

The Post Luther Era



Diet of Worms 1521

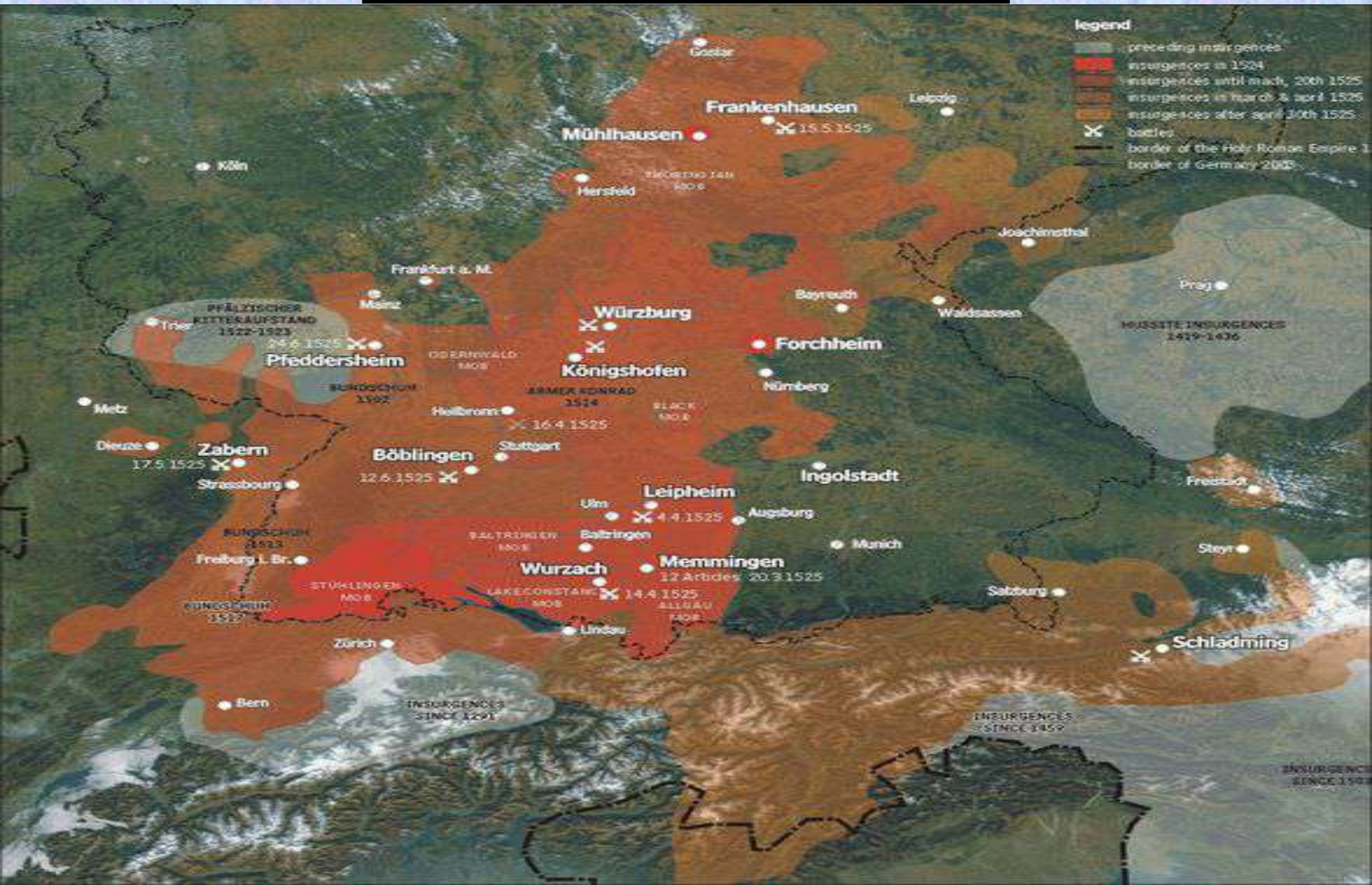


Philip of Hesse & John of Saxony

**Powerful
protestant rulers
who form the
Schmalkaldic
League to
prepare for war
against Charles
V.**



Peasants Revolt



Why did it happen?

- The peasants interpreted Luther's ideas to demand an end to serfdom and gain political and economic rights.
- They rounded up nobles, killed them, took over their lands (temporarily).



Luther's Response

- “These people are Un-Christian.”
- Urged the princes to move in and put down the rebellion.
- 70-100k dead peasants.



Why Reformation here?

