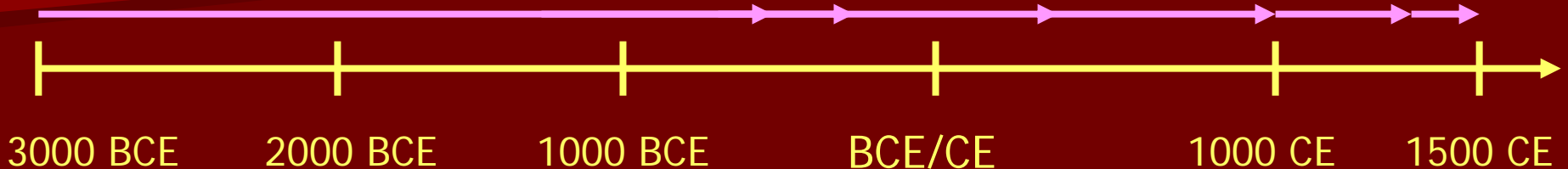


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■ The Six Major Periods of Western Civilization (BCE = BC; CE = AD)

1. Mesopotamia, Egypt, & Hebrews (3000-500 BCE)
2. Ancient Greece (1200-200 BCE)
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■ Mesopotamia (3000-500 BCE)

3000-2000 BCE: Sumerian Civilization

Cuneiform, Sargon of Akkad

2000-1600 BCE: Old Babylonian Civilization

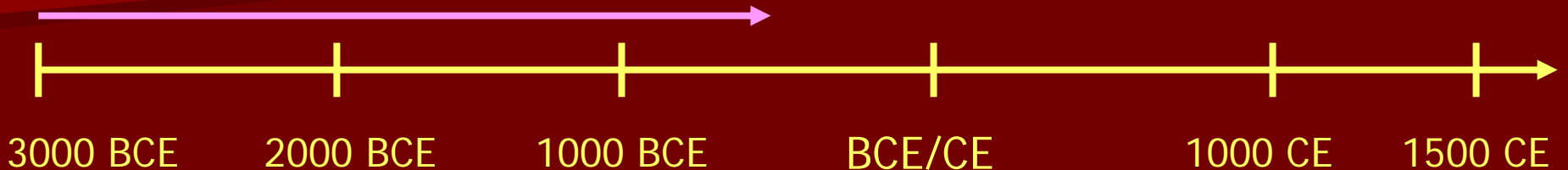
Hammurabi, Abraham (Ur)

1600-1200 BCE: Disorder in Mesopotamia

1200-612 BCE: The Middle and New Assyrian Empire

612-539 BCE: The New Babylonian Empire

586-539 BCE: The Babylonian Captivity (Nebuchadnezzar)



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■ Egypt (3000-500 BCE)

3000-2200 BCE: The Old Kingdom

Hieroglyphics, Pyramids

2200-2000 BCE: The First Intermediate Period

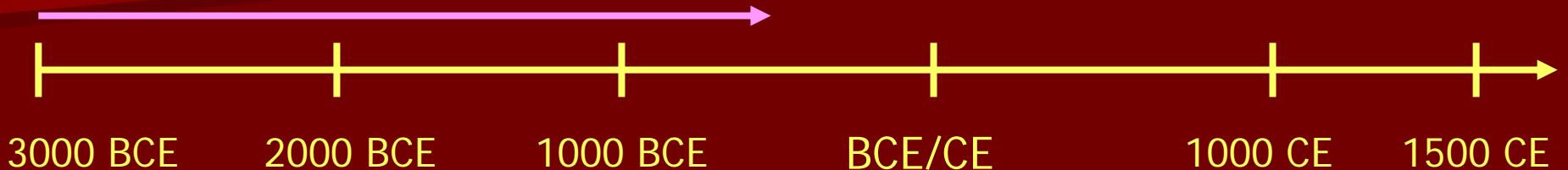
2000-1800 BCE: The Middle Kingdom

1800-1550 BCE: The Second Intermediate Period

1550-1200 BCE: The New Kingdom

Hatshepsut, Akhenaten/Nefertiti, Tutankhamun, Ramses,
The Egyptian Captivity

1200-500 BCE: The Late Period



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■ Hebrews (1800-500 BCE)

