

**Patristics/Early Christianity Exam**  
**(ca. Origen to Gregory the Great)**

**Primary Sources:**

Athanasius, *Life of Anthony*  
Athanasius, *On the Incarnation*  
Augustine, *City of God*  
Augustine, *Confessions*  
Augustine, *On the Trinity* (books 7, 8, 15)  
Basil, *On the Holy Spirit*  
Benedict, *Rule*  
Cyprian, *On the Unity of the Church*  
Cyprian, *On the Lapsed*  
Cyril of Alexandria, *On the Unity of Christ*  
Cyril of Jerusalem, *Catechetical Orations*  
Egeria, *The Pilgrimage*  
Eusebius, *Life of Constantine*  
Gregory I, *Book of Pastoral Rule*  
Gregory Nazianzen, *Orations 27-31*  
Gregory of Nyssa, *On the Life of Moses*  
Gregory of Tours, *History of the Franks*  
Origen, *On First Principles*

Stevenson (ed.), *Creeds, Councils, and Controversies*

**Secondary Sources:**

Ayres, *Nicaea and its Legacy*  
Behr, *The Way to Nicaea*  
Brown, *Making of Late Antiquity*  
Brown, *Body and Society*  
Cameron, Averil, *Christianity and the Rhetoric of Empire*  
Clark, *Reading Renunciation*  
Colish, *Medieval Foundations of the Western Intellectual Tradition* (ch. 1-4)  
Crouzel, *Origen*  
Dunn, *The Emergence of Monasticism*  
Frend, *The Rise of Christianity*  
Kelly, *Early Christian Doctrines*  
Leyser, Conrad, *Authority and Asceticism from Augustine to Gregory the Great*  
Markus, *The End of Ancient Christianity*  
McGuckin, *Cyril of Alexandria and the Christological Controversy*  
Milburn, *Early Christian Art and Architecture*  
Miles, *Rereading Historical Theology before, during, and after Augustine*  
Jonathan Z. Smith, *Drudgery Divine*  
Studer, *Trinity and Incarnation: The Faith of the Early Church*