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Claim: Universities began in the early Middle Ages in the West.

Rationale: Buddhism, Hinduism, and Islam did not develop universities, because their metaphysical beliefs prevented the development of an epistemology that would have produced a university in the way of the development in the West.

“Why did my university in Allahabad have a church, but not a Hindu temple or a Muslim mosque? Because the university was invented and established by Christians.”

~Vishal Mangalwadi, 194.

"Universities, like cathedrals and parliaments, are a product of the middle ages. The Greeks and the Romans, strange as it may seem, had no universities in the sense in which the word has been used for the past seven or eight centuries. They had higher education, but the terms are not synonymous. Much of their instruction in law, rhetoric, and philosophy would be hard to surpass, but it was not organized into the form of permanent institutions of learning."

~Charles Haskins, *The Rise of Universities*

“Some ‘holy men’ near Allahabad’s confluence were at least as brilliant and dedicated as the friars who founded Oxford and Cambridge. They failed to establish a university because of their religious quest to ‘kill’ their minds. They lay on nails, buried themselves, or sat covered only with ashes and cow dung, smoking drugs, and seeking enlightenment. Their path to enlightenment was *Jnana Marg*—the path of knowledge of self, God, or oneness of everything. Yet they had no interest in the material world for they thought it *maya* or illusion.”

~Vishal Mangalwadi, 195

“They had no libraries, they had no guild of scholars or students, and they certified no one. Even more important, it can be argued, they tested no theories and engaged in no research; in fact they ignored and even spurned the inductive method. The best evidence indicates that universities grew out of the Christian monasteries.”

~Alvin Schmidt, *How Christianity Changed the World*



THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S

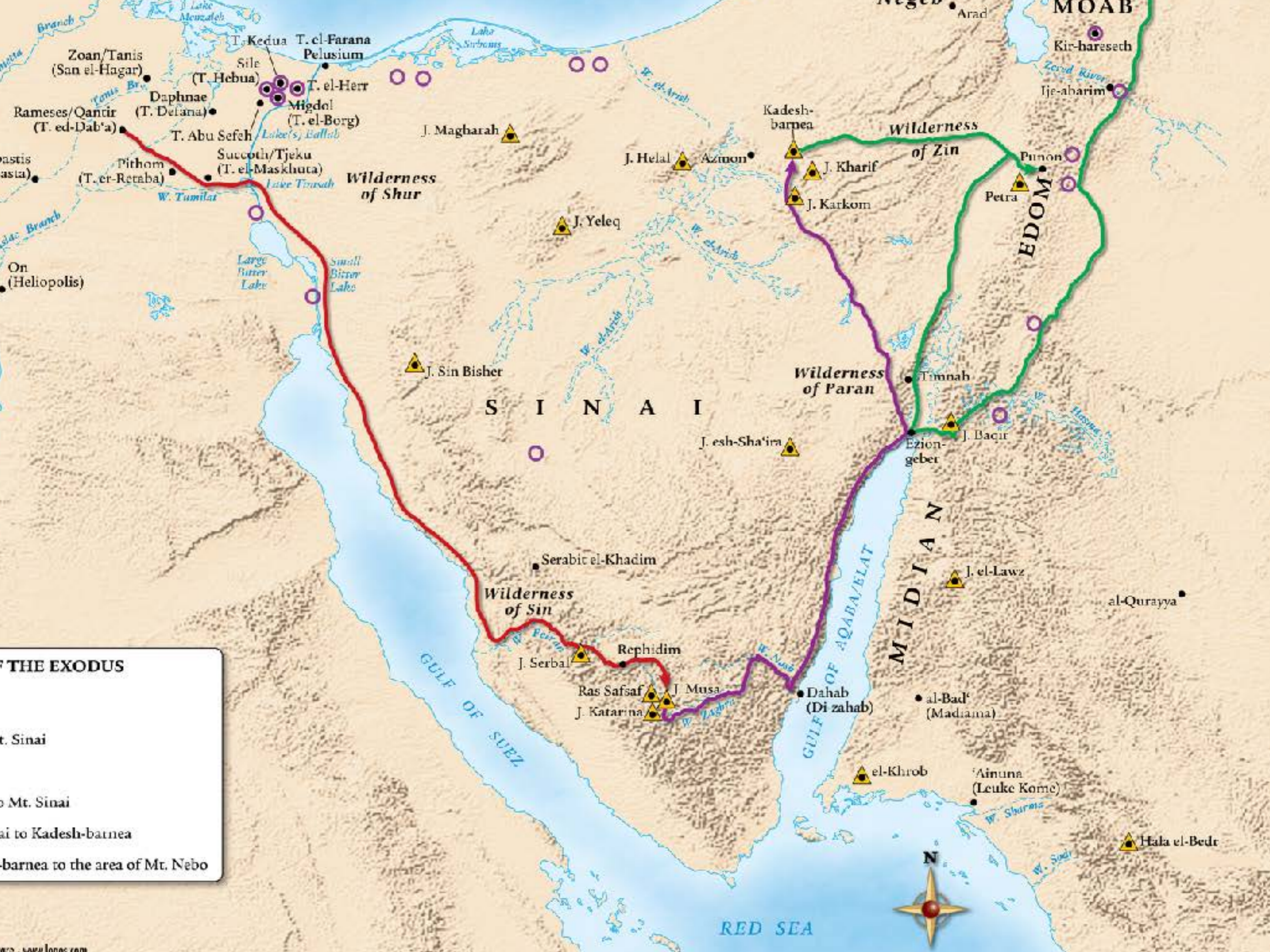
THE KINGDOM OF PRIESTS
EXODUS 5; 19–24

Ex. 19:1, “In the third month after the children of Israel had gone out of the land of Egypt, on the same day, they came to the Wilderness of Sinai.

Ex. 19:2