ca. 1800 BCE: Abraham leaves Ur

1800-1200 BCE: The Age of the Patriarchs

1200-1000 BCE: The Age of the Judges

1000-920 BCE: The United Kingdom

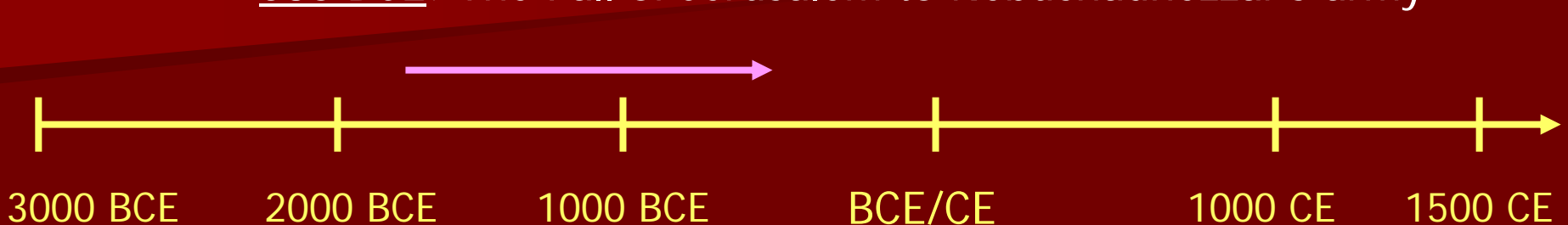
Saul, David, Solomon

920-586 BCE: The Period of the Two Kingdoms

712 BCE: The Fall of Israel to the Assyrians

586-539 BCE: The Babylonian Captivity

586 BCE: The Fall of Jerusalem to Nebuchadnezzar's army



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■ Ancient Greece (1200-200 BCE)

2000-1200 BCE: the Indo-European invasions

ca. 1183 BCE: The Fall of Troy

1100-800 BCE: Dark Age

800-700 BCE: Homer and the Age of Greek Epic

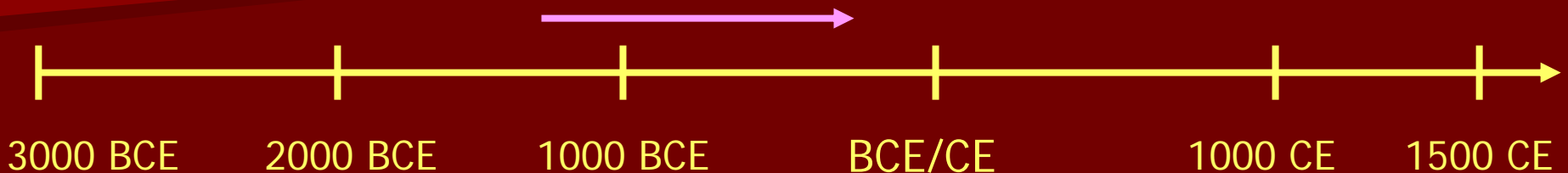
The Iliad and *The Odyssey*, Agamemnon

700-500 BCE: the Pre-Classical Age

510-508 BCE: The Birth of Athenian Democracy

500-479 BCE: The Persian Wars

490 BCE: The First Persian War; 481-479 BCE: The Second Persian War



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■ Ancient Greece (1200-200 BCE)

