

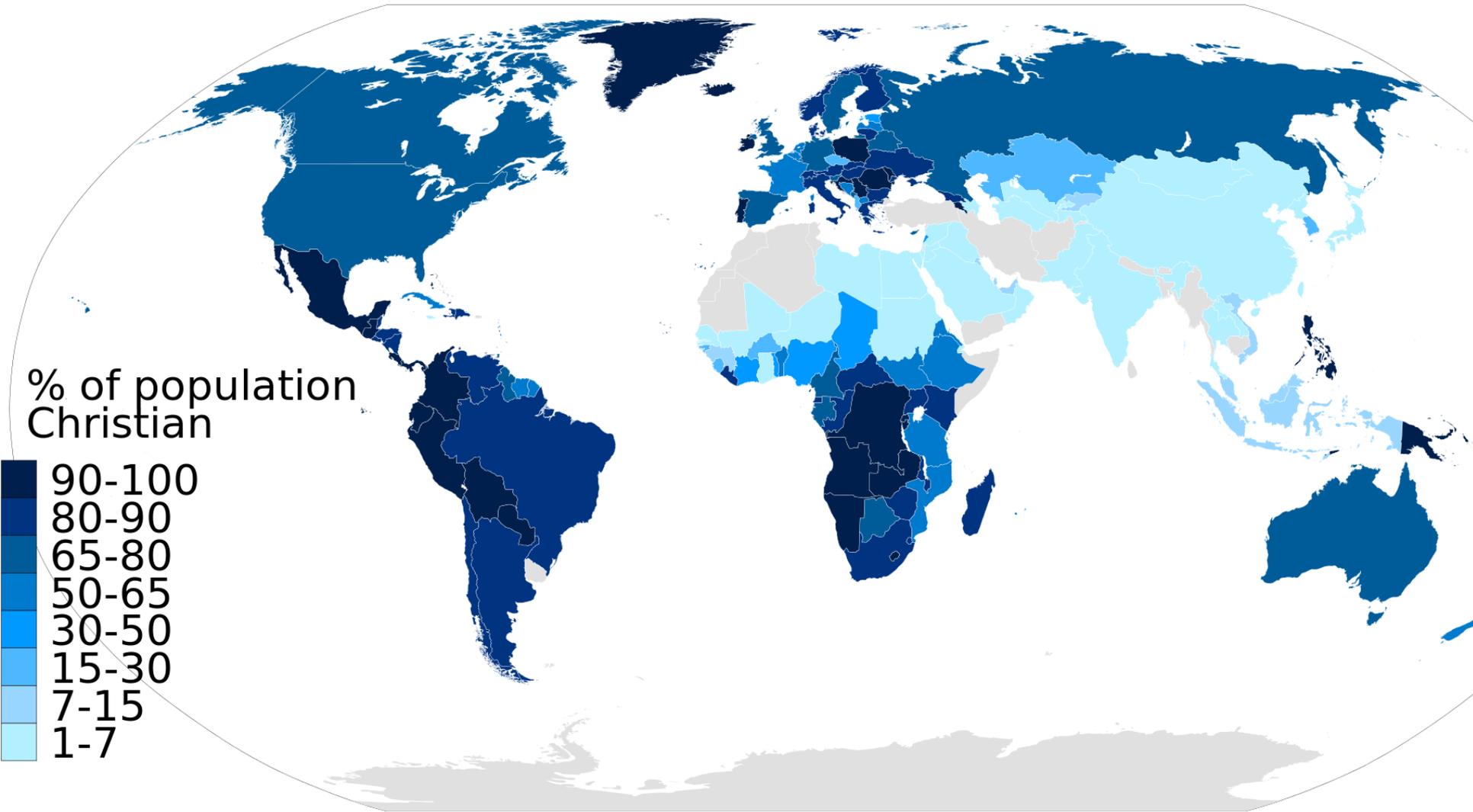
Take out your purple exit ticket from class & finish it up

7	Feudalism & Manorialism
8	Life in Medieval Europe DBQ (pink)
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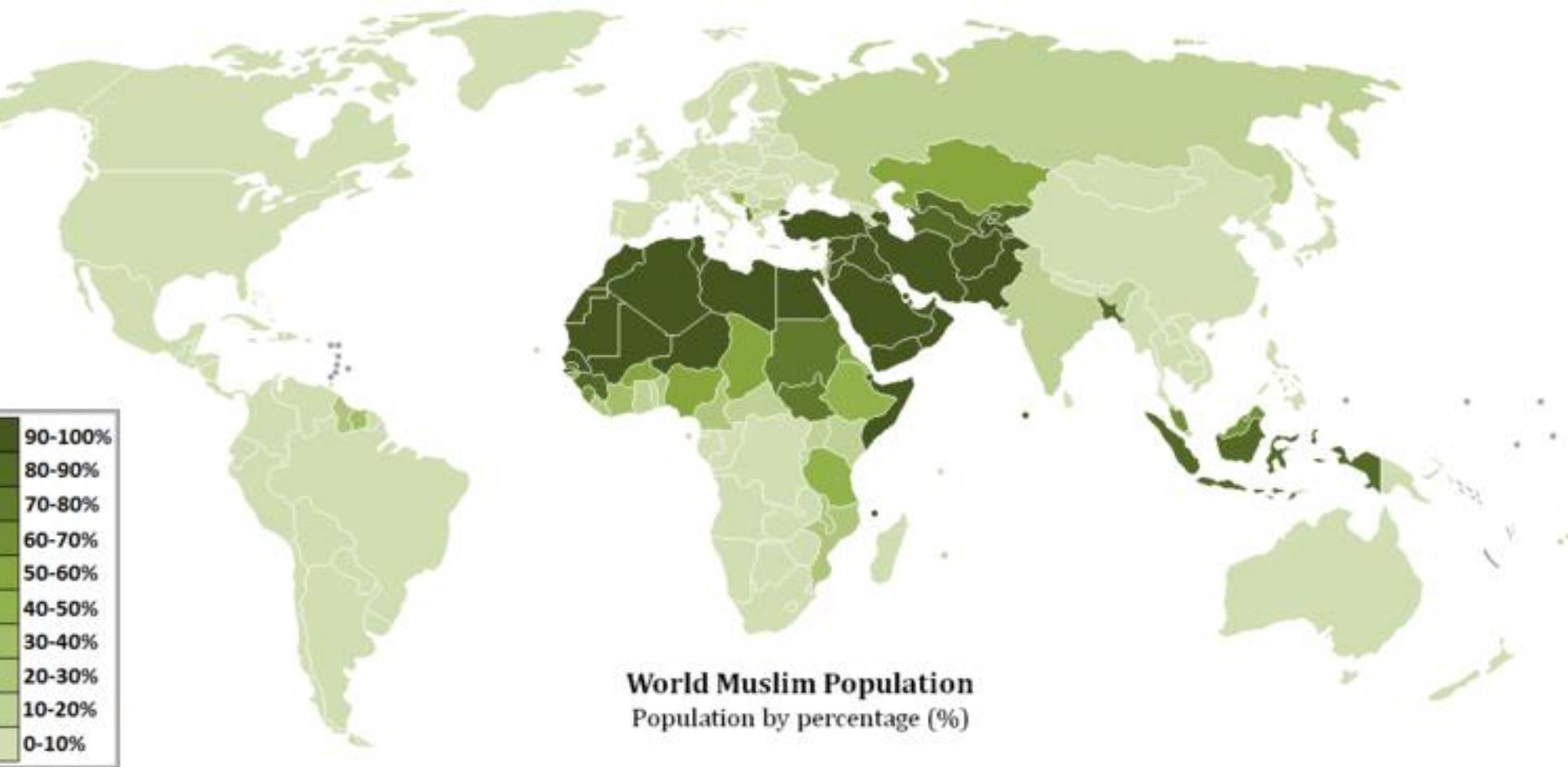
1. Christianity - 2.1 billion followers
2. Islam - 1.3 billion followers
3. Hinduism - 851 million followers



