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**World Affairs**

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**Happy Easter!**

**I hope all of you have had a wonderful Spring Break and will have a joyous Easter tomorrow. Monday, we resume our study of Asia with a look at the major religions/philosophies of the region. I will post videos with voice-overs to explain what is rather complex material, so take the time to listen before you attempt the study guides. This will take you some time, so begin right away as it can NOT be done hurriedly or at the last minute.**

**Note: The exploration of religions/philosophies is one of my favorite lessons. Some may question (though rarely to my face…) why we need to know this in a Christian environment. My answer is and always will be that you live in or will soon live in a world that is increasingly diverse, and we, sadly, seem to know little outside our own beliefs. This study is in no way an attempt to lead you away from your own beliefs. To the contrary, I have never felt we can truly witness to those we make no attempt to understand. I am a devout Christian, but I am also a scholar who wants to “get it right” so I have spent a lifetime talking to religious leaders of all kinds. My notes/PPT’s are meant to be very simplistic overviews of each faith in an attempt to widen your view of the world around you. Please feel free to text, email, or blog me with questions or comments. Have I mentioned lately how much I wish I could be with you to discuss this?**

**Due Dates: (Remember: WE ARE TAKING GRADES AND THEY WILL COUNT!) LATE GRADES have begun**. If you have a problem, text me at the number below BEFORE the due date.

* **Monday 4/20 …. Hinduism Study Guide** (email or deliver) View my video (voice-over version will be posted by Monday 4/13), then use notes, other references to complete Study Guide. Also please view my PPT on our local Hindu Temple that was so gracious in hosting my Comparative Religion classes for years.
* **Monday 4/27 …. Buddhism Study Guide** (email or deliver) View my video (voice-over version will be posted by Monday 4/20), then use notes, other references to complete Study Guide. Also please view my PPT on other aspects of the Buddhist faith.
* **Friday 5/1…one final set of News Notes!** (email or deliver) Make these good!
* **Monday, 5/4 BOOK EXAM** …read your book and take notes!!! Directions to come! Keep checking the website!
* **Monday 5/11 …. Taoism/Shintoism Study Guide** (email or deliver) View my video (voice-over version will be posted by Monday 4/27), then use notes, other references to complete Study Guide.
* **Thursday 5/14**…a final essay. Details TBA.

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Pray for our country….

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