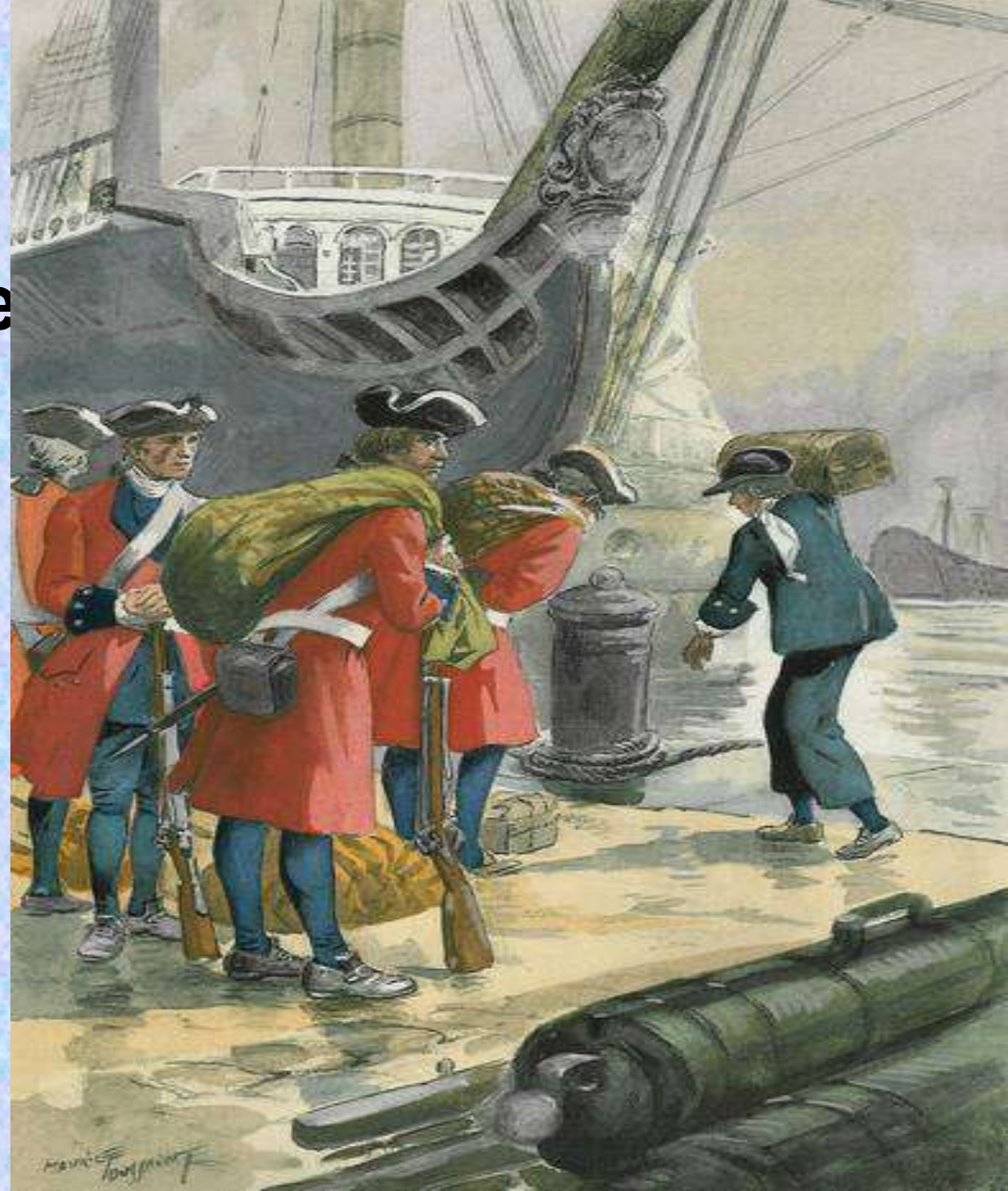
Swiss Federation
1570

- Swiss Federation : Member Cantons, Cities
- Swiss Federation : Subject Territories
- Cantons, Cities Associated to Swiss Federation
- Associated Cantons, Cities : Subject Territories
- Territory temporarily Swiss lost in 1564 / 1569

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|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Schwyz | 17 Geneve |
| 2 Uri | 18 Wallis / Valais |
| 3 Nidwalden | 19 Graubünden (Grisons) |
| 4 Obwalden | 20 Valtellina |
| 5 Glarus | 21 Bormio |
| 6 Appenzell | 22 Chiavenna |
| 7 St. Gallen | 23 Mülhausen (Mulhouse) |
| 8 Sargans | 24 Rottweil |
| 9 Thurgau | 25 Schaffhausen |
| 10 Zug | 26 Luzern (Lucerne) |
| 11 Zürich | 27 Solothurn (Soleure) |
| 12 Baden | 28 Biel |
| 13 Basel | |
| 14 Bern | |
| 15 Fribourg | |
| 16 Neuchatel | |

Swiss Background

- It was a country of mercenaries. Some felt a nationalistic need to unite the country.
- Desire for Church reform.