% of population
Christian

- 90-100
- 80-90
- 65-80
- 50-65
- 30-50
- 15-30
- 7-15
- 1-7

Map by Tracy M. Hunter



World Muslim Population
Population by percentage (%)



Islam Pre-Test



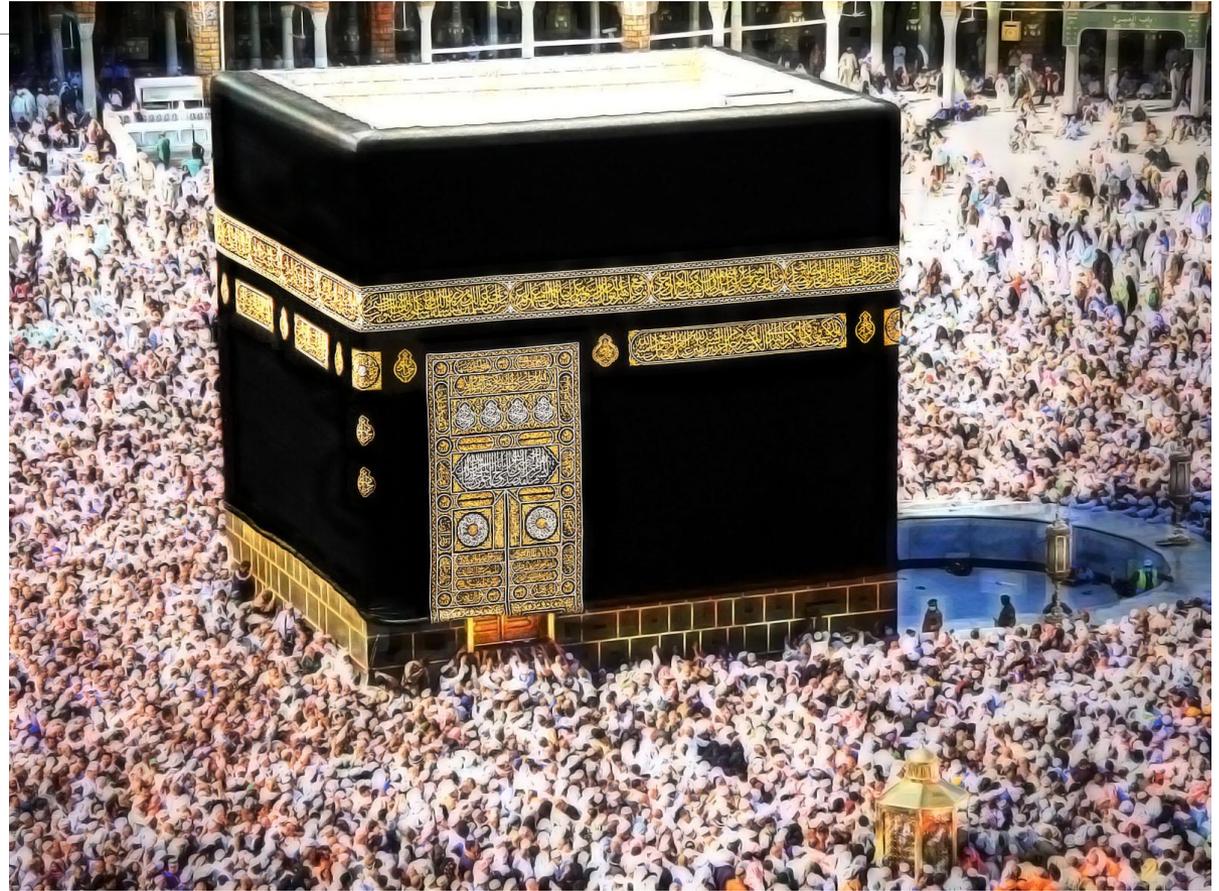
1. “Allah” is the word for “God” used by Arabic-speaking Christians, Jews, and Muslims.

True

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2. Muslims bow towards the east when they pray.

