Source: KBhHIST201KennedyCh1

1 | The Ottomans

When China was failing [KBhHIST201MingChina1500], the Ottomans grow w/ Muslimdom — Ottomans were the largest muslim nation in Europe + a serious threat to Christendom.

- · Enjoys control of the silk read
- · Huge landmass
- Large army (and, large cannons + siege trains)
 - Strong Navy! => deployed frequently in the Black Sea, Constantinople, North Africa

The Rise

See [KBhHIST201OttomansRise]

The Fall

See [KBhHIST201OttomansFall1500s]

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#disorganized

Gelvin, Chapter 3

- Weakened governmental systems caused "17 century crisis" => whole of the world getting Romanitus
- · "Great Inflation" + the "Price Revolution"
 - · Governments used bureaucracies to disempower aristocrats
 - #why not silver based inflation
 - Rulers needed ways for rule legitimization => "Routinization of Chrisma"
 - Finding new means to find new means to find authorities => Could not use expansion to assert authority anymore
 - · Leveraged shiny palaces and overcomplicated rituals
- · Claims of why inflation happened:
 - Demographic expansion => Population growth induced
 - More people
 - Post-black-death
 - · Dependence aforementioned in and of itself was reason for inflation
 - States spent a large amount of money
 - · Kept debasing currencies, causing inflation
 - · Resulting in the Vicious Cycle
 - Debasement
 - · Governments see debasement, and debase further to recouperate
 - $\bullet \hspace{0.2cm} \hbox{${\scriptscriptstyle \hspace{-0.05cm} [KBhHIST201ProblemsWithSilver]}$ Problems with Silver, too!}\\$

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