479-431 BCE: The Classical Age

Pericles, Parthenon, Philosophy, Drama

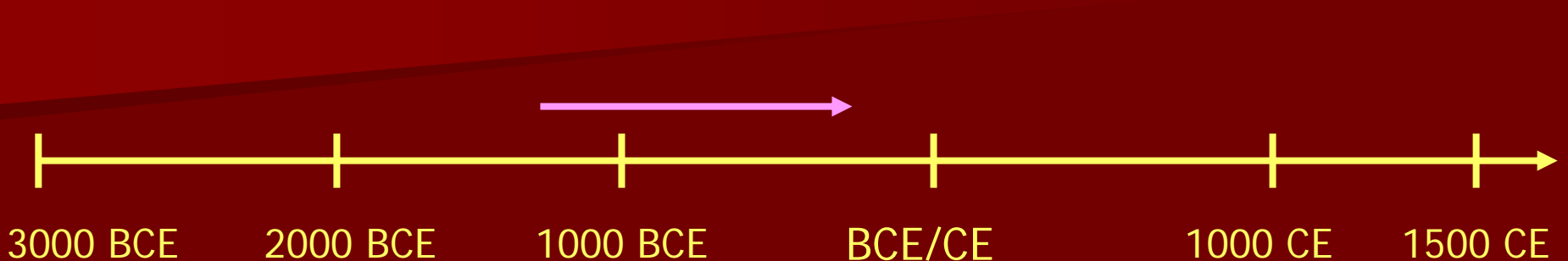
431-404 BCE: The Peloponnesian War: Athens vs. Sparta

404-336 BCE: Civil War and the Rise of Macedon

338 BCE: The Battle of Chaeronea

336-323 BCE: Alexander the Great

323-31 BCE: The Hellenistic Age



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■ Ancient Rome (753 BCE - 476 CE)

ca. 1200 BCE: Aeneas settles Italy

753 BCE: Romulus founds the city of Rome

753-510 BCE: Kings rule Rome

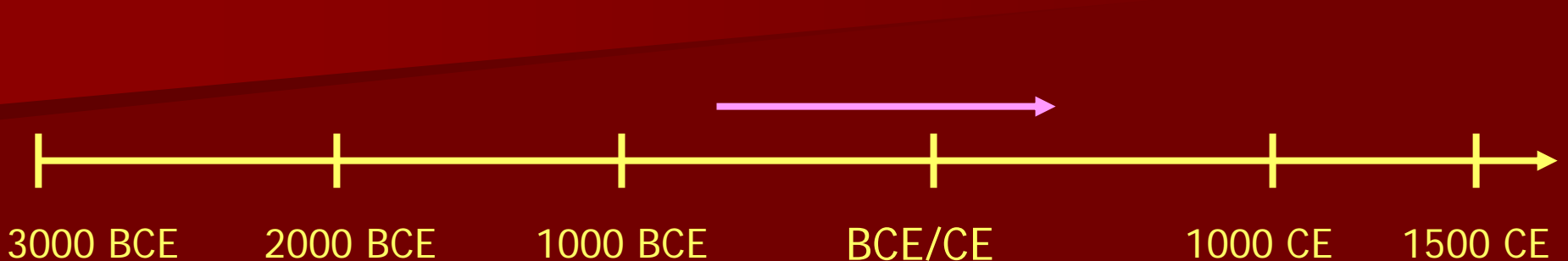
510 BCE: The Founding of the Roman Republic

Age of Patriotism, Cincinnatus

264-202 BCE: The Punic Wars

264-241 BCE: The First Punic War

218-201 BCE: The Second Punic War (Hannibal)



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■ Ancient Rome (753 BCE - 476 CE)

