

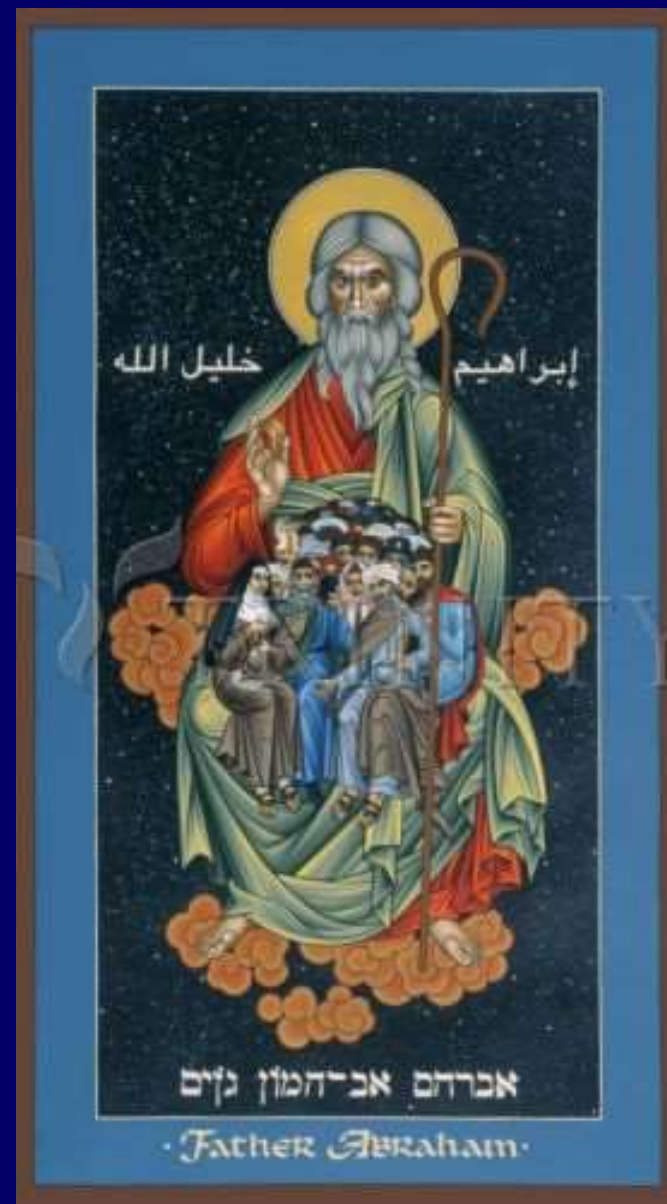
Understanding Islam

Pearls of the Indian Ocean

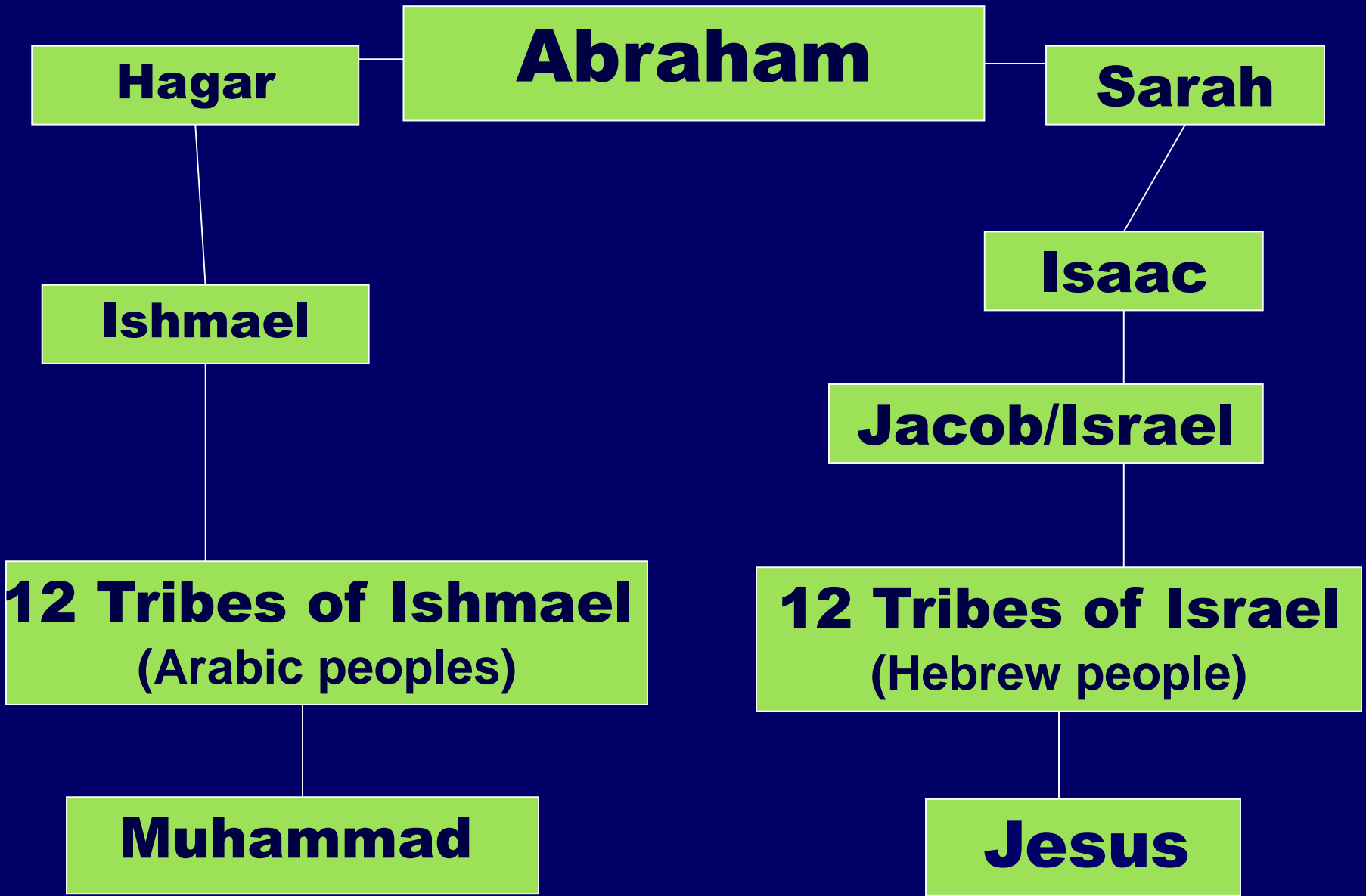
Windstar Cruises
Ross Arnold, Fall 2017

Pearls of the Indian Ocean Lectures

- *Introduction to Pearls of the Indian Ocean*
- *The Ancient Indus River Civilization*
- *Understanding Hinduism*
- *Understanding Other Indian Religions
(Buddhism, Sikhism, Jainism)*
- *India's Great Empires (Maurya, Gupta,
Mughal)*
- *British India – The Jewel in the Crown*
- *Gandhi and India's Struggle for Independence*
- *India's Spice Routes*
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Father Abraham – the world's first monotheist, and source of all three great monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

