

3a. Pépin the Short	3b. Arcadius
3.1. Ruled for 14 years from 754 (anointed by Stephen II) to 768 A.D. (year of his death) [124]	3.1. Ruled for 13 years in 395–408 A.D. (see above)
3.2. Anointment similar to ancient kings of Israel and close union of God with elected officials (<i>ibid.</i>)	3.2. Described both in God-contending (Israeli) and God-praising (Judaic) chronicles as Joash God-contending and Jehoran God-praising (the Bible)
3.3. Chronicles exceptionally attentive to religious reform. Pope Stephen II, head of Western church hierarchy, extremely influential. This pair is unique in Carolingian history. Pépin promised to obey pope (<i>ibid.</i>)	3.3. Chronicles exceptionally attentive to great prophet John Chrisostom and his enormous influence on Arcadius' entire policy during his rise c. 400 A.D. (see above). This pair is unique in Eastern Empire's history of 4–7th cc. A.D.
4a. Charlemagne	4b. Theodosius II
4.1. Ruled for 46 years in 768–814 A.D. [124]	4.1. Ruled for 42 years in 408–450 A.D. (see above)
4.2. Greatest Carolingian ruler. No reign since Theodosius the Great so brilliant and so embodying idea of empire. Often written as <i>Carolus</i> , or simply "king". Charlemagne = Great King	4.2. Rather mediocre ruler. In spite of long rule, strangely few particulars. Theodosius I, officially titled the Great (as well as Charlemagne) and who ruled 13 years earlier, should be mentioned. Bulk of documents describing Theodosius' I rule possibly ascribed to Charlemagne and Theodosius I the Great
4.3. Proclaimed Roman emperor (<i>ibid.</i>)	4.3. "Romaic" emperor
5a. Carloman	5b. Constantine III, or Leo II
5.1. Ruled for 3 years in 768–771 A.D. [124], ([124*], p. 134)	5.1. Ruled for 4 years in 407–411 A.D. (see above). Leo II ruled for 1 year
5.2. Co-ruled with Charlemagne, started co-ruling at Charlemagne's enthronement	5.2. Co-rule with Theodosius I (Charlemagne's analogue) started with Theodosius' enthronement
5.3. Meaningful name: Carloman = Charle-magne?, i.e., Charles the Great. <i>Magne</i> means "great"; "g" not pronounced. Strange coincidence with co-ruler' name, possible reflection of	5.3. Constantine III has the same name as Constantine the Great, one of greatest emperors. Like "Charle-magne", he also was Roman emperor. At any rate, purely formal