201-31 BCE: Rome conquers the Mediterranean world

March 15, 44 BCE: Caesar is assassinated

31 BCE - 14 CE: Augustus rules as Roman Emperor

31 BCE: The Battle of Actium

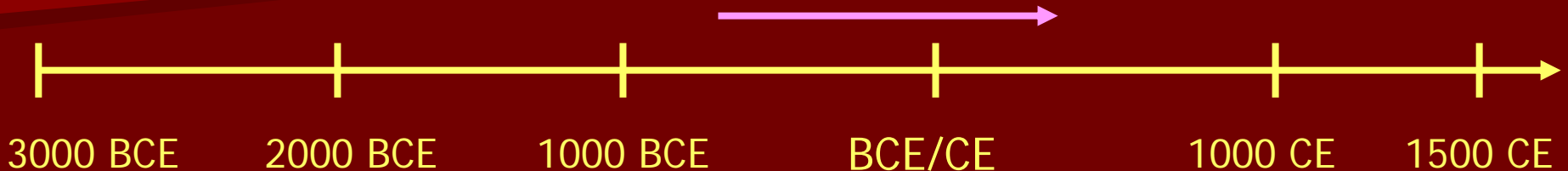
19 BCE: Vergil's *Aeneid* is published

31 BCE - 476 CE: The Roman Empire

ca. 40-95 CE: St. Paul, The Gospels, The Gnostics

117-138 CE: Hadrian (Pantheon)

330 CE: Constantine founds Constantinople (Istanbul)



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■ Early Middle Ages (476-1000 CE)

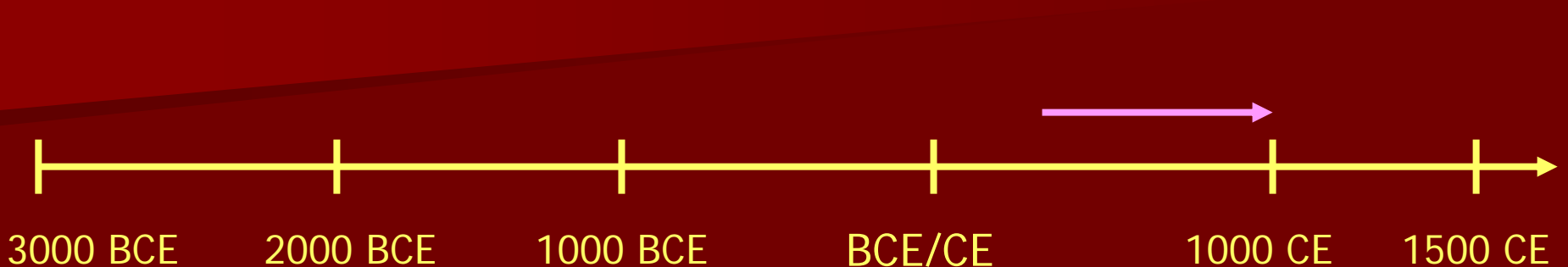
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ca. 570-632 CE: Muhammad and the Birth of Islam

