Feudalism

Warm Up:

Write your own definition of what loyalty is:

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After the fall of the Roman Empire, promises of loyalty became a critical element of western European society.

**Directions: Read page 20 in your History Alive textbook and answer the following questions.**

1) What did feudalism provide for people in the Middle Ages? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2) Complete the chart with the responsibilities and roles of each social group in feudalism.

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| Kings |  |
| Lords or Nobles |  |
| Knights |  |
| Peasants/Serfs | What is a peasant?What makes a serf different from a free peasant?  |

3) What is a manor? Why were they self-sufficient? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4) How were people sorted into these different groups?

Feudalism Video: Social Structures in the Middle Ages

1. Write down important facts or responsibilities about each of the following groups. What does each one do? Anything not mentioned in the reading?

King (video says lord):

Lord (video says vassal)

Knights (video says vassal A, B)

Peasants/Serfs-

2) What are some important differences between upper and lower class women in the Middle Ages?

3) Why would the host state that feudalism more like a series of relationships than a government structure?