

CLOAK - FOR PEOPLE WHO HAD MUCH RICHES OR HIGH POSITIONS IN THE GOVERNMENT OR IN THE CHURCH

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The simlah was very heavy and quite clumsy. It was worn by people who did active work. See Research Card - **CLOAK** - For Men Who Did Active Work. The wealthy and educated people, princes and priests did not wear a simlah over their tunic coat. These men usually wore a kind of long loose coat for their outer garment. This was called a meil.

This coat made a man look very dignified. The sleeves of this coat were wide. A man did not wear a girdle to hold this coat close to his body. The coat hung loose. Sometimes the front of the coat was trimmed with fur or velvet.

This coat was made of beautiful, costly material. Often it was embroidered with gold threads. Purple and scarlet were the favorite colors for important people.