Crash Course World History Episode #13:
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   ✓ 200

2) What angel appeared to Muhammad, the founder of Islam?
   ✓ Gabriel

3) What did Muslims believe about Muhammad?
   ✓ The one final prophet- to bring people back to the one true religion… the submission to one god.

4) What are some of the themes of the Quran (Koran)?
   ✓ Monotheism, taking care of those less fortunate than you

5) What are the 5 Pillars?
   ✓ The acts that Muslims (especially Sunni) are supposed to do: submission to one god, prayer, fasting during Ramadan, Alms/giving, The Hajj

6) What does Islam have that is like Christianity and Judaism?
   ✓ A body of law (sharia)

7) What is the Hijra (not Hajj!)
   ✓ When Muhammad left Mecca and went to Yathrib (Medina) and was able to establish the religion and gains followers. This is where year 0 starts for Muslims

8) What happened in 630?
   ✓ Muslims took back Mecca

9) Besides being a religious influence, what other influence does Islam have that is different from Christianity and Judaism?
   ✓ Political influence

10) What did Abu Bakr do after Muhammad’s death?
    ✓ Stabilized the community

11) What was the early Islamic Empire really good at?
    ✓ Winning wars

12) Besides being great conquerors, what else did Muslims influence?
    ✓ Learning and trade
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