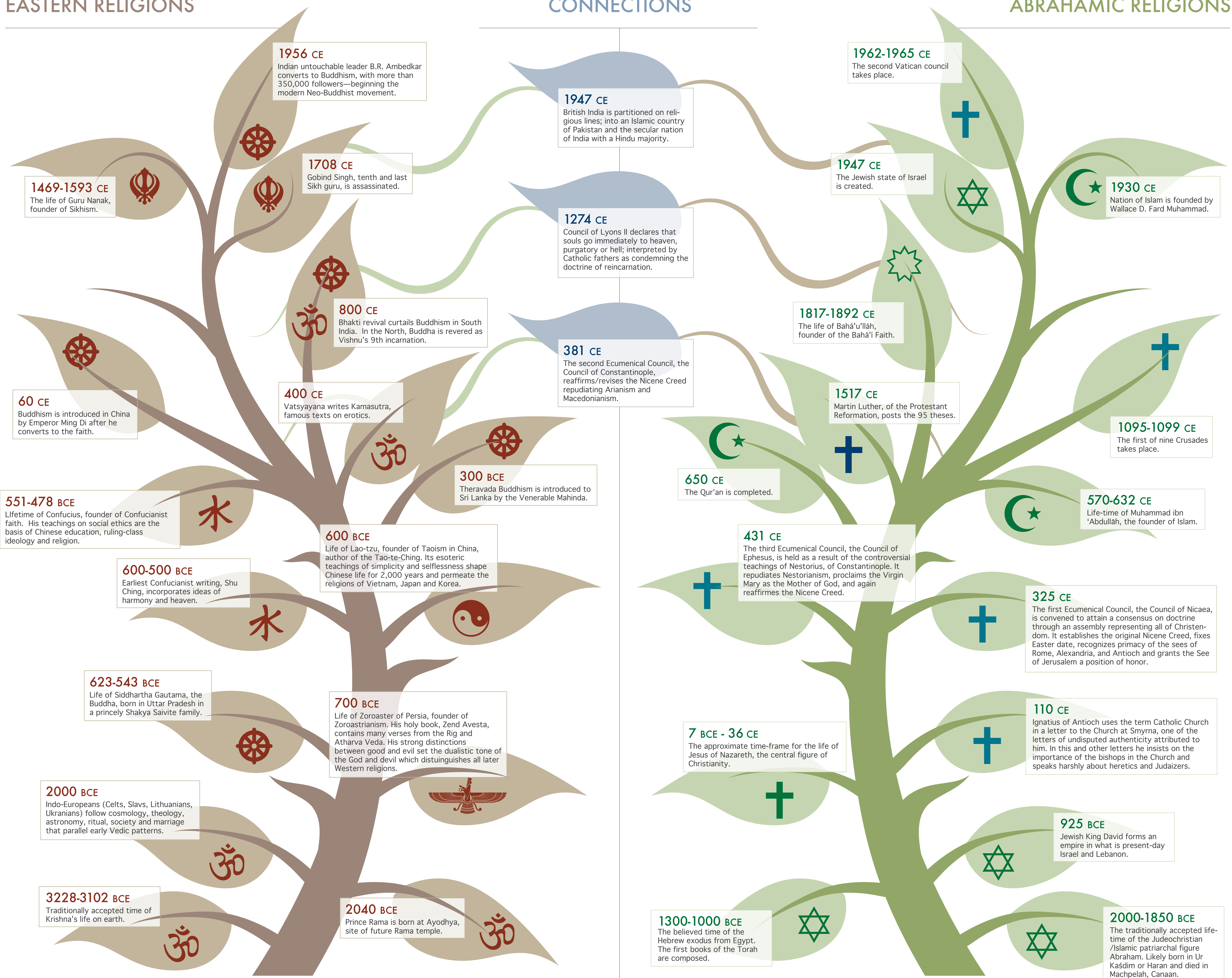


# MAJOR WORLD RELIGIONS

## EASTERN RELIGIONS

## CONNECTIONS

## ABRAHAMIC RELIGIONS



| HINDUISM                                       | ZOROASTRIANISM                    | BUDDHISM   | CONFUCIANISM                            | TOAISM                                  | SIKHISM                               | JUDAISM                              | CHRISTIANITY                                 | CATHOLICISM                                | ISLAM                                 | PROTESTANTISM                         | BAHA'ISM                                |
|--|-----------------------------------|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Date of Origin</b><br>1900 BCE              | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>700 BCE  | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>500 BCE                 | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>500 BCE        | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>550 BCE        | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>1550 CE      | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>1900 BCE    | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>30 CE               | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>150 CE            | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>600 CE       | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>1517 CE      | <b>Date of Origin</b><br>1850 CE        |
| <b>Place of Origin</b><br>Indus Valley / India | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>Persia  | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>India / Southeast Asia | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>China         | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>China         | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>Punjab      | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>Israel     | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>Israel / Palestine | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>Rome / Jerusalem | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>Middle East | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>Germany     | <b>Place of Origin</b><br>Persia / Iraq |