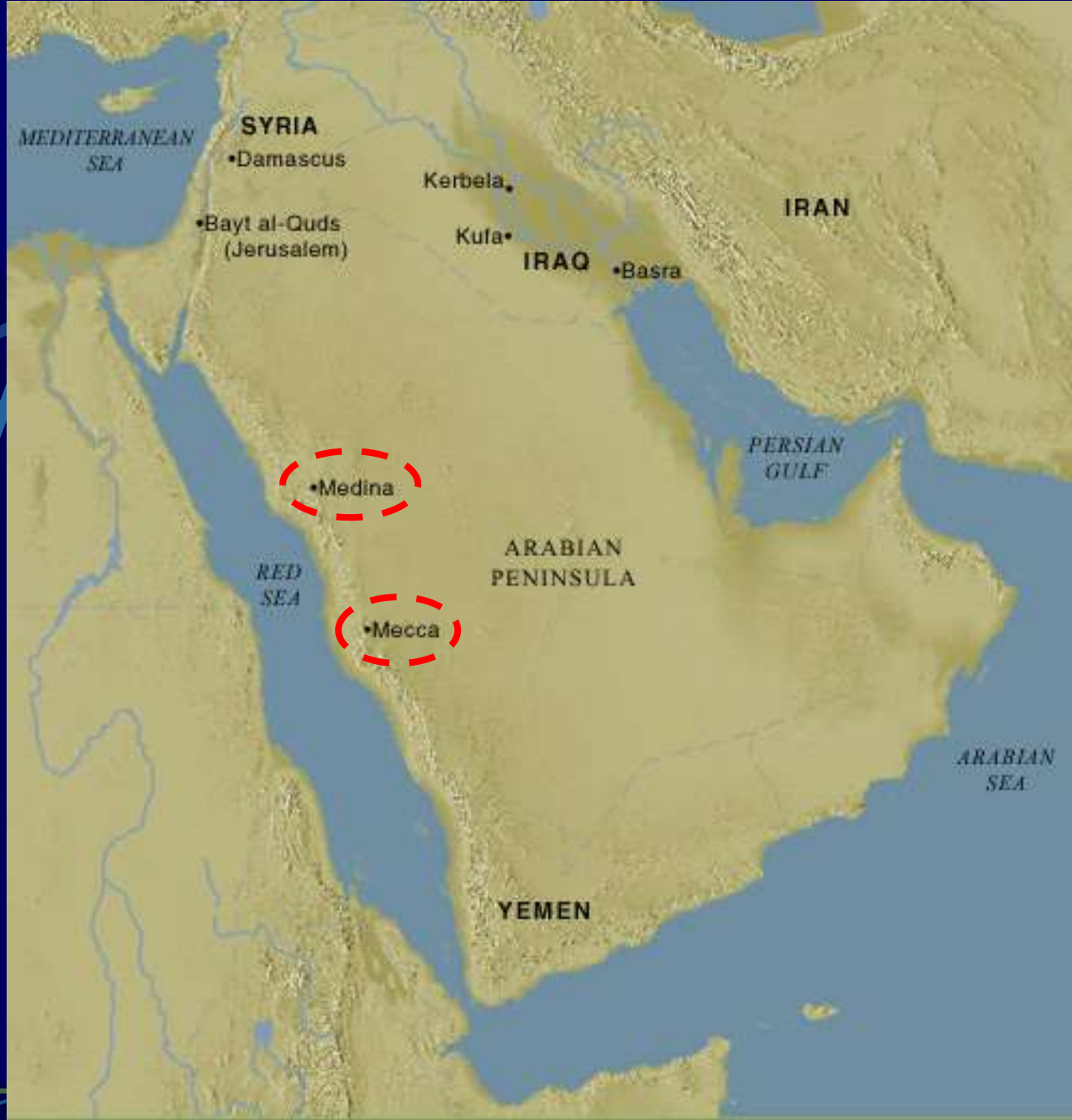


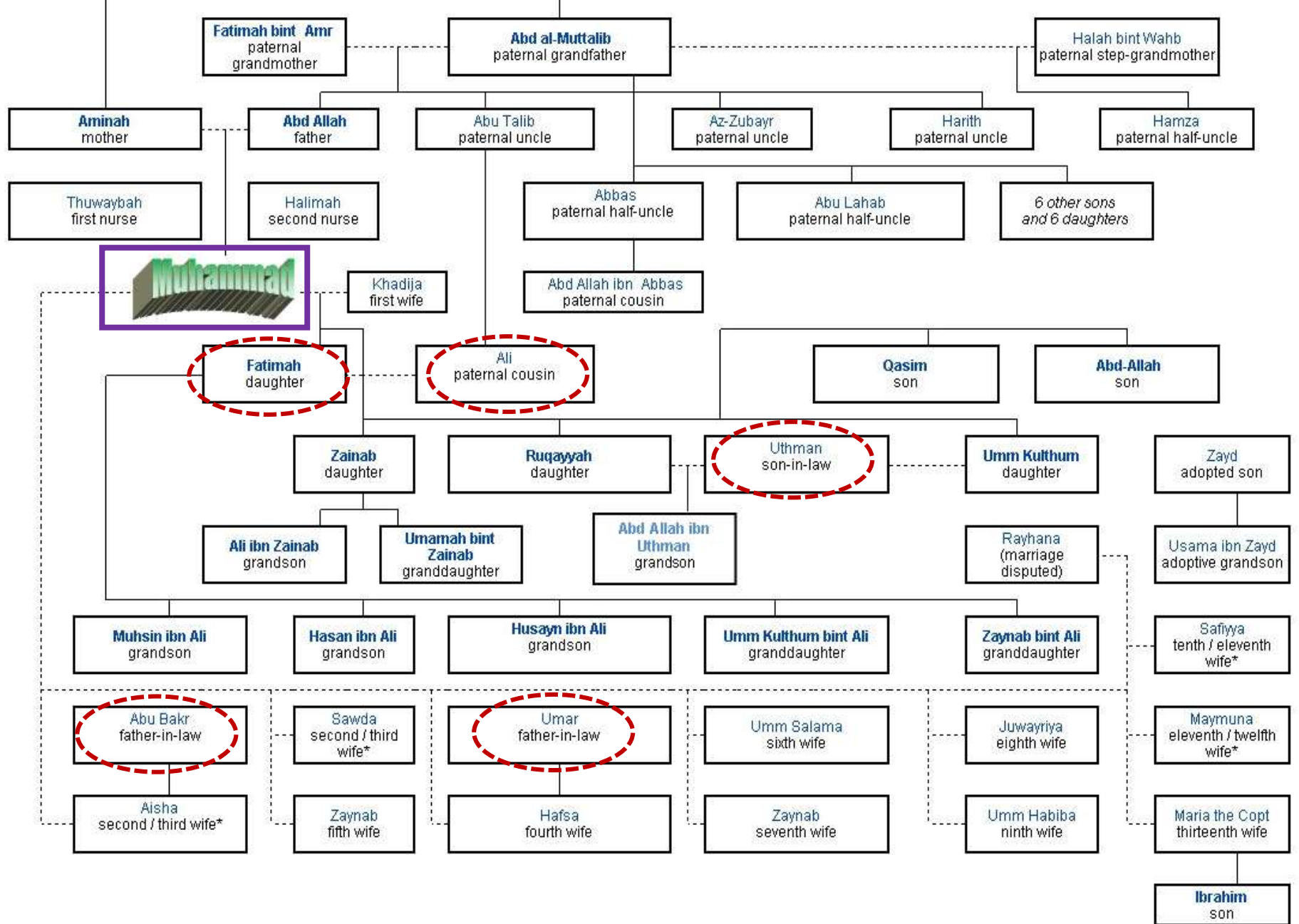


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