




PROTESTANTISM DIVIDED

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Part 1



I want to take a little detour for the first part of today's class and discuss something that seems entirely disconnected.

It is in some way disconnected but when it comes to this subject of Parables, Literal & Spiritual, and Conspiracy Theories you really can't separate them, everything is connected.

This is not largely disconnected from where we are heading and what we are trying to understand. But, it is foundational knowledge that I think we should all have.



I want to give a bit of a historical study, just a few minutes or so. It's about what has occurred within Islam over the last few decades.

This is a major subject and it's very complicated. However, I don't want to give a complicated history, I just want to give a simple review of what's happened over the last forty years.

This will seem disconnected but it will become clearer perhaps in a small way and will help us as we move forward.

So, if we were going to understand **Modern Islam** and what has happened to it, you have to go back to the Turning Point. That was **1979**, externally, that's just public knowledge, it's not something peculiar to this movement. They know their turning point was 1979, there were major events in 1979 and one of them was the **Iranian Revolution**.

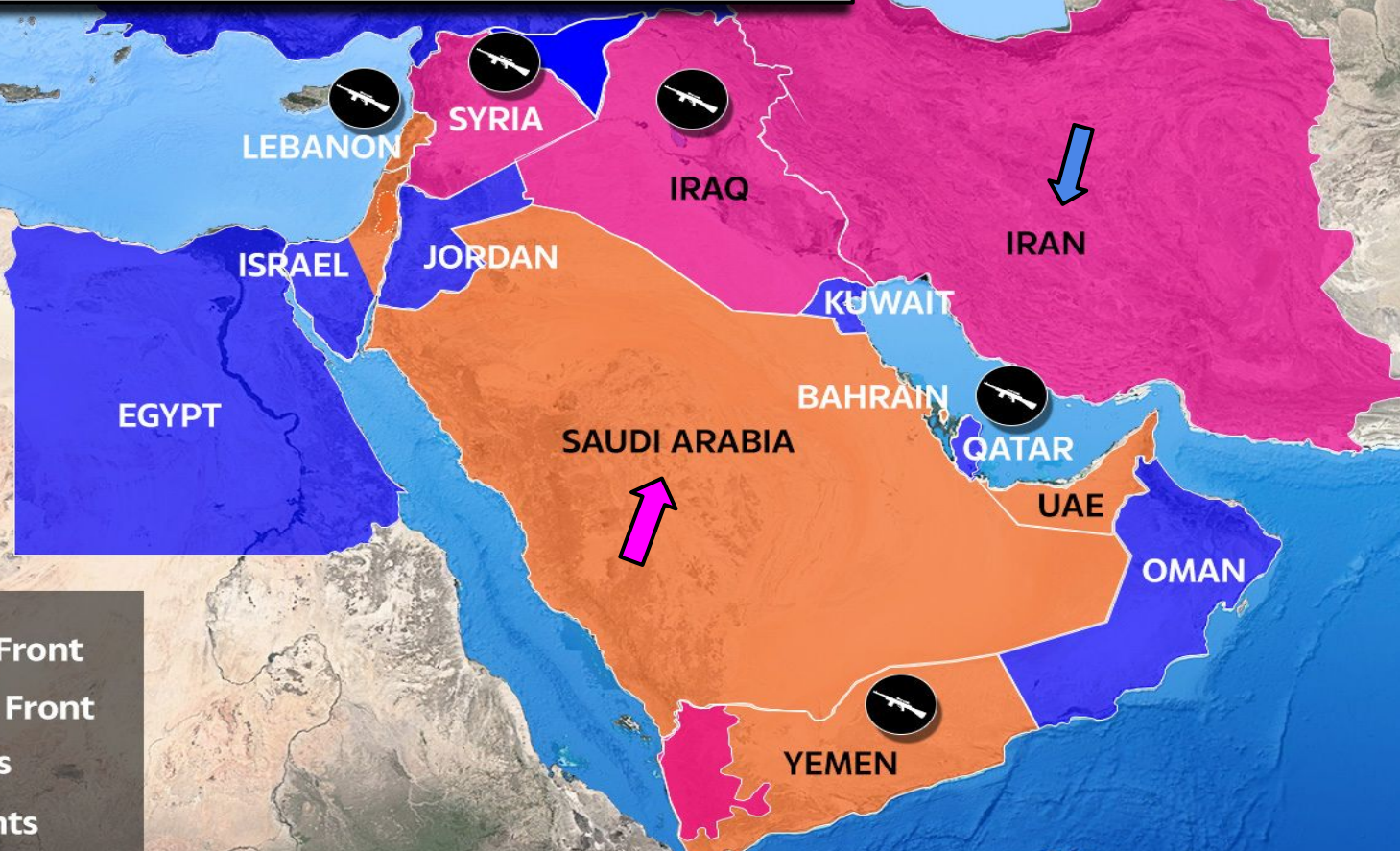


Iranian Revolution

Event

The Iranian Revolution was a series of events that culminated in the overthrow of the Pahlavi dynasty under Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, and the replacement of his government with an Islamic republic under the Grand Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, a leader of one of the factions in the revolt. [Wikipedia](#)

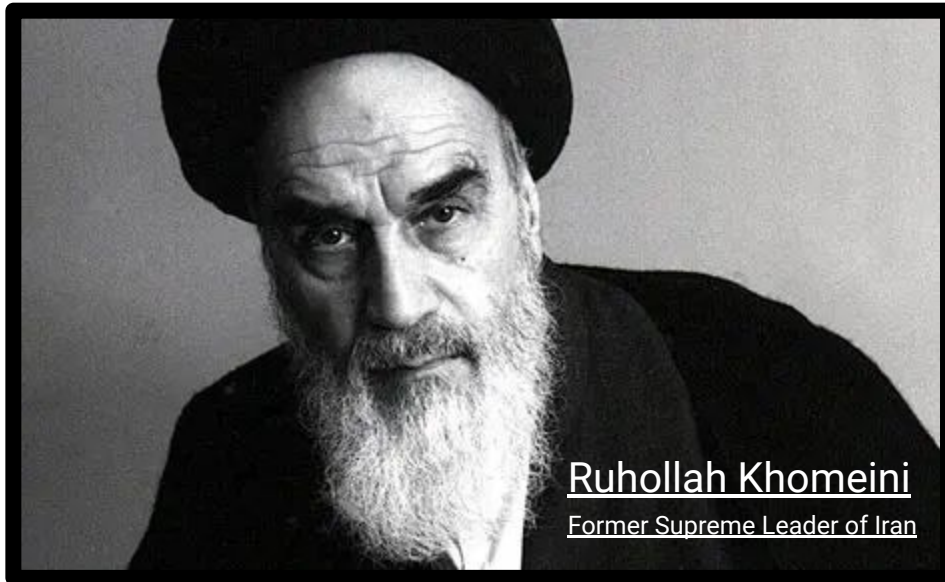
I want to discuss two countries, Iran and Saudi Arabia



-  Pro-Iran Front
-  Anti-Iran Front
-  Wildcards
-  Flashpoints

Before 1979 Iran was ruled by the Shah, and the people started to protest his rule because he was quite a Dictator.

There begins to be civil unrest and that civil unrest is hijacked by this radical Islamic movement led by a man known as **Khomeini**.

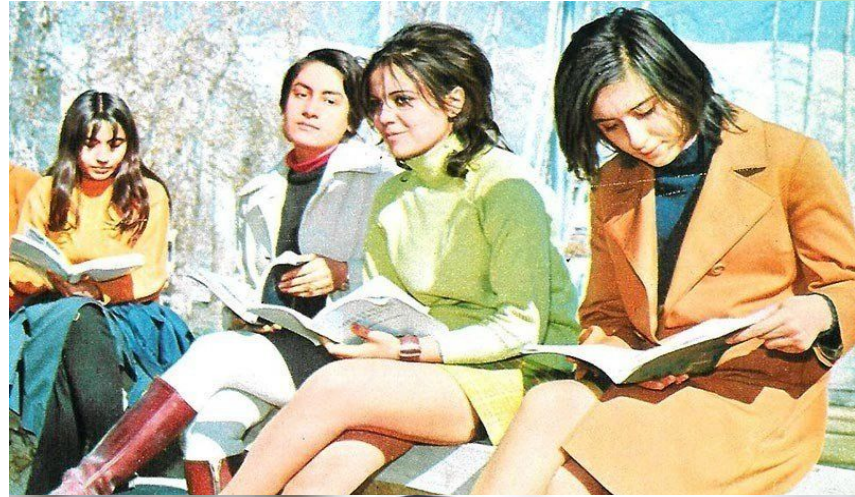


He sees himself as this spiritual leader of an Islamic government

And when the Shah is forced out of Iran, (he flees or abdicates) Khomeini comes in and takes control of Iran and he introduces

[Sharia Law](#).

So, Iran is quite a progressive country but with a dictator. This means there is a certain amount of religious tolerance and even though they have a dictator, church and state are quite separated.



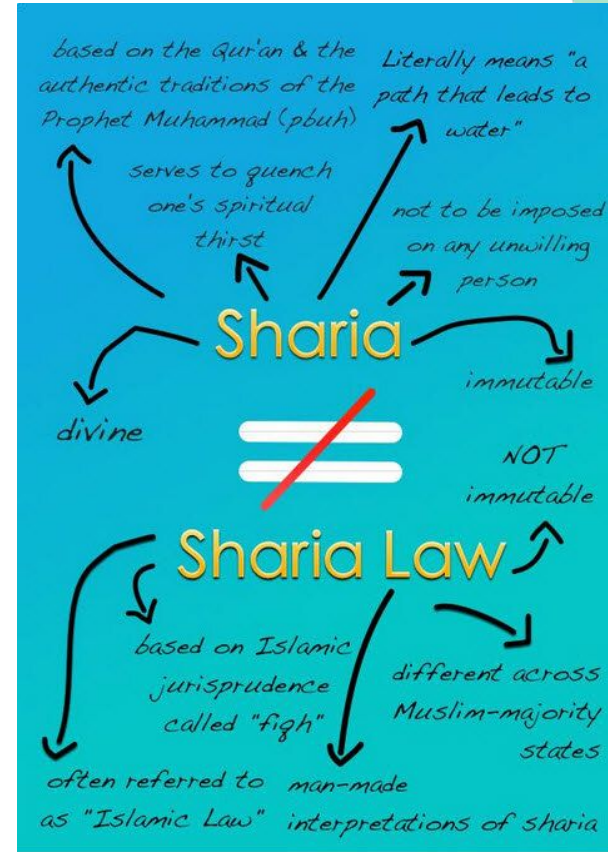
In the 1979 Iranian Revolution, this new government becomes a church led government. . .

It was led by Clerics, then Sharia Law was introduced.



Immutable; unchanging over time or unable to be changed.

Fiqh is Islamic jurisprudence. Fiqh is often described as the human understanding and practices of the sharia, that is human understanding of the divine Islamic law as revealed in the Quran and the Sunnah. [Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fiqh)



So in 1979, Iran became a combination of Church & State

Some of you are aware of two particular branches of Islam. **Shia** and **Sunni**, Iran is Shia. This is a Church/State union where the church is in control and its the Shia branch of Islam.



Now, well take a look at Saudi Arabia

Saudi Arabia is run by a royal family from generation to generation and is known as the [House of Saud](#), and they are **Sunni**.

However, not just Sunni, its a branch of Sunni known as **Wahhabism**. They are a very puritanical sect of Sunnism. Saudi Arabia contains two holy sites for a muslim, they are [Mecca & Medina](#). These are the two holy sites where they would want to go and pilgrimage.




The Saudi Royal Family or House of Saud,

have to justify that their family has the right not just to be the state rulers of Saudi Arabia but that they also have to justify that they have the spiritual mandate to control the holy sites of Islam.




15,000

That distinction likely goes to the House of Saud, the ruling royal family of Saudi Arabia. Comprising **15,000** family members (although a majority of the wealth is only held by about **2,000** of them), the House of Saud is estimated to be worth \$1.4 trillion. Aug 18, 2018




So, this State Royal family has to justify their spiritual right to control these holy sites and what that causes them to do is to go into union with Sunni clerics.

So, they formed their own **Church/State** union with radical clerics knowing that these radical clerics would justify the Royal Families right to rule the Holy sites of Islam.