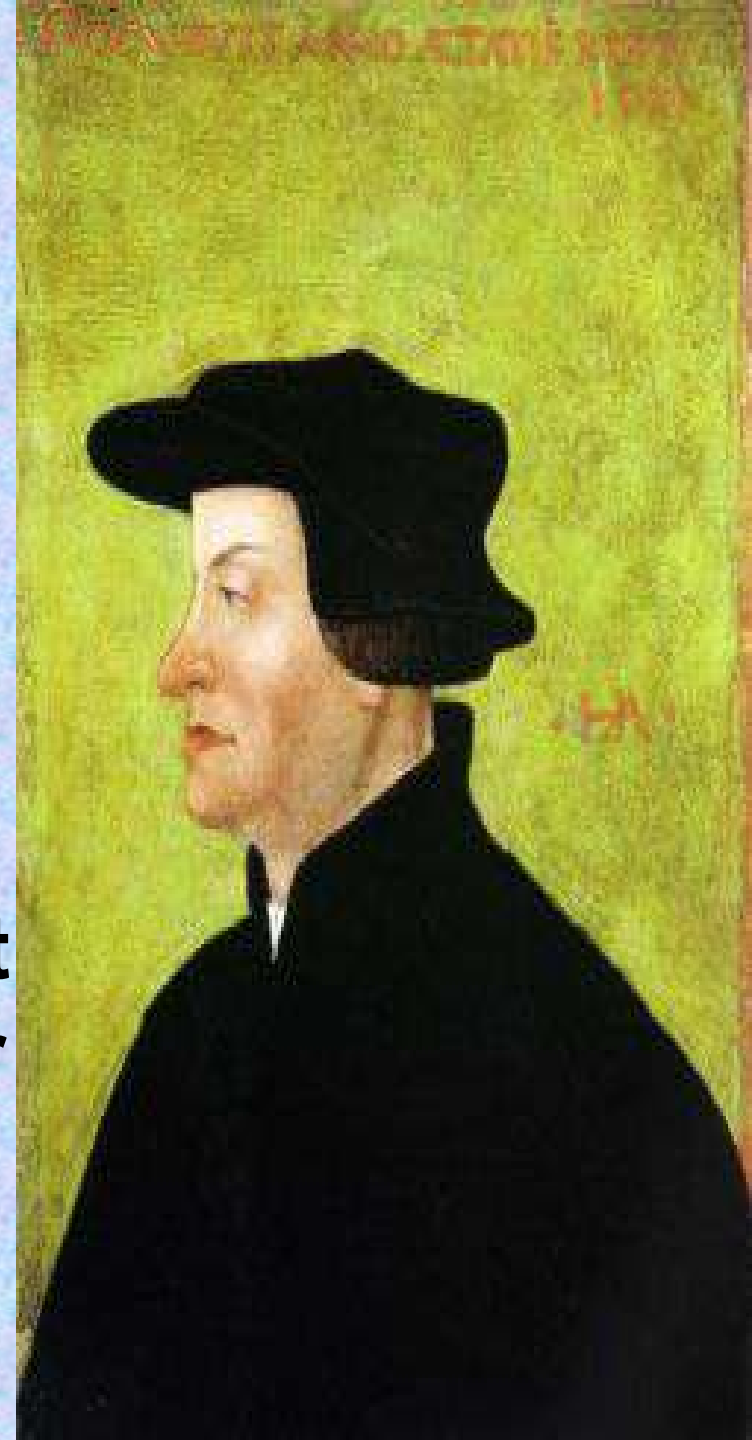
Cue Ulrich Zwingli

- Inspired by Erasmus
- Sought to revolutionize the church



Zwingli's Beliefs

- **Scripture is the source, not Church dogma.**
- **An end to priest celibacy**
- **No fasting, transubstantiation, saint worship, pilgrimages, or purgatory.**



Luther Vs. Zwingli



- Luther felt Zwingli was a radical and wanted nothing to do with him. No alliance!!!