False



3. The largest Muslim population of any country in the world is ...

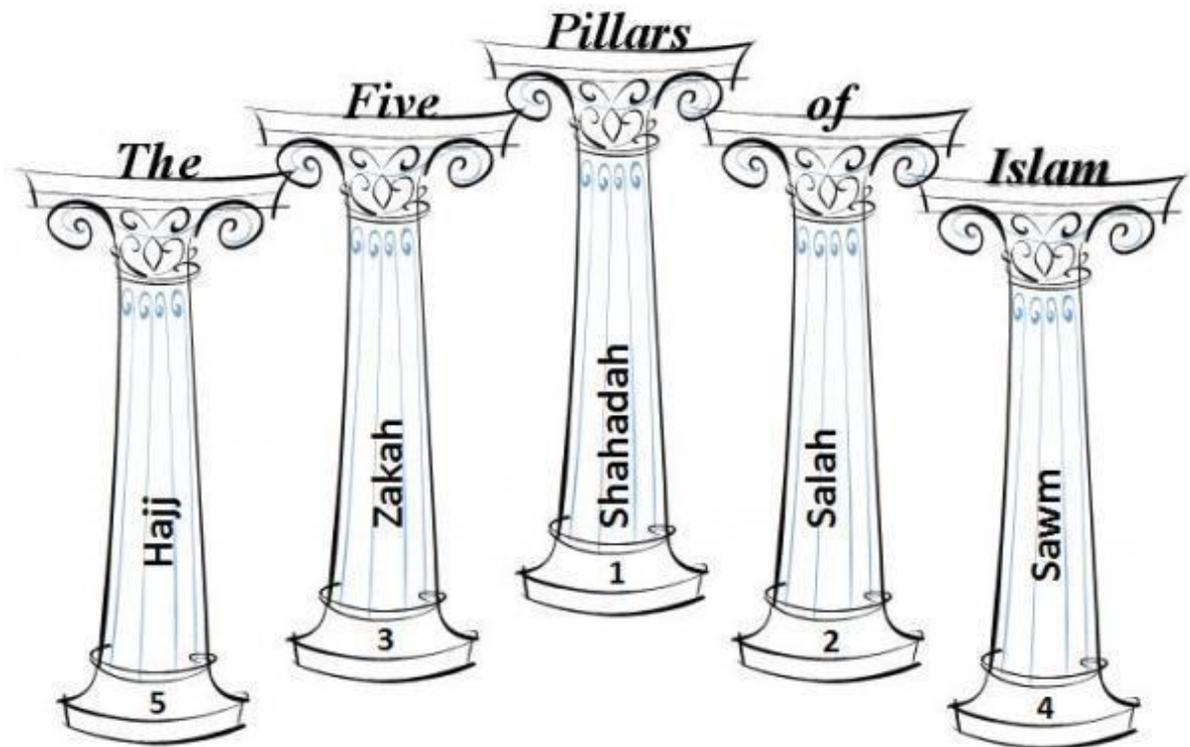
Indonesia



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4. Giving charity is a requirement of Islam.

True



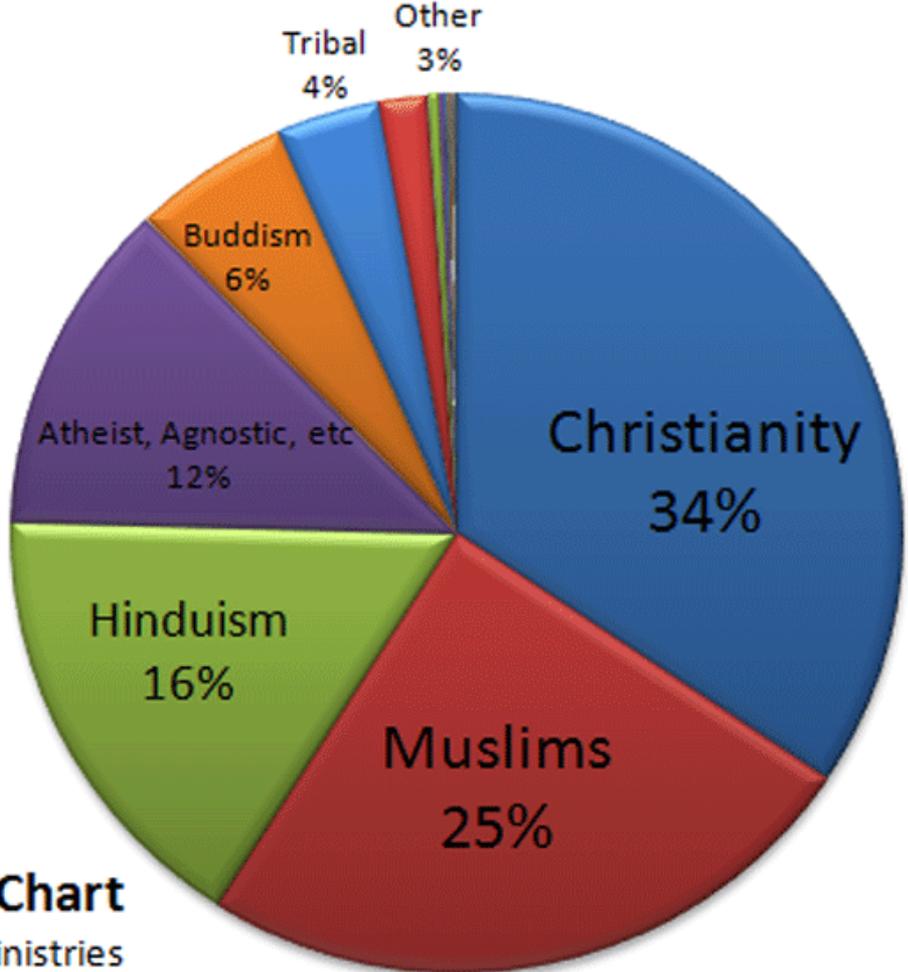
5. Muslims worship on Sundays

False



6. Islam has more followers than any other religion except Christianity.

True



World Religions Chart
Reclaiming the Mind Ministries
2009

	Islam	Judaism	Christianity
Abraham is important figure	✘	✘	✘
Jesus is important figure	✘		✘
Muhammad is important figure	✘		
Discourages pictures or statues of religious leaders	✘	✘	
Wine is an important part of ritual			✘
A monotheistic Middle Eastern religion	✘	✘	✘

	Islam	Judaism	Christianity
Prohibits eating pork	X	X	
Followers read a holy book	X	X	X
Accepts stories of Adam and Eve as part of tradition	X	X	X
Regards Jerusalem as a holy city	X	X	X
Has a creation story about God creating the universe out of nothing	X	X	X

