

Source: [KBhHIST201Ottomans1500](#)

## 1 | The Ottomans' Fall

- “Natural consequences of earlier Turkish successes”
- Got Romanitus — expanded too much to the point of unmanagability => “Strategical Overextension”
- Switched to an “Iron Fist” management style of crushing dissidents, encouraging the Persians to ally with the Europeans to crush the Ottomans
- Suffered from being centralized, despotic, and severly orthodox
  - Emperor had to much power
  - Country became over-conservative
  - Bureaucracy became too heavy
  - Heavy internal plundering
    - High taxes
    - Seizures of property
    - Depopulated towns
    - Unorderly soldiers
    - Bribery

### [KBhHIST201ProblemsWithSilver](#) Problems with Silver

- \* Affected landowners
- \* Could not build stronger millitary
- \* Caused the weakening of calvalrymen + increase in reliance on POWs