Swiss Religious Civil Wars follow

- **Zwingli is hacked to pieces, ashes burned and scattered.**
- **But the Swiss reformation would find a new leader.**



The Anabaptists



Conrad Grebel & Anabaptists

- Believed in adult baptism
- Started the Swiss Brethern
- No gov't, oaths, pacifists
- Appealed to farming class
- Seen as radicals and were persecuted by all



Re-baptism becomes a capital offense in 1529.



- Between 1,000-5,000 executed.

Anabaptist Kingdom of Munster

- All must convert or be crushed down

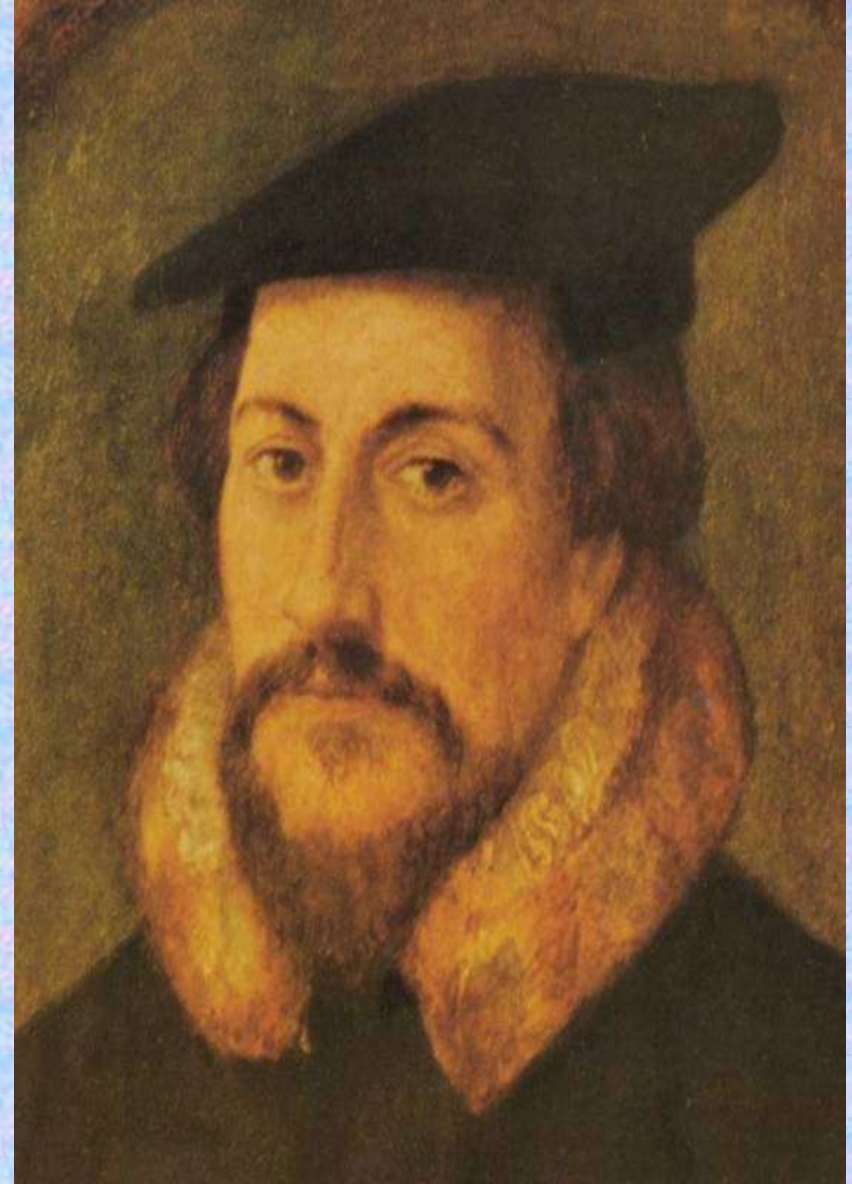


**Our next reformer is John Calvin.
Come on Down!!!**



John Calvin

- **A French Protestant**
- **Sought refuge in Geneva Switzerland, which recently had declared itself tolerant of protestantism.**
- **Well-educated lawyer and pastor**

