

**Normal Transmission:  
The Paulicians and the Preserved Text**

# Who Were the Paulicians?

Acts 18:23

Acts 16:6

Acts 15:41





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Bogomils, "Beloved of God"-  
Link to the Paulicians



# The Preserved Text

The four different Christian areas of the Roman Empire which produced their respective family of manuscripts

Western

Byzantine

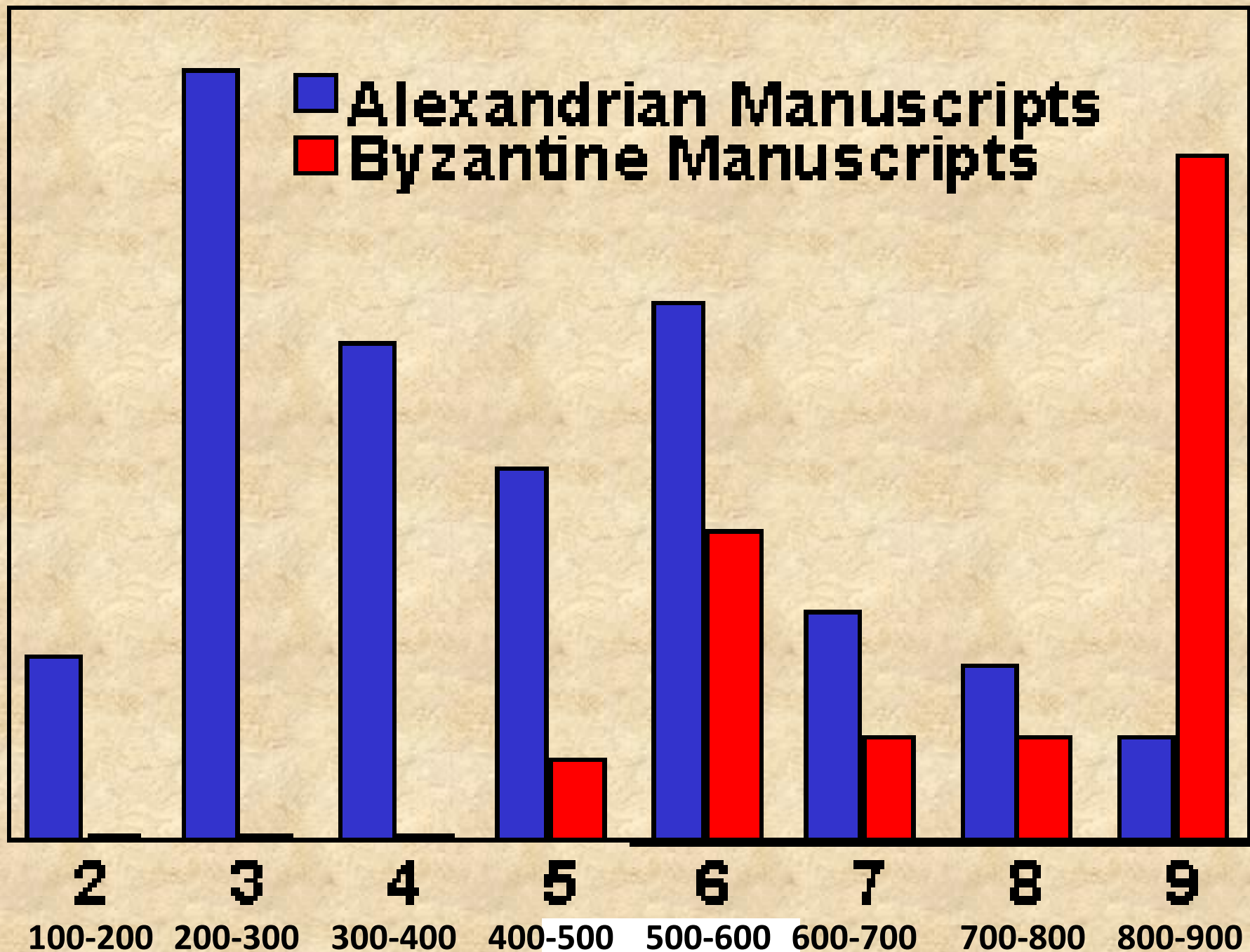
Caesarean

Alexandrian

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**# Manuscripts**

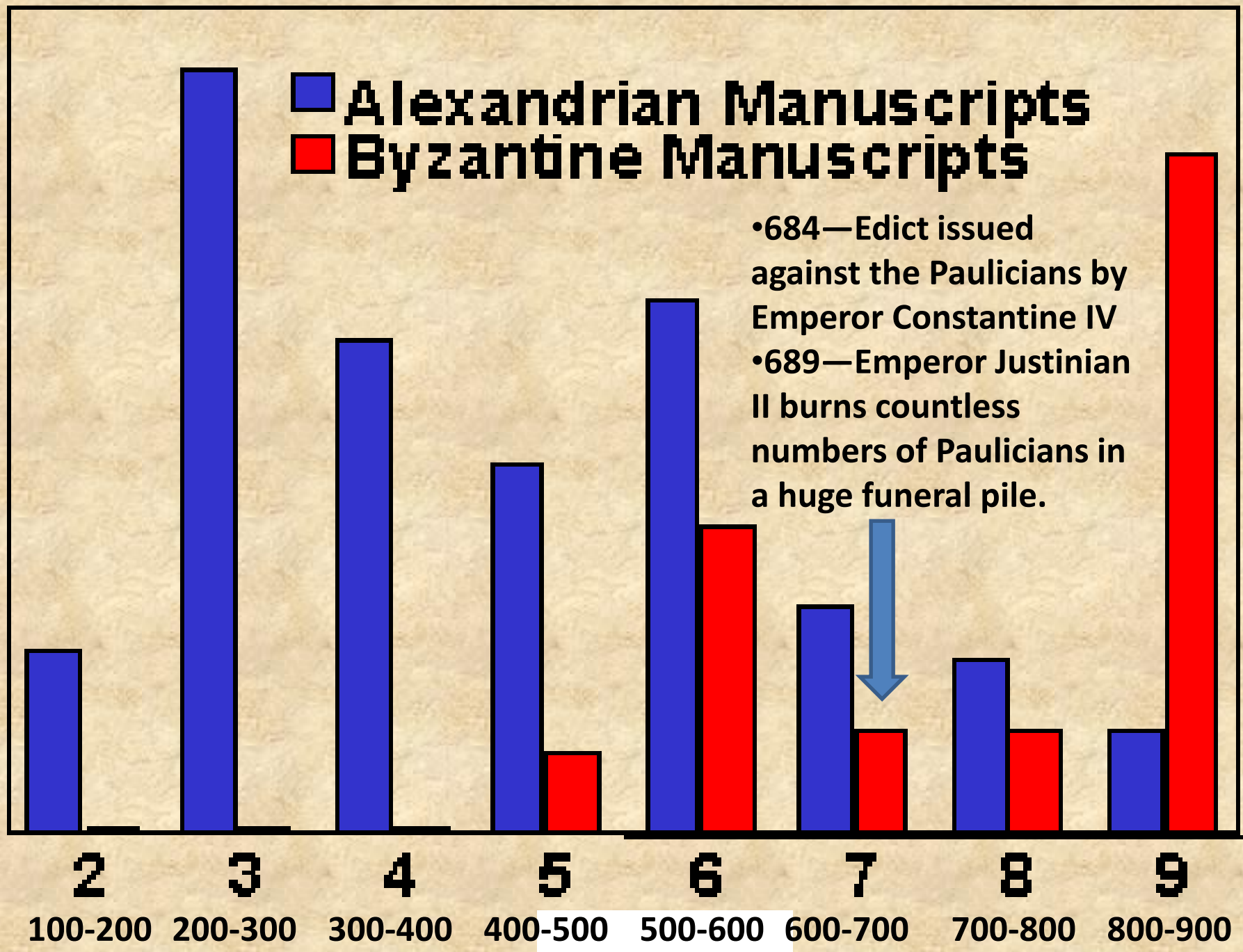
**Alexandrian Manuscripts**  
**Byzantine Manuscripts**