Hegira, Ka'aba, Koran, Jihad, Caliphs, Shi'ites

661-750 CE: The Umayyad Dynasty

750-1250 CE: The Abbasid Dynasty



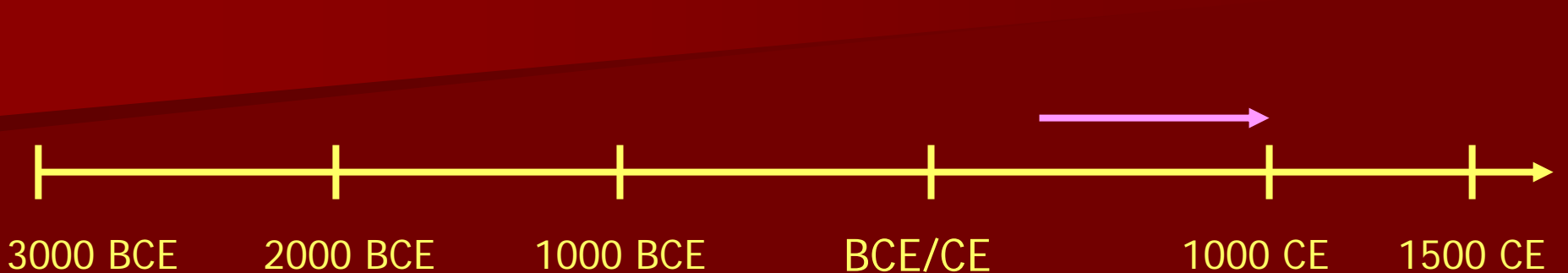
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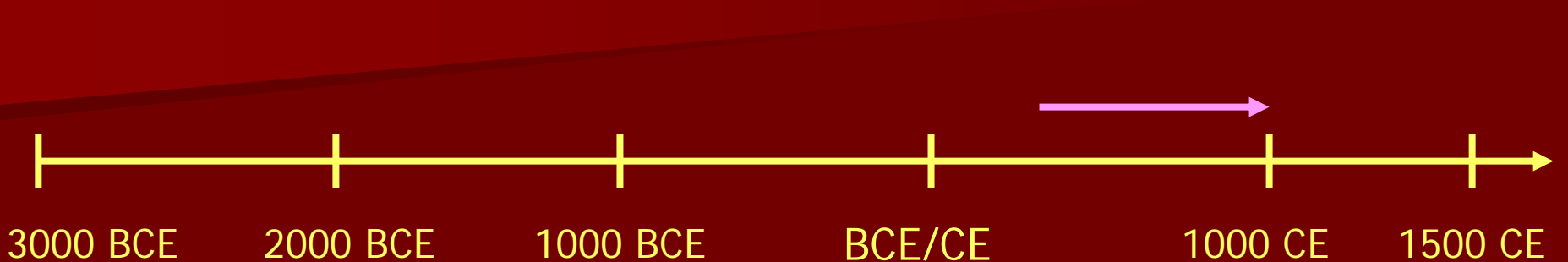


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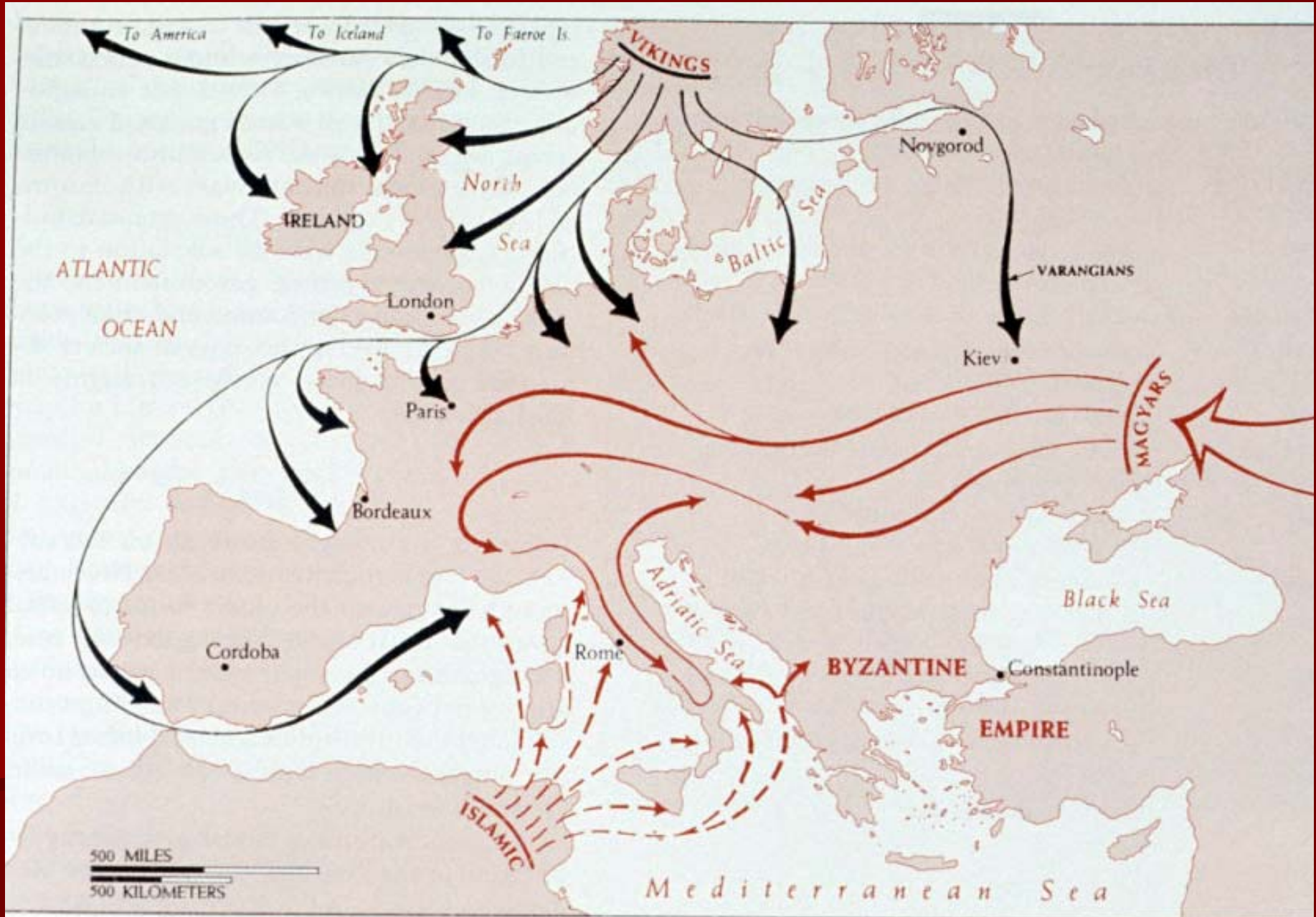
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750-850 CE: The Carolingians and the Holy Roman Empire