So, you have a church/state relationship in Iran it's run by the Church and its, Shia. You also have a Church/State union in Saudi Arabia that's also controlled by the Church but it's a radical form of Sunnism.



The reason that Saudi Arabia went into this Church/State relationship . . .

is not just about their political rulership but that their spiritual rulership of these ancient sites were being questioned and threatened by others.

So, Saudi Arabia finds these clerics or prominent religious leaders who are going to justify Saudi Arabia's right to rule. Those clerics that they go into union with are extremely radical in their viewpoint, this is something we will begin to see that starts to get more and more out of control. This is all the same history in 1979.

Mecca Medina

THE BLESSED THE RADIANT

The Holiest Cities of Islam

Photography by Ali Kazuyoshi Nomachi

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Now, you have this other country, Afghanistan. . .

and we all know what's happening there. There's a civil war but it was a proxy war between the Soviet Union and the United States. So, you have this war in Afghanistan and we know that the United States was involved in that civil war. They spent approximately **eight billion dollars in Afghanistan** to manipulate it to their own advantage.



Saudi Arabia matched the United States. . .

with eight billion dollars that they spent because they were just as interested in Afghanistan. They needed to export their version of Islam, a version that was not extremely popular throughout much of the Islamic world.

Wahhabism was not even a majority version of Islam but it had to be seen as the majority form of Islam to justify the Saudi Royal Family and their rulership over the holy sites. They can't go straight into Afghanistan because the country is a mess and it's destroyed in Civil War. Instead there's this country that borders it and that country is Pakistan.

Wahhabism

Wahhabism is an Islamic doctrine and religious movement founded by Muhammad ibn Abd al-Wahhab. It has been variously described as "ultraconservative", "far-right", "austere", "fundamentalist", or "puritan"; ... [Wikipedia](#)



Wahhabism

Wahhabism is named after an eighteenth-century Islamic scholar, theologian, preacher and activist, [Muhammad ibn Abd al-Wahhab](#) (1703–1792).

He started a reform movement in the remote, sparsely populated region of Najd, advocating a purging of such widespread Sunni practices as the veneration of saints and the visiting of their tombs and shrines, that were practiced all over the Islamic world, but which he considered idolatrous impurities and innovations in Islam.

Eventually he formed a pact with a local leader, Muhammad bin Saud, offering political obedience and promising that protection and propagation of the Wahhabi movement meant "power and glory" and rule of "lands and men."

The alliance between followers of ibn Abd al-Wahhab and Muhammad bin Saud's successors (the House of Saud) proved to be a durable one. The House of Saud continued to maintain its politico-religious alliance with the Wahhabi sect through the waxing and waning of its own political fortunes over the next 150 years, through to its eventual proclamation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in 1932, and then afterwards, on into modern times.

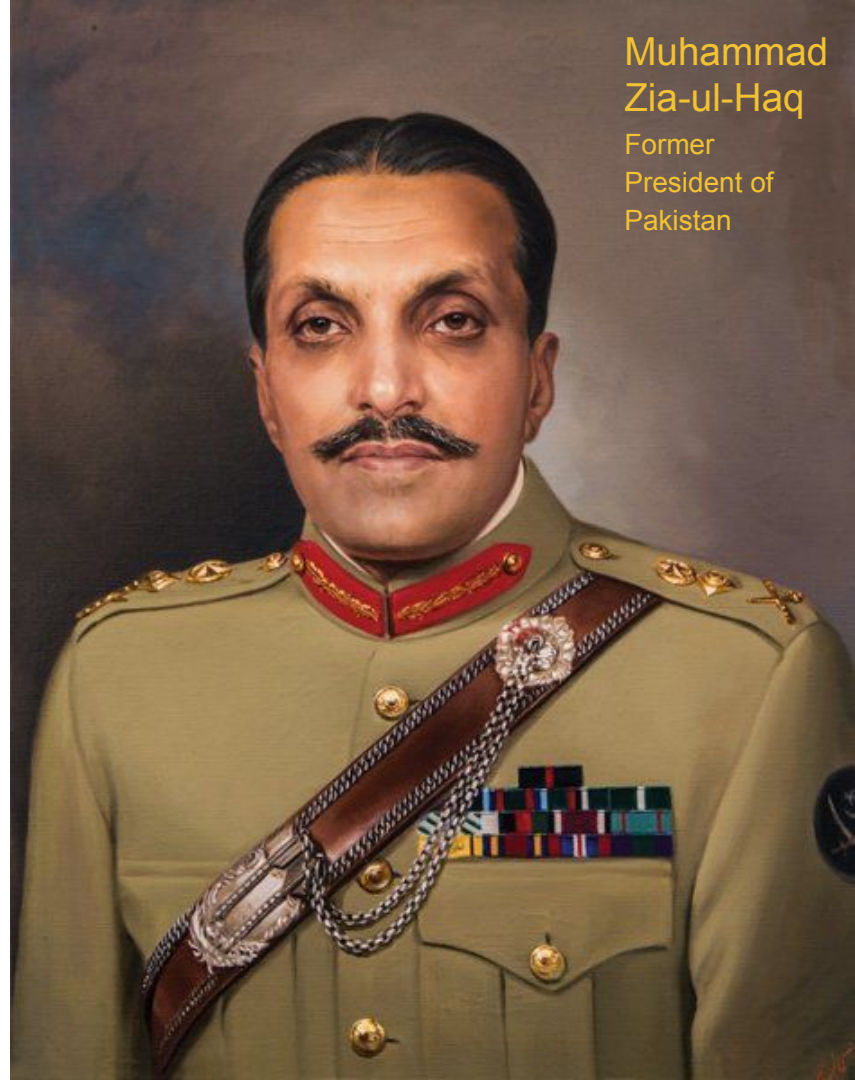
The majority of Sunni and Shia Muslims worldwide disagree with the interpretation of Wahhabism, and many Muslims denounce them as a faction or a "vile sect." Islamic scholars, including those from the [Al-Azhar University](#), regularly denounce Wahhabism with terms such as "Satanic faith." Wahhabism has been accused of being "a source of global terrorism," inspiring the ideology of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), and for causing disunity in Muslim communities by labelling Muslims who disagreed with the Wahhabi definition of [monotheism](#) as [apostates](#) and justifying their killing. It has also been criticized for the destruction of historic [shrines of saints](#), mausoleums, and other Muslim and non-Muslim buildings and artifacts.

Pakistan was quite progressive,

they were one of the first in the world to elect a woman ([Benazir Bhutto](#)) as prime minister. At age 35, she was one of the youngest chief executives in the world, and the first woman to serve as prime minister in an Islamic country.

Pakistan was really quite progressive when it came to many of these modern issues until there was an overthrow. Again, this all happened in the same history and this dictator took control of Pakistan and introduced Sharia Law.

His name was [Zia](#) and he was a dictator and again just like in the other countries what's happening in the Islamic world is this combination of Church & State, affecting country, by country, by country.



Muhammad
Zia-ul-Haq
Former
President of
Pakistan

PAKISTAN

Zia introduces Sharia Law, the people of Pakistan do not want him in power but he has two important allies because geopolitically he's useful to the United States and to Saudi Arabia.



The **United States & Saudi Arabia hold him in power**, the people don't want him. This geopolitical agenda of the United States destroys Pakistan, it's a very sad story. It really destroys the idea of America as being a country that exports democracy. The people of Pakistan back then before more indoctrination occurred, could have overthrown him. They wanted to overthrow him but they are being forced under his rule.

PESHAWAR

The reason the United States wants Zia in power is because he supports their agenda in Afghanistan and Pakistan borders Afghanistan and it becomes important to have an ally in the region. They rather support him than risk having a new government that might support the Soviet Union. They will hold this dictator in power and he just destroys the country. There's this town in Pakistan called **Peshawar**, it's this city just across the border from Afghanistan.



MUJAHIDEEN

Peshawar becomes an extremely important place. This is where the headquarters of the leaders of the Mujahideen who fled into exile from Afghanistan and they all headed to Peshawar.

Hundreds of thousands of refugees from Afghanistan all head to Peshawar, and Saudi Arabia sees an opportunity. What they are going to do is give massive discounts from all flights from Saudi Arabia to Peshawar. There going to send to this town both fighters to support the war in Afghanistan and radical Muslim Clerics to export there version of Islam.

Mujahideen

is the plural form of mujahid, the Arabic term for one engaged in jihad. The English term jihadists grammatically corresponds to it. [Wikipedia](#)

Remember this isn't just about wanting to convert people; this is to justify their state rule. So, they'll send all these radical clerics to Peshawar and then they're going to create hundreds of schools along the Afghanistan /Pakistan border.

MUJAHIDEEN SCHOOLS

Hundreds of Islamic schools run by the most radical Islamic clerics to indoctrinate the Mujahideen fighters, to indoctrinate the refugees, the children of the fighters, the children of the refugees and even the local Pakistan population which were not Wahhabi/Sunni's and indoctrinate them with radical Sunni Wahhabism.



These radical clerics do a very good job. This is what becomes the students of these schools who are created and funded by Saudi Arabia along the Afghanistan/Pakistan border. The students of these schools later become the leaders of the [Taliban](#), the leaders of many of those organizations in particular, the Taliban.

TALIBAN

Saudi Arabia built hundreds of religious seminaries along that Afghanistan border and the seminaries had to favor the fundamentalist school of thought that was closest to Saudi Puritanism


This indoctrination caused this radicalization of the area and some of the graduates became the founders of the **Taliban**. Out of these schools also would rise Al-Qaeda.



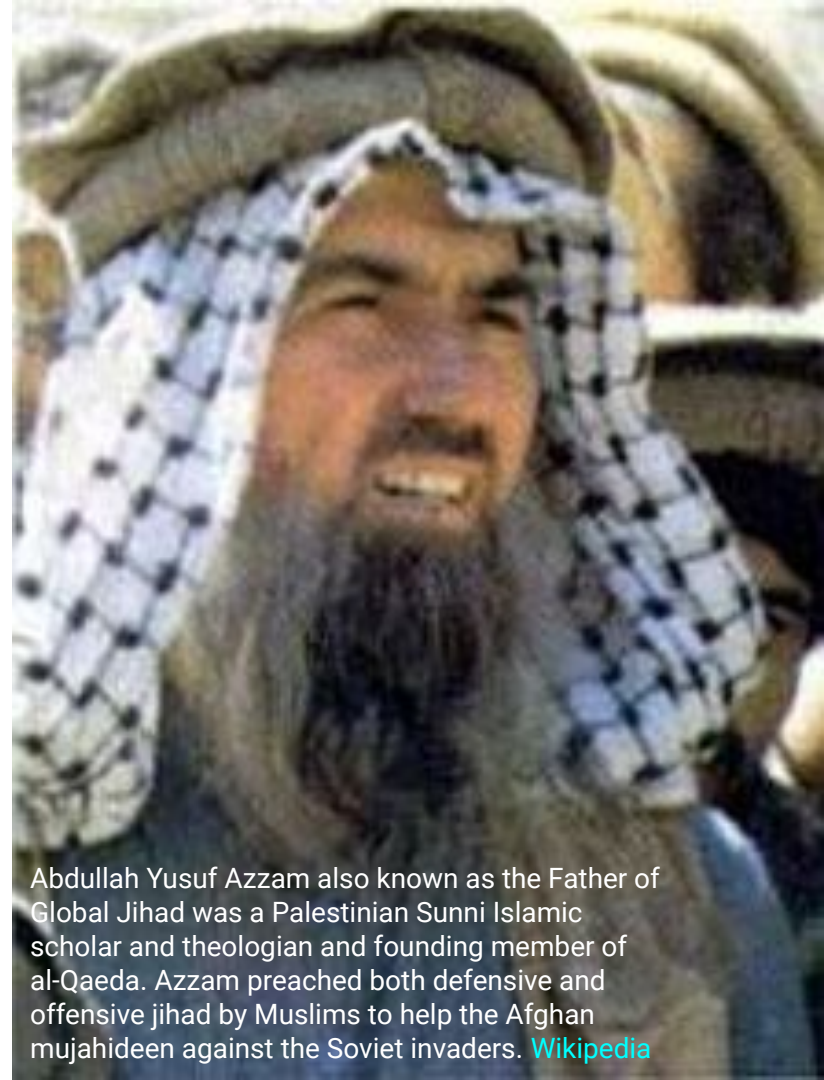
Insurgents in the border area of Zabol Province in Afghanistan. Over the years, wealthy Saudi sheikhs and philanthropists have stoked the war by privately financing the Taliban and other hard-line Sunni groups.
Mirwais Khan/Associated Press

FATHER OF GLOBAL JIHAD

One fellow moved to Peshawar, he was one of the early ones **Abdullah Yusuf Azzam** and he's known as the father of Global Jihad. This fellow is a Sunni Islamic scholar who preached both defensive and offensive Jihad by Muslims to support the Mujahideen in the battle against the Soviet Union.



