Islam Reading and Study Questions

Chapter 13

1. How did Muhammad define the “community”?
2. Who were the first 4 rulers to follow Muhammad? What were they collectively known as?
3. What was the hegira (hejira) and its significance to the development of Islam?
4. Trace the development of Islam from the assassination of Ali through the rise of the Ottomans
5. What are the primary differences between Sunni and Shi’a?
6. T-Chart the differences between the Abbasid and Umayyad dynasties
7. Why and how did Abbasidic rule end?
8. How did Byzantine culture influence Islamic culture in respect to women?
9. What was a Sufi? What did they believe?
10. The social group of religious scholars that arose in early Arabic cities were called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or “people with religious knowledge”
11. What is the term for the Turkic slaves hired by the Abbasids?
12. The Prophet’s revelations were gathered and collected into what holy book around 650 on the orders of Abu Bakr?