- 1500AD = in Europe
 - Politically = Machiavelli's "princes" ruled
 - Socially = Divided in three "classes"
 - Nobility Clergy Peasantry
 - Religiously = Holy Roman Catholic
 - Church losing influence over kings
 - "Ecclesiastical Breakdown"
 - Philip IV vs. Boniface VII
 - Failure of Crusades
 - Great Schism
 - Reactions within Church
 - ─ 1st = Conciliar Movement
 - Yet corruption continued
 - Intellectually
 - Expansion of Renaissance
 - Studia humanitatis
 - Secularism

- Economically
 - Methods of acquiring wealth changing
 - Islam controls trade routes
 - Technological innovation
- 1500AD = change
 - Kings : no "check" by papacy
 - Challenge nobles for control
 - To get, need: +power; +\$\$\$; +land
 - Mercantilism born

Mercantilist Empire

Colonies		Motherland
	Ruled as single unit	
from	=> Resources =>	to
to	<= Manufactured goods <=	from
to	<= Go v't; military protection <=	from
from	=> \$\$\$\$\$ =>	to

- 1st Mercantilist nations = Portugal & Spain
 - Both sought riches of Orient
 - Challenge = get around Islamic World?
 - Portugal
 - Path = circumnavigate Africa
 - Encouraged Prince Henry the Navigator

- 1488 Bartolomeu Dias reaches Cape of Good Hope
- Spain
 - Path = West?
 - 1492 Columbus
 - Encouraged by Ferdinand & Isabella
- Competition triggers reaction = Treaty of Tordesillas (1494)
 - Pope Alexander VI intervenes
 - John II vs. Ferdinand & Isabella
 - Divides world outside of Europe @ 39°53'W
- Portugal & Spain take different paths
 - Spain = "conquers" New World
 - From W. Indies => Mexico => N&S America
 - 1493 Columbus founds Hispaniola
 - 1511 Cuba colonized
 - 1519 Yucatan seized
 - 1520 Ferdinand Magellan Straits of Magellan
 - Spain realizes Columbus' gift

- Natives crumble
 - 1521 Aztecs (Mex) Cortez w/ 630
 - 1548 Incas (Peru) Pizarro w/180
 - Disease kills 30-90%
- Creation of colonial empire
 - System = Top-down rule

King

Council of Indies

Viceroys

Audiencias

Gobernaciones

- Primary task = implement *encomienda*
 - Personal land grants
 - Natives pay tribute
 - NOTE: not "slavery"
 - FYI: mixed-race
 - Wealth generation
 - Mita

- Agriculture & livestock
 - » Haciendas
 - » Plantacion
- By-product = Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade
 - Slavery
 - Muslims = 1st in W. Africa
 - Portuguese = 1st Africans to Iberian Peninsula
 - 1452 Pope Nicholas V granted right to Afonso V
 - Purchased slaves from tribal victors
 - "Middle Passage"
 - Port & Spain slaves to colonies
 - Slaves fill labor shortage (chattel)
 - Africans = well suited
 - Control of trade varied

Process added third leg to Mercantilism

Colonies		Motherland		<u>Africa</u>
from	=>Resources =>	to		
to	<= Manu. goods <=	from		
		from	=> Manu. Goods =>	to
to	<= chattel slaves <=			from
from	=> \$\$\$\$\$ =>	to	<= \$\$\$\$ <=	from

- Portuguese = different path
 - Focus = control of trade
 - 1498 Vasco de Gama reaches India
 - Most towns controlled by Muslim Arabs
 - Some hostile to Christians
 - Some = friendly
 - Discovery = significant
 - Arrives in Calicut
 - Good news = spices, textiles, etc
 - Bad news = Euro goods valueless
 - Used silver to "buy"
 - Precedent = Euros need \$\$\$ to profit
 - Da Gama uses new tech
 - Global consequences

- 1500 Pedro Cabral leaves for India
 - Discovers Brazil
 - FYI: 1501 Amerigo Vespucci sails to Brazil
 - Realizes "Mundus Novus" ≠ Asia
 - Discovery = "America"
 - Cabral Arrives in Calicut
 - Negotiates rights for "factory"
 - Muslims attack & burn
 - Cabral bombards Calicut
 - Develops "strategy" based on fear
- Da Gama & Cabral = turning point in W. Europe
 - Impact on Asia much less decisive
- Asian Trading Network

- Portuguese realize two crucial characteristics
 - 1) No central control
 - 2) Military force absent from commercial exchanges
- Result = Portuguese unwilling to obey informal rules
 - Challenges
 - 1) Little to offer but gold & silver
 - 2) Mercantilism based on \$\$\$
 - 3) If use all \$\$\$, crown weakened
 - 4 If use \$\$\$, Muslims = strengthened
 - Result = decision to use force
 - Forces small but united
 - Change tactics
 - Raiding = insufficient
 - Capture strategic points
 - Goal = monopolies
 - "Portuguese system"
 - System = unsustainable
 - Portuguese weakness opened door for rivals