

bishop was simply the principal pastor in each town or city church, with his associate council of presbyters, corresponding to the municipal governments under which they lived. The early episcopacy was not sacerdotal, but governmental—bishops were not looked upon as priests. Everything indicates that the Episcopate arose out of the Presbyterate. Non-episcopal ordination was very largely recognized by the bishops of the Church of England in the early days of the Reformation; nor did any leading divine claim that episcopal authority was of the essence of the Church.

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