Abstract

The main topic of the thesis is to capture the fundamental problems of Kingdom of Jerusalem from 1099–1187.

The first part briefly outlines the political, religious and social situation in the period preceding the establishment of the Latin states in Palestine. It is also concerned about First crusade and the conquest of Jerusalem, by which is finished. The second chapter is focused on the origin of the Kingdom, on its growth, on internal and external problems, on the relationship with Muslim neighbors, with European Crusaders and with the Byzantine empire. It is also presenting the image of the people which formed this period. The chapter ends with the fatal battle of Hattin, which finished the first phase of the existence of Christian states in Palestine. The third chapter deals with realities of the Kingdom, its extent, society, trade and with life of the people from Holy Land. It also deals with relationship between the king and the nobility.

Keywords

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