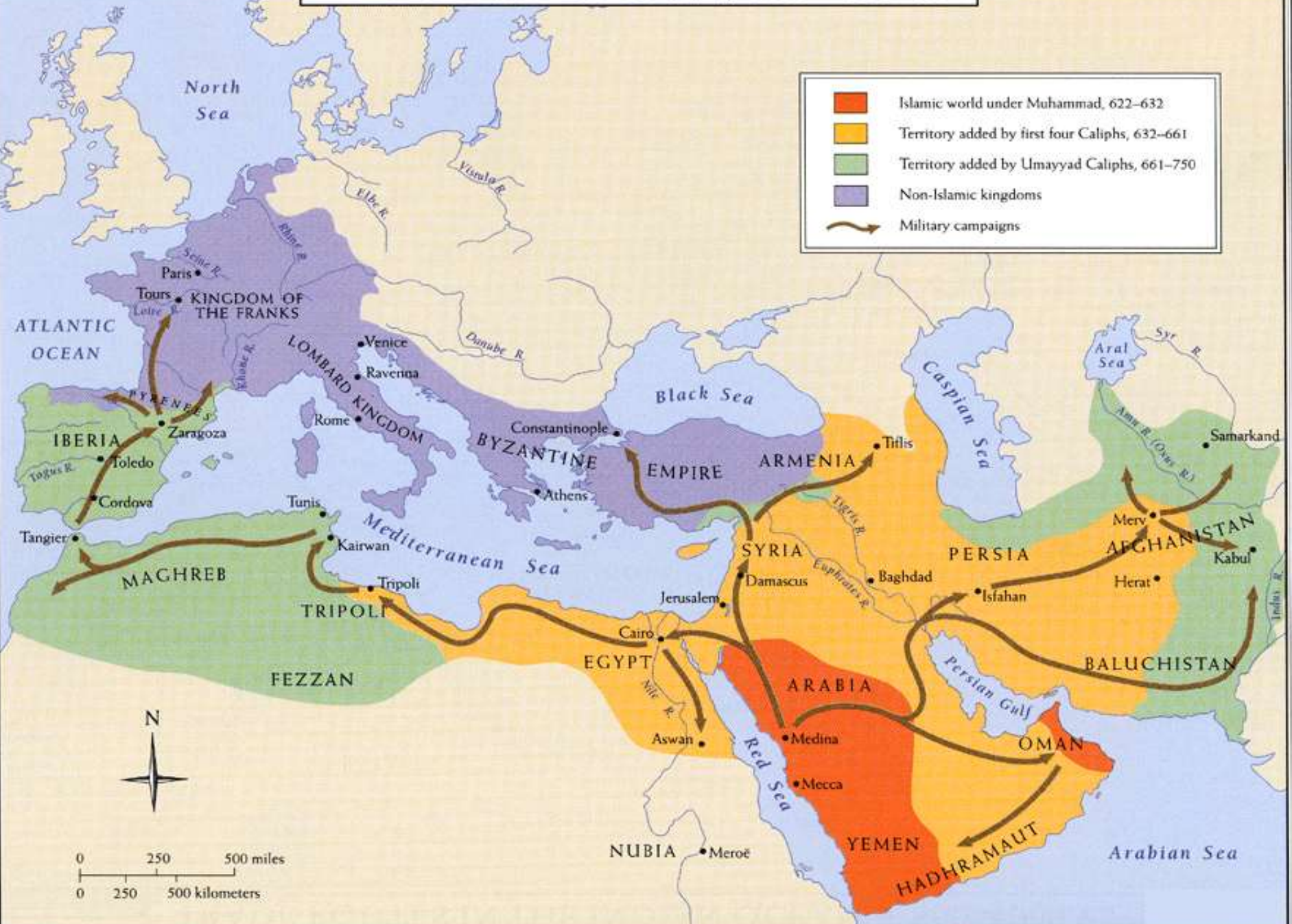
Prophet Muhammad
570-632 AD







THE SPREAD OF ISLAM, 622 – 750 CE





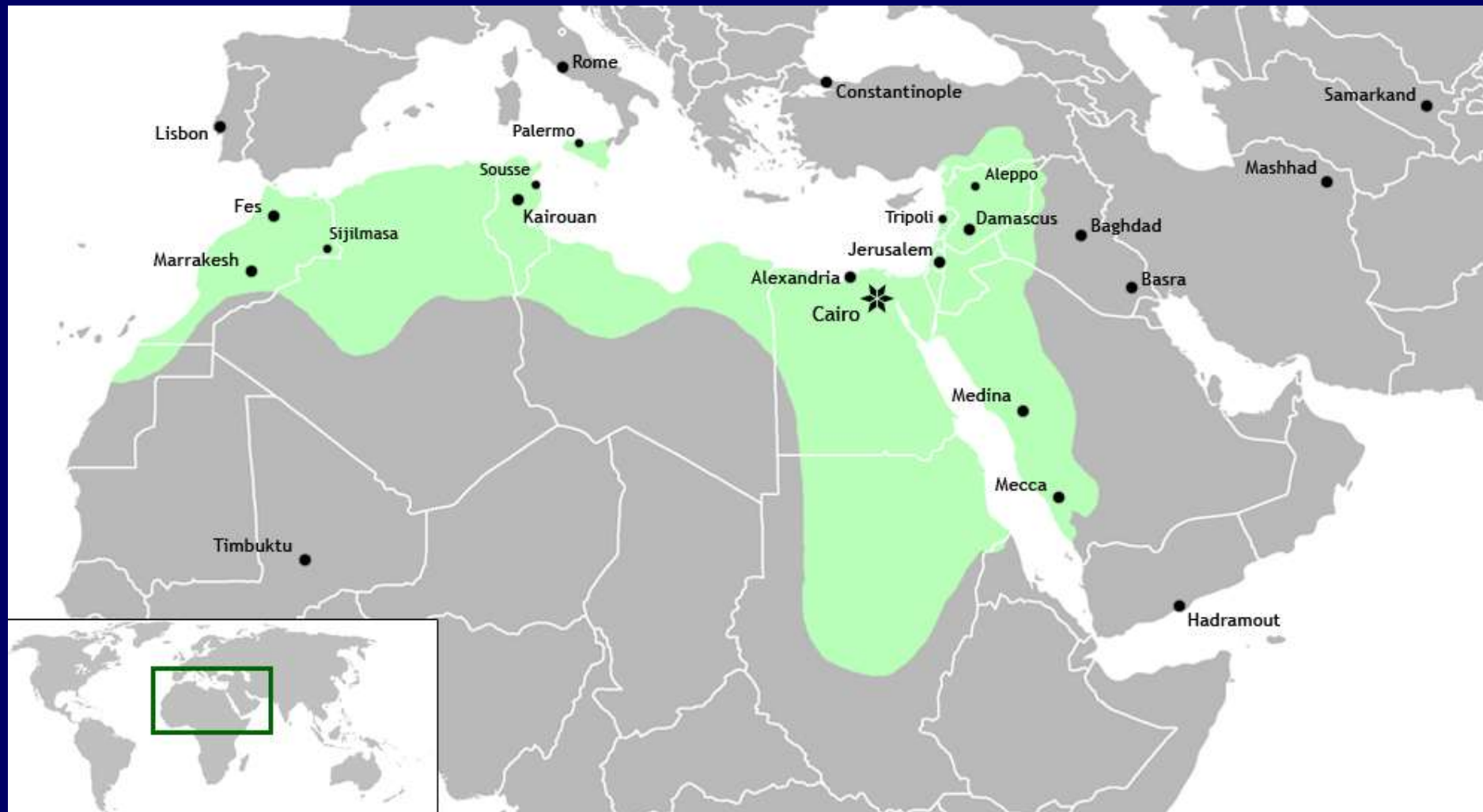
Extent of Islam under the Rashidun Caliphs (632-661)
the “Four Rightly Guided Caliphs”
Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman and Ali