He moves to Peshawar and sends for a friend of his to come and join him and those two men worked together for years up until this Father of Global Jihad Abdullah Yusuf Azzam is assassinated in 1989.

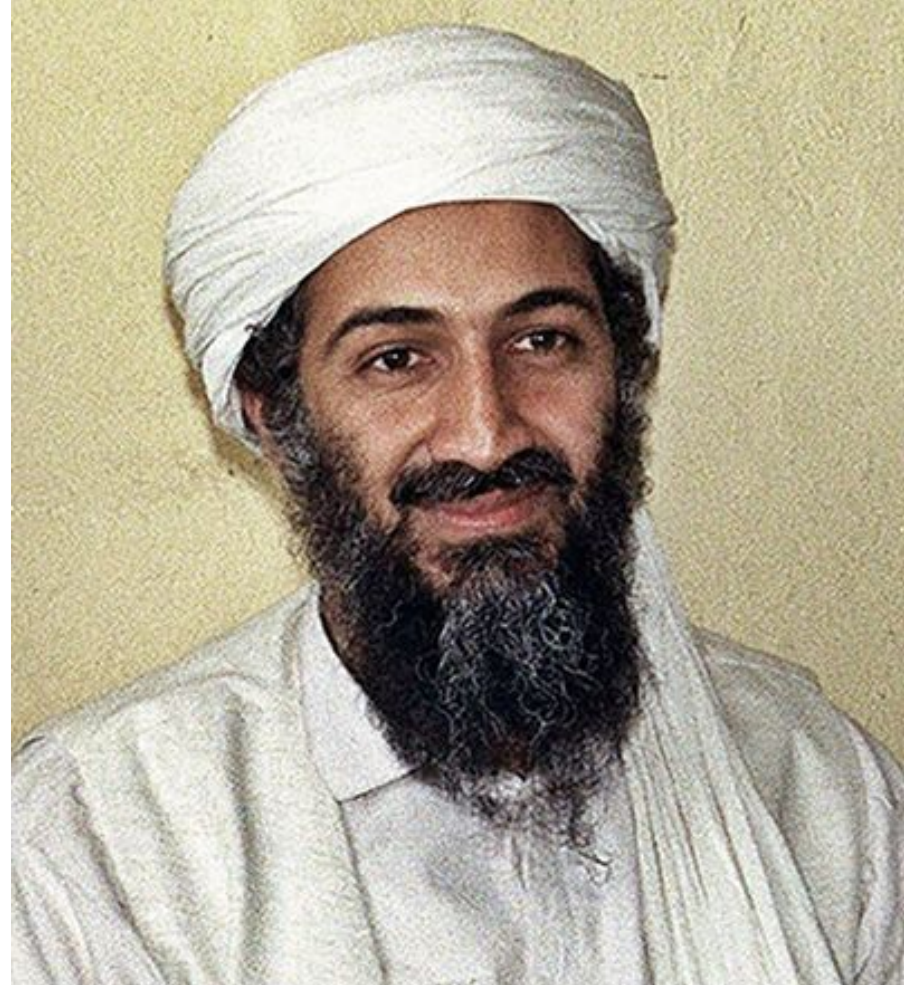


Abdullah Yusuf Azzam also known as the Father of Global Jihad was a Palestinian Sunni Islamic scholar and theologian and founding member of al-Qaeda. Azzam preached both defensive and offensive jihad by Muslims to help the Afghan mujahideen against the Soviet invaders. [Wikipedia](#)

AL-QAEDA

So, he called his friend to come and join him in Pakistan because we have a work to do, and that friend he calls is, [Osama Bin Laden](#). So you have Abdullah and Osama Bin Laden and they become the co-creators of [Al-Qaeda](#).

Out of Peshawar arise the Taliban & Al-Qaeda and its not just these, its the whole of radical Islam across the region. These are just two movements that grow out of that radicalization. This has all been purposely and intentionally both encouraged, orchestrated and funded by Saudi Arabia.



Osama Bin Laden

911 ATTACK

If we skip some years, we come down to 911. Sept. 11, 2001, and you have this attack on the United States and there are 19 terrorists that are known to have orchestrated that attack. Of those 19 terrorists, 1 is from Egypt, 1 is from Lebanon, 2 are from the United Arab Emirates and 15 are from Saudi Arabia, **Why?**



SAUDI ARABIA



U.A.E.

LEBANON

EGYPT



Church & State Relationship

The problem with what Saudi Arabia has done and to some degree still continues to do, in order to justify their own rule over Mecca & Medina, they went into a **Church/State** relationship and they were forced to fund and encourage the most radical of Clerics.

Even when their own people did not originally hold to that radical viewpoint, they had to export this radical version of Islam. The problem with that is that they tend to lose control of their own projects.

<https://stateandchurchsep.weebly.com/saudi-arabia.html>

Saudi Arabia is an example of a country with zero separation between church and state. The government is an Islamic Monarchy. The government has promised the safety of those who are not muslim practicing their faith privately (in their own homes), but publicly it is against the law.

Failure to comply is punishable by a fine, lashing, torture, deportation, imprisonment, and or death. Since the muslim population is 90%, most Arabians do not wish for a government where state and church are separated from one another.

The similarities with Saudi Royal family & Donald Trump

So, if you were to imagine Saudi Arabia, that Royal Family is much like a Donald Trump, they hold to a version of Islam and they support a version of Islam that's extremely Puritanistic or Fundamentalist. But, the Royal Family themselves aren't all that moral, much the same way you see Donald Trump today.

For example, they like sport and a real Fundamentalist Muslim would not support any form of sport, it is a sin. But, they like their sport and they refuse to outlaw their sport. They will arrest and imprison Clerics that speak against their favorite sport.



The Saudi Royal family themselves are not very moral...

just like Donald Trump but they've been forced to go into union with radical Islam.

What can happen, is these terrorist organizations like Isis & Al-Qaeda, can recognize that they don't like the Shia faith, and they don't like the West, but they can also recognize that they don't like the Saudi Royal Family either and they lose control of their own projects.

I'm not suggesting that the Saudi Arabian Government themselves and the Leaders, orchestrated the 911 attacks but they did create the environment. A similar thing happened with Isis. So, you have these two sides, the Shia sect of Islam and the Sunni sect of Islam.



[Saudi Arabia launches biggest sports academy for boys and girls.](#)

If we could just give a Parable to sort of imagine, or to make this easier to perhaps conceptualize. . .

Iran is a Church/State Government, if we were to bring that to Christianity and away from Islam, we can say that Shia Islam is a lot like Catholicism.

The way they are like Catholicism is that Shiites really like their history and they like their Shrines. So, if there is a tomb that belongs to the Father-in-Law of the Prophet Mohammad, a Shia will restore that tomb. They will decorate it and then they will go to that tomb and worship at it, to honor the Father-in-Law of Mohammad. They really like their relics.

Iran = Shia = Catholicism



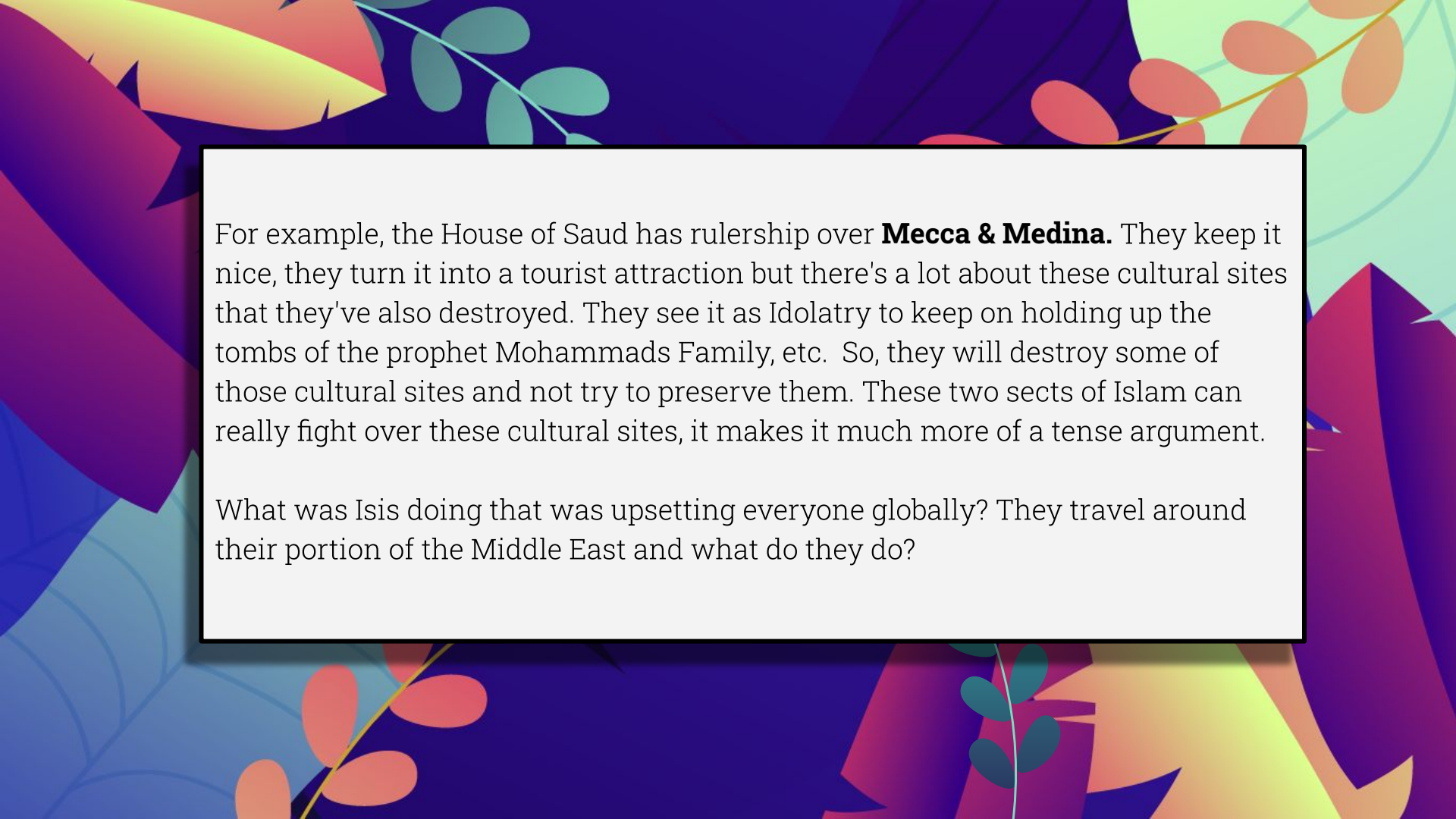
Sunni's are more like Protestants. . .

So, the **Shia** sect is more in line with **Catholicism**, and the **Sunni** sect is more in line with **Protestantism**.

The Sunni's see the Shiites as Idolaters because they believe that when Shiites honor these shrines and decorate these tombs and they travel to those places to offer their prayers, they see that as idolatry or creating Idol worship. So, these Shiites see these Sunnis as idolaters. The Shiites get angry at the Sunni's because the Sunni's keep destroying their Cultural Sites.