| <b>Founder</b><br>Aryans                       | <b>Founder</b><br>Zoroaster       | <b>Founder</b><br>Buddha                         | <b>Founder</b><br>Confucius             | <b>Founder</b><br>Lao Tzu               | <b>Founder</b><br>Guru Nanak          | <b>Founder</b><br>Abraham            | <b>Founder</b><br>Jesus                      | <b>Founder</b><br>Peter, Paul              | <b>Founder</b><br>Muhammad            | <b>Founder</b><br>Martin Luther       | <b>Founder</b><br>Baha Ullah            |
| <b>Deity</b><br>Poly                           | <b>Deity</b><br>Ahura Mazda       | <b>Deity</b><br>Pan                              | <b>Deity</b><br>None                    | <b>Deity</b><br>Poly                    | <b>Deity</b><br>Sat-Kartar            | <b>Deity</b><br>Yahweh               | <b>Deity</b><br>God                          | <b>Deity</b><br>God                        | <b>Deity</b><br>Allah                 | <b>Deity</b><br>God                   | <b>Deity</b><br>God                     |
| <b>Scripture</b><br>Vedas, esp. Upanishads     | <b>Scripture</b><br>Avesta        | <b>Scripture</b><br>Tipitaka                     | <b>Scripture</b><br>Analects, I Ching   | <b>Scripture</b><br>Tao-te-Ching        | <b>Scripture</b><br>Guru Granth Sahib | <b>Scripture</b><br>Old Testament    | <b>Scripture</b><br>New Testament            | <b>Scripture</b><br>New Testament          | <b>Scripture</b><br>Qur'an            | <b>Scripture</b><br>95 Theses         | <b>Scripture</b><br>Kitabi Ikan         |
| <b>Fate</b><br>Rebirth                         | <b>Fate</b><br>Judged             | <b>Fate</b><br>Rebirth                           | <b>Fate</b><br>Death                    | <b>Fate</b><br>Immortal                 | <b>Fate</b><br>Rebirth                | <b>Fate</b><br>Death                 | <b>Fate</b><br>Judged                        | <b>Fate</b><br>Judged                      | <b>Fate</b><br>Judged                 | <b>Fate</b><br>Judged                 | <b>Fate</b><br>Spiritual Journey        |
| <b>Followers Today</b><br>793 Million          | <b>Followers Today</b><br>200,000 | <b>Followers Today</b><br>325 Million            | <b>Followers Today</b><br>221 Million * | <b>Followers Today</b><br>221 Million * | <b>Followers Today</b><br>19 Million  | <b>Followers Today</b><br>14 Million | <b>Followers Today</b><br>1.9 Billion *      | <b>Followers Today</b><br>981 Million      | <b>Followers Today</b><br>1.1 Billion | <b>Followers Today</b><br>404 Million | <b>Followers Today</b><br>6 Million     |