Extent of Islam under the Umayyad Caliphate (661-750)



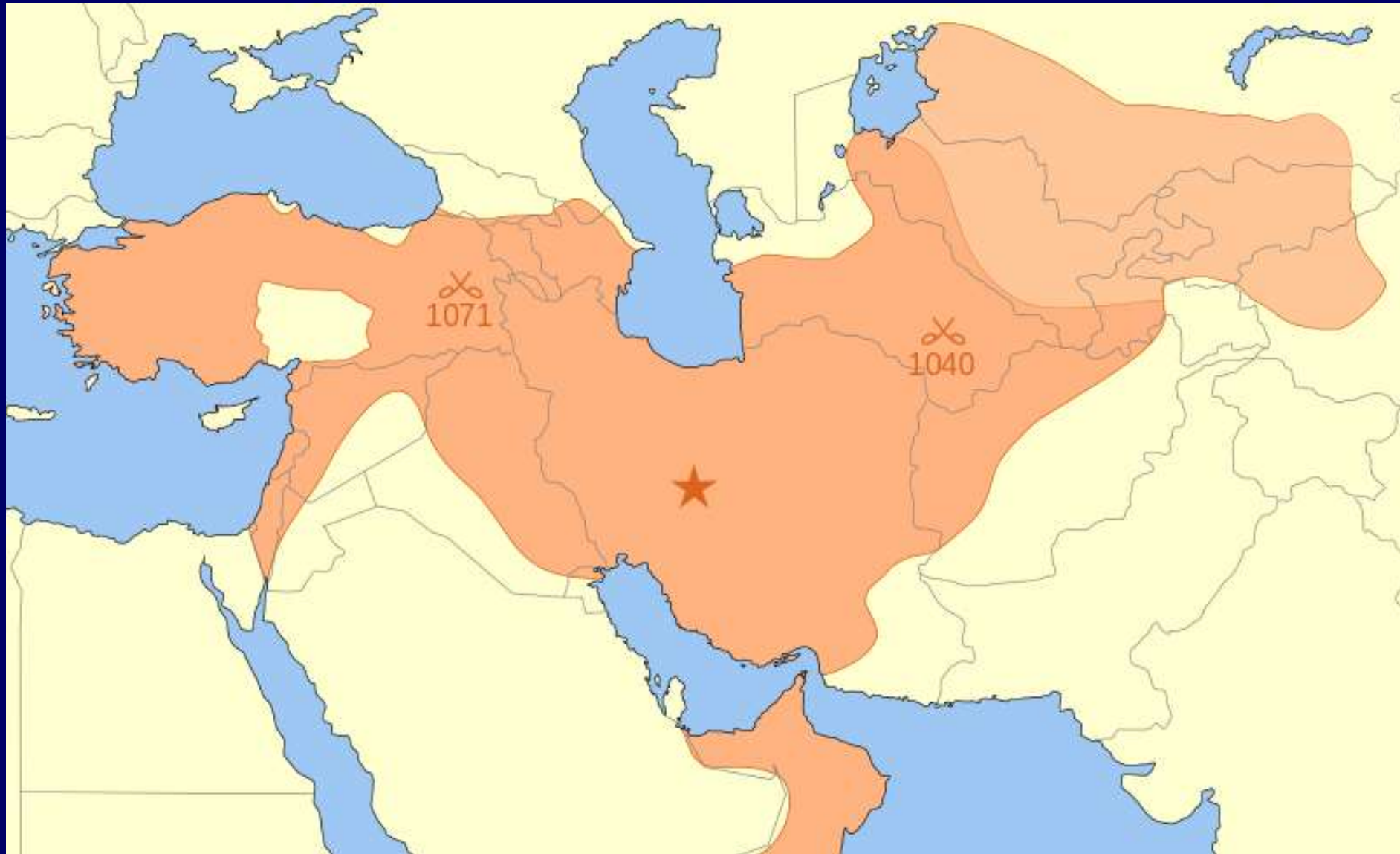
Extent of Islam under the Abbasid Caliphate (750-1517)
(map represents greatest extent, c. 850)



Extent of Islam under the Fatimid Caliphate (909-1171)



Extent of Islam under the Ayyubid Dynasty (1174-1260), which began when Saladin overthrew the Fatimid Caliphate.