Saudi Arabia = Sunni = Protestantism

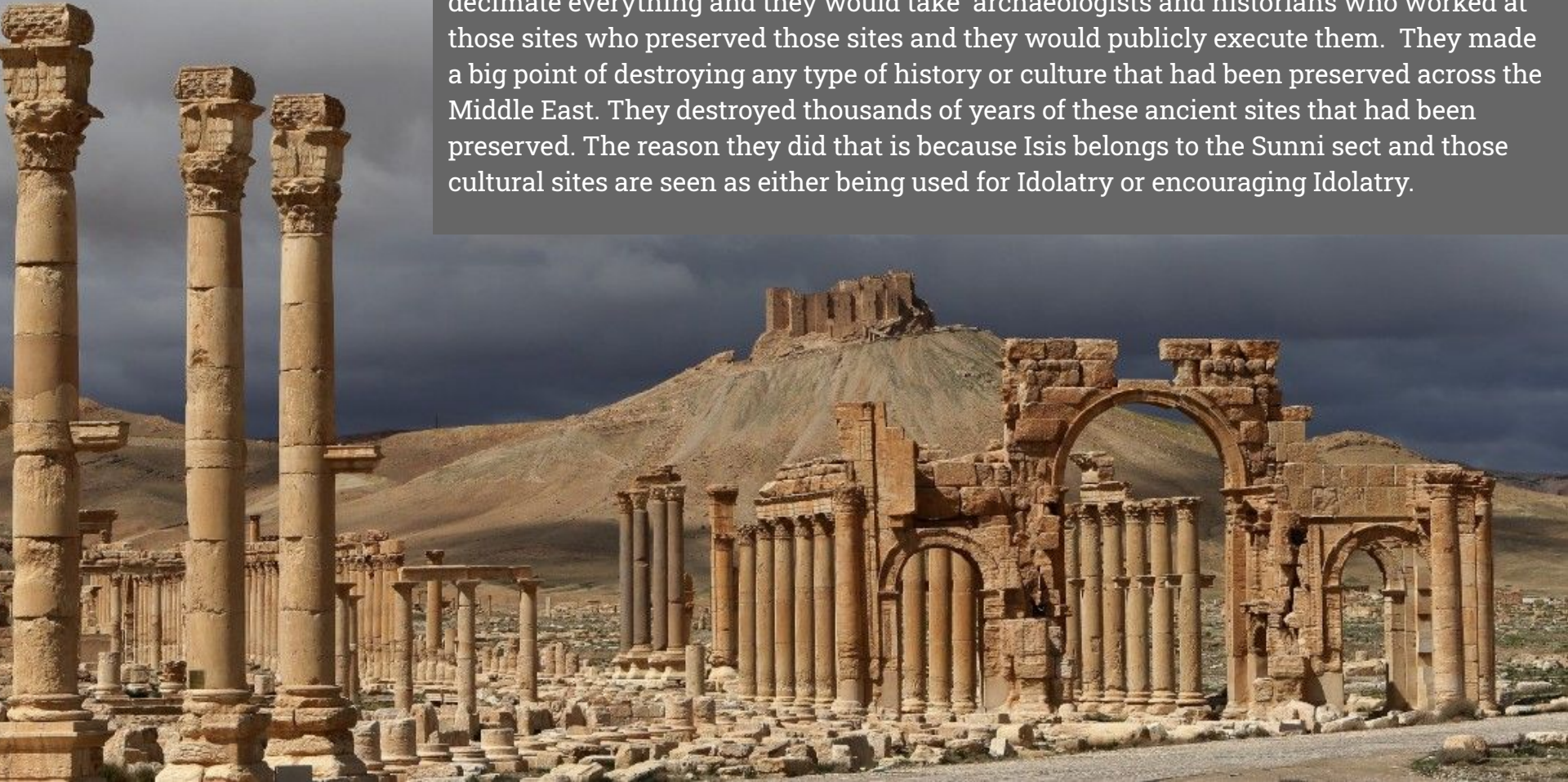


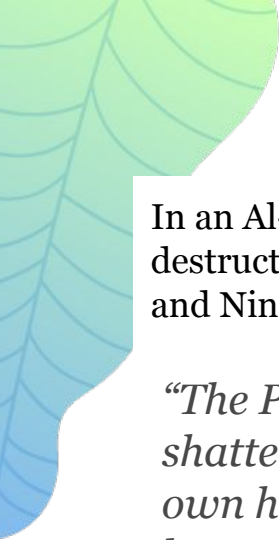


For example, the House of Saud has rulership over **Mecca & Medina**. They keep it nice, they turn it into a tourist attraction but there's a lot about these cultural sites that they've also destroyed. They see it as Idolatry to keep on holding up the tombs of the prophet Mohammads Family, etc. So, they will destroy some of those cultural sites and not try to preserve them. These two sects of Islam can really fight over these cultural sites, it makes it much more of a tense argument.

What was Isis doing that was upsetting everyone globally? They travel around their portion of the Middle East and what do they do?


They'd bring in equipment, like bombs and they would just decimate cultural sites that have existed for thousands of years, going back to the days of Babylon. They would just decimate everything and they would take archaeologists and historians who worked at those sites who preserved those sites and they would publicly execute them. They made a big point of destroying any type of history or culture that had been preserved across the Middle East. They destroyed thousands of years of these ancient sites that had been preserved. The reason they did that is because Isis belongs to the Sunni sect and those cultural sites are seen as either being used for Idolatry or encouraging Idolatry.






In an Al-Hayat film documenting the destruction at the Mosul Museum and Nineveh, one militant states:

“The Prophet Muhammad shattered the idols with his own honourable hands when he conquered Mecca. The Prophet Muhammad commanded us to shatter and destroy statues. This is what his companions did later on, when they conquered lands.”



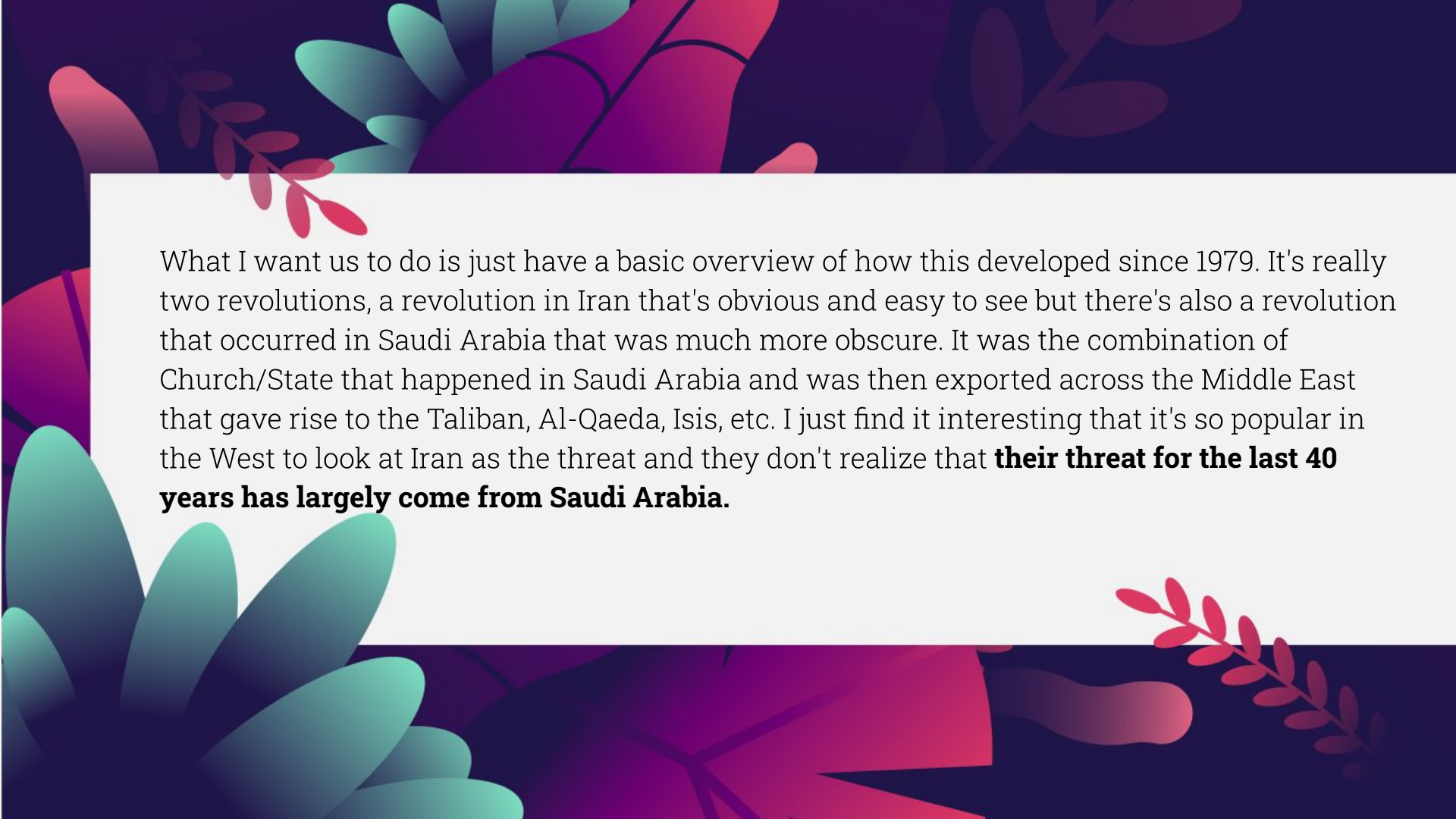


Out of this work of Saudi Arabia, came Al-Qaeda, the Taliban, Isis and the 911 attacks.


This isn't something that could have come from Iran. Iran is also radical, if you want to see what a Shia terrorist organization looks like, look up Hezbollah.

Some of you may be familiar with [Hezbollah](#) in Lebanon, they are Shia.

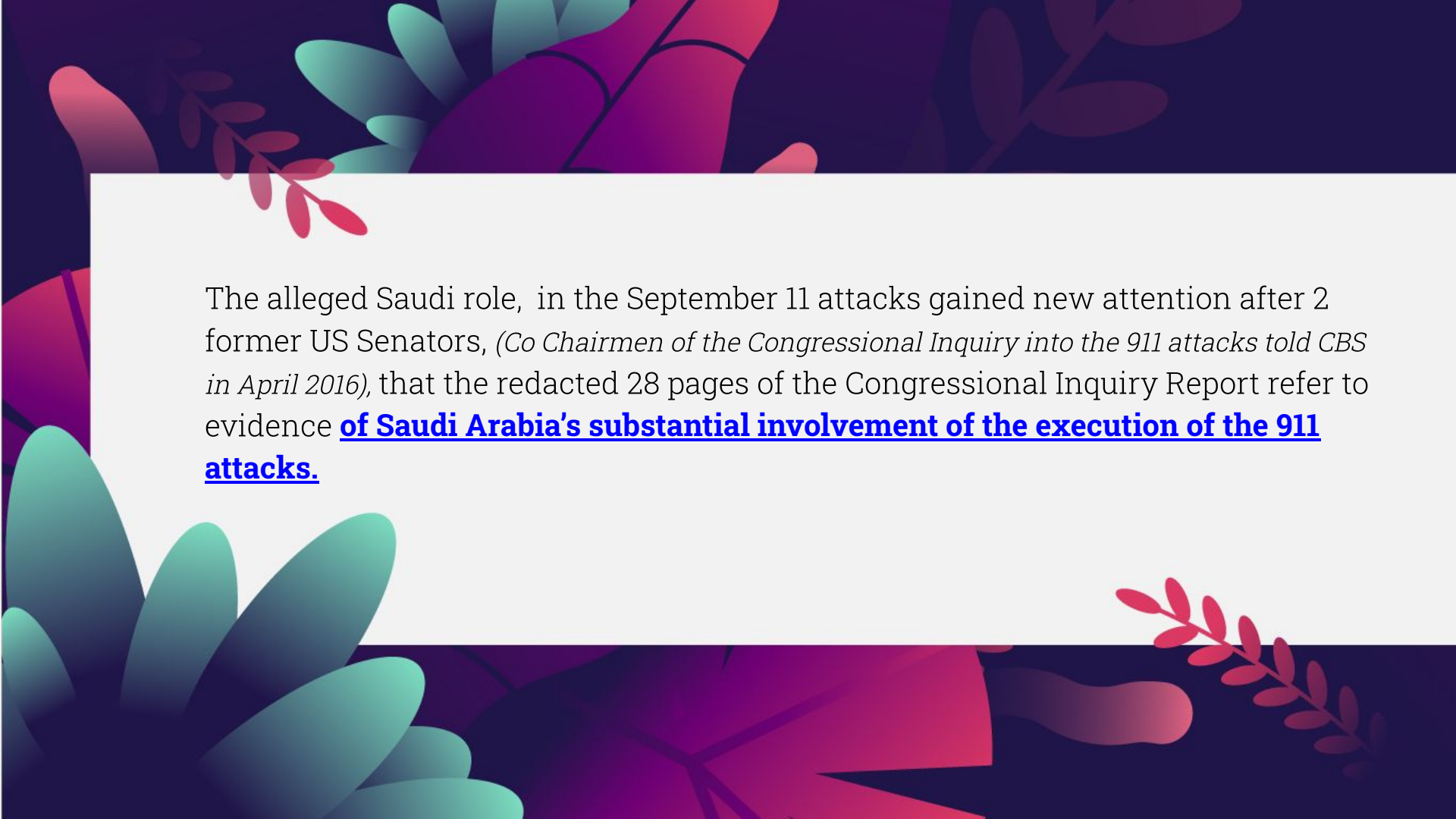
There are other radical terrorist organizations that come from the Sunni sect and that's why as close as the United States is with Saudi Arabia, (*because of geopolitical interests against Iraq, against the Soviet Union because of oil for various reasons*) much of this comes down to either power or money. This is where radical Islam has come from, in the way that it threatens the West today, even though Iran also subscribes to Sharia Law.