| STONEHENGE / PAGANISM   | EGYPTIAN / PHARAONIC   | MESOAMERICAN   | GREEK   |
|---|--|--|---|
| <b>3100 BCE</b><br>The initial form of Stonehenge is completed. The circular bank and ditch enclosure, about 360 feet across, may be complete with a timber circle.         | <b>3000 BCE</b><br>Egyptians begin to measure time through a calendar based on the three natural cycles (the solar day, the lunar month and the solar year).     | <b>700-500 BCE</b><br>The Xochitecatl Pyramid of Flowers, Building of the Serpent, Building of the Spiral and Platform of the Volcano built in Tlaxcala, Mexico. | <b>900-700 BCE</b><br>Geometric Period. First Olympic Games in 776 BCE.   |
| <b>2600 BCE</b><br>Stonehenge begins to take on the form of its final phase. The wooden posts are replaced with that of bluestone.  | <b>2575 BCE</b><br>Sneferu founds the 4th dynasty (Old Kingdom) and builds in Dahshur the first pyramid with straight sides (Red Pyramid).                       | <b>300 BCE - 100 CE</b><br>The Mayans built the La Danta and El Tigre pyramids at El Mirador, Guatemala. La Danta is one of the largest pyramids in the world.   | <b>730 BCE</b><br>First Messenian War, Sparta invades Messenia (730-710). Naxos founded (734), Syracuse founded (733).  |
| <b>1905 CE</b><br>Becoming a place of pilgrimage for neo-druids and other pagans, the Ancient Order of Druids organized the first reconstructionist ceremony in Stonehenge. | <b>2495 BCE</b><br>The first of the oldest surviving religious texts, the Pyramid Texts, are composed in Ancient Egypt.  | <b>100-900 CE</b><br>The Mayan High Temple, Jaguar Temple and Mask Temple built in Lamani, Belize.   | <b>594 BCE</b><br>Solon replaces the Draconian law in Athens and lays the foundation for Democracy. He introduced the first coinage and weights and measures.       |
| <b>3000 BCE</b><br>The second phase of Stonehenge is completed and appears to function as the first enclosed cremation cemetery in the British Isles.                       | <b>2635 BCE</b><br>Imhotep, high priest of Ptah at Memphis and founder of Medicine, erects a pyramid made of stone at Saqqara for pharaoh Djoser (Step Pyramid). | <b>500 BCE</b><br>The Great Pyramid was built by the Olmecs in La Venta, Mexico. The pyramid itself has never been excavated.                                    | <b>640 BCE</b><br>Second Messenian War, Sparta invades Messenia (640-630), Cyrene founded (630).  |
| <b>1600 BCE</b><br>The ancient development of Stonehenge comes to an end.   | <b>30 BCE</b><br>Cleopatra VII and Mark Antony are defeated by Augustus, Egypt becomes a province of the Roman Empire.   | <b>100 CE</b><br>Teotihuacan Sun and Moon pyramids built. The influence of the Teotihuacan empire stretched from Guatemala to Texas.                             | <b>510 BCE</b><br>Alcmaeonid family and Spartans free Athens from tyranny. Introduction of Democracy in Athens.   |
| <b>1960s CE</b><br>Various Neopagan and New Age movements gain momentum.  | <b>2560 BCE</b><br>The approximate time accepted as the completion of the Great Pyramid of Giza, the oldest pyramid of the Giza Plateau.                         | <b>700-900 CE</b><br>The Xochicalco Temple of the Feathered Serpent built near Mexico City. It includes apparent influences of Teotihuacan and Maya art.         | <b>750-700 BCE</b><br>Late Geometric Period. Greek colonies established in Southern Italy & Sicily, invention of Greek alphabet, Homeric poems recorded in writing. |