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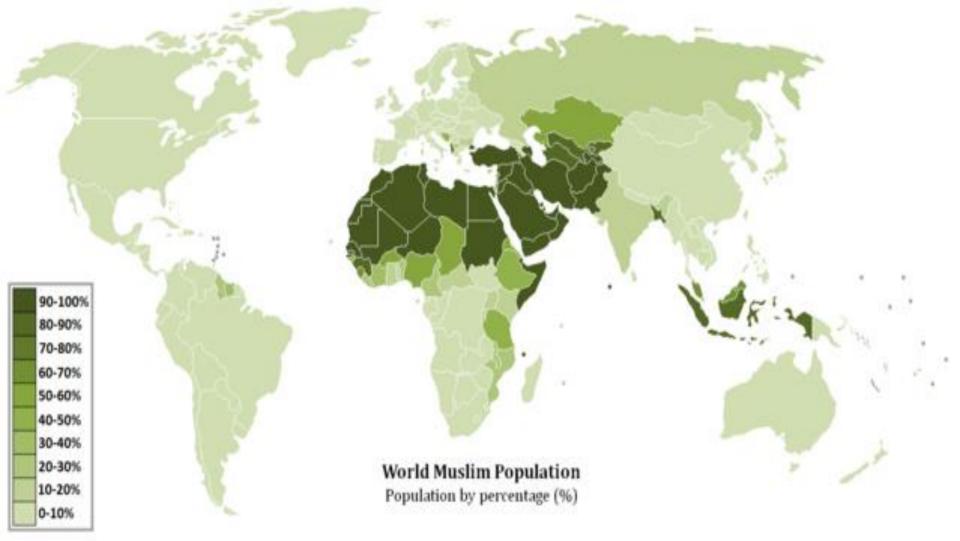












Percentages of Religions

Year	Christianity	Hinduism	Buddhism	Judaism	Islam	Other
1970	31.1%	24.9%	15.2%	15.6%	7.1%	6.1%
1980	31%	26.5%	15.2%	6.1%	14.8%	6.4%
1990	31.1%	28.1%	15.1%	5.7%	14%	6%
2000	31.4%	29.7%	14.9%	5.2%	13.2%	5.7%



Judaism Beliefs

- ❖ Believe in One God
- Don't believe in the idea of original sin
- ❖ Believe God made covenants/agreements with man
- Reject the idea that Jesus Christ is God manifest in the flesh

Judaism as a way of life

- Declaration of Faith saying: SHEMA
 - > "Hear, O Israel!: The Lord our God, the Lord is One."
- Pray 3 times a day
 - > Recite SHEMA= To "Our Father"
- No defined concept regarding eternal life
 - > Live in hope of the coming of a Messiah





Jewish Holy days

- Sabbath
- Passover
- Fifties or Feast of weeks
- The New Year's feast
- Hanukkah



Jewish Place of worship

- Temples in Jerusalem were a main place for worship, and offering of sacrifice but were eventually destroyed
- As a compromise for the temples that were destroyed, Synagogues were established all throughout the world





Jewish Traditions and Cultures

- Orthodox Jews
 - > Adhere strictly to the teachings of the Torah and **Talmud**
- Liberal Jews
 - > Regard Torah as a symbol and don't adhere to its teachings
- Conservative Jews
 - Take a middle ground between the groups above
 Use both English and Coptic in their services

The Relation between Judaism and Other Religions

- ❖ Believe they have a special relation with God through the Covenant
- Make no attempt to bring in others to joining their Religion
- Don't have a specific authoritative body/leader (for example Patriarch)





Origin of Islam

- **❖** Both Modern and Ancient
 - > Modern: Started past 7 AD
 - > Ancient: Ancient figures were included
 - Ex. Adam, Abraham, Moses, David, and Jesus
- ♦ Muslim God = Allah
- Islam: Coplete submission of every person to the true God "Allah"
- ♦ Muhammed = Founder of Islam
- Quran = Islamic Book of Beliefs





Mohamed's life

- ♦ Born in 570 AD
- At 40 years old he felt Allah was calling him to be a prophet
- Preached in mecca
- Forced to Medina
- Instituted the Pilgrimage

 (Hajj) as a basic principle of
 Islamic Belief
- Died of illness in 632 AD



Five Pillars of Islam

Fasting in Compulsory Declaration Obligatory Pilgrimage the month of of faith giving to Mecca prayer Ramadan Giving to Charity زكاة شها دة صلاة صوم

What Muslims believe Mohammed to be

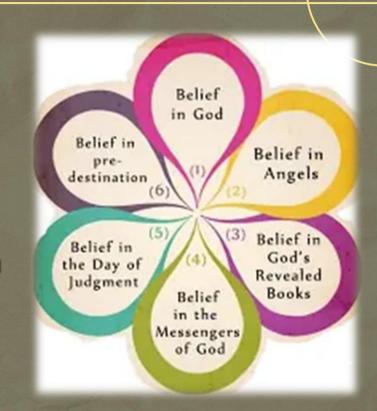
- ❖ The Final Prophet sent by Allah
 - No more messengers after him
- Founder of the Islamic nation in Medina
- Receiver of Allah's words during a revelation
 - Basis of the Quran





Islamic Beliefs

- There is only one God
- Must believe in all prophets sent by Allah
- Acknowledge there are Angels carrying Allah's messages
- Accept all books given by Allah
- Day of Judgement
- Each person's destiny is in Allah's Hands