Extent of Islam under the Seljuk Turks (1037-1194)
(map represents greatest extent, c. 1092)

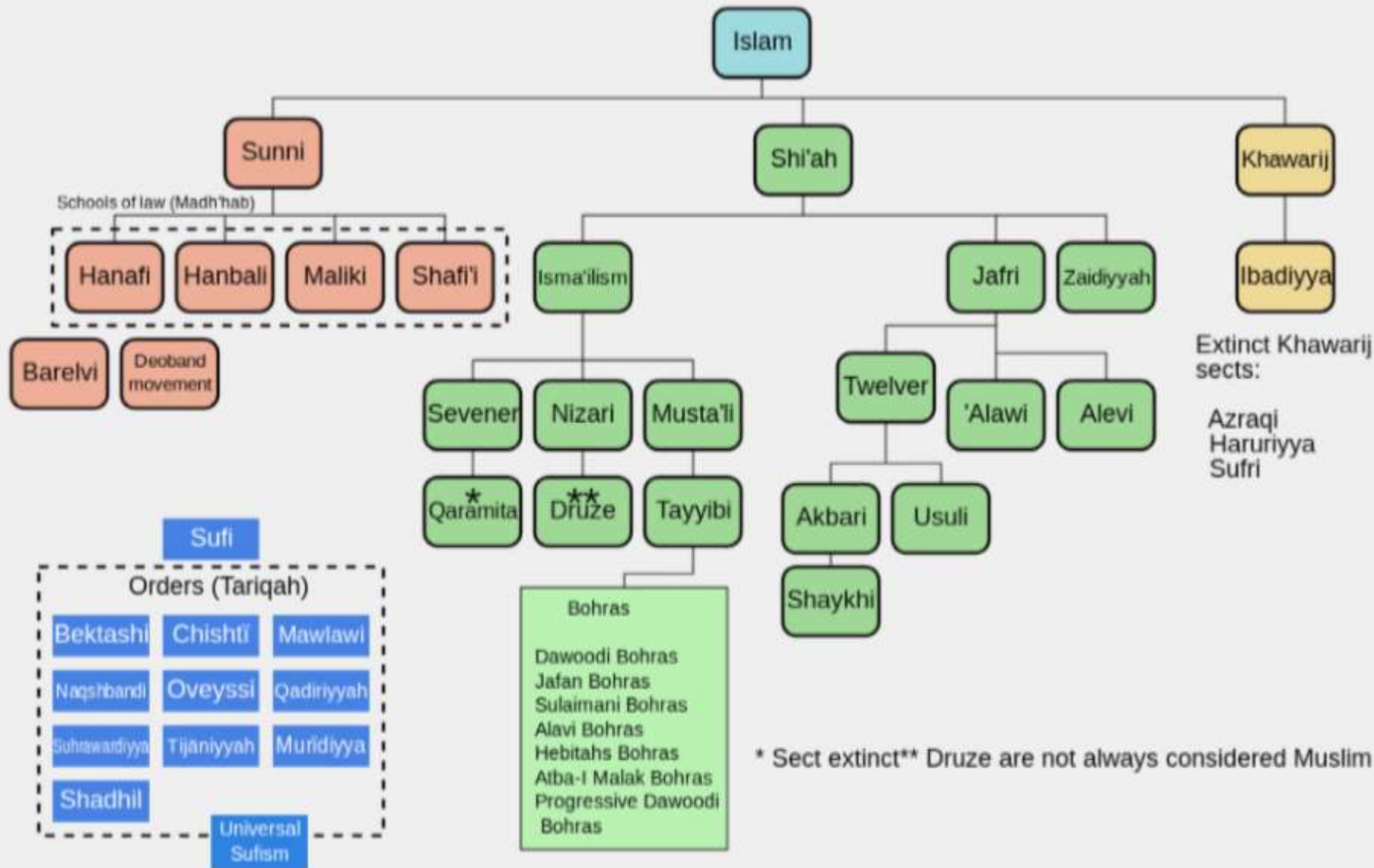
The OTTOMAN Empire



Extent of Islam under the Ottoman Empire (1453-1914)

