

Relationship with the state and religion in the three monotheist religions – the Judaism, the Christianity and the Islam (2)

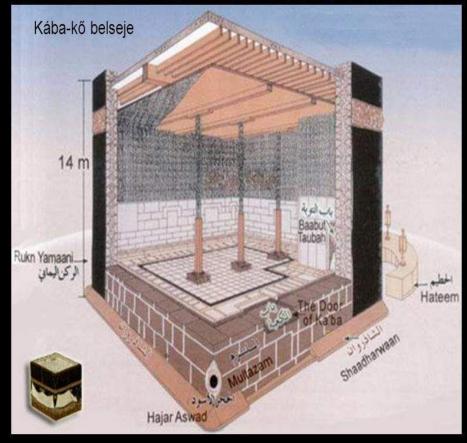
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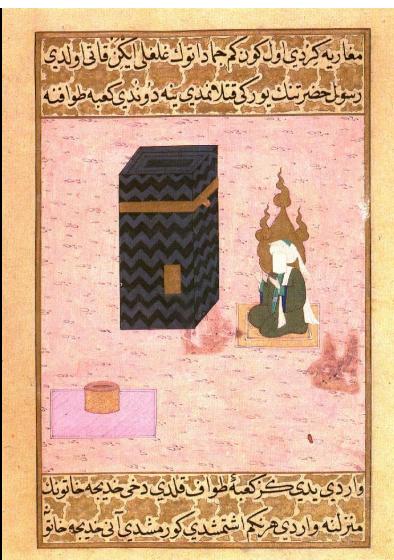


Symbols

The Kabah











Rock Dome





Mosque of Al-Aksa



Mandatory Religious Rules

Prayer: five times a day, Friday in the mosque (strict rituals) – muezzin from the minaret

Imam: conducts the prayers and makes political statements

Mosque: the scene of religious, educational, social function - political debates

Month of Ramadan: fasting, daytime not to eat food and drink - meditation - holiday

Zakat: tax paid to the poor - social function





Jihad

Effort to achieve a common goal:

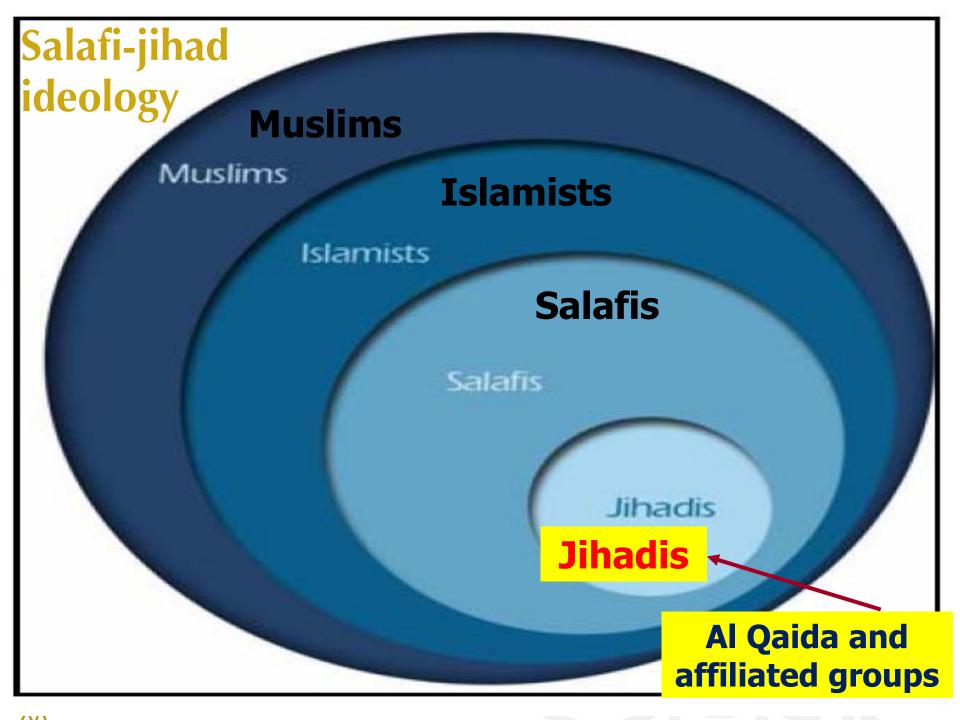
- combating inner temptation
- an external struggle against the enemy (contrary interpretations: against the unbelievers, against the Wes against Israel, Holy Land)