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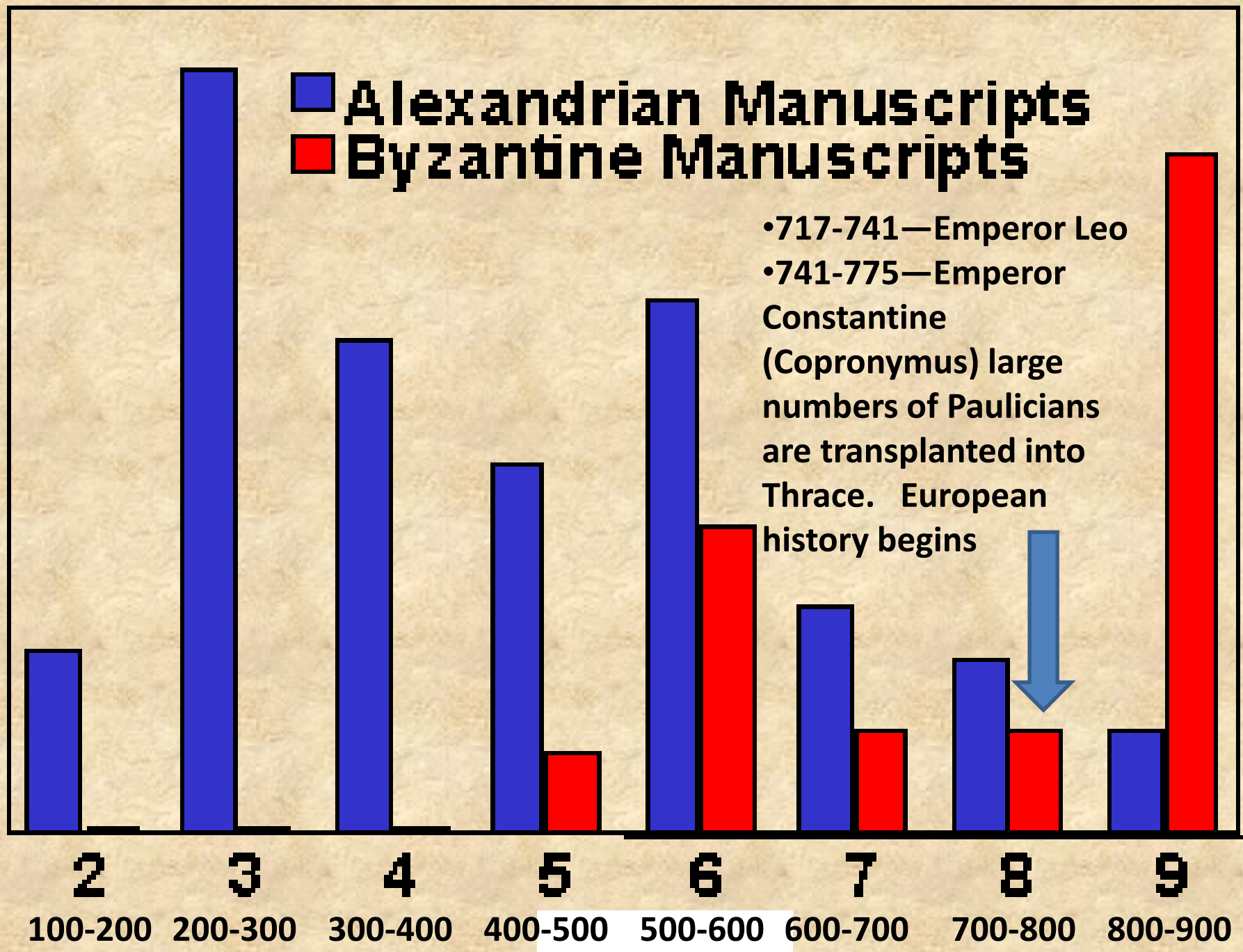
•684—Edict issued against the Paulicians by Emperor Constantine IV  
•689—Emperor Justinian II burns countless numbers of Paulicians in a huge funeral pile.



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Alexandrian Manuscripts  
Byzantine Manuscripts

•717-741—Emperor Leo  
•741-775—Emperor  
Constantine  
(Copronymus) large  
numbers of Paulicians  
are transplanted into  
Thrace. European  
history begins







