Christianity in Northumbria

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The Kingdom of Northumbria Æthelfrith of Bernicia conquers Deira 604 616–633 reign of Edwin of Deira and Bernicia 633–651 Deira and Bernicia mostly ruled separately Æthelfrith of Bernicia becomes King of Deira 651 654–866 unified Northumbria Ivar the boneless captures York 866 867–954 Viking Kingdom of York York merged into the Anglo-Saxon Earldom of 954 Northumbria

Christianity and Monastic Culture	
~625	archepiscopal see of York refounded
627	Edwin of Bernicia and Deira baptised
635	Aidan founds Lindisfarne monastery, episcopacy
664	Synod of Whitby
672/3	Bede born
674	Benedict Biscop founds Wearmouth monastery
682	Benedict Biscop founds Jarrow monastery
~715	Lindisfarne Gospels produced
731	Bede completes his <i>Ecclesiastical History</i>
732	Bede dies
735	Alcuin of York born
793	Lindisfarne raided
794	Jarrow raided
875	Viking raids; Lindisfarne monastery abandoned





Irish Christianity

doctrine: dating of Easter
emphases: monasticism (rule of Columbanus); *peregrinatio*art: high crosses, illuminated manuscripts









Christian/biblical heroism

Old English: *Dream of the Rood, Andreas, Genesis, Exodus*Old Saxon: *Heliand, Genesis*