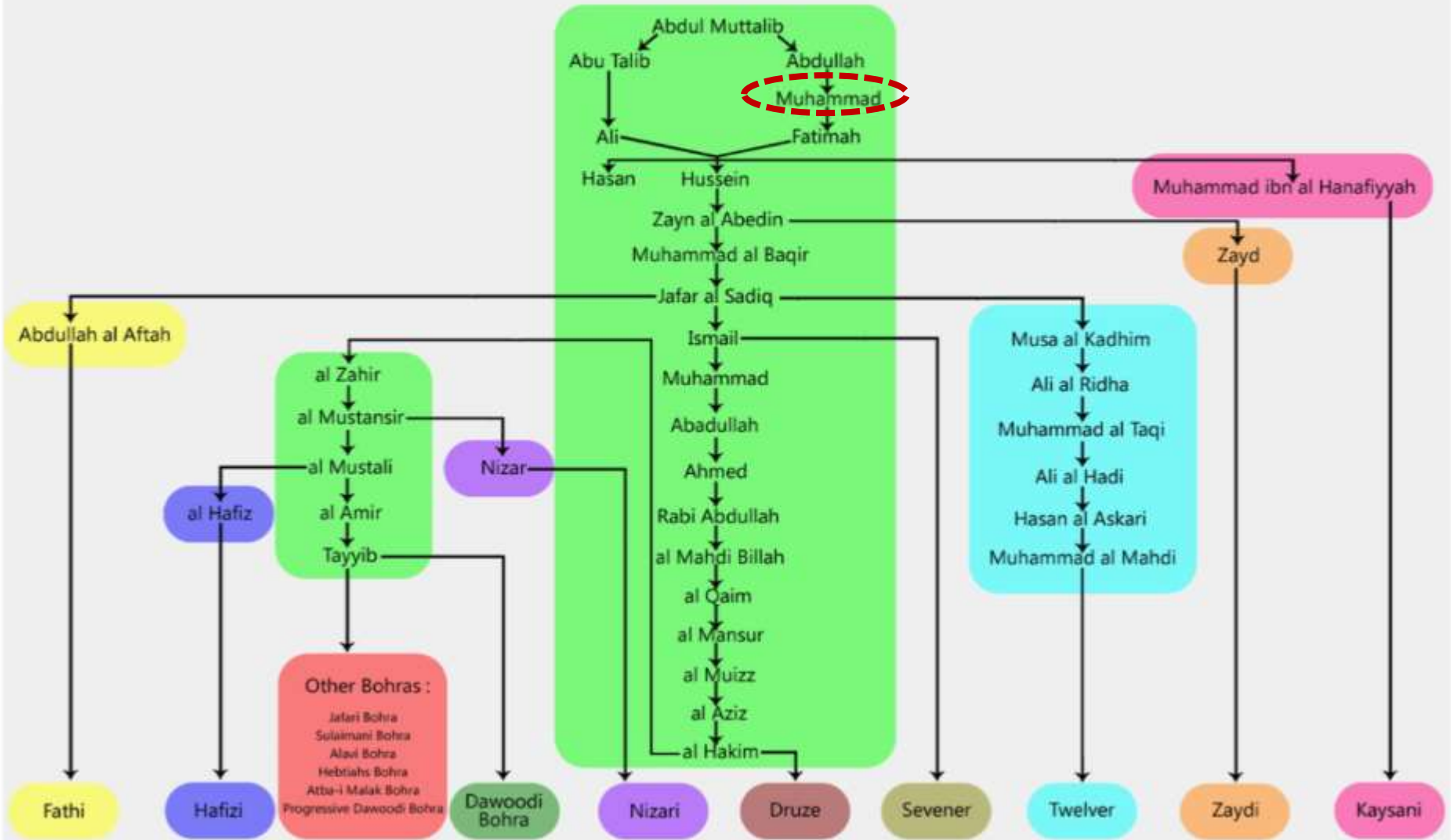
Key Dates in Islam

- 570 AD – Muhammad born in Mecca.
- 610 AD – Muhammad receives first revelation of Qur'an, in a cave.
- 622 AD – Islam officially born during the *Hijira* to Medina.
- 630 AD – Muhammed and followers return and defeat opposition in Mecca.
- 632 AD – Muhammad dies after converting most of Arabian peninsula. A series of successors (“caliphs”) launch military campaigns of expansion throughout the Mediterranean region.
- 632-661 AD – the Rashidun Caliphate
- 661-750 AD – the Ummayyad Caliphate
- 750-1517 AD – the Abbasid Caliphate
- 909-1171 AD – the Fatimid Caliphate
- 1174-1250 AD – the Ayyubid Dynasty
- 1453-1914 AD – the Ottoman Empire