What I want us to do is just have a basic overview of how this developed since 1979. It's really two revolutions, a revolution in Iran that's obvious and easy to see but there's also a revolution that occurred in Saudi Arabia that was much more obscure. It was the combination of Church/State that happened in Saudi Arabia and was then exported across the Middle East that gave rise to the Taliban, Al-Qaeda, Isis, etc. I just find it interesting that it's so popular in the West to look at Iran as the threat and they don't realize that **their threat for the last 40 years has largely come from Saudi Arabia.**




Just like the people are looking at the **Catholic** world, and forgetting the **Protestant** world where their threat actually came from. That was nowhere more obvious than at 911, where 15 of those 19 terrorists were Saudi Arabian.



The alleged Saudi role, in the September 11 attacks gained new attention after 2 former US Senators, *(Co Chairmen of the Congressional Inquiry into the 911 attacks told CBS in April 2016)*, that the redacted 28 pages of the Congressional Inquiry Report refer to evidence **of Saudi Arabia's substantial involvement of the execution of the 911 attacks.**




There are still many open questions about how much certain government officials in Saudi Arabia knew and how much funding and encouragement they gave to that initiative. Much of that has been redacted and held back to **preserve this alliance between the United States and Saudi Arabia.**



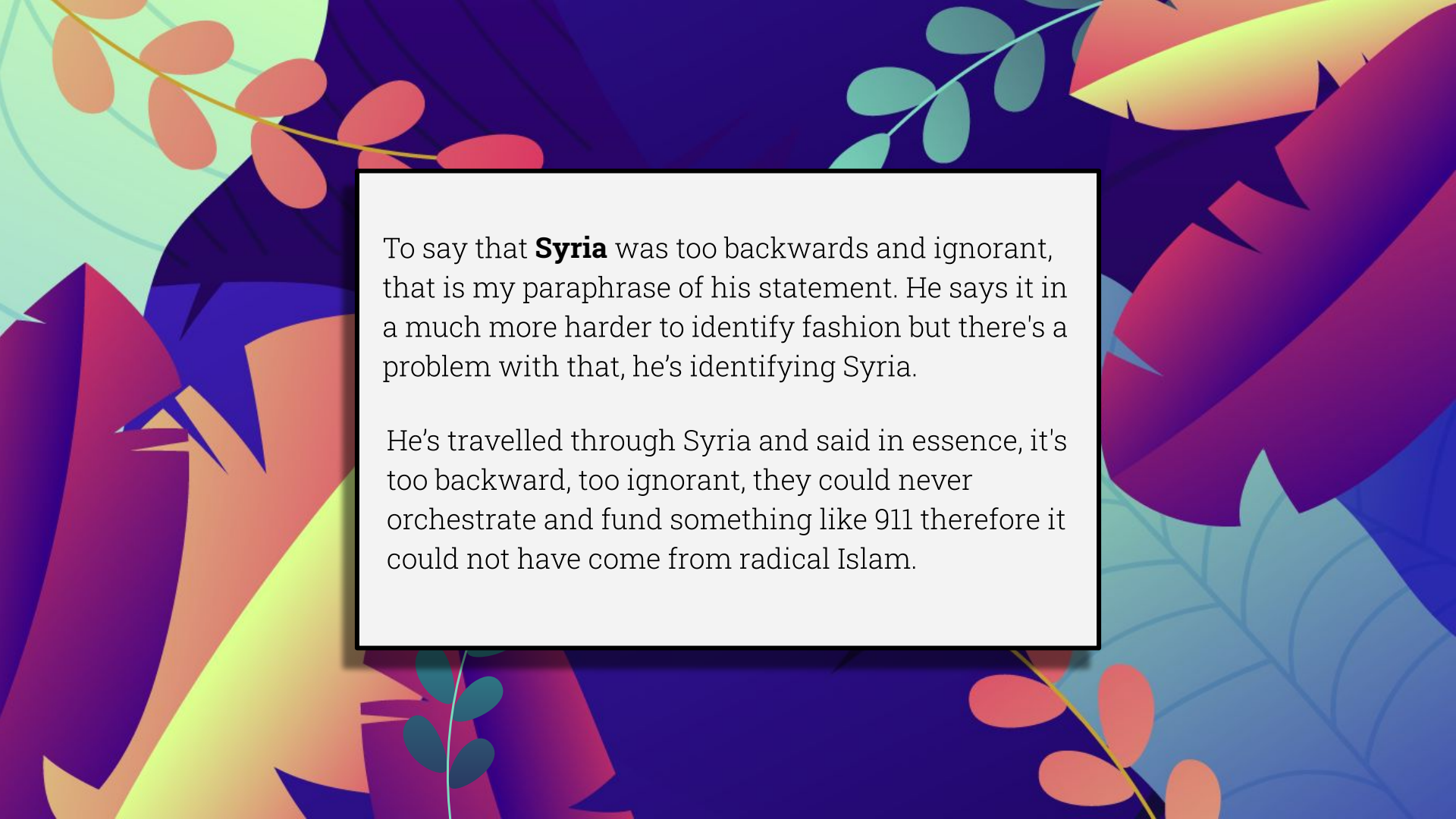
As I said, the House of Saud needed to justify their rule to engage in these projects but they are in regular danger of losing control of them, because of their own immorality... if I can put it that way.

It becomes important to know these histories because if someone were to throw out a quote, say someone like **Walter Veith**, if he were to throw out a quote like,

“Islam cannot be responsible for 911 and I’ll tel you why, because I’ve travelled from the north to the south and from the south to the north of Syria before their Civil War, and it was a backward ignorant country, they cant be responsible for the 911 attacks.”



When **Walter Veith** makes that kind of statement, which he did in 2018, what's the first thing you should question? First thing that comes to my attention is that regardless of how he thinks or what his personal morality is, the statement is racist, the words, the message is racist, regardless of the man.



To say that **Syria** was too backwards and ignorant, that is my paraphrase of his statement. He says it in a much more harder to identify fashion but there's a problem with that, he's identifying Syria.

He's travelled through Syria and said in essence, it's too backward, too ignorant, they could never orchestrate and fund something like 911 therefore it could not have come from radical Islam.



Bashar al-Assad

President of Syria

Is Syria predominantly Sunni or Shia?

Is Assad Sunni or Shia?

Assad is Shia, the whole House of Assad is Shia, it's a Shia country.

In their Civil War, who's going to support Assad and who's going to support the Rebels?

Iran will support Assad and Saudi Arabia will support the Rebels because Iran is supporting another Shia country. Iran is united with Russia, which is also another ally of Assad in Syria, so they work together.


The United States is allied to Saudi Arabia; they'll support the Rebels.

Again, behind it all, it has the same sectarian rift within Islam.



The 911 attacks were never going to come from Syria, it's a Shia stronghold and Shiites are directly opposed to Sunnism. Sunnism is where you find Al-Qaeda, Saudi Arabia and 15 of the 19 terrorists, not one of those terrorists were even Syrian. The money did not come from Syria, they were never funded by Assad. There is no connection between 911 and Iran or Syria, so the statement itself is just on the most basic level, ignorant of the Middle East.






We're going to come back later, towards the end of our presentation, but for sure it will be next week that we'll be looking at some of the viewpoints of Walter Veith.

I just want us to have a little bit of a view of history itself, just how many layers of wrong there are in the statements that he makes.

In order to see the wrong we need to have a basic overview of what happened here. Who does Walter Veith say was responsible for the 911 attacks?



Back, in a quote in 2018 which we'll come back to, he starts to say sarcastically about how people will say, **"Oh, it wasn't Islam it was the Zionists"** and then Walter Veith will say, **"Well, it's not really the Jewish Jews it's the Jews that are controlled by the Papacy."**

So, underneath all that, if I can cut out the noise, he's saying,

"it was the Jews."

And, there was someone who would agree with him.

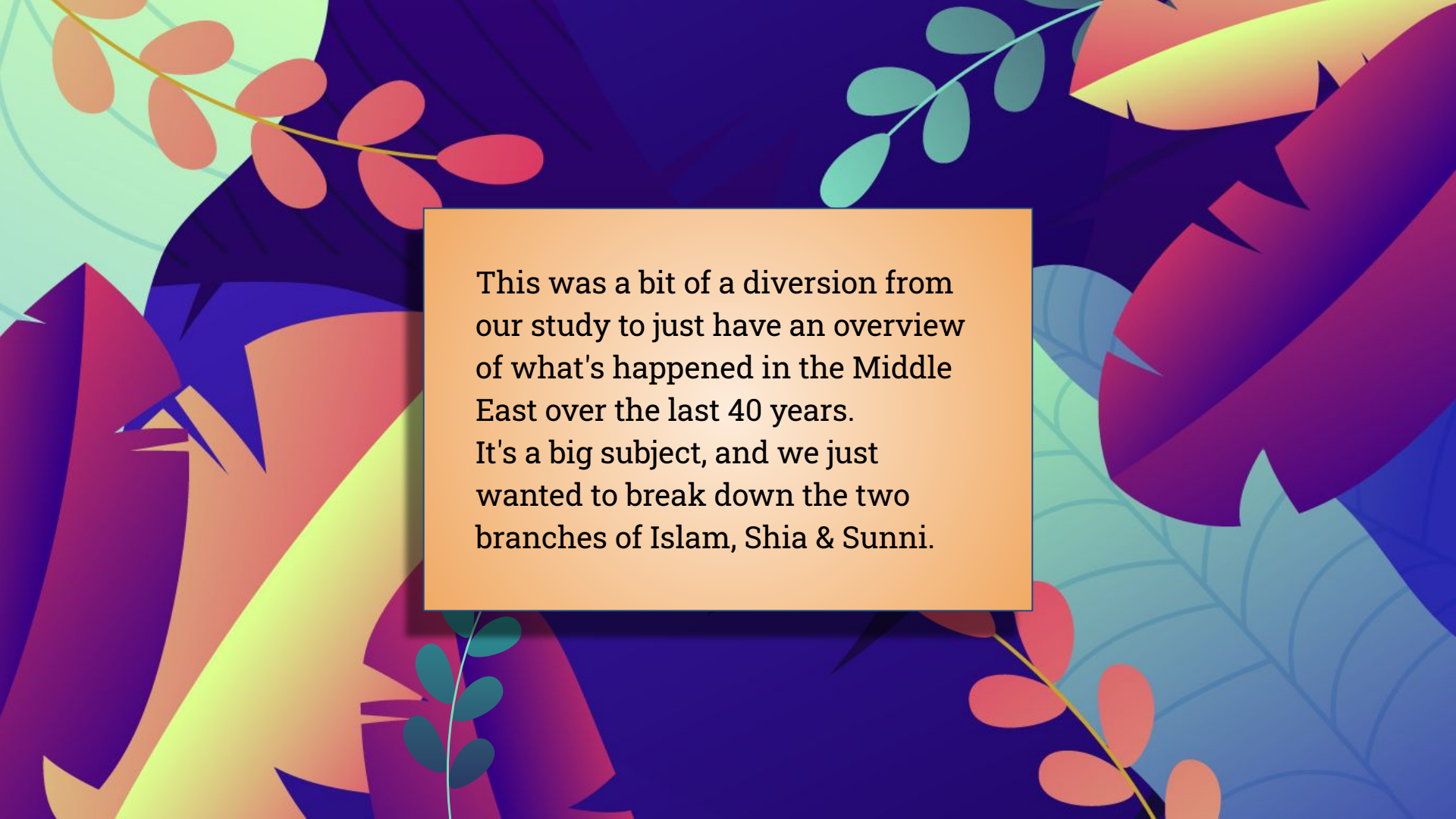


In 2002, the Interior Minister of Saudi Arabia, said,
“it was impossible that 15 Saudis could have participated in 911.”