Jihad

- Jihad does not mean "holy war"
- Literally, jihad means to strive, struggle and exert effort.
- Concept includes struggle against evil inclinations within oneself, struggle to improve quality of life in society, struggle in the battlefield for self defense of fighting against tyranny or oppression
- There is no such thing as "holy war" in Islam, but is the frequent repetition in the West that many people accept it as if it were a fact





Hajj (pilgrimage to Mecca)

the fifth pillar of Islam



Sources of Saria (Islamic Law)

- Quran (recorded in Mohammed's Life): consists of chapters that contain religious poems, myths, visions, prophecies, moral and legal rules, behaviors, legends

It remained in original form, its teachings are <u>divine revelations</u>, so they are <u>bound to this day</u> – people cannot make rules!

Hadis: gathered souls (sunna) - (containing habits and oral statements of Mohammed by oral tradition) - to apply if the Quran does not contain a provision for a life situation - only religious leaders have the right to interpret - idzstihah: self-centered thinking based on human reason

Idum: if religious leaders agree on a matter (600,000 sunnas - careful selection)

Interpretation of religious leaders: Islam has become a united system



Characteristics of Saria (Islamic law)

Provides comprehensive regulations:

- Marriage: four wives equal treatment
- Women: Not Equal to Men (divorce, marriage law, work, voting rights, learning)
- Required clothing (mainly for women)
- Strict behavior and eating rules: at community places, in marriage forbidden to drink alcohol, adultery, blasphemy
- Branches of law: Criminal law, civil law, commercial law, family law
- Cruel punishments: stoning, flogging, lashing snapping, behaeding, amputation











Beheading in the Dira (Chop-Chop) square

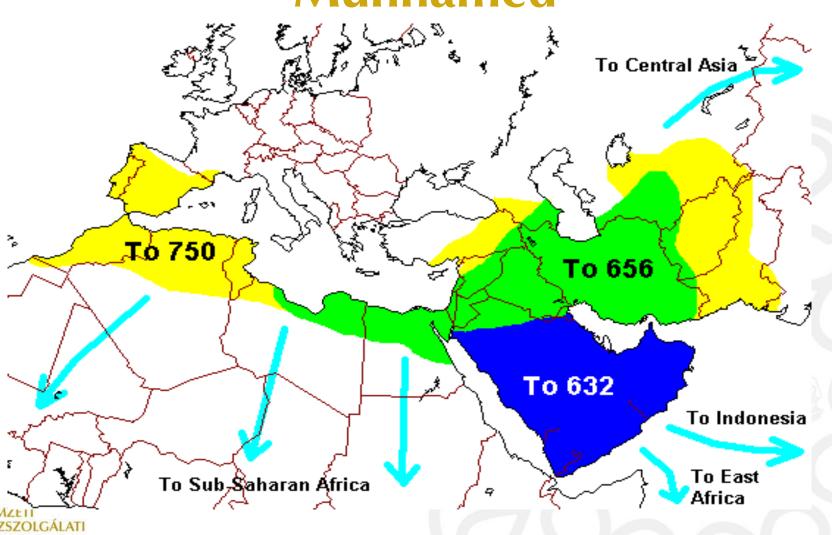


The role of religious leaders and the state

Muhammed: a military, state and religious leader (tradition) - charismatic leaders (Nasser, Szaddam Husszein, Kadhafi, Khomeini, Bin Laden)



Conquests after the death of Muhhamed



The Islamic State (Caliphate) after Mohamed's death

Conquests:

Haraj: tax on conquered territories - economic recovery - developed state (caliphate) and public administration

- Maintaining tribal-clan relations
- Feudal land ownership (caliph gave lands for military service or members of his family) Allah is the owner of the Holy Lands
- The survival of slavery
- Religious and secular leadership devided



The Role of the Caliph in the Islamic Caliphate

Caliph:

- Military leader
- Head of bureaucracy
- Jurisdiction

His election: (from the clan of Muhhamed after his death)

- By the public (the clan discusses for a long time)
- Who is the most respected

Sura Council:

- Tribal-clan leaders
- Their advice is obligatory to the caliph

Tribes-clans:

