

Challenges to the Papacy

Complete this handout with your group as you review article 21, "Challenges to the Papacy," in the student book.

1. In the fourteenth century, what three things weakened the temporal (secular) power of the papacy?
2. With which Pope did the power of the papacy begin to decline? When did he reign?
3. How did the kings of England and France seek to wield authority over the Church? What was the Pope's response to this action by the kings?
4. How did the Pope end up living in Avignon, France, instead of Rome?
5. Catherine of Siena was a mystic. What does this mean?