The Start of Islam & the Islamic Empire



The Beginnings of Islam

610 AD: a new monotheistic religion began- Islam

- Founded by the prophet Muhammad
- Islam began in what is now Saudi Arabia

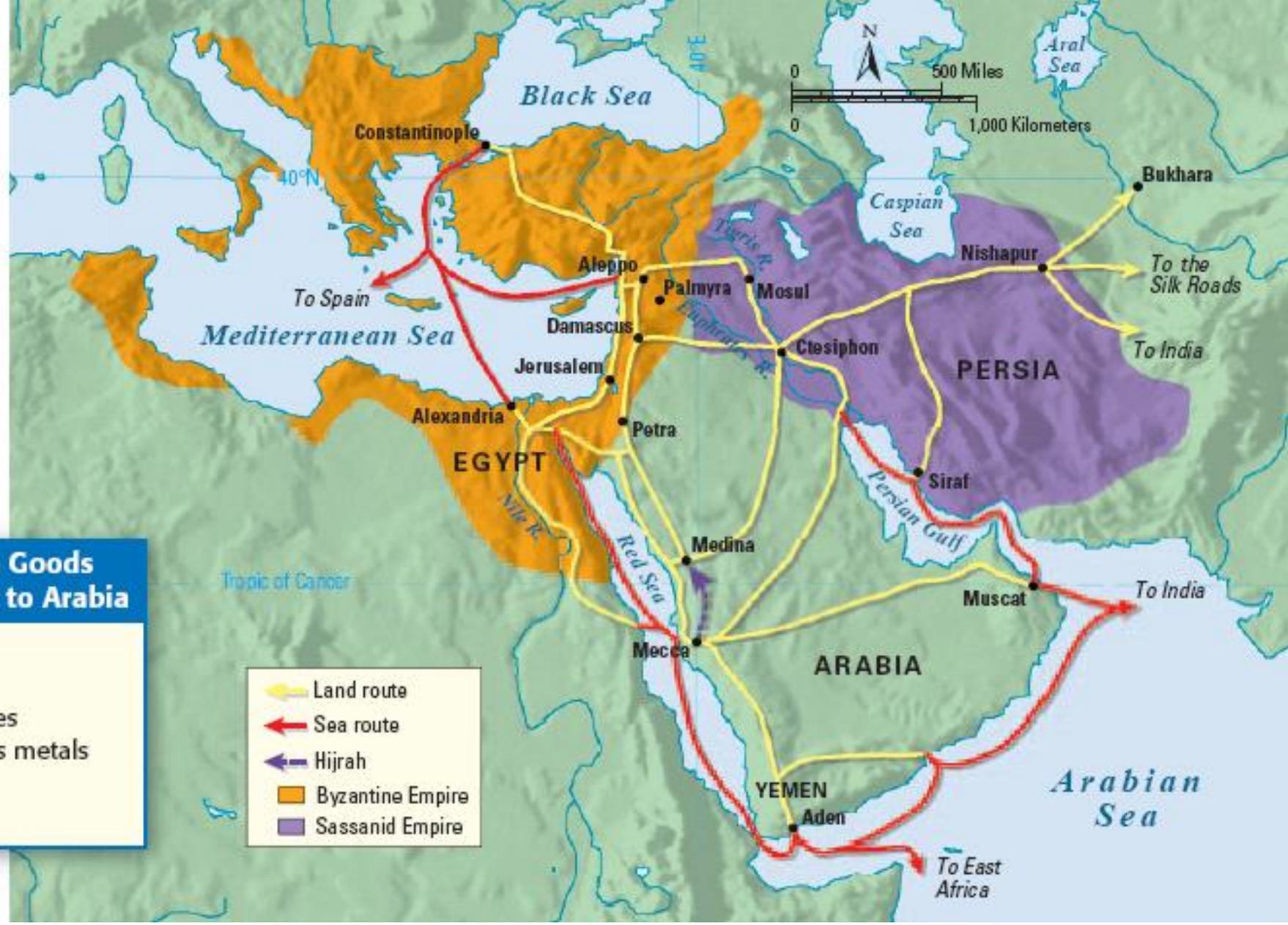
Arabia Before Islam

- Polytheistic people
- Local tribes & clans with various traditions
- Not united under one government
- Located at the crossroads of Africa, Europe, Asia
= important location for trade & extensive cultural diffusion
- Major trading cities

