

## Chapter 3 The Beginnings of Islam

### Glossary/After You Read

**permanently** for a long time; continuously

**flock** travel in large groups

**angel** a spiritual being that serves God or acts as God's messenger

**will** wish, desire, or intention

**judgment day** day at the end of the world when God judges each person's life

**disciplined** in strict self-control and well-trained

**murder** the unlawful killing of one person by another

### Terms & Names

**A.** Circle the name or term that best completes each sentence.

1. People who move from place to place to find water and grazing land for their herds are called \_\_\_\_\_.

merchants      nomads      clans

2. A journey to a sacred place is called a \_\_\_\_\_.

pilgrimage      meditation      retreat

3. Muhammad's migration from Mecca to Yathrib is known as \_\_\_\_\_.

Sunna      Shi'a      Hijrah

4. A building for Muslim worship is called a \_\_\_\_\_.

cathedral      mosque      oasis

5. A Muslim group that believed that the caliph should always be a relative of the Prophet is called \_\_\_\_\_.

Bedouin      Sunni      Shi'a

**B.** Write a letter of the name of a person that matches the description.

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| _____ 6. a member of the Umayyad family             | <b>a.</b> Mu'awiyah |
| _____ 7. believed by Arabs to have built the Ka'aba | <b>b.</b> Muhammad  |
| _____ 8. the first caliph                           | <b>c.</b> Abu-Bakr  |
| _____ 9. the last "rightly guided" caliph           | <b>d.</b> Abraham   |
| _____ 10. murdered by rebels in 656                 | <b>e.</b> Ali       |
| _____ 11. spread the religion known as Islam        | <b>f.</b> Uthman    |

## READING STUDY GUIDE CONTINUED

**Main Ideas**

12. Why did the Bedouins organize themselves into clans?

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13. How was the Arabian Peninsula's location good for trade?

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14. Why do Muslims believe that following the Five Pillars of Islam is important?

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15. How is Islam similar to Judaism and Christianity?

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16. What factors enabled the Muslims to conquer so much territory?

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**Thinking Critically**

17. **Forming and Supporting Opinions** Do you think Muhammad should have named a successor? Why or why not?

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18. **Making Inferences** Why do you think the Umayyads took control of the Muslim empire? Support your answer with evidence.

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