Islam As a Way of Life

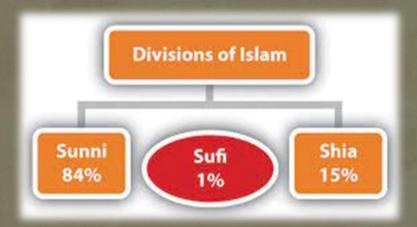
- Declaration of Faith saying:
 - "There is no God but Allah, and Mohammed is the messenger of God"
- Prayer 5 times a day
- Giving to the poor
 - > 2.5% of income
- **❖** Fasting during Ramadan
- Pilgrimage to Mecca (Hajj)



Kaaba Building, Mecca , Saudi Arabia

Present Muslim Sects

- **❖** 84% of Muslims are Sunnis
 - > Sunni's = Orthodox Muslims
- Shias = Believe Ali was the cousin of Muhhamed and Succeeded after his death
 - > 15% of Muslims
 - > Ismaili's = Branch of Shia
 - Regarded as radical
 - Extremist Muslims
- Sufis: Believe closeness to Allah is based
 on inner purification & Introspection
 - > 1% of Muslims



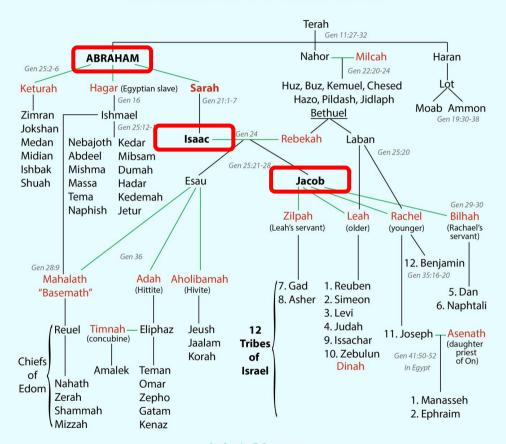


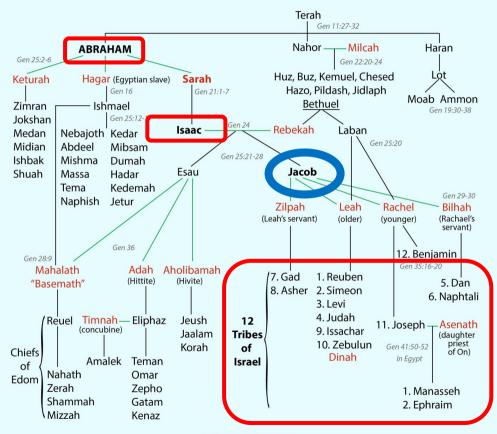




Judaism & Islam

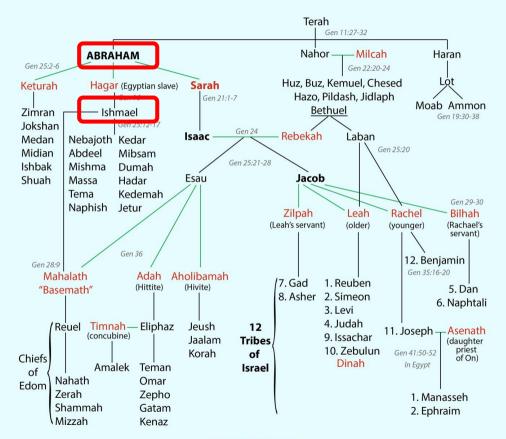
Comparative Theology





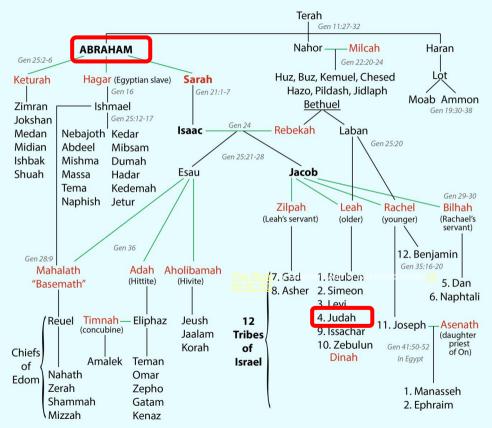


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Judaism, Islam & Christianity Agree on

- One God God of Abraham
- Special Relationship with God
- History of ancient Hebrews
- Importance of Prophets
- Religious is divided into sects
- Prayer occur during religious Service held in a Holy building
- Praying several times a day
- Jerusalem is a Holy City

Specific to Each Religion

	Judaism	Islam	Christianity
Started	2000 BC	610 CE	30 CE
Who is God	Yahweh	Allah	God or Father
Holy Book	Torah	Koran	Bible
Salvation	Through God (He hears the cries of His children)	5 Pillars to Attain Salvation	Christ Gave us Salvation on the Cross
Who is Jesus	Persecuted and Crucified Him	Jesus is a Prophet	Jesus is the word of God, He is God
Place of Worship	Synagogue is Holy Building	Mosque is Holy Building	Church is Holy Building
Main Prayer Day	Saturday	Friday	Sunday
Sacred Language	Jewish	Arabic	No Sacred Language
Sects	Reformed,ConservativeOrthodox	SunniShiaSufis	OrthodoxCatholicProtestant

Count Your Blessings

You are elect sons and daughters of God.
You have the power to overcome the adversary.

—PETER M. JOHNSON



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Questions

