WHAP Essential Questions CH. 12

Part 1

1. Examine the collapse of the Han dynasty. What factors help explain this phenomenon? How influential were the Han on Chinese history?
2. Examine the rise and spread of Manichaeism. Who was Mani, and what was his basic philosophy? How influential was this religion?
3. Examine the collapse of the Roman empire. What factors explain this event? What would be the legacy of the Roman empire?
4. Examine the structure of the early Christian church. What challenges did the church face? Relate the rise of the church to Roman history.
5. You are a Chinese merchant in the city of Chang’an. How would you get products to the profitable Roman market? What might you bring back?
6. What are the main advantages and disadvantages of trade? How did trade along the silk roads influence the societies that engaged in trade?