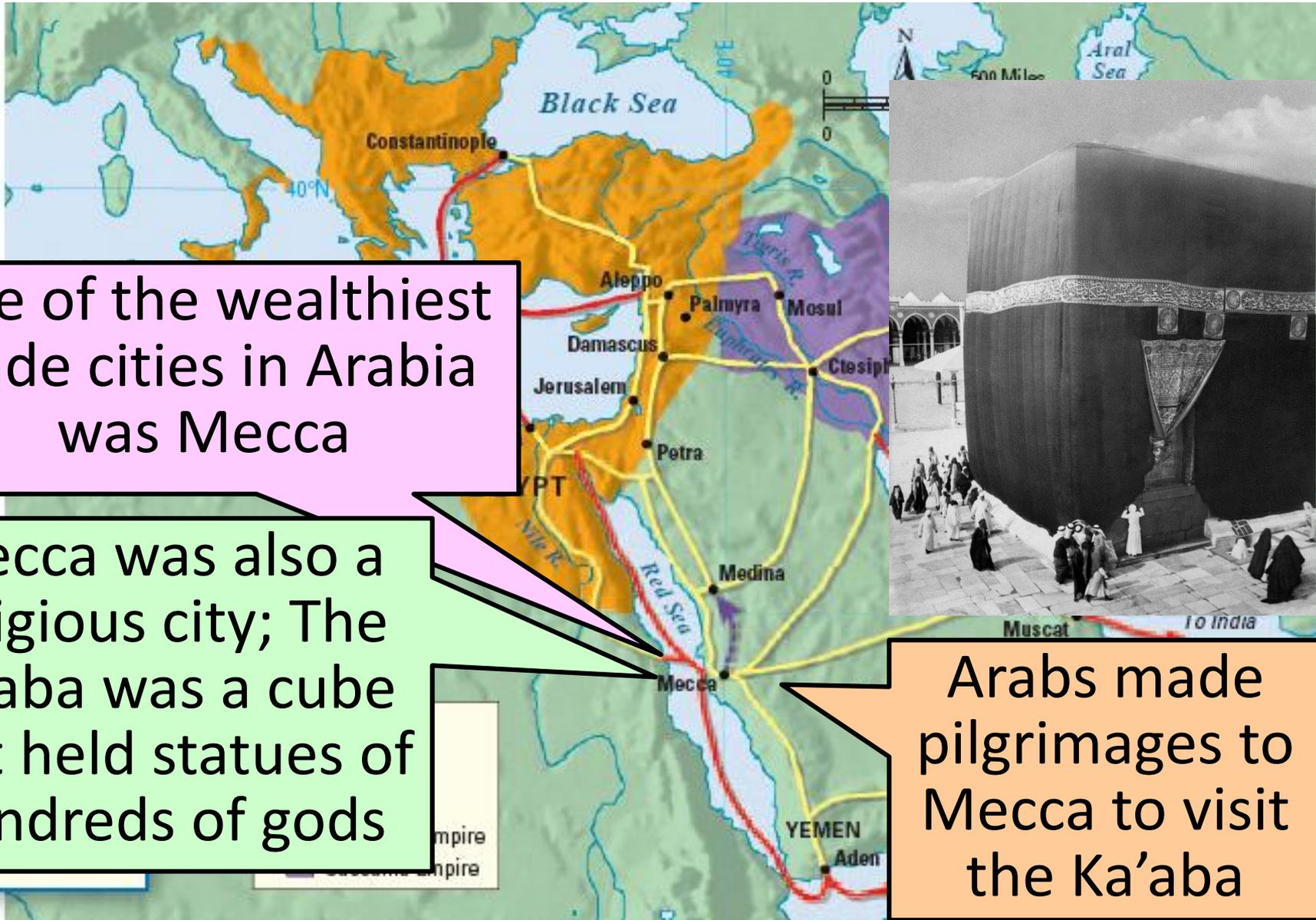
Trade Goods brought to Arabia

- spices
- incense
- perfumes
- precious metals
- ivory
- silks

- Land route
- Sea route
- Hijrah
- Byzantine Empire
- Sassanid Empire



The City of Mecca



One of the wealthiest trade cities in Arabia was Mecca

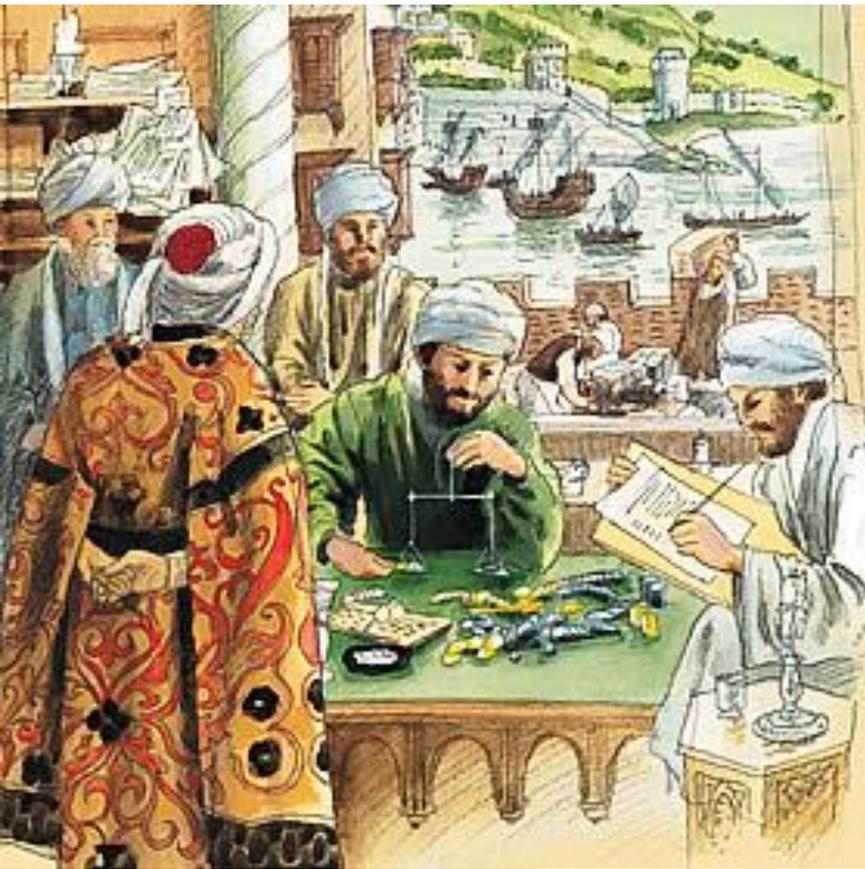
Mecca was also a religious city; The Ka'aba was a cube that held statues of hundreds of gods

Arabs made pilgrimages to Mecca to visit the Ka'aba

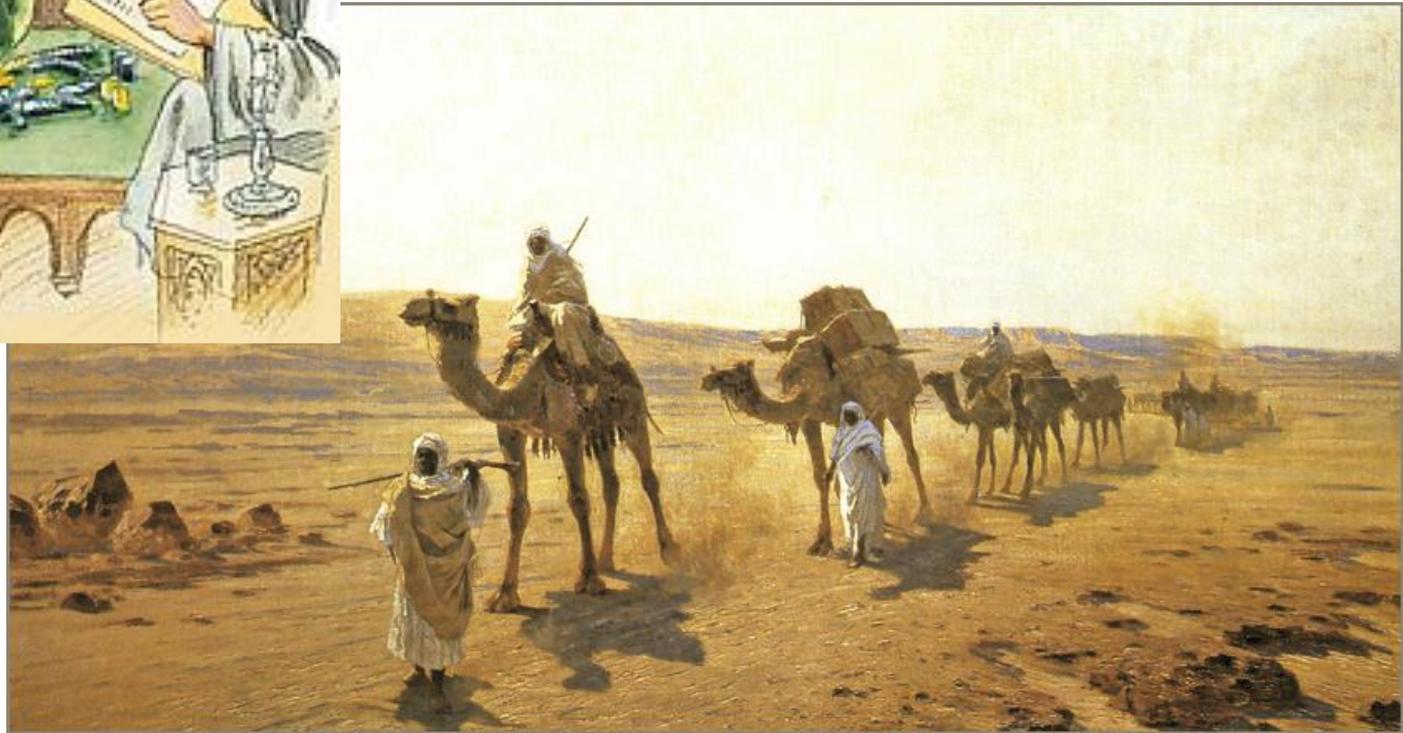
Mecca Today



Who was Muhammad?