Local administration



Religious Leadership after the death of Muhhamed

Religious leadership: Muslim theorists who, for decades, have achieved outstanding performance on a scientific and educational level

- Religious scholars (ulemá)
- Religious law scholars (fukahá)

Their task: the interpretation of Islam - the legitimacy of political power (Islamic State - al-Baghdadi)

To issue fatwa: the political statements of religious leaders in a situation – interpretation of Islam, controversial, such as Bin Laden, Ali Syistani's Great Ayatollah)

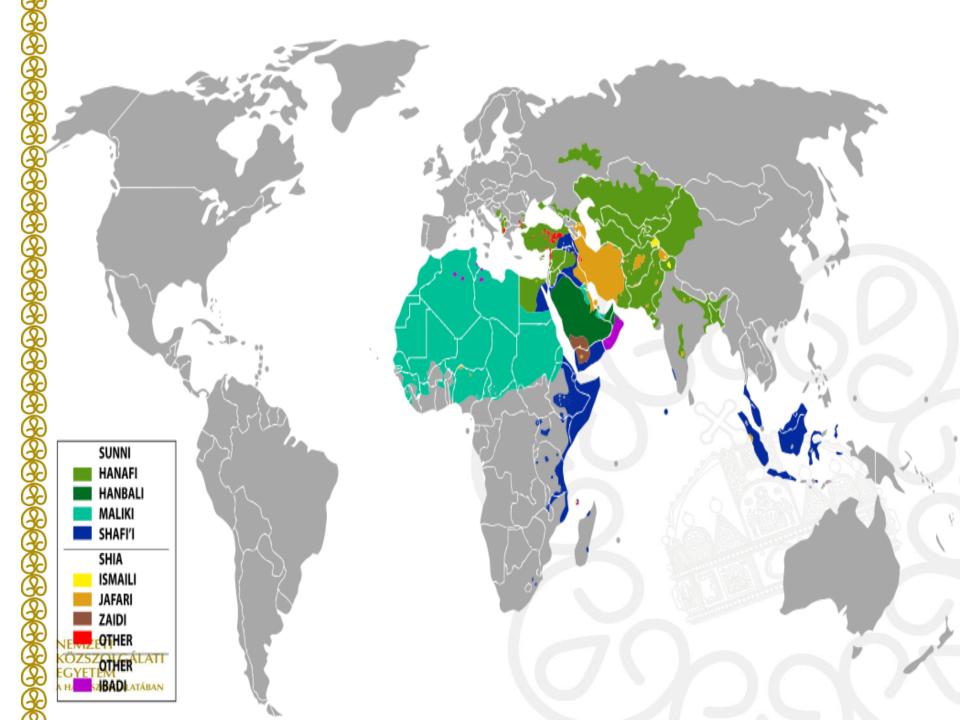


Breaking in Islam

Problem: Mohamed did not have his successor

- After his death, the election of 4 caliphs belonging to the family of Mohammed, and who enjoyed the highest authority and respect
- Ali: Fourth Caliph, Mohamed's cousin and son in law
- **Mujawi:** A member of the Omajjad dynasty who demanded the Caliphate armed struggle negotiating judges to decide
- Kharijites: They disagreed with negotiating judges armed struggle killed Ali his son, Husayn also died at the Battle of Kerbal in 680 Mohamed's blood line is interrupted
- 8th Century: breaking among Muslims Shiites and Sunnis Reasons: Leaders' Choice

