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Medieval period is also called the middle ages. It started from 5th to 15th century. Medieval drama was therefore preceded by Greek and Roman drama and followed by Elizabethan drama. Medieval drama arose from the ashes of Roman Drama just before it evolved into medieval Drama. Some critics describe it as degenerate theatre and its disappearance during the barbaric invasion of the sixth century was the immediate aftermath of that degeneration.

The drama that emerged after the degeneration was the product of the church, born out of the desire to suppress certain infamous elements of past dramatic traditions and out of the desire of the fashion drama, dramaturgy and service along ecclesiastical lines of propagation of the Christian faith.

The beginning of medieval church sermon and mass which had some medieval receives impetus from the religious troupe gave birth to a new form of drama prevalent during the medieval era. The Renaissance period is therefore, means the period of cultural rebirth. Renaissance age is marked with a number of intentions, the invention of printing press.