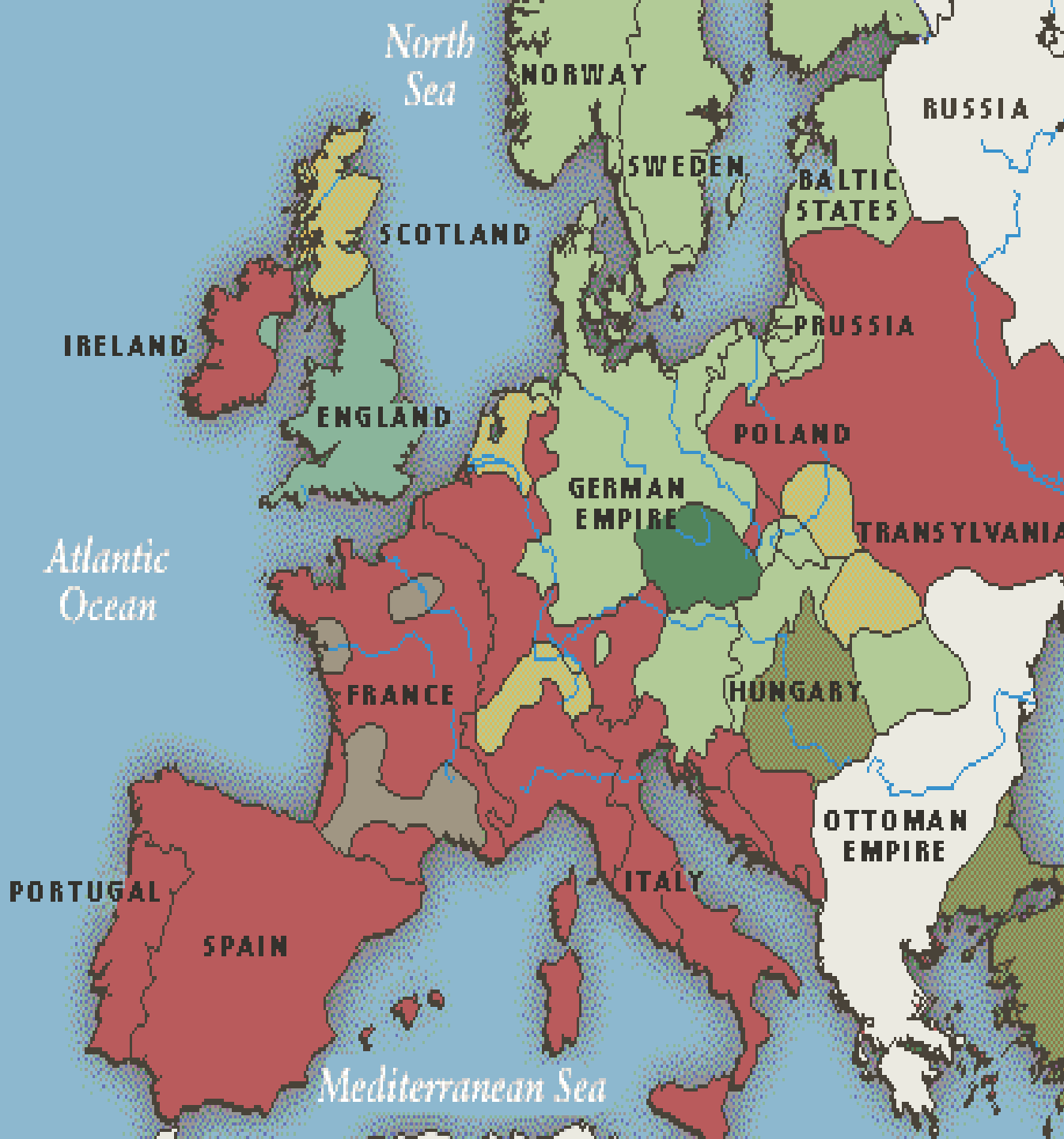


Calvinism Beliefs

- **Predestination-** the idea that one's salvation is predetermined by God.
- **Individual responsibility to re-order society according to God's plan.**
- **Denied human free will**
- **Literal Interpretation of the Bible**
- **“God's Elect”**

PREDOMINANT RELIGIONS IN MID-16TH-CENTURY EUROPE

- Anglican
- Calvinist
- Lutheran
- Islamic
- Orthodox
- Hussite
- Roman Catholic
- Huguenot



Charles V- Emperor of Holy Roman Empire (Germany)

- **Wanted all to convert back to Catholicism**
- **Distracted by wars with France, Spain, and the Turks.**
- **Does crush the Schmalkaldic League in battle**



Peace of Augsburg

- **Christian division becomes permanent.**
- **Ruler of the land determines religion.**
- **People not liking their religion could move to another kingdom.**
- **Excluded Calvinists and Anabaptists**



Homework...

- Read Pages 371-374 about the English Reformation and Henry VIII.
- Be prepared for what may lie on the morrow.



"...and whom should I say is calling?"