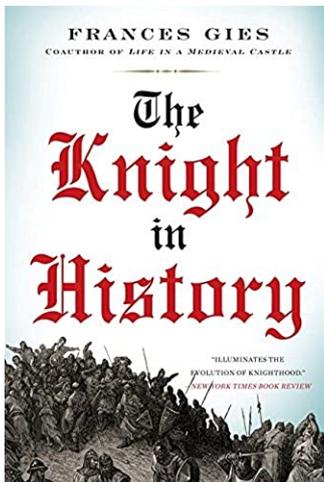


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The image of the knight holds a particular fascination in the modern imagination as the embodiment of the independent warrior, privileged member of. I am doing Ulrich an injustice, for he was in fact an exemplary knight in the Western chivalric tradition. He started off as a nobody from impoverished minor nobility in an obscure part of Germany, rising from court page and squire in a respectable household to full knight with a landed estate. Through pluck and perseverance, as well as a strong sword-hand, he made his money and won his spurs at tournaments – a lot of them, which was an established method of social advancement for up-and-coming knights. Read *The Knight in History* right now for free with our 30 day trial! Come join our community of over 1 million readers and listeners. Born out of the chaos of the early Middle Ages, the armored and highly mobile knight revolutionized warfare and quickly became a mythic figure in history. From the Knights Templars and English knighthood to the crusades and chivalry, *The Knight in History*, by acclaimed medievalist Frances Gies, bestselling coauthor of *Life in a Medieval Castle*, paints a remarkable true picture of knighthood—exploring the knight’s earliest appearance as an agent of lawless violence, his reemergence as a dynamic social entity, his eventual disappearance from the European stage, and. Knight. Quite the same Wikipedia. Just better. Often, a knight was a vassal who served as an elite fighter, a bodyguard or a mercenary for a lord, with payment in the form of land holdings.[4] The lords trusted the knights, who were skilled in battle on horseback. Knighthood in the Middle Ages was closely linked with horsemanship (and especially the joust) from its origins in the 12th century until its final flowering as a fashion among the high nobility in the Duchy of Burgundy in the 15th century. Main article: Military history. The Battle of Pavia in 1525. Landsknecht mercenaries with arquebus. Imperial, royal, noble, gentry and chivalric ranks in Europe. Emperor · Empress · King-Emperor · Queen-Empress · Kaiser · Tsar · Tsarina. High king · High queen · Great king · Great queen. King · Queen. Archduke · Archduchess · Tsesarevich. Grand prince · Grand princess Grand duke · Grand duchess. Prince-electors · Prince · Princess · Crown prince · Crown princess · Foreign prince · Prince du sang · Infante · Infanta · Dauphin · Dauphine · Król · Królowa · Jarl · Tsarevich · Tsarevna. While most historians agree that the Knights Templar fully disbanded 700 years ago, some people believe the order went underground and remains in existence to this day. In the 18th century, certain organizations, most notably the Freemasons, revived some of the medieval knights’ symbols and traditions. More recently, stories about the legendary Templars—that they dug up the Holy Grail while occupying the Temple Mount, for instance, or harbored a secret capable of destroying the Catholic Church—have found their way into popular books and films.