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- Jonathan Riley Scott - motivations for going on crusade
- Harold - family or wealth?
- Edward Gibbon - where they actually just
- E.H. Carr being manipulated?

"Historians are left forever chasing shadows, painfully aware of their inability ever to reconstruct a dead world in its completeness however through or revealing their documentation"

Historians have a hard time researching a particular topic especially if it ~~technically~~ technically still exist today. Over the years historians have had many different arguments about the motivations ~~for~~ for the Crusades and whether the motivation was out of love for their God/Christ or whether it was for their family.

Jonathan Riley Smith A.K.A JRS suggests that he has a hard time believing that the crusades were just based off motivations towards Christ himself.

"I find the crusades just another horrific battle dedicated to the cruel manipulation of the church"

JRS is a historian arguing that the motivation of the crusades was based on:

- love for ones family
- dedication of love to protect certain family or even land.
- Out of sheer friendship, that crusading was hardly worthwhile as the church grew stronger men grew weaker, being manipulated by the church into going on crusade.

The Church over the years of crusade became infamous because of the power it possessed over men. The Church used motivations such as:

- go on crusade & all your sins will be forgiven
- protect your soul, after crusading your ~~see~~ soul shall pass into the 'Holy Land' of Christ himself.

Historian Edward Gibbon suggests that "The main motivation used was 'that' Christ was falling into pradiition and he needed his sons to rise up and fight for him so he too, would rise with them" The Churches power became one of fear & not loyalty

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This quote from the source

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shows that the historians themselves are still arguing about the motivations of why so many men willingly went to war for the church.

Historian Harold, ~~JRS's~~ ~~an~~ adversary or 'challenger' you could say, suggests that the men went on crusade for wealth & riches they were promised in return for their service.

Back in the 16th ~~century~~ ~~century~~ century wealth to a crusade was given for the service. They were promised land, money & a happy life with no work as they had done this while serving.

But think about it, if you had an enemy coming to attack your home don't you ~~but~~ think your ~~motif~~ motivation would be to stay alive & keep your family safe & protect your home?

Their motivations changed throughout the crusades from ~~the~~ glory to forgiveness as many of the men began to lay down their swords to stop fighting as some wondered why God/Christ would want people killed if he was said to be so ~~for~~ forgiving.

This supports the claim of the power of the church, they ~~became~~ became greedy & more importantly blood thirsty. The church possessed a power that became unstable as so many people followed

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the church in not pursuit as it went into crusade against the enemy. This is why the token of glory was changed to forgiveness as many men thought better of killing innocent lives and just leaving like nothing had happened. Johnathan Riley Smith suggests that the church feet fell so quickly that they chose the motivation of 'Non-believers' the enemy had to be killed as they were 'non-believers' meaning they weren't christian and therefore could not belong.

"The crusades were barbaric & horrid, many men feet fell to the manipulation of the church, in not pursuit of there God/christ' in order to seek forgiveness for their sins."

The source given to us by Simon Schama suggests that even if historians found out the main reason for the motivation of crusades the historians would still be left in the dark about who ^{to} ~~to~~ ~~trust~~ believe, the crusades changed the world and the ~~men~~ face of christianity Religion. It's what changed the Ancient Civilisations into supporting Christianity the old religions of Greece & Rome no longer gave comfort as the church got stronger so did her people.

Temples ~~became~~ became churches & all the

Old Greek and Roman buildings suddenly became ~~dedicated~~ dedicated to Christ, or the Christian supporters.

~~Pope~~ "The word of the pope became the wisest of all" says Edward Gibbon.

Historians will always be left to try and understand the reasons for the crusades and the motivations the church used to achieve their movements. Even today a 'crusade' is now a general term for ~~anyone~~ anyone trying to fight for revenge ~~or~~ or just going to war.

The Crusades are a very widespread argued topic in the historical world and most of the historians ~~said~~. Studying the crusades still are left in the dark about the reasons for the 'almighty, bloody' crusades.

Like the two historians Jonathan Riley-Smith & Harold. Harold believed the crusade's main motivation was for wealth & popularity of being known as a man who went on crusade. Whereas Jonathan Riley believes it was for the pure reason of love for another, family, land, children & wife - to protect the ones they love.

Whether a historian spends his whole life researching a particular topic, trying to understand the main reasons for such things, not everything

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is going to be revealed, historians will never know everything about one topic of research as historians will keep on arguing about the same topics over & over again trying to prove their opinion of the event, historical fact, is the right one. After another historian hears another's view they might agree and change their own mind then go back over what they had believed in ~~change~~ changing their views. ~~It~~

The motivations for the crusades will always change in a historian's eyes. Whether it be another historian who changes it or whether they discover it for themselves.

Besides if historians keep arguing about the same topic & changing their minds, how are we to know what the original ideas & thoughts were?

~~We~~ Historians will always try to prove every bit of fact with evidence but ~~sometimes~~ yes

"Historians are left forever chasing shadows" because despite the passion a historian has, not everything can be proven, as thorough as it may seem.

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