He said it was a Zionist Conspiracy, quoting him,

**“We still ask ourselves, who has benefited from 911,
I think it is the Jews, the antagonists.”**

Saudi Arabia is certainly happy for that viewpoint, that it was the Jews that were responsible for 911. But there's absolutely no evidence for that, it was a deflection from their own responsibility for that attack.

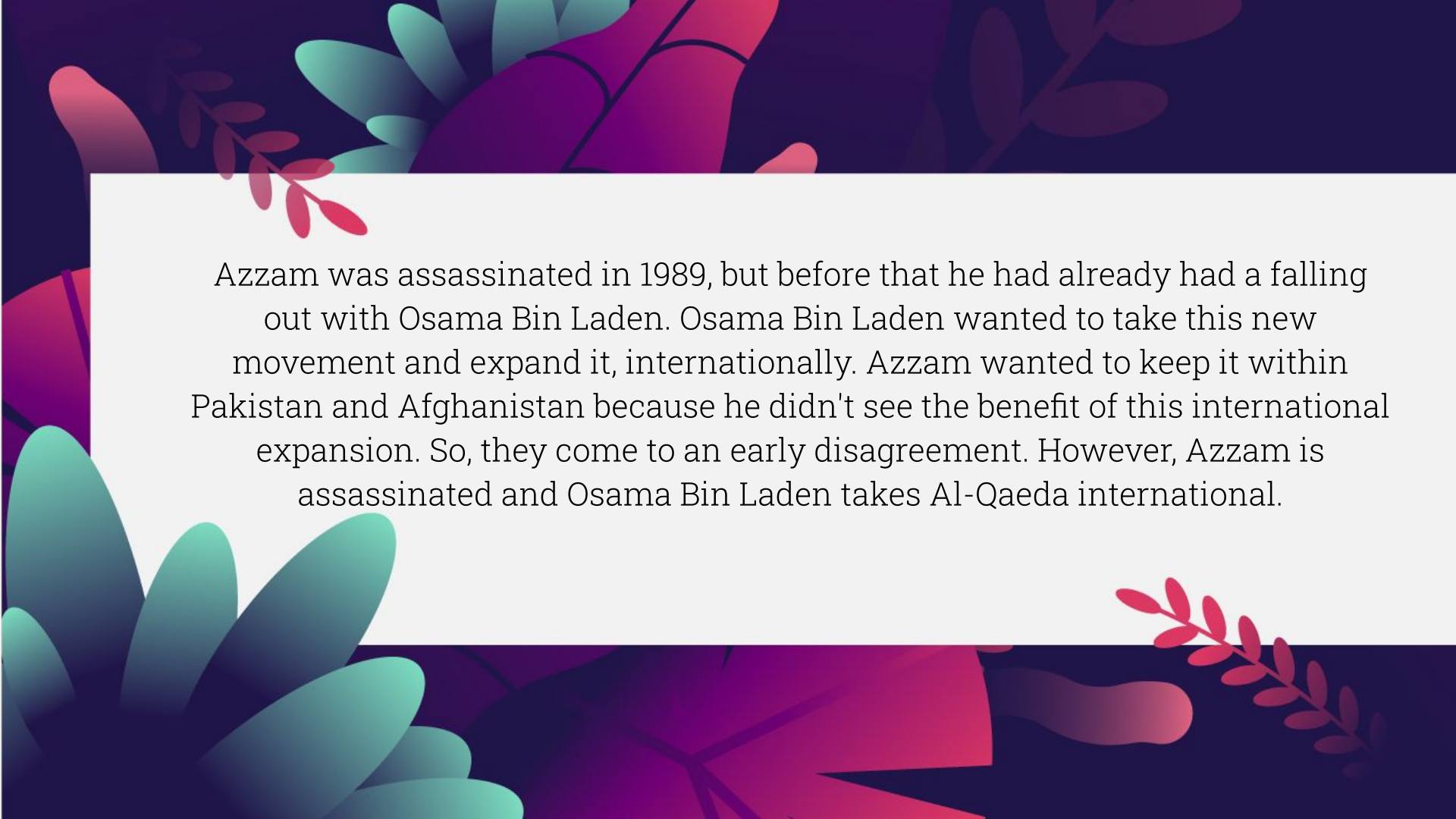


This was a bit of a diversion from our study to just have an overview of what's happened in the Middle East over the last 40 years. It's a big subject, and we just wanted to break down the two branches of Islam, Shia & Sunni.

They have become Church/State unions in two countries in the Middle East that have engulfed the rest of that region in proxy wars ever since, destroying vast areas of the Middle East outside their own countries, from Lebanon to Syria to Pakistan.

One is Shia and one is Sunni, both are quite radical and both believe in Sharia Law. Saudi Arabia saw an opportunity with the Afghanistan Civil War along with the United States backing to become involved in that war to export there radical version of Islam. Through there Clerics and the hundreds of Church/Schools along the Pakistan/Afghanistan border. They would recruit and indoctrinate both the Mujahideen fighters and the refugees along with their children.

It all particularly centers around this one town of Peshawar. Out of Peshawar come two leaders who unite, Azzam, the Father of Modern Jihad who then calls his friend in Peshawar, Osama Bin Laden and they unite and become the two co-founders of Al-Qaeda.



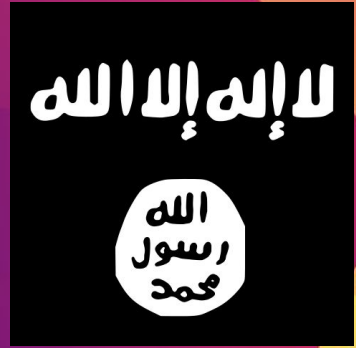
Azzam was assassinated in 1989, but before that he had already had a falling out with Osama Bin Laden. Osama Bin Laden wanted to take this new movement and expand it, internationally. Azzam wanted to keep it within Pakistan and Afghanistan because he didn't see the benefit of this international expansion. So, they come to an early disagreement. However, Azzam is assassinated and Osama Bin Laden takes Al-Qaeda international.

From the fomenting of radical Islam there is a radical transformation across many countries in the Middle East. From Egypt, all across the Middle East and much of it happened because Saudi Arabia tends to lose control of their projects.

Also, in the Peshawar history you find other men who became the founders and leaders of what became Isis.

But there are many more players than just Osama Bin Laden. Out of that same petri dish came Isis and many other separate terrorist organizations that slowly morphed and developed into Isis.

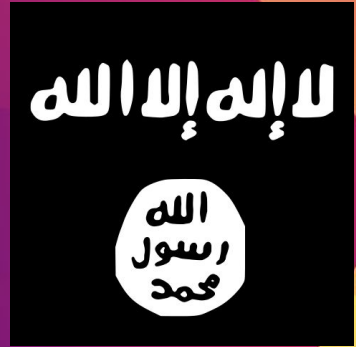
But this was a Saudi Arabian project, a union of Church/State, we described it as Catholic vs Protestant.

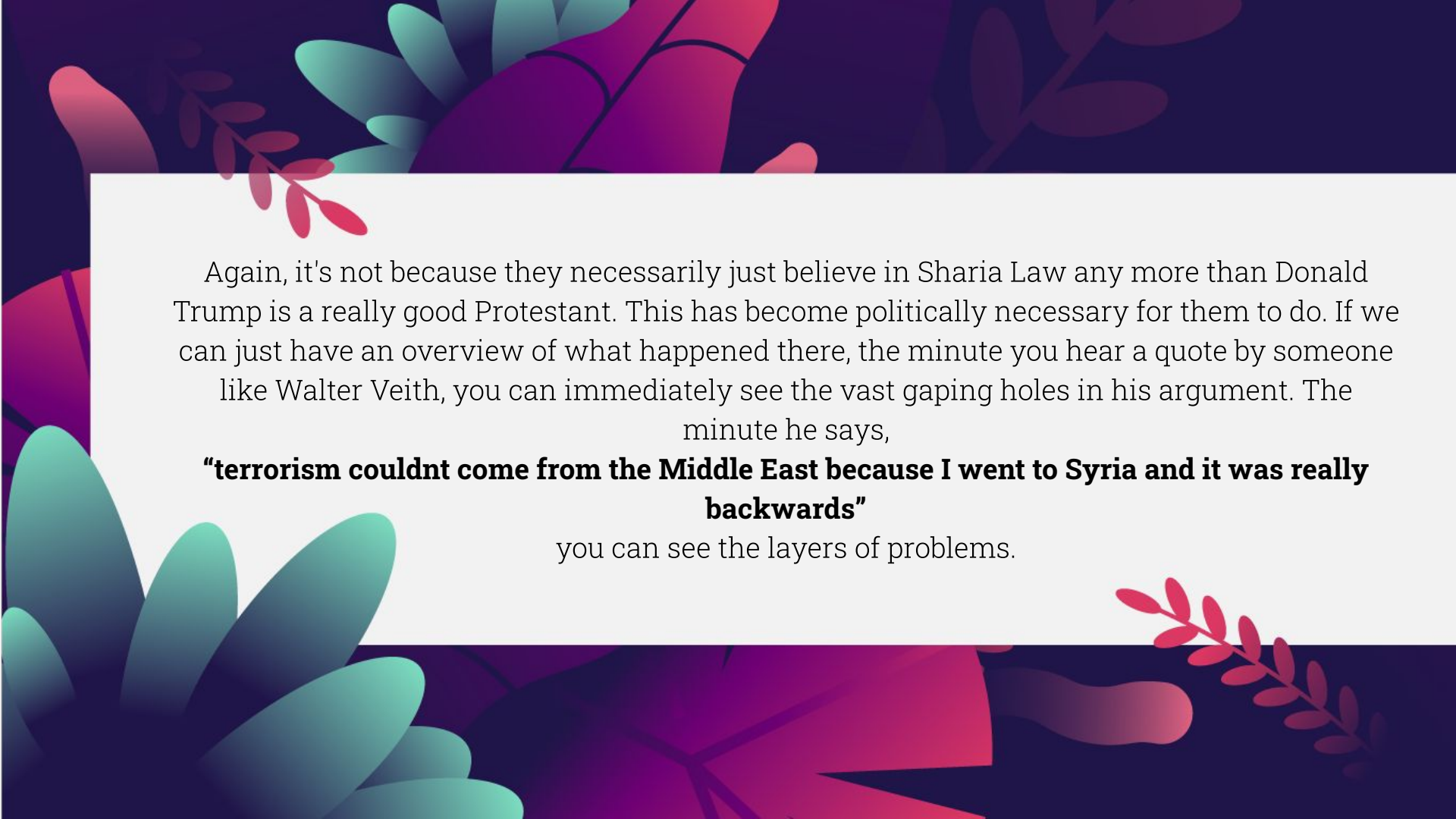


If you hadn't gone back into the middle ages you would have seen a very similar dynamic. You would have a Catholic Church/State union and a Protestant Church/State union and they're going to fight for the expansion of their influence throughout Europe. That's what happened in the Middle East and that is why the Middle East is in the mess it is today.

It's not because they're just violent people and it's not because they're just a violent religion. You could say the exact same thing of Christianity in the 1260, you would have seen the same thing because it was the same thing.

All the Middle East has is that same church/state mess that we had in the 1260. These two opposing sides both in Church/State unions are going to continue to attack each other, through their different proxies across the Middle East, outside their own national borders. Iran is by no means bearing the majority of the guilt for that, much falls on Saudi Arabia.





