Test 2 Review

- 1. Who is Ahura Mazda? Who is Angra Mainyu?
 - (a) Ahura Mazda
 - Creator God in Zoroastrianism
 - Sole God of the religion
 - Followers worship his attributes (Amesha Spentas)
 - Had evil twin spirit named Angra Mainyu
 - Truth teller
 - (b) Angra Mainyu
 - Evil counterpart to Ahura Mazda
 - Can also create things
 - Lier and deceiver (similar to Satan)
- 2. List some similarities between Zoroastrianism, Christianity, and post-exilic Judaism.
 - Central God; Zoroastrianism: Ahura Mazda, Judaism/Christianity: Yahweh
 Some sects of Judaism look for Messiah; Christianity has Jesus; Zoroastrianism looked for Saoshyant
 - Similar eschatology (final judgment, raising of the dead)
 - Devil figure (Angra Mainyu/Satan)
- 3. Discuss what the church said about Jesus Christ at Nicea and Chalcedon.
 - (a) Nicea
 - First ecumenical council of the Church
 - Needed to establish doctrine to unite Christians
 - Hosted by Constantine
 - Athanasius proposed homoousios
 - Father and son have same nature but are not the same
 - Father and son share the same essence.
 - Trinity idea proposed (later rejected by enlightenment Christians)
 - (b) Chalcedon
 - Council met to settle disputes over Jesus' nature
 - Greek ideas (God is separate) clashing with Hebrew ideas (God is with humanity)
 - Leo's Tome: Jesus has two full natures in one person (Orthodox position)
 - Established Mary's position in the church (Humans ; Mary ; God)
 - Roman bishop gains authority at this council
- 4. Describe the evolution of the Papacy.
 - Peter considered to be head of Church after Jesus' death
 - Bishops are established throughout the known world
 - Chalcedon: Bishop of Rome gains authority in establishing Doctrine
 - Bishop of Rome becomes authority of the Church (i.e. Pope)
 - Pope reigns above kings in the middle ages
 - Church of England splits from the Catholic church over disputes (power of Pope weakened)
 - Other theologians begin to reject Church's teaching (Martin Luther, John Calvin, etc.) further weakening the Pope's authority
- 5. What do Pelagius, Augustine, Erasmus, and Calvin believe about God's sovereignty and human freedon?
 - (a) Pelagius
 - Humans have free will
 - Good deeds will lead you to heaven
 - Did not believe in God's saving grace
 - (b) Augustine
 - Humans were predestined
 - God selects certain people to receive his grace
 - Only those who have been given the grace of God can follow
 - Works on Earth do not matter
 - (c) Erasmus
 - Grace of God and works lead to salvation
 - Humans have free will to follow or reject God
 - Strong focus on working with God
 - Followed by Catholic church
 - (d) Calvin
 - Humans have no free will
 - $\bullet\,$ Salvation comes only from the grace of God
 - $\bullet\,$ Humans are inherently tainted with \sin
 - $\bullet\,$ Some are chosen for heaven; others for hell
 - Strong emphasis on God's role in human life
- 6. Explain the following theories of atonement: Penal Substitution, Classical Redemption, Acceptation Theory, and Moral Influence
 - (a) Penal Substitution
 - Jesus was punished for sins of humanity
 - God forgives all sins through this sacrifice
 - (b) Classical Redemption
 - (c) Acceptation Theory
 - (d) Moral Influence
- 7. Differentiate the Catholic, Lutheran, Reformed, and Anabaptist theories of the sacraments (baptism and eucharist)
 - (a) Catholic
 - Baptism of infants
 - $\bullet\,$ Original Sin is for given through baptism
 - Eucharist is *Transubstantiation*: transforming into literal body and blood
 - Eucharist is central focus of the mass (sacrifice)
 - (b) Lutheran
 - Baptism of infants
 - Original Sin is forgiven through baptism

- Eucharist is Consubstantiation: elements are the same but Christ is present in them
- (c) Reformed
 - Baptism of infants
 - Baptism is an oath to bring up child in name of Christ
 - Baptism is Symbol of the Covenant
 - Eucharist is symbolic of Christ; used to remember his sacrifice
- (d) Anabaptist
 - Baptism of adults
 - Baptism is symbolic of conversion and acceptance to Christ
 - Eucharist is symbolic of Christ; used to remember his sacrifice
- 8. Discuss the religious and secular heritage of this country
 - Puritans had democratic structure in churches
- 9. Explain the following: Mass, The Council of Trent, Franciscans, Jesuits, Immaculate Conception, Papal Infallibility, and Vatican II
 - (a) Mass
 - Religious service for Catholics
 - Focused mainly on Eucharist
 - Was traditionally performed in Latin or Greek; later moved to vernacular
 - (b) Council of Trent
 - Council to make certain practices of the church into official dogma
 - Cleared up disputes between different sects of Catholicism
 - (c) Franciscans
 - Order of monks founded by Francis of Assisi
 - Live very simple lives
 - (d) Jesuits
 - (e) Immaculate Conception
 - Involves Mary's conception of Jesus
 - Catholics believe this leaves Mary sinless
 - (f) Papal Infallibility
 - Pope is direct line to God
 - Pope's decrees are final
 - (g) Vatican II
 - Sought to bring the Church in to the modern age
 - Discussed relationships with other religions
- 10. Who are the Methodists, Mormons, Quakers, and Fundamentalists?
 - (a) Methodists
 - Founded by John Wesley
 - Theology focuses on the relationship between faith and character
 - Focus on works that lead to salvation
 - (b) Mormons
 - Founded by Joseph Smith
 - Believe their leader is a prophet of God
 - Believe that Jesus came to America
 - (c) Quakers
 - Focus on finding God in each person
 - Live removed lives
 - Very simple dress/lifestyle
 - (d) Fundamentalists
 - Reaction to modernization of the church
 - Believe that many theologians had strayed from the true teaching
 - Sought to reform teachings by referring to literal text in the Bible
- 11. Explain Hinduism and Taoism
 - (a) Hinduism

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