Pontus Euxinus

RHODOPE

THRACIA

Mt. Asticus

Hadrianopolis

Nicaea

Arcadiopolis

Drousipira

Tzouroulou

Selymbria

Athyra

Byzantium

Perinthos

Mokapora

Rhaidestos

Bisanthe

Ganos

Tristasis

Myriophiton

Ainois

Kypsela

Plotinopolis

Aplrodisias

Cardia

Lysimechia

Paktye

Kallipolis

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Samothrake

Aigois Pelagos

Sestos

Lynnos

Tenedos

Propontis

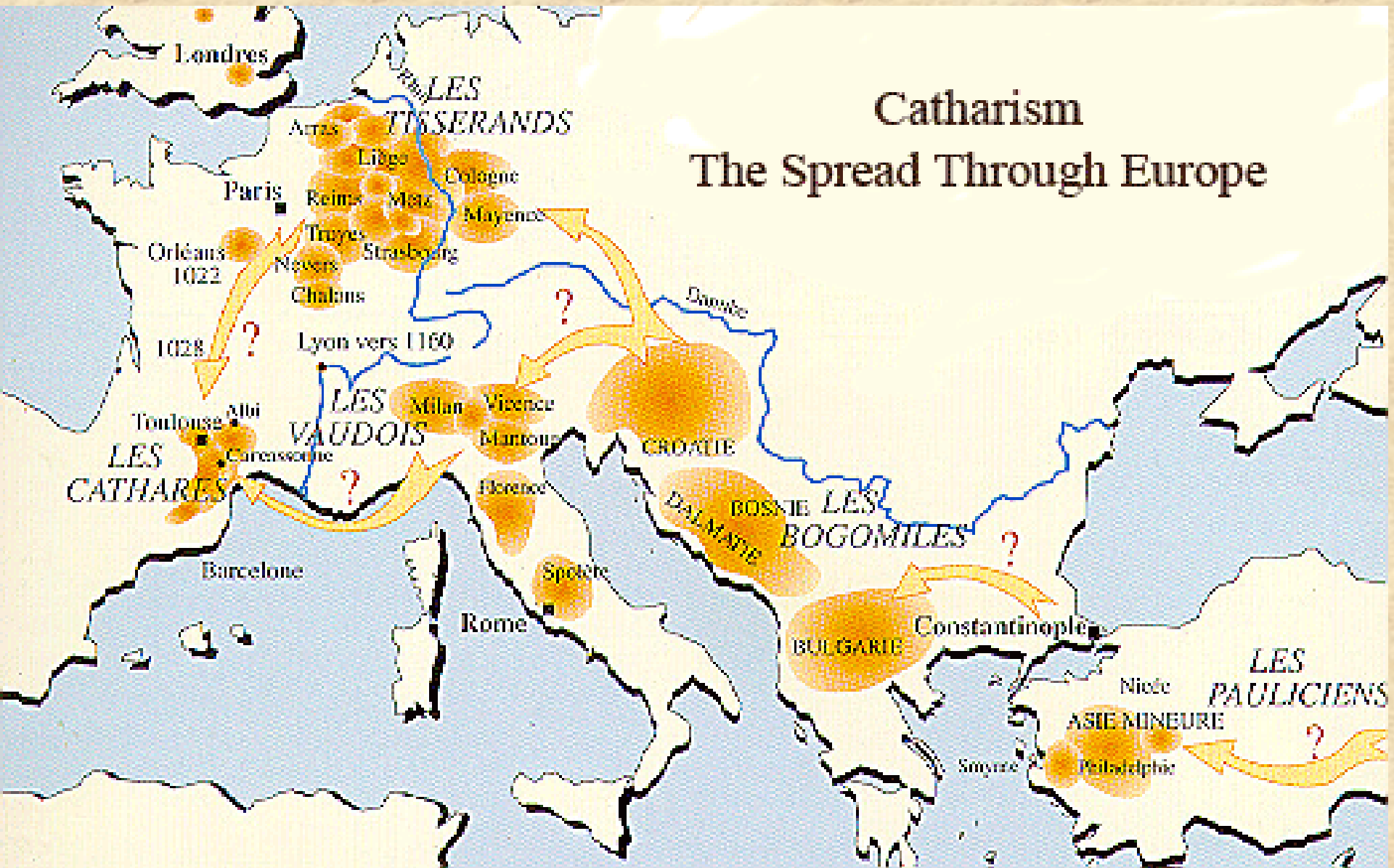
BYTHINIA

MYSIA



TROAS

# Catharism

## The Spread Through Europe



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 Alexandrian Manuscripts  
 Byzantine Manuscripts

•842—Massive persecution under Empress Theodora.  
•In the 10<sup>th</sup> century (900s) the Byzantine Text rebounds because the Paulicians were transplanted into Eastern Europe in the 8<sup>th</sup> Century.