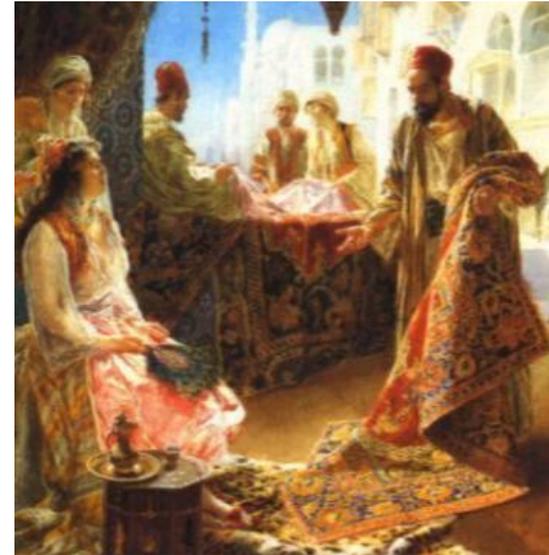
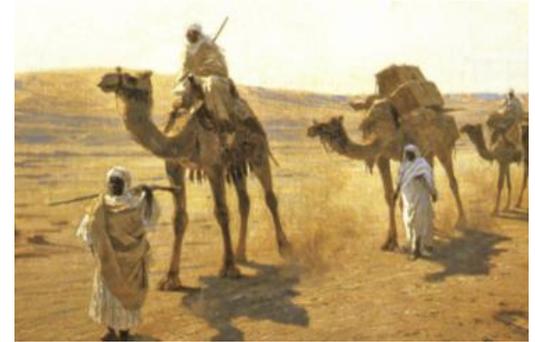
PBS: Documentary, Islam- [Empire of Faith](#)
History Channel: Biography [clip](#)



The Early Life of Muhammad

Muhammad's early life:

- He was born in Mecca in 570 into a poor clan, orphaned at a young age & was raised by his uncle
- As an adult, Muhammad became an honest & successful merchant
- He married a wealthy widow & started a family
- What happened to Muhammad in 610?



Mohammad & the birth of Islam

According to Islam:

- In 610: Muhammad was told by the angel Gabriel that he was a prophet sent to Earth by God
- He began preaching a new monotheistic faith called Islam (“surrender to God”)



Islamic Beliefs: The 5 Pillars

Shahadah	<u>Profession of faith</u> : “there is no god but Allah, and Muhammad is the messenger of Allah
Salat	<u>Pray 5 times daily</u>
Zakat	<u>Alms (charity)</u> to benefit those in need
Sawm	<u>Fasting during the month of Ramadan</u>
Hajj	<u>Pilgrimage to Mecca</u>

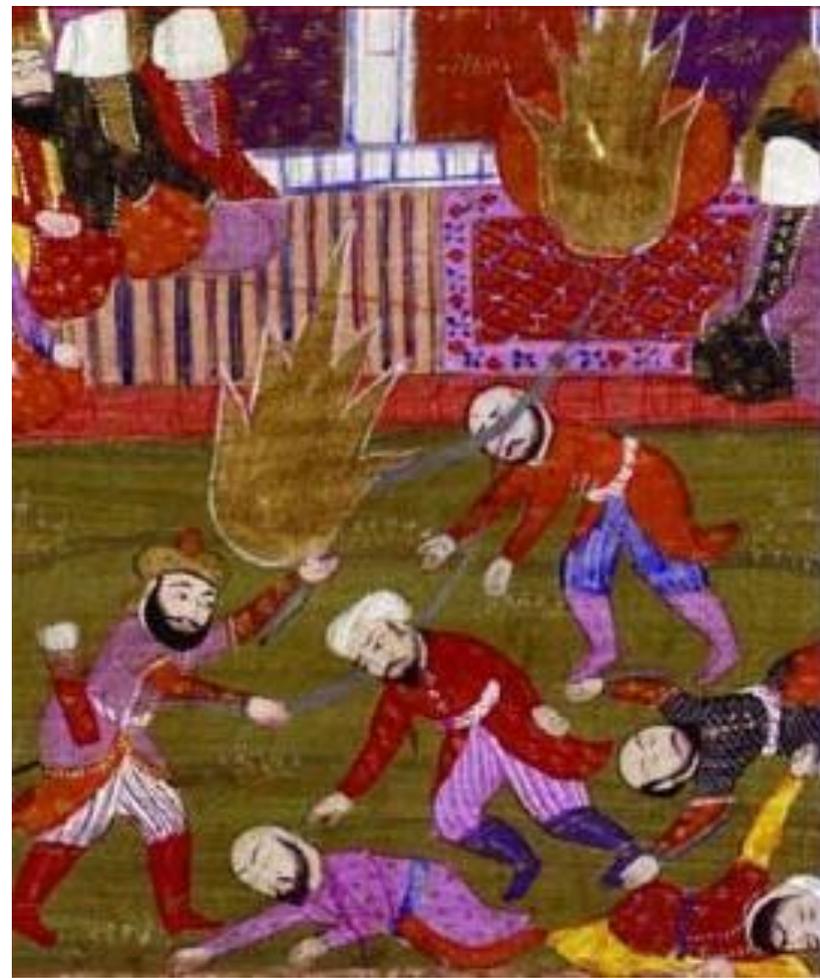
How did some people respond to Muhammad's new religion?



The Hijrah

Reactions to Islam:

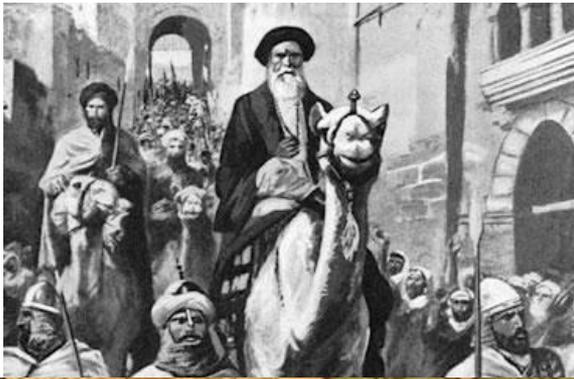
- By 613, Muhammad began preaching his new ideas in Mecca, hoping to convert people
- Many resisted Islam
- Muhammad & his followers fled to the city of Medina
- Gained more followers there