Again, it's not because they necessarily just believe in Sharia Law any more than Donald Trump is a really good Protestant. This has become politically necessary for them to do. If we can just have an overview of what happened there, the minute you hear a quote by someone like Walter Veith, you can immediately see the vast gaping holes in his argument. The minute he says,

“terrorism couldnt come from the Middle East because I went to Syria and it was really backwards”

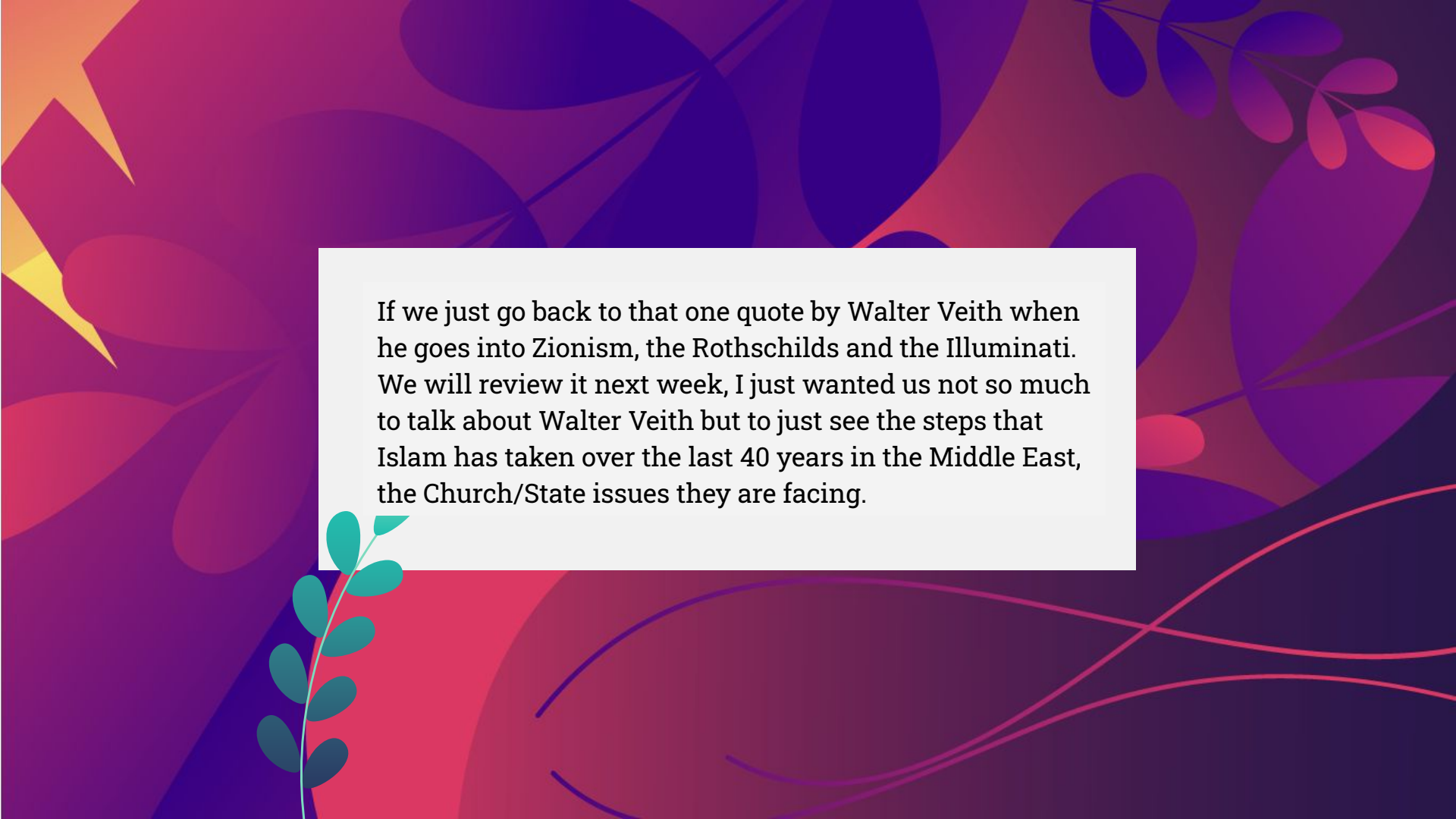
you can see the layers of problems.

Syria is Shia, it does not subscribe to the ideologies held by Al-Qaeda, Osama Bin Laden or Isis. **T**his is why when Isis goes into a new territory the first thing they are going to do is roundup and slaughter every Shia they can find. It's convert or we will kill you, they've killed more Muslims than they've ever killed non-Muslims. They will kill anyone who is an idolater or a Shiite.



Before people like Walter Veith want to make that sound racist they should look back into the 1260 and see that Christianity did the exact same thing. It's the inevitable danger of any Church/State union.





If we just go back to that one quote by Walter Veith when he goes into Zionism, the Rothschilds and the Illuminati. We will review it next week, I just wanted us not so much to talk about Walter Veith but to just see the steps that Islam has taken over the last 40 years in the Middle East, the Church/State issues they are facing.

Many of you are now familiar with the name Jamal Khashoggi,

The Journalist that was killed. You can place this at the very top of the Saudi Arabian Government that they had killed him a couple of years ago.

In the late 1970's early 1980's history, he travelled to that town of Peshawar and he interviewed Osama Bin Laden. When you talk about Jamal Khashoggi and the reason that Saudi Arabia had him killed, he knows the history. He knows the guilt that the Royal Family bears.


What they actually did was export radical Islam, **his mistake was that he would speak about it.**

So here's someone that interviewed Osama Bin Laden back in the beginning history. If you see what he knows and what he spoke about you'll understand why the House of Saud wanted him dead, and why they had him assassinated.



[Jamal Khashoggi](#)

Saudi Arabian author



Coming back to our subject of last week, we'll put Islam and all of that to one side for a moment. Last week we spoke about Ancient Israel and Modern Israel, we'll review that and then we'll continue on.

We've seen that we can compare and contrast Ancient Israel, that was the Jewish Nation, they were to spread the knowledge of God through the known world and this was in anticipation of Christ's First Advent.

Then we have Modern Israel, and then Adventism which also had the instruction to spread the knowledge of God throughout the world and that was in anticipation of Christ's Second Advent.

So, in the last 6000 years . . .

You have these two peoples that God has raised up to do a specific work, Ancient Israel & Modern Israel, Jewish Nation & Adventism. What we were doing is we were comparing and contrasting these two.



ANCIENT ISRAEL

Jewish Nation



MODERN ISRAEL

Adventism

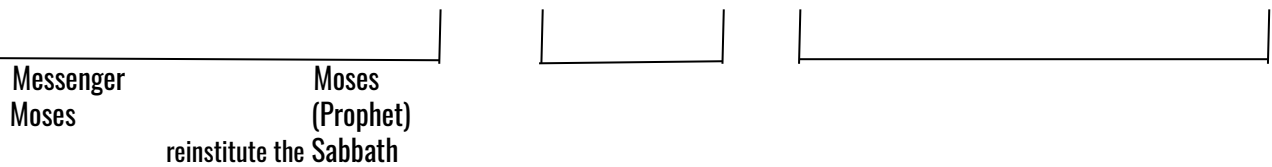


Classic rules of Parable Teaching...

As we do this, there's quite a few neat points that brother Brandon discussed this morning if you were there for that class, particularly when we talk about Parables and as we begin with the history of Egypt. There's some good points in there that should already be in our minds. We compared and contrasted Ancient and Modern and we worked through the history of the Ancient. We see that the beginning of this Ancient history was at the end of the Time Prophecy, the 400 year time prophecy that Israel was to spend in Egypt.

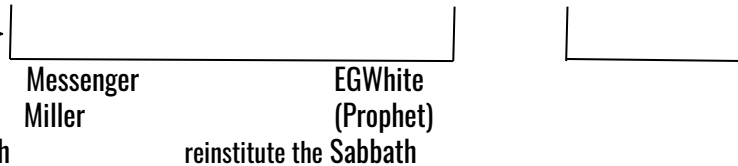
Ancient

400 →
Darkness
Captivity
Lost Sabbath



Modern

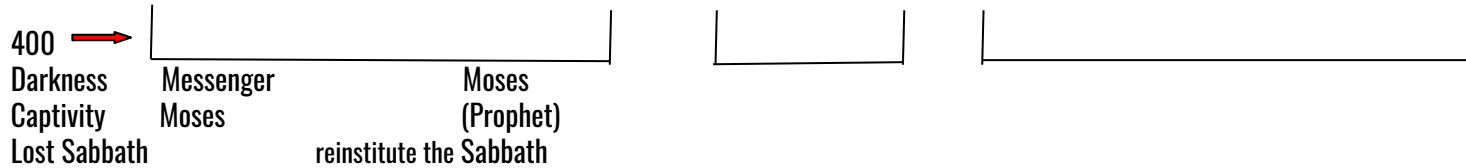
1260 →
Darkness
Captivity
Lost sabbath



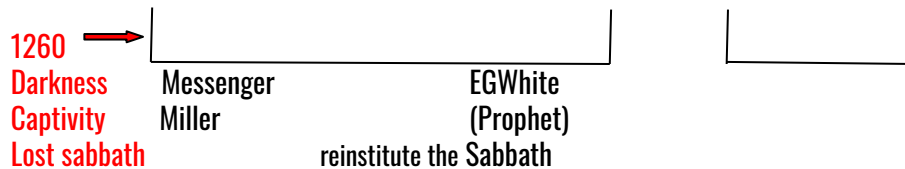
We find that they have been in darkness. . .

They had been in captivity and they lost the Sabbath. We brought that down to Modern Israel, 1260 years were also seeing that Modern Israel begins at the end of the Time Prophecy. You can speak about a number but well speak about the 1260. It was 1260 years of Darkness, of Captivity and God's people had lost the Sabbath.

Ancient



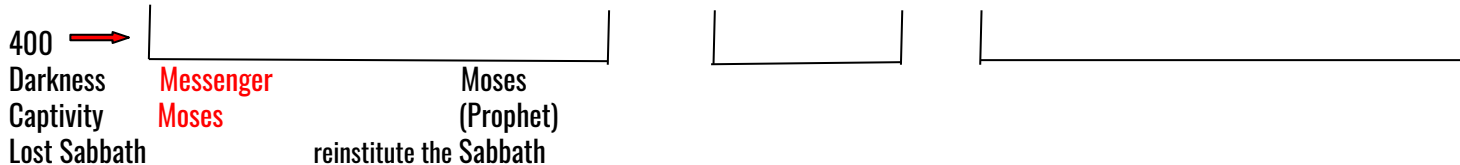
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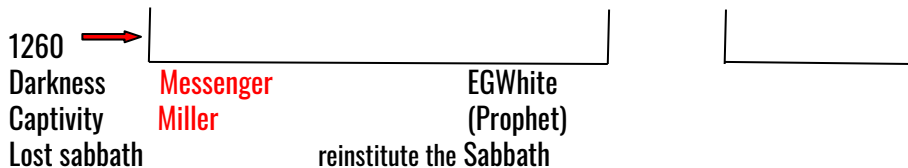
In Ancient Israel. . .

God is going to draw His people out from the Nations around them, particularly from Egypt. So, there's darkness, there's captivity and they've lost sight of the Sabbath. God will raise up a Messenger, this is **Moses**. Modern Israel he raised up a Messenger, that was **Miller**, to lead his people out of Egypt, and Miller to lead his people out of Apostate Protestantism.

