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Christianity, Buddhism & Islamic Religions Spread Through the World

Columbus Discovers America, Wars & Natural Disasters Kill Millions

62 AD- 33 years after the death of Jesus Christ, **Mohammed writes the Koran and the Islam religion is born.** Mohammed spreads his beliefs with an army and defeats all those nations who would oppose him. Moslems are the largest followers of the Islam religion. Moslems believe that there is but one god, Allah, and that Mohammed is his prophet. As of 2010 AD there are over 1.3 billion Moslems in the world and they are mostly found in the Arab countries, Egypt and Middle East.

71 AD-9 years later **The Coliseum** is built in Rome to provide a permanent home for the Roman's bloody gladiator games and the slaughter of thousands of the early Christians.

79 AD-Just 8 years later the **volcanic eruption of Mount Vesuvius occurs.** The burning lava killed over 20,000 Romans who were living in the lustful city of Pompeii. Later excavations found murals of the corruption, evil and sins of the flesh including homosexuality and sodomy being done in Pompeii and other parts of the Roman Empire. **Doesn't this sound just like a similar punishment to those people of Sodom and Gomorrah who were also living in sin and were also killed just 679 years before the destruction of Pompeii.**

100 AD-The **Treasury at Petra** was an abandoned hidden city carved out of rocky sandstone cliffs in Jordan. The city included temples, tombs, and numerous public buildings including a theater and palace

537 AD- The **first circular domed building is erected** in Constantinople. The **Hagia Sophia Cathedral** was the culmination of Byzantine architecture.

559 AD- A **human flies for the first time** hanging on to a kite apparatus.

600 AD- The **Chinese discover how to fly kites** and they are used to scare their enemies and at their fairs.

800 AD- The **Norsemen and Vikings** roam the Atlantic Ocean in their **Long Boats** and plunder the countries along the Western shores of Europe. Two remarkable buildings were also constructed during this century: The castle of **Mont Saint Michael** in France and the **Temple at Borobudur** in Indonesia. The castle was a stronghold for Christianity and survived many battles between the British and the French. The Temple was a shrine to the Buddhist culture. Each possessed unique architectural styles that were followed by religious builders for centuries.

852 AD- **First parachute jump**, off a bridge.

900 AD- The **first hang glider** is demonstrated by Abbas.

900 AD- The mysterious **Moai Statues** are carved on Easter Island by the Rapa Nui people. No one is quite sure why these massive stone statues look to the heavens? On this strange island there is no shrub or tree over 10 feet high and no native animal larger than an insect. Yet 4,000 people lived there for over 1,000 years until an ecological disaster struck them that were brought about by themselves. Some see the rise and fall of this civilization as a warning, forecasting the fate of planet Earth unless we counter our ecological carelessness. Some see the Moai Statues as a sign that alien visitors were on our planet at one time and the Rapa Nui were waiting for them to return. **Mayan Temples** are constructed all through the Yucatan Peninsula in south-east Mexico during this period and the civilization later disappeared from the face of the Earth.

985 AD- Eric the Red sails to North America and establishes a community.

1078 AD- The **Tower of London** was a fortified castle built by William the conqueror. It was best known as a grim, fearsome prison and a place for execution.

1092 AD- The **Lincoln Cathedral** is constructed in England and at 525 feet high becomes the highest building in the world. In 1549 AD, 459 years later, the cathedral tower was destroyed by wind and fire and the cathedral height was reduced to today's height of 292 feet. Was the 525 foot cathedral tower destroyed because it was higher than the 458 foot Great Pyramid of Giza? The Tower of Babel destroyed in 600BC was also higher! The TwinTowers destroyed in 2001 AD were also higher! All three were the tallest buildings in the world at the time they were destroyed!

1096 AD- 18 years later **The First Crusade** of Christianity religion against the Islamic and Muslim religions begins. The battles in the Middle East were to counter repeated attacks by the Turks and to end Muslim control of the Holy Land.

1161 AD- The **first naval battle using gunpowder** is used by the Chinese.

1173 AD-The **Leaning Tower of Pisa**, Italy is world famous for not being a deliberate engineering feat but a technical failing due to inadequate foundation in soft wet clay.

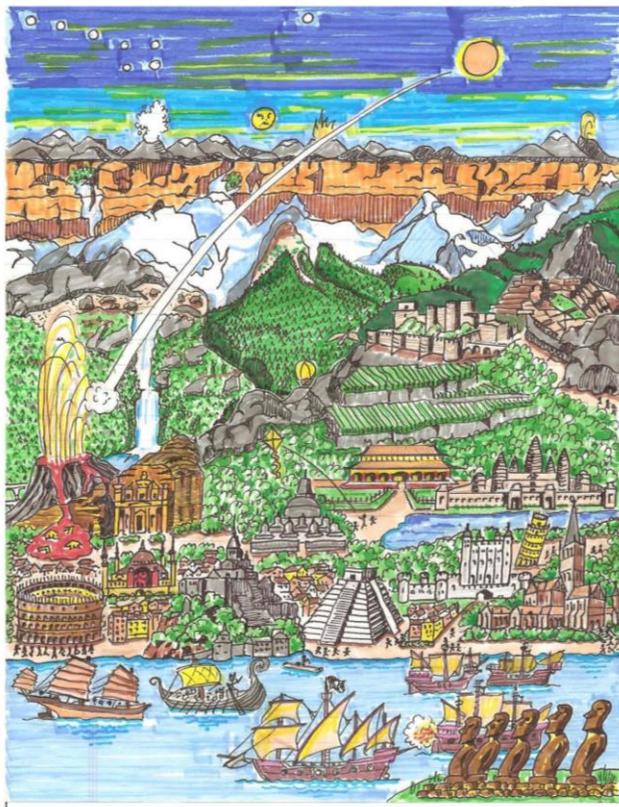
1207 AD- 174 years after the first crusade **the Eighth Crusade** of the Christians attempts to convert Muslims to Christianity. After 74 more years of fighting it ended again in failure for the Christians in their attempt to take over the Holy Land from the Muslim Empire. After 8 Crusades over 1 million soldiers from both sides perished and Christianity was never able to convert the Muslims. *Could the recent wars in the Middle East since 2001 (894 years later) in Iraq, Afghanistan, the terrorist groups of Al Qaeda, ISIS and ISLE, all Muslim countries and people be the 9th Crusade?*

1260 AD- The **Salisbury Cathedral** is constructed in Great Britain. Its central tower and spire-at 406 feet was **the world's tallest cathedral for many centuries.**

1347 AD- 87 years later “**The Black Death**” (bubonic plague) spreads thru **Europe** and **between 19 to 35 million people out of a total population of 75 million died**. It was the worst natural disaster in European history. It took 200 years for Europe to recover. Was this the fifth warning of total destruction of mankind?

1492 AD- **Christopher Columbus discovers a “New World”** at San Salvador, West Indies. He commands three ships: the Nina, Pina and Santa Maria in search of China and discovers America instead.

1500 AD- The **Forbidden City** in Peking, China remains a symbol of the Ming Dynasty earlier glories. The architecture is unusual because it is actually a city within the city. High in the remote Peruvian Andes, 1,500 feet above the fertile land and river below stands **Machu Picchu**, an engineering masterpiece built by the Inca. It may have been a city, a palace, a fortress or a ceremonial site. No one to this day knows!



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