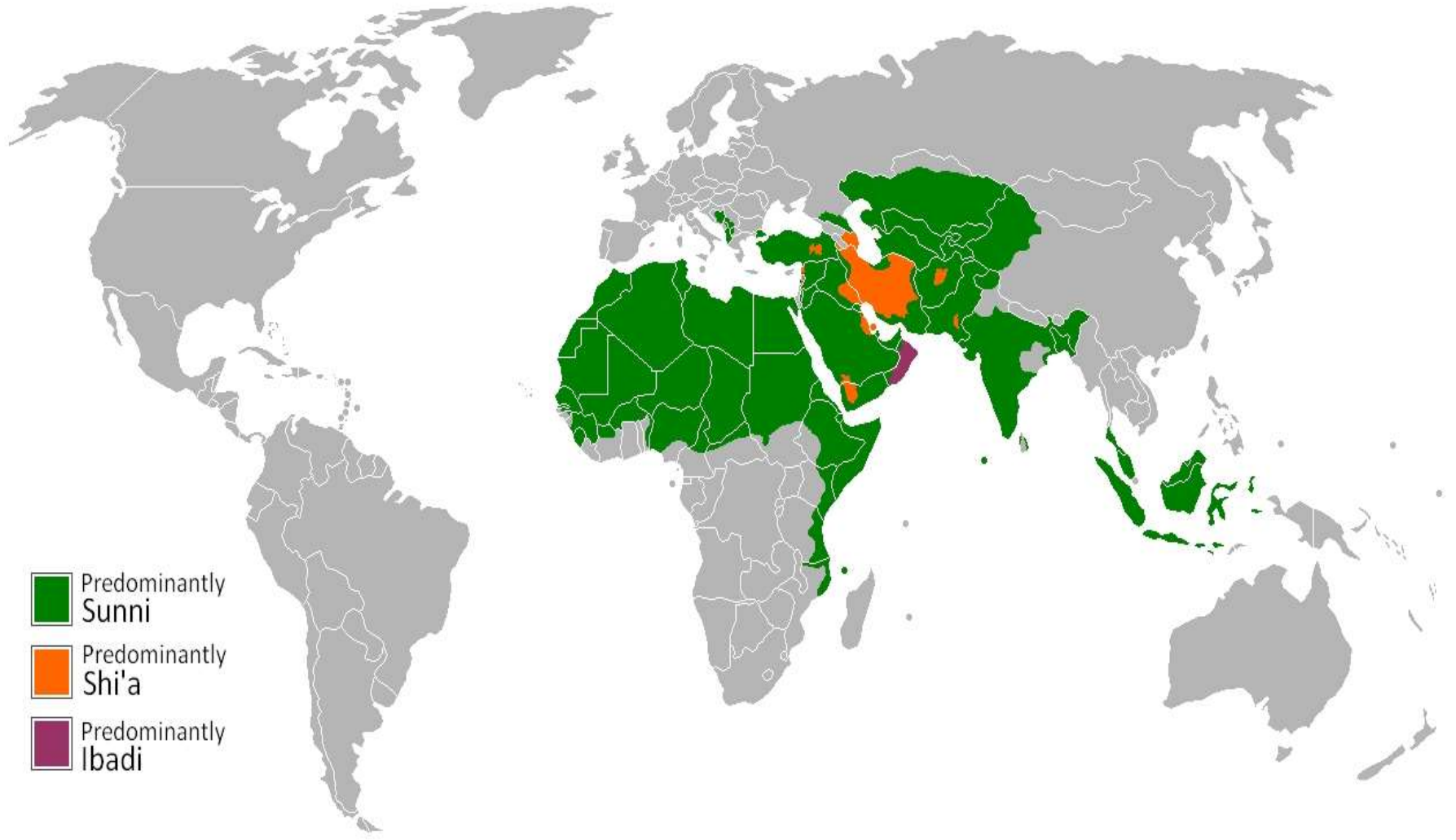


* Sect extinct** Druze are not always considered Muslim

Shia Islam

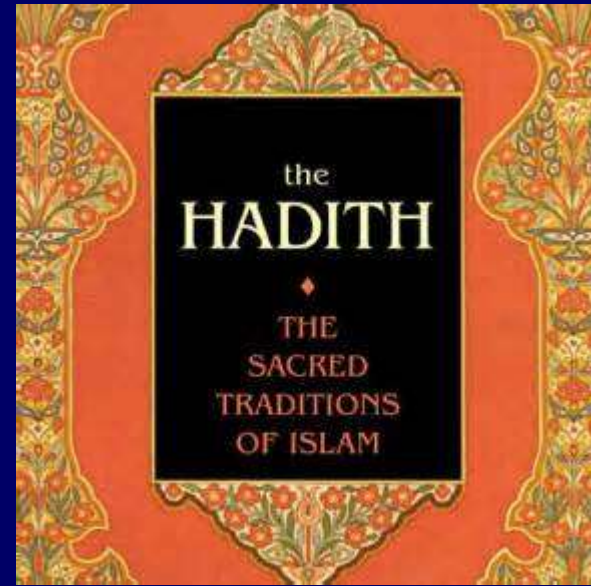


“Ismailis” “Imamiyyah” “Fiver”



-  Predominantly Sunni
-  Predominantly Shi'a
-  Predominantly Ibadi

The Qur'an, the Hadith, the Sunnah



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In The Name Of Allah, The Most Beneficent, The Most Merciful

THE AUTHORITY
OF SUNNAH

The Six Articles of Faith of Islam

1. Belief in one God;
2. Belief in the angels of God;
3. Belief in the prophets & messengers of God, especially Muhammad;
4. Belief in the books of God, especially the Qur'an;
5. Belief in the Day of Judgment (and the afterlife); and
6. Belief in the supremacy of God's will and divine decree.

The Messengers and Prophets of Islam

Messengers:

- ❖ **Noah**
- ❖ **Abraham** (received *Scrolls of Abraham*)
- ❖ **Moses** (received the *Tawrat*, or Torah/Law)
- ❖ **Jesus** (received the *Injil*, or Gospel)
- ❖ **Muhammad** (received the *Qur'an*)

Prophets: 24 others, including Adam, Job, Lot, Ishmael, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Aaron, Elisha, Zachariah, Jonah, David (who received the *Zabur/Psalms*) and John the Baptist.

The Five Pillars of Islam

- 1. Profession of Faith – The *Shehada*:**
“There is no God but Allah, and Muhammad is his prophet.”
- 2. Prayer – *Salah*, 5 times daily facing Mecca; on Fridays in a mosque.**
- 3. Generous almsgiving – *Zakat*.**
- 4. Fasting – *Sawm*, especially during holy month of Ramadan.**
- 5. Pilgrimage to Mecca – *Hajj*, at least once in life.**





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