**The history of Islam**concerns the [political](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Political_aspects_of_Islam), [social](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Early_social_changes_under_Islam), [economic](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islamic_economics), [military](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Islamic_military_jurisprudence), and [cultural](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Islamic_culture) developments of the [Islamic civilization](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muslim_world). Most historians[[3]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Watt2003-3) believe that [Islam](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Islam) originated with Muhammad's time as a return to the original faith passed down by the [Abrahamic](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Abrahamic_religions) [prophets](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prophets_of_Islam), such as [Adam](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adam_in_Islam), [Noah](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Noah_in_Islam), [Abraham](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Abraham_in_Islam), [Moses](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moses_in_Islam), [David](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/David_in_Islam), [Solomon](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Solomon_in_Islam), and [Jesus](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jesus_in_Islam), with the submission (*Islām*) to the will of [God](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/God_in_Islam).[[5]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Esposito2016-5)[[6]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Donner2000-6)[[7]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Peters2003-7)According to the [traditional account](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Historiography_of_early_Islam),[[4]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Van-Ess_2017-4)[[8]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Lewis1995a-8) the [Islamic prophet](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Islamic_prophet) [Muhammad](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muhammad) began receiving what Muslims consider to be [divine revelations](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Divine_revelation) in 610 [CE](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Common_Era), calling for submission to the one God, preparation for the imminent [Last Judgement](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Judgement_Day_in_Islam), and charity for the poor and needy.[[6]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Donner2000-6)[[Note 1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-10) As Muhammad’s message [began to attract followers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Timing_of_Sahabah_becoming_Muslims) (the *ṣaḥāba*) he also met with [increasing hostility and persecution from Meccan elites](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Persecution_of_Muslims_by_Meccans).[[6]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Donner2000-6)[[Note 2]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-11) In 622 CE Muhammad [fled to the city of Yathrib](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hegira) (now known as [Medina](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medina)), where he began to unify the tribes of Arabia under Islam,[[10]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-12) returning to Mecca to take control in 630[[11]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Ramadan-178-13)[[12]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Haykal-438-14) and order the destruction of all pagan idols.[[13]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Hitti-118-15)[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-Ramadan-177-16) By the time he died in about 11 AH (632 CE), almost all the tribes of the [Arabian Peninsula](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arabian_Peninsula) had converted to Islam,[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Islam#cite_note-17) but disagreement broke out over who would [succeed him as leader of the Muslim community](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Succession_to_Muhammad) during the [Rāshidūn Caliph](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rashidun_Caliphate" \o "Rashidun Caliphate)

