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LIFE AND TIMES OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE SHORT COMPARATIVE CHRONOLOGY

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CONTEMPORARY EVENTS

1st Stage: FIRST STEPS ON LIFE'S PATH

Birth in Reims.	1651	Opening of Saint-Sulpice, Paris.
Admission to College des Bons-Enfants.	1660	Pascal's "Conversion."
	1661	Death of St. V. de Paul and Mazarin. Louis XIV begins personal style rule.
De La Salle receives clerical tonsure.	1662	Establishment of Gobelins tapestries.
	1664	Abbé de Rancé reforms the Trappists. Molière stages "Tartuffe." English capture New Amsterdam and rename it New York.
De La Salle becomes canon of the Cathedral of Reims.	1667	Milton's "Paradise Lost."
De La Salle receives minor orders.	1668	La Fontaine: 1st collection of Fables. Birth of François Couperin.
Admission to Saint-Sulpice.	1670	Dom Pérignon invents champagnisation of wine.
Death of Madame de La Salle.	1671	
Death of M. de La Salle.	1672	Dutch 7 years war begins.
	1673	J. Sobieski drives the Turks from Poland. Conflict between Louis XIV and the Pope. Dutch take Martinique. Boileau publishes "The Art of Poetry."
Ordination to the priesthood 9 April	1678	Birth of Vivaldi.

2nd Stage: THE UNKNOWN ROAD

Meeting with Adrien Nyel	1679	
He invites schoolmasters to dine with him.	1680	Foundation of the Comédie française.
He lodges the schoolmasters in his own house.	1681	
He goes to live with them in the rue Neuve.	1682	Louis XIV moves the palace to Versailles. French occupy Louisiana. Newton discovers Law of Gravity.
He resigns his canonry.	1683	Birth of Jean-Philippe Rameau.
Winter; he gives away his fortune.	1684	Death of Corneille.
Adrien Nyel returns to Rouen.	1685	Revocation of the Edict of Nantes. Birth of J.S. Bach and Handel.

1st Assembly of the principal Brothers.	1686	War of the League of Augsburg. 8 years.
Seminary for country schoolmasters in Reims.	1687	Denis Papin invents the steam engine.
He arrives in Paris with two Brothers.	1688	La Bruyère publishes "Characters." Peter the Great Czar of Russia. Greenwich observatory founded.
Vow of association and union with Brothers Drolin and Vuyard.	1691	Racine produces "Athalie."
Novitiate in Vaugirard.	1692	Christianity permitted in China.
	1693	Famine throughout France.
Assembly of the Brothers. Approval of Rule. Vows of obedience, association and stability with 12 of his principal disciples.	1694	Voltaire born in Paris. Death of Antoine Arnauld, principal Jansenist theologian.
	1696	Gold discovered in Brazil.
Opening of chapel at Vaugirard.	1698	Royal edict making attendance at school obligatory.
2nd seminary for country schoolmasters. Sunday school. School for Irish boys.	1699	
 <i>3rd Stage: STORMS</i>		
	1701	War of the Spanish Succession.
Two Brothers sent to Rome.	1702	Beginning of Camisard rebellion.
Beginning of legal actions against de La Salle.	1703	Foundation of St. Petersburg - Leningrad.
Closure of the seminary for country schoolmasters.	1704	Death of Bossuet. English take Gibraltar.
Two Brothers to Rouen. Novitiate.	1705	Tunisia. Founding of Husseinite line.
Parliament of Paris forbids de La Salle to keep schools for the education of the poor.	1706	
Novitiate back in Paris.	1709	In France serious economic crisis following very severe winter.
First journey to Provence.	1711	Vivaldi's "concertos."
 <i>4th Stage: NIGHT JOURNEY</i>		
Second journey to Provence.	1712	Birth of J.J. Rousseau in Geneva.
De La Salle lost the law suit against Clément. Grenoble, Grande Chartreuse, Parmenie, "Dark night of the soul."	1713	Bull "Unigenitum" condemns Jansenism. Catholic missionaries expelled from Tonking.
 <i>5th Stage: TOWARDS THE LONG AWAITED ENCOUNTER</i>		
Back in Paris.	1714	
Return to Rouen.	1715	Death of Louis XIV, aged 77, reigned 54 years.
Brother Barthélemy Superior General.	1717	In Prussia abolition of slavery. Colombia becomes independent viceroyalty.

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