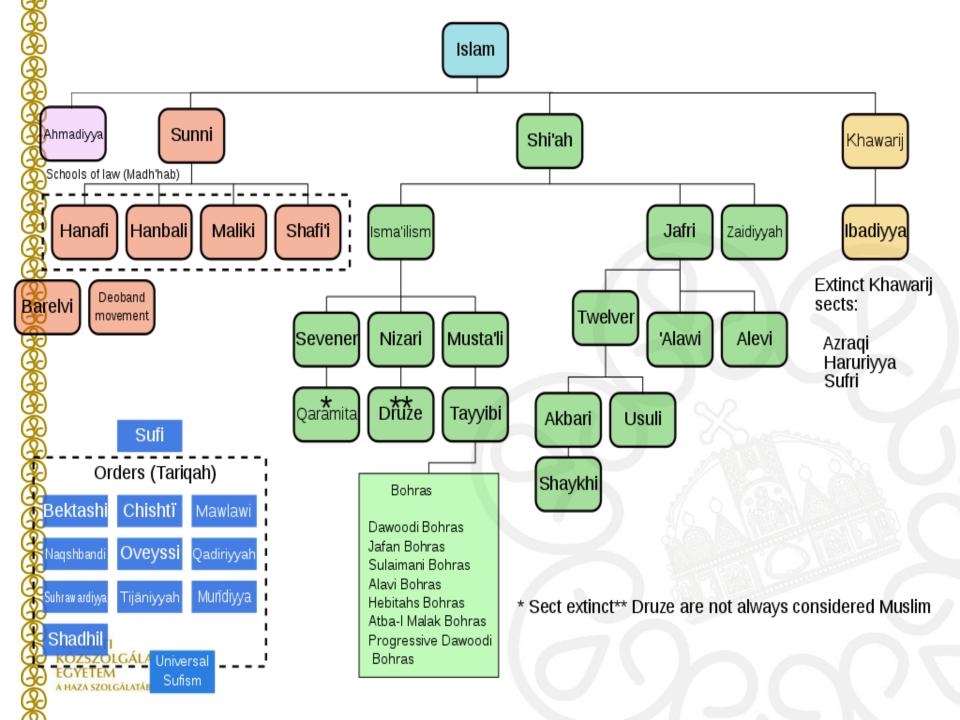




3 kinds of Islamic States

- Umma model (Khariji)
- Caliphate (Sunni)
- Imamat, monist (Shia)





Early Islamic States

- Kharijites: (in the territory of Oman) *Umma*The caliph must be chosen directly by the people: the simple son of the people may be, if he is prominent, honest and puritan
- Sunnis: Caliphate -Caliph is elected from the caliph's dynasty receive the political power from Allah implements the Quran Supervised by the religious leaders Sura council
- Shia (in the territory of Iran) *Imamat:* Caliph can only come from Mohamed's blood line the secretary of secret knowledge, infaillible religious and secular leader (Mahdi: Savior)



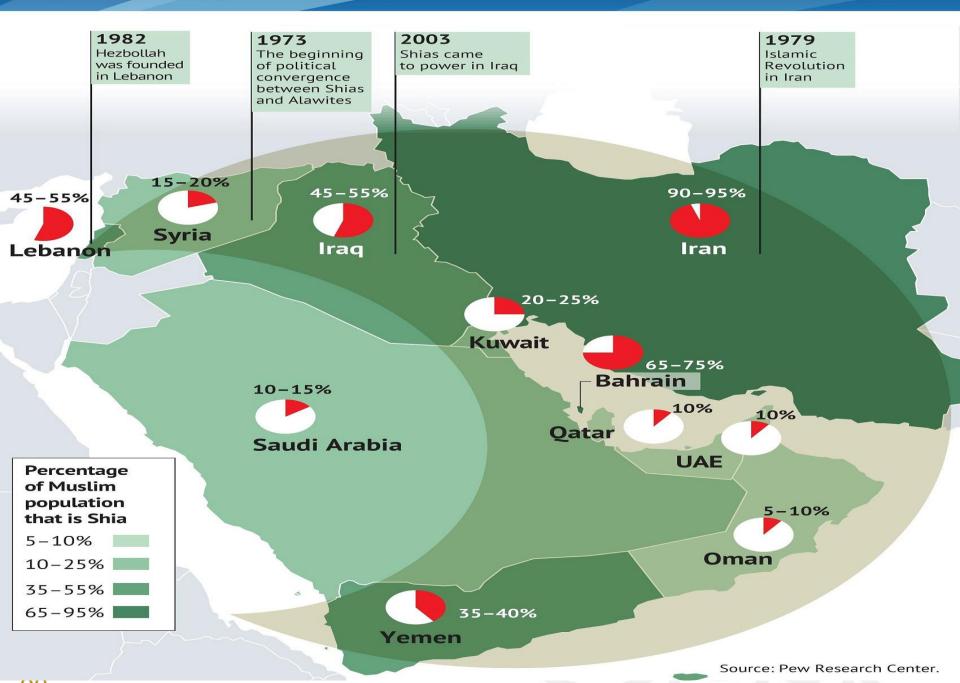
Shia Crescent

Sunni Shia conflict: rivalry between Mesopotamia and Persia

- Determining factor of the Middle East politics (Iraq, Syria, Yemen)
- Shia crescent: Bahrein- Iran South Iraq Syria Libanon Yemen