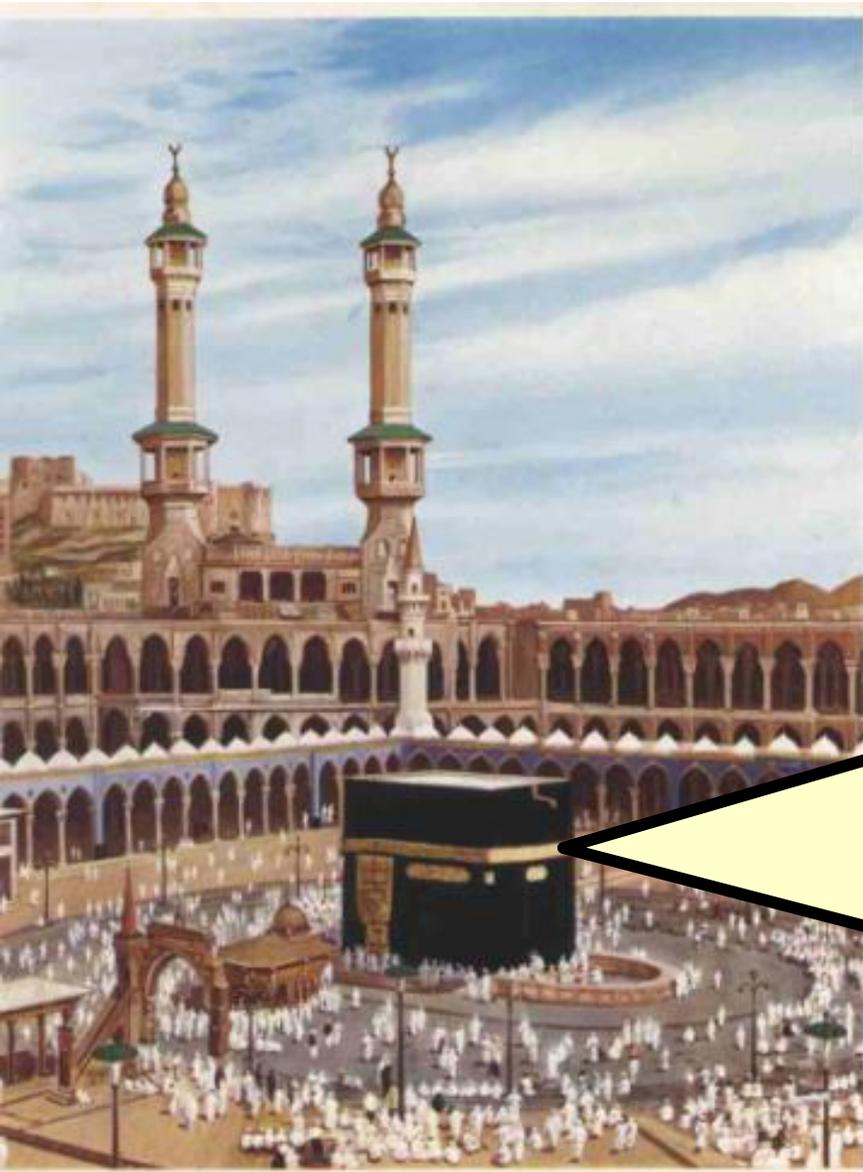
Return to Mecca

In 630, Muhammad returned to Mecca with 10,000 troops & conquered the city

- He destroyed the polytheistic statues in the Ka'aba, leaving only the statue for Allah
- This time, the people in Mecca converted to Islam
- In 632, Muhammad died



What did Muhammad do after he gained converts & returned to Mecca?



Shia/Sunni Split

Muhammad dies,
dispute over who
should be the next
caliph

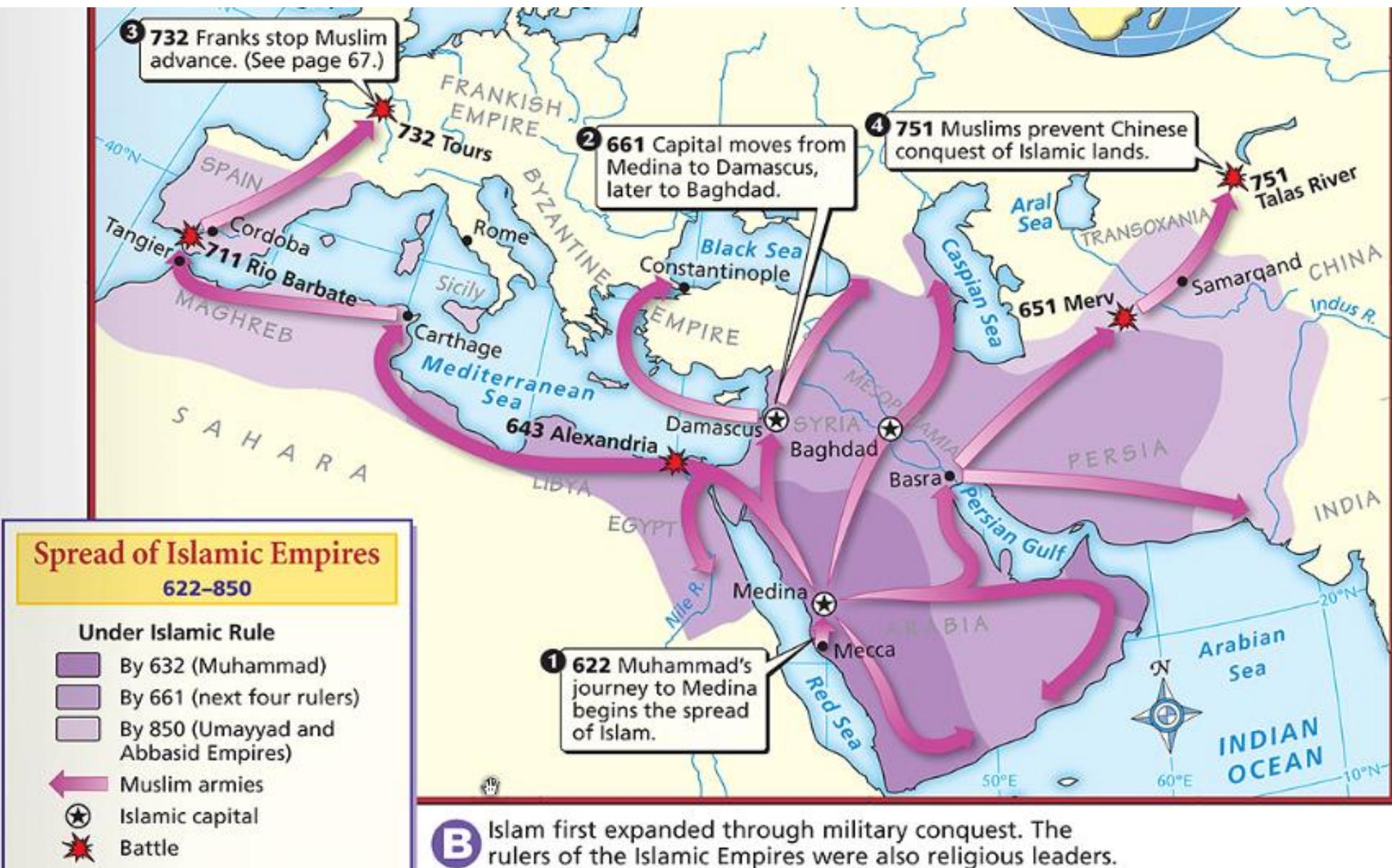
Sunni

believe Abu Bakr,
Muhammad's friend &
advisor, was the first
rightful leader (caliph)

Shia

believe Muhammad's
cousin & son-in-law
Ali was the first
rightful caliph (leader)

What happened to Islam after Muhammad's death?