850-1000 CE: The Viking Invasions



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■ High Middle Ages (1000-1300 CE)

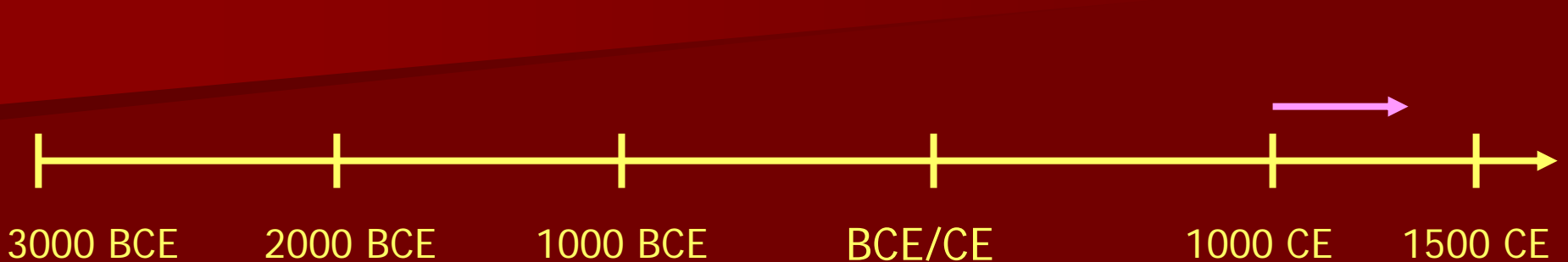
1000-1100 CE: The Rise of the Medieval Papacy