Period of Colonization

Great Britain: around the Arabian Penninsula, Egypt, Sudan, Iraq, Palestine, Transjordan

France: Lebanon, Syria, Algeria, Tunisia, Marocco

Italy: Lybia

No colony: Iran, Saud-Arabia, Afghanistan, Osman Empire (Turkey)

- Combining tribal, ancient slavery, and feudal relations no capitalism
- Lack of territoriality and sovereignty no vestfalia states
- There is no nationalism, secularization, political pluralism (community principles – umma:islam community – tribal,clan,family identity)
- Forced Western state organization model and artificial boundaries:





Colonization



After the 1st World War

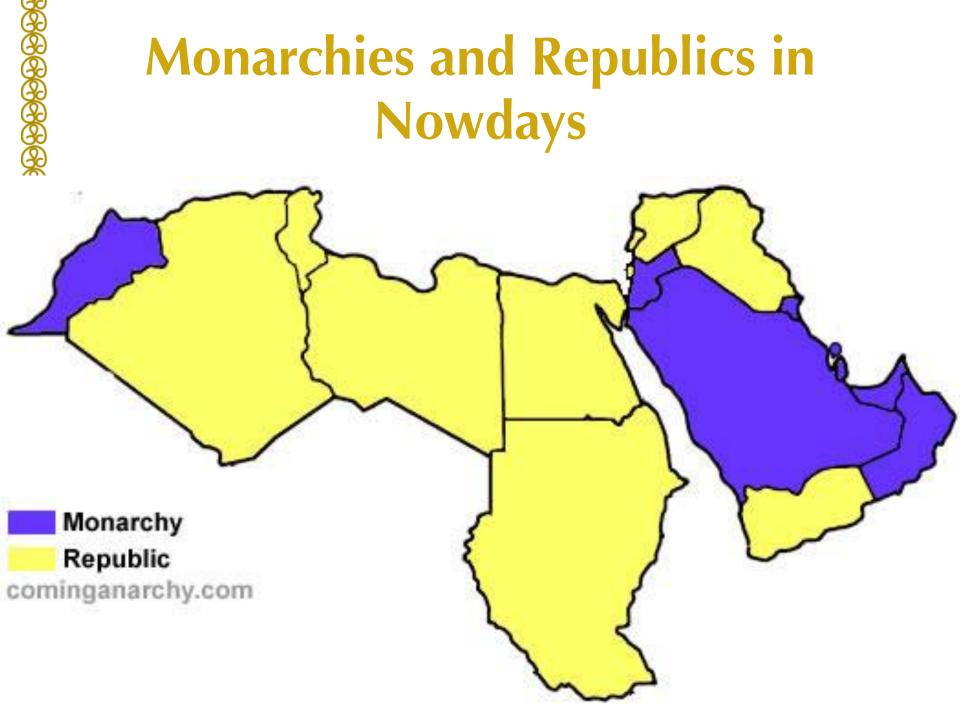


The Colonial States

In the first part of the 20th century:

- Panislamism: united state in the Islamic world
- Panarabism: unites Arabic states (nationalism)
- Capitalism: large estates in the agrciculture urbanism
 business class poor class (peasants, workers) small middle class
- *Dual system:* Western-type state and laws- Quran schools, saria, tribe-clas relations in local administration and positions in public administration
- Expectations: independency and democracy (against colonization and autocracy)





New Independent States in the first part of the 20th century

- Monarchies:

Parliamentary monarchy: Marocco, Transjordan, Egypt, Iraq, Afghanistan, Iran,

Absolut monarchy: Saud-Arabia, Kuvait, UAE, Qatar, Bahrein, Oman, Yemen,

- **Republic:** (strong presidental systems)Algeria, Tunisia, Lybia, Syria, Pakistan, Turkey, Mauritania, Mali, Chad, Niger, Etiop, Sudan, Somalia
- Secularized states: Turkey and Lebanon (confessionalism)
- Strong army: separate branch of power (Egypt, Algeria, Turkey, Pakisan)





Questions?

