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Classification and Division

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When early civilizations debuted when they began to civilize, there were many religions instead of their being one major religion in which everyone followed. Religion branched into various religions in which some where polytheistic while others were monotheistic. Now in modern times, a plethora of cultures around the world have religions that differentiate from other religions such as Christianity and Islam. Christianity is a dominant religion in most parts of the world such as Europe and the United States while Islam is practiced by many inhabitants of the Middle East and Africa. Division in religion has caused many problems between the believers of their religion which has also caused great disputes that have led to wars and political problems.

During the beginning of the 1000’s, a great dispute between the Muslims and the Christians grew during the Crusades in which many people died due to the beliefs and their dedication to those beliefs that they had. They had beliefs that were similar in some ways but contrasted in ways in which they could not agree due to the guidelines that their religion proposed. The Christians wanted to conquer the Holy Land that the Muslims or also known as Saracens inhabited as they believed that the Holy Land should have belonged to the Crusaders. There were eight brutal crusades in which the Crusaders won some but in the end, they weren’t able to fight off the Muslims that were native to that land and the dispute that went on for almost 200 years led to high casualties due to religious disputes and disagreements.

Religious division has had other negative impacts on people. During World War II, Adolf Hitler led deceived many of the Germans to believing that the Jews were the main reason that they lost the Firs World War and that they were an inferior race that should be obliterated from existence. The Germans beliefs of Christianity clashed with the beliefs of Hitler which he believed that the Aryan race was superior to all of the other races. Division occurred due to the fact that the Jews that were living in Germany at the time had to leave or they were killed because the fact that they were of the Jewish race. This religious division led to the mass murder and genocide of 6 millions innocent Jews that were killed during the Holocaust.

Other incidents that have occurred due to religious division can even be found within our own country during our everyday lives. Many people within America quarrel about each other’s religion and some believe one thing and some believe another. They argue to see who is right in order to justify their religion as they believe that it may be glorification to their deity. This has led to widespread arguments across the nation like a wildfire that cannot be quenched. This has caused great division among Americans as if some sort of veil or iron curtain descended between the people, one that cannot be lifted; unless, the people coalesce with each other and forget all of differences of their religions. The division that has caused even the American people to quarrel amongst themselves has occurred due to the religious division that has engulfed the American people.

Many religious disputes have resulted from division. This division has led to violent wars to times where political chaos occurred due to the differing beliefs that contrasted from one another’s. Religion has been alive since early times to now in modern times and division has been present ever since as there were multiple religions instead of just one that everyone believed in. This religious division was just like the division that George Washington warned; instead, he was referring to political parties as it would cause chaos and prevent unity which the nation needed in order to succeed.