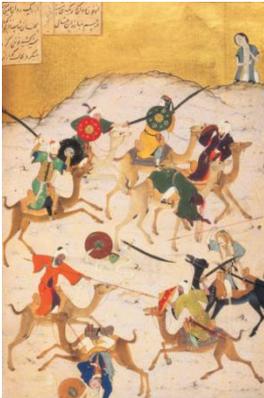


B Islam first expanded through military conquest. The rulers of the Islamic Empires were also religious leaders.

The Islamic Empire: A Brief Overview

Islamic empire, or caliphate, grew quickly

- Expanded rapidly & grew immense
- Islam spread on the Silk Road & trans-Saharan trade routes
 - LOTS of trade!!



- Religious tolerance- let conquered people keep their beliefs
 - Women had more rights than in most parts of the world
- Culturally & politically unified many ethnicities
 - Persians, Arabs, etc.
- Great wealth & major academic achievements
- Sharia- Islamic religious law

By 750 AD, Muslim leaders built a huge empire

The Islamic Empire connected diverse people politically- North Africans, Arabians, Persians, Asians were under one central government

Muslim scholars focused on learning & developed numerous cultural achievements that are still used today

3 732 Franks stop Muslim advance. (See page 67.)

Spread of Islamic Empires

622-850

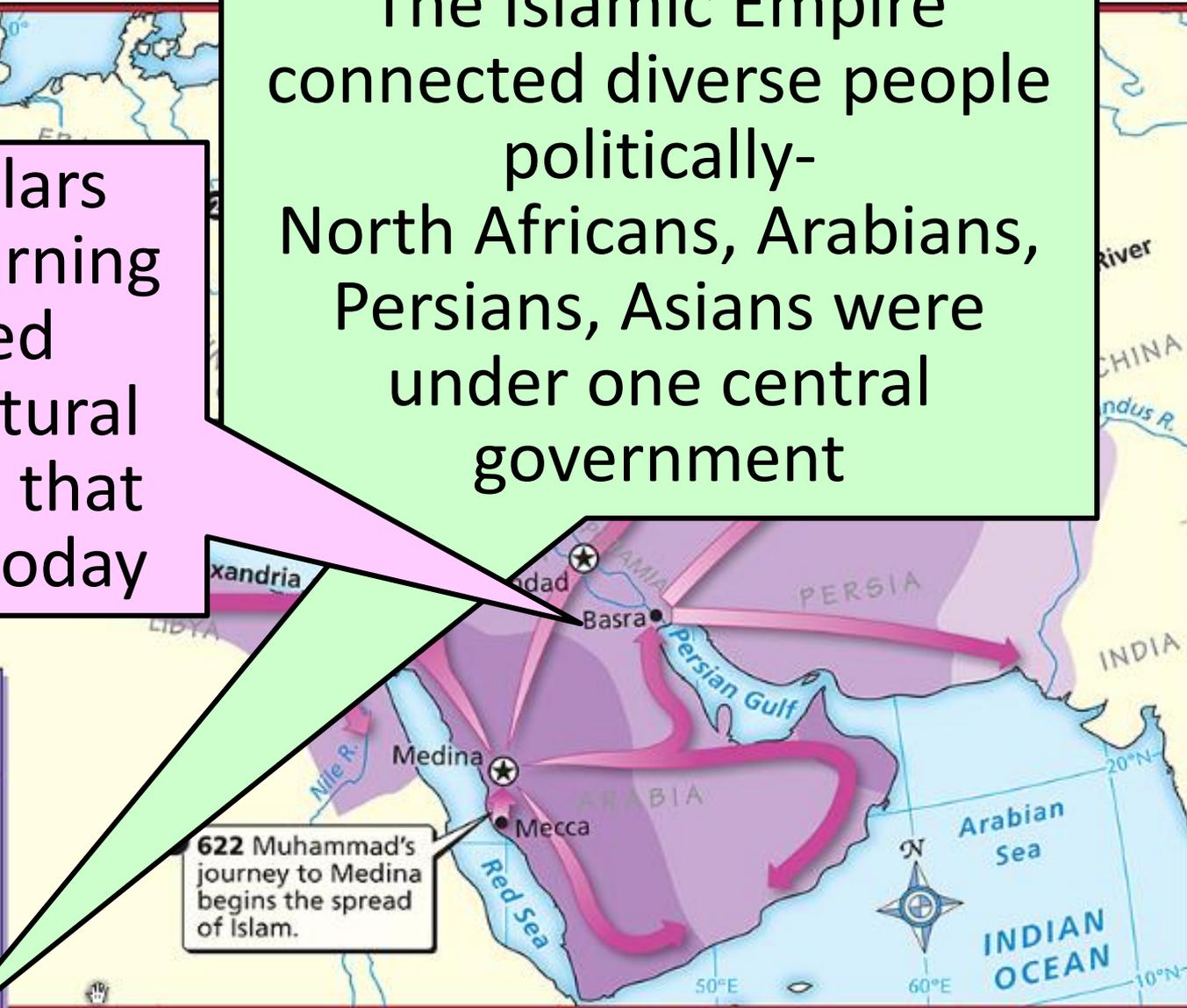
Under Islamic Rule

- By 632 (Muhammad)
- By 661 (next four rulers)
- By 850 (Umayyad and Abbasid Empires)

- Muslim armies
- Islamic capital
- Battle

622 Muhammad's journey to Medina begins the spread of Islam.

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Judaism, Christianity & Islam Comparison Assignment

Complete the chart using prior knowledge from
World Geography & the website

<http://tinyurl.com/hev5rz7> or

<http://tinyurl.com/yac4tzw6>

NOTE: The website lists the holy book under
“religious authority” and divisions under
“schisms” and leaders under “clergy”

Holy city for all: Jerusalem (Islam ALSO gets
Mecca)

Vocab Quizlet

<http://tinyurl.com/y8a2aqk3>