

**ISLAM: EMPIRE OF FAITH (VIDEO DOCUMENTARY)
PART 2: THE AWAKENING**

View: "Islam, Empire of Faith" (PBS) – Part 2: The Awakening

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- (1) What contributions did Muslim scholars and thinkers make to:
 - (a) science,
 - (b) medicine,
 - (c) mathematics,
 - (d) transmission of knowledge,
 - (e) trade,
 - (f) philosophy,
 - (g) Christian ecclesiastical architecture,
 - (h) Christian theology, and
 - (i) the beginning of Renaissance humanism in Europe?

- (2) How did Islamic philosophical thought shape the philosophical underpinnings of Thomas Aquinas' theology?

- (3) What was the relationship between Muslims and Christians in the early period of the Muslim civilization?

- (4) Why did relationship between Christians and Muslims become confrontational during the European Middle Ages? What happened? To what extent is it still affecting the worldviews and thinking of contemporary Muslims and Christians?