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To those who find capitalism and the modern world morally distasteful, linking capitalism's rise to religious beliefs places an unfortunate and unfair burden upon the religion, which can lead to a denial of any relationship between the two.

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Schumpeter: The Economics and Sociology of Capitalism Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1991.

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Unintended Consequences: The Impact of Factor Endowments, Culture, and Politics on Long-Run Economic Performance. Weber discussed the role of those climate and geographic factors that have interested such present-day economic historians as Eric Jones, arguing that the development of firstly cities, and then nation-states, left Europe, unlike Asia, with rational states and rational law.

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In describing this evolution Weber also provides discussions of the changing organization of the manor, the stages in the rise of industry, the impacts of slavery and other forms of labor organization upon the economy as well as the reasons for their transformation over time, and numerous other topics that are still covered, often in a quite similar manner, in today's textbooks in European economic history. Does it have any significance today? Economic growth occurred at roughly the same time, or soon after, these areas experienced the rise of Protestant religions. Hicks 1969 , and Deepak Lal 1998 , focus on somewhat different explanatory factors from Weber's, but the problem to be analyzed is identical.

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