

**Kingdom of Anglo-Saxon Wessex
Reign of Alfred the Great**

European Continent

Rome - The Papal City

Pope John IX

Holy Roman Emperor

Arnulf of Carinthia

Frankish Coast

Lothar - Umar's Uncle

Hilary - wife of Lothar; Umar's Aunt

Celsa - daughter of Lothar & Hilary

The Britons

Capital and Court at Winchester
Alfred the Great - King of Wessex
Aethelwitha - Alfred's Queen

Children

Edward the Elder, Aethelflaed
Aefthryth, Aethelgifu, Aethelweard

The Queen's Confessor

Father Damian

The King's Army

Brantson - Commander

Bryce - First Officer

Court School

Brother Frederic

Burh of Wareham

Lord Stephen - Commandant

Elizabeth - wife of Lord Stephen

Gabriel - son of Stephen & Elizabeth

Oriana - daughter of Stephen & Elizabeth

Concordia - daughter of Stephen & Arista

Emidus - son of Stephen & Arista

Winifred - Concordia's servant

Diera - love interest of Umar

Father Osmund - Abbey priest

Muslim Hispania - Emirate of Cordova

Valencia

Idris & Hadaya - governing family

Málaga

Thayer - son of Idris & Hadaya

Sharif - Thayer's henchman

Nadia - love interest of Thayer

Bashir - Nadia's henchman

Yara - slave & love interest of Jafri

Saracen Pirates

Chad - leader

Dean & Liban

Jafri - love interest of Yara

Marbella

Umar - fisherman