

**Roman Empire
is at its largest**

170 CE

Byzantium becomes new capital of Roman Empire

330 CE

Western Roman Empire collapses

476 CE

**Roman Empire eventually divides
into two separate empires:
Western/Roman Empire and
Eastern/Byzantine Empire**

4th-6th centuries

Byzantine and Persian (or Sasanian) Empires are at their height

500 CE*

Birth of Muhammad

570 CE*

Muhammad's “revelations” begin

610 CE

Muhammad becomes arbiter of Yathrib (Medina)

622 CE

Muhammad and his followers conquer Mecca

630 CE

Muhammad's death; Abu Bakr becomes caliph

632 CE

Umar becomes caliph

634 CE

The Battle of Yarmouk

636 CE

**Uthman
becomes
caliph**

644 CE

**Uthman is
assassinated;
Civil War begins**

656 CE

Umayyad Dynasty

661 CE–750 CE

**Dome of
the Rock is
completed**

691 CE

Baghdad becomes capital of Islamic empire

762 CE

Abbasid Dynasty and the Classical Age of Islam begin

8th century CE

Charlemagne conquers parts of Western Europe

800 CE

William the Conqueror invades England

1066 CE

Christians capture Jerusalem in First Crusade

1099 CE

The Second Crusade begins

1145 CE

The Third Crusade begins

1189 CE

Signing of Magna Carta

1215 CE

First Thanksgiving in New World

1621 CE