Ancient



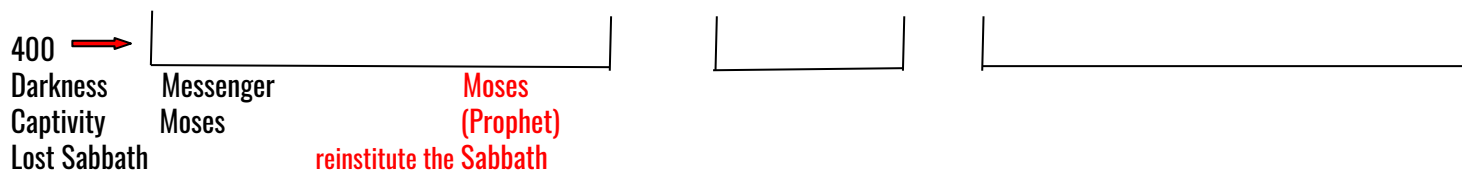
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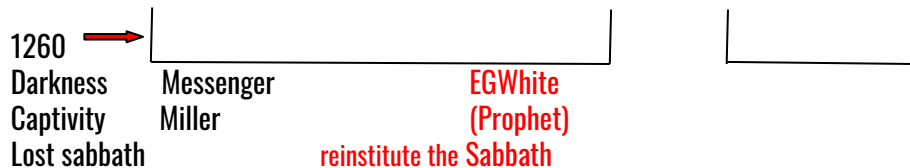
There going to be led out,

There going to be given the writings through the Prophets. For Ancient Israel that continues to be **Moses**. So, Moses was both the Messenger and the Prophet and he is going to **re-institute the Sabbath**. Were led out of Apostate Protestantism by 1844, there is a Prophet, this is **Ellen White**, she will have a Sabbath Vision, and they will **re-institute the Sabbath**.

Ancient



Modern



With a Parable we are to compare & contrast. . .

So, we see Ancient Israel & Modern Israel and Brother Brandon spoke this morning about Parable Teaching. When we understand the rules of Parable Teaching, we understand that we are to compare & to contrast, I just want us to think about that for a moment.

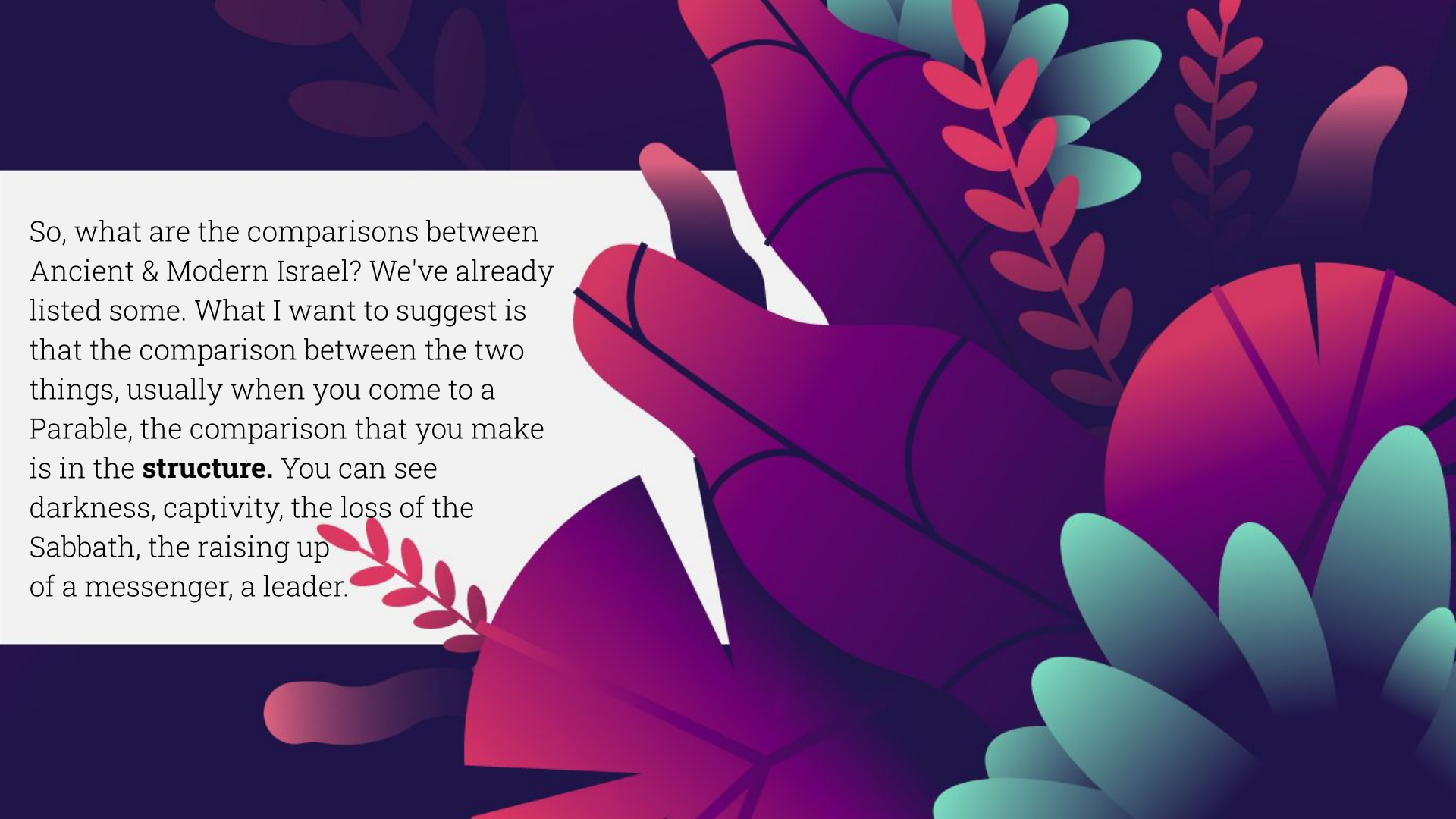
PARABLE

COMPARE

&

PARABLE

CONTRAST

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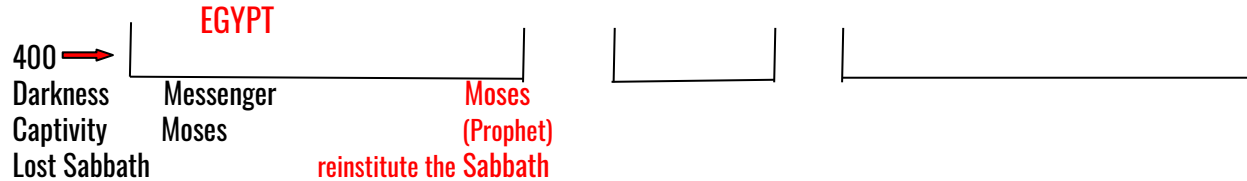
So, what are the comparisons between Ancient & Modern Israel? We've already listed some. What I want to suggest is that the comparison between the two things, usually when you come to a Parable, the comparison that you make is in the **structure**. You can see darkness, captivity, the loss of the Sabbath, the raising up of a messenger, a leader.

There's going to be a coming out. . .

of **Egypt** and there going to come out of **Apostate Protestantism**. A Prophet will be given the writings of **Moses**, he will **re-institute the Sabbath**, which he was told directly from God to do so. **Ellen White** becomes a Prophet, she has her Sabbath Visions and the **Sabbath is re-introduced**.

They came out of Egypt and they were to go into the Promised Land. They could have done a work immediately, there wasn't a need for a long delay and we're going to go back and see the mistakes they made in that history. We know that they made these fundamental mistakes.

Ancient



Modern

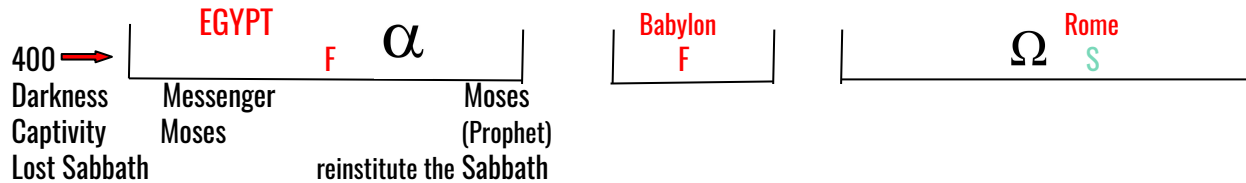


So, coming back to Egypt...

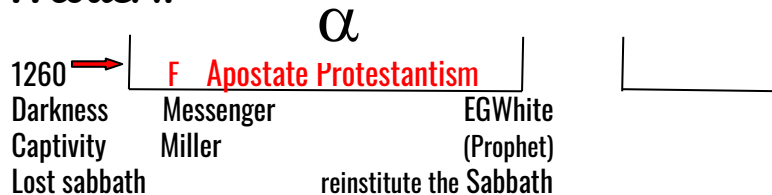
They come out of **Egypt**, there in the Wilderness and what do they do? **Apostasy**, the history of the Golden Calf. So, just to give the structure again. There's a **failure** in the Wilderness as they come out of Egypt and because of their **failure** throughout this history, we'll discuss two of them.

They go into captivity to **Babylon**, they come out of Babylon seemingly cured of Idolatry and we'll discuss the **failures** in that history. Then they go into captivity to **Rome**. The issues they face are their repeating failures. **Failure, Failure** and finally at the end, **Success**. The Alpha history is one of failure, the Omega history is one of Success.

Ancient



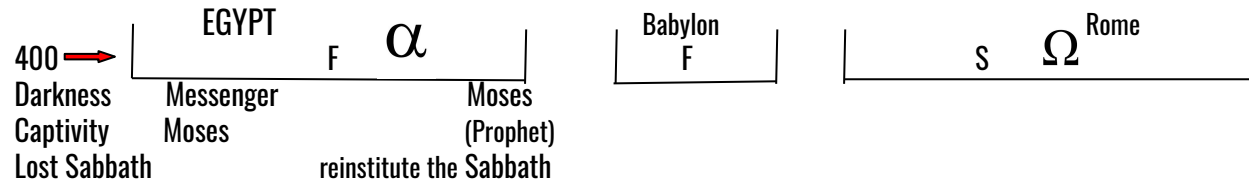
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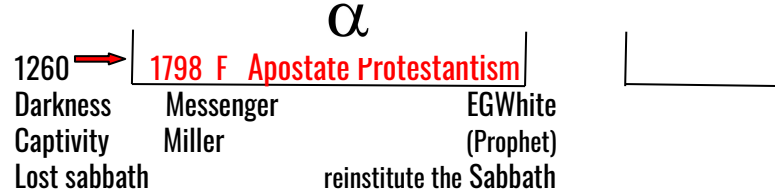
It's the exact same pattern of Modern Israel. . .

We've already identified last week in the quotes in Evangelism that Christ should have come back by 1868. Brother Brandon spoke this morning that Christ could not return until after 1798. So, sometime between 1798 and 1868, in those 70 years he should have been able to return. He couldn't, it was delayed. This was an Alpha history, a history of **Failure**. He should have returned by 1868, within that 70 years.

Ancient



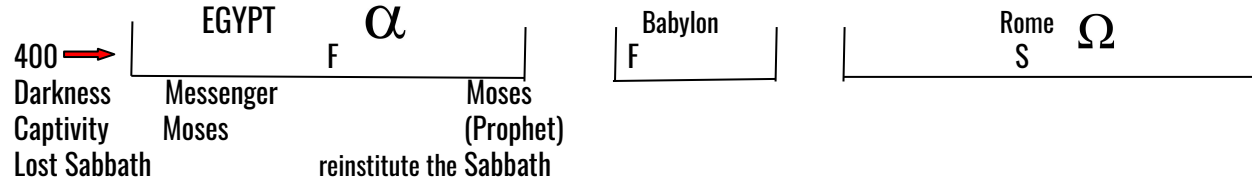
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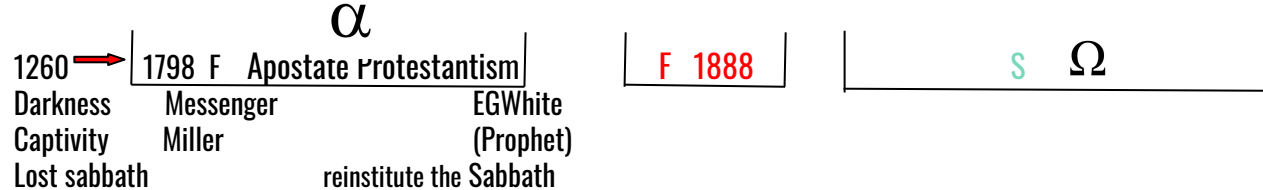
Then we have the history of 1888...

Again, the Third Angels Message was crying, Sunday Laws were already in the United States, everything had been set up but God's people just had to be ready for it, they weren't. It was a history of Failure. So, we know that we are in the Omega history, the history of **Success**.

Ancient



Modern



Shall we take a break?

