchical statutes penances conventual life the holding of ordinary chapters further details on penances and reception into the order there are details of the clothing armour and equipment to which each brother was entitled instructions to the brothers as to their conduct while on campaign and information on the daily life of the members of this most influential military order and on the monastic discipline which made it a formidable fighting force the rule evolved over almost one hundred and fifty years of the order s history and is thus a dynamic piece of work showing how the templars adapted to political change and formulated their disciplinary code an introduction gives the historical background to the rule and summarises the various sections from back cover

arguably one of the most provocative puzzling and misunderstood organizations of medieval times the legendary knights templar have always been shrouded in a veil of mystery while inspiring popular culture from indiana jones to dan brown in the templars author michael haag offers a definitive history of these loyal christian soldiers of the crusades sworn to defend the holy land and jerusalem but ultimately damned and destroyed by the pope and his church a bestseller in the united kingdom the first history of the enigmatic warriors to include findings from the chinon parchment the long lost vatican document absolving the knights of heresy the templars by michael haag is fascinating reading

the acclaimed medieval historian chronicles the rise of templar powers in the levant and the saga of their destruction founded on christmas day 1119 in jerusalem the knights templar was a religious order dedicated to defending the holy land and its christian pilgrims in the decades after the first crusade legendary for their bravery and dedication the templars became one of the wealthiest and most powerful bodies of the medieval world and the chief defenders of christian society against growing muslim forces in the tragedy of the templars the rise and fall of the crusader states haag masterfully details the conflicts and betrayals

that sent this faction of powerful knights spiraling from domination to condemnation this stirring and thoroughly researched work of historical investigation includes maps and full color photographs of important cultural sites many of which doubled as battlefields during the crusades

shrouded in myth and conspiracy the history of the knights templar is little understood geordie torr pulls fact from fiction revealing the astonishing tale of this military religious order that dominated the politics of the medieval middle east initially created to protect christian pilgrims to the holy land in the wake of the first crusade the templars soon became an institution of incredible power possessing wealth and influence throughout the courts of europe yet just two centuries later they dramatically fell as its members were accused of heresy and burned at the stake set against the dramatic backdrop of the wars between christians and muslims this illustrated book brings to life the legacy of this secretive order and the characters who defined the era

why do the powerful medieval knights templar the famed warriors of the crusades still intrigue many today a secret society long shrouded in mystery the templars were believed to conduct mystical rituals to guard the holy grail and to possess the priceless treasures of the temple of jerusalem did they bring their treasure to north america as some legends say this definitive work about the templars and their presumed hidden knowledge addresses many such fascinating questions with rare photos from the rosslyn chapel museum scotland included

dan jones is an entertainer but also a bona fide historian seldom does one find serious scholarship so easy to read the times book of the year a new york times bestseller this major new history of the knights templar is a fresh muscular and compelling history of the ultimate military religious crusading order combining sensible scholarship with narrative

swagger simon Sebag Montefiore author of Jerusalem a faltering war in the middle east a band of elite warriors determined to fight to the death to protect christianity's holiest sites a global financial network unaccountable to any government a sinister plot founded on a web of lies Jerusalem 1119 a small group of knights seeking a purpose in the violent aftermath of the first crusade decides to set up a new order these are the first knights templar a band of elite warriors prepared to give their lives to protect christian pilgrims to the holy land over the next two hundred years the templars would become the most powerful religious order of the medieval world their legend has inspired fervent speculation ever since in this groundbreaking narrative history Dan Jones tells the true story of the templars for the first time in a generation drawing on extensive original sources to build a gripping account of these christian holy warriors whose heroism and alleged depravity have been shrouded in myth the templars were protected by the pope and sworn to strict vows of celibacy they fought the forces of islam in hand to hand combat on the sun baked hills where Jesus lived and died finding their nemesis in Saladin who vowed to drive all christians from the lands of islam experts at channeling money across borders they established the medieval world's largest and most innovative banking network and waged private wars against anyone who threatened their interests then as they faced setbacks at the hands of the ruthless mamluk sultan Baybars and were forced to retreat to their stronghold in Cyprus a vindictive and cash strapped king of France set his sights on their fortune his administrators quietly mounted a damning case against the templars built on deliberate lies and false testimony on Friday October 13 1307 hundreds of brothers were arrested imprisoned and tortured and the order was disbanded amid lurid accusations of sexual misconduct and heresy they were tried by the pope in secret proceedings and their last master was brutally tortured and burned at the stake but were they heretics or victims of a ruthlessly repressive state Dan Jones goes back to the sources to bring their dramatic tale so relevant to our own times to life in a book that is at once authoritative and compulsively readable

on 18 march 1314 jacques de molay grand master of the templars was burned at the stake for almost two centuries the knights of the order of the temple had flourished during the crusades in palestine and syria and in the west notably in france but in 1307 the templars in france were arrested by king philip iv s officials in the name of the inquisition their property seized and the men charged with serious heresies including the denial of christ homosexuality and idol worship confessions extracted under torture were brought before royal and papal tribunals but in 1310 a number of templar brothers mounted a defence of their order refuelling the controversies which continued for a further four years before the final executions malcolm barber s fascinating account assessing the charges brought against the order once again puts the templars on trial

the explosive rise of the knights templar and the power of the vatican was a much more complex and blemished journey than the idealized paths traditionally presented both of these secretive groups were shaped by conflicted people and events long before the crusades began and a knightly brotherhood was formed the rape of a daughter led to the conquest of a european country desperately needed services by an abbot were bought by giving him a abbey the pope anointed a king and received an earthly kingdom in return the sources of these many intriguing experiences begin with the writings of barber addison and gibbon but then go deep into the rich details and stories revealed by more recent research in the early middle ages europe had no knights the pope was relatively powerless the vatican was marshy land embracing a cemetery then all of this changed dramatically in time the pope lived in a palace and ruled cities the templars arose and soon exceeded all expectations these knights were everywhere in europe as bankers advisors to kings and champions from the holy land and tantalizingly their 870 european estates created a river of gold flowing across the continent the impact of this strong brotherhood is still felt today how did all of this happen the fascinating answers can be surprising sometimes even amazing

and are carefully documented a wealth of maps and rare illustrations make this a highly visual journey among exceptional people and experiences that you will always remember

the warrior knights of the cross the knights templar were one of the most famous christian military orders of the medieval period officially endorsed by the church in the early decades of the 12th century the express purpose of the order was to provide defence and protection to christian pilgrims the concept became a popular one and with patronage came wealth and power so that the order through a substantial infrastructure of non warrior members spread throughout europe promoting its objectives developing financial institutions and building fortification on a grand scale however the knights templar are especially remembered today for the prowess of their military knights clad in white mantles bearing the distinctive red cross the templars both attracted and created some of the most expert and effective fighting men of their time naturally the order was closely connected to the holy land and with the crusades for some two hundred years it fought the forces of islam for dominance of jerusalem experiencing mixed fortunes in dozens of actions and major battles the eventual loss of the holy land could do no other than promote a decline in their fortunes and indeed the support for the templars furthermore the order s wealth and its independent structure wielding power outside state and church inevitably made it a target for both suspicion and dissolution the end came in 1312 in a welter of torture bloodshed and burnings at the stake the legend has lived on however and today the times of knights templar are to many more intriguing and evocative than ever print ed

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