

Know your vocab: covenant Moses prophet diaspora

- I. Beliefs of Judaism set them apart
 - A. God promised Abraham He would give them many descendants
 - B. Beliefs written in Torah
 - C. Israelites were monotheistic
 1. belief in one god
 2. god was present everywhere
 3. other ancient people thought gods were tied to nature

- II. Ten Commandments were the center of Judaism
 - A. God delivered them through Moses
 - B. Some dealt with religious duties
 - C. Some dealt with behavior
 - D. Torah had other laws as well
 - E. Similar to Hamm.'s Code, matched punishments to crimes
 - F. Emphasized mercy

- III. Women in Judaism
 - A. Some laws required mothers to be treated respectfully
 - B. Women were considered property of men
 - C. Women were considered to be a lower social status than men
 - D. Fathers could sell daughters
 - E. Deborah was respected as a religious leader
 - F. Generally, women could not be religious leaders

- IV. Moral behavior and Justice was preached by prophets
 - A. Prophets were religious leaders who spoke for God
 - B. Told Israelites how God wanted them to behave
 - C. Warned that disobedience would bring disaster
 - D. Told Israelites to lead good and decent lives (moral behavior)

- V. Prophets said all people were equal in God's eyes
 - A. Rich and powerful should protect poor and weak
 - B. Other societies thought the king WAS a god
 - C. Israelite leaders were looked on as human and were subject to God's laws

- VI. Jewish people lost their homeland
 - A. Jewish people scattered to other parts of the world
 1. Romans drove them out of their homeland
 2. Romans continued Jewish diaspora that Assyrians & Chaldeans started
 - B. Protected heritage by continuing to follow Jewish laws.

C. One major event was settlement of Canaan

VII. Judaism had an effect on later religions

A. Christianity and Islam came from Judaism

B. All 3 faiths came from same part of the world

C. All 3 were monotheistic

1. Jews and Christians follow God

2. Muslims (followers of Islam) honored Abraham, Moses & prophets

D. All believed people should lead moral lives.