Cathedrals, Chivalry

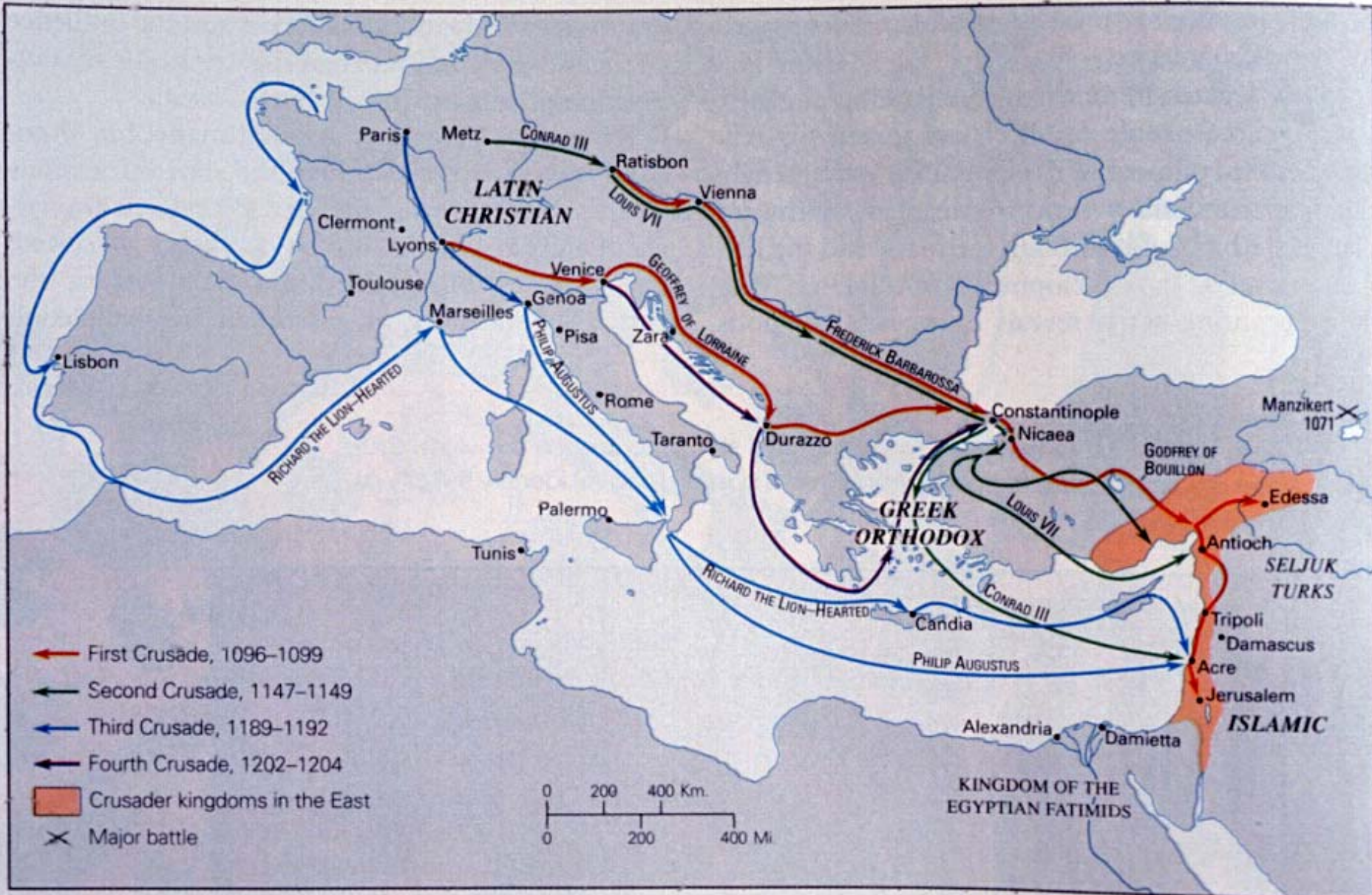
1096-1099 CE: The First Crusade

1201-1204 CE: The Fourth Crusade

1204 CE: The Sack of Constantinople



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■ Late Middle Ages (1300-1500 CE)

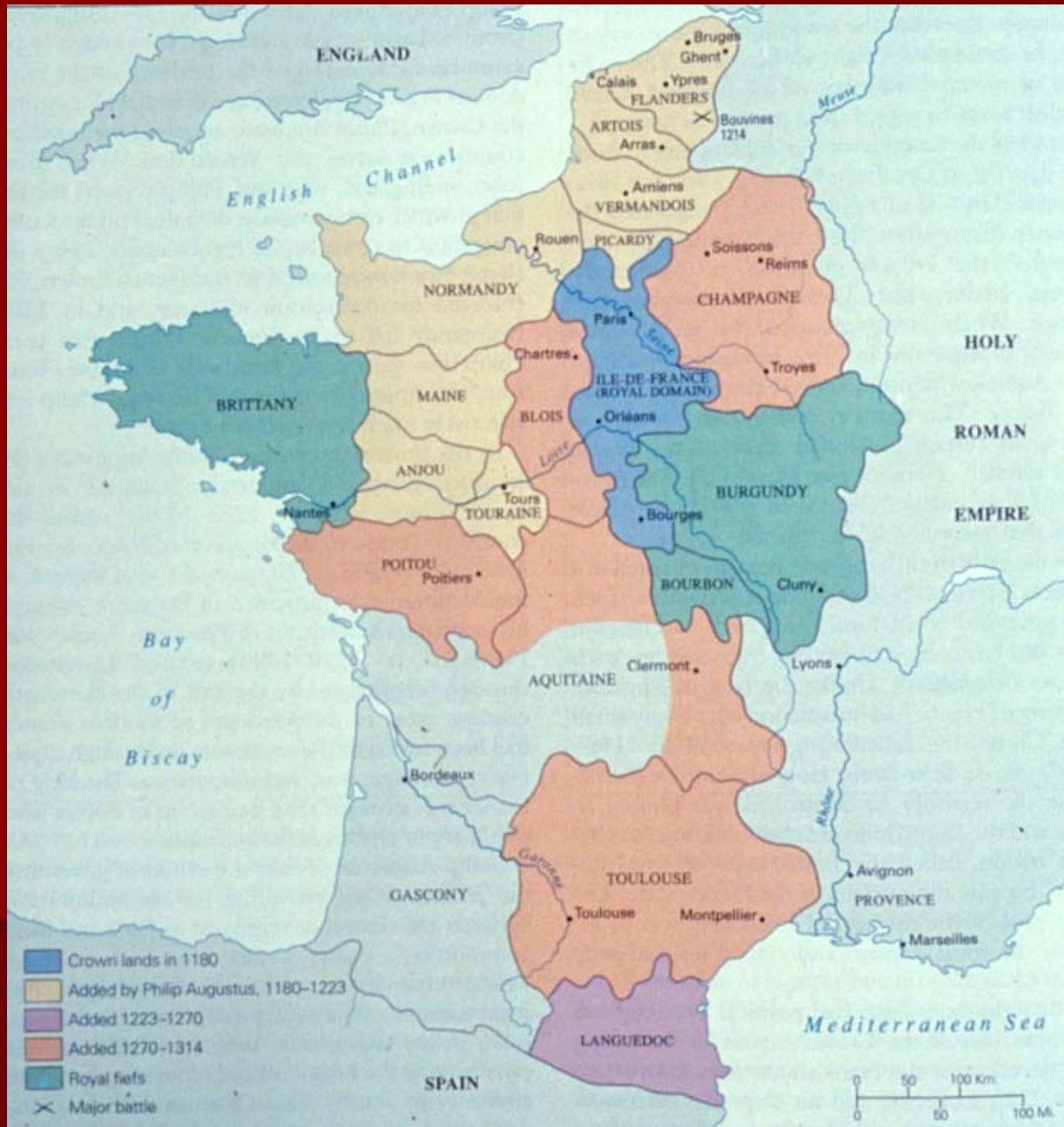
1315-1317 CE: The Great Famine

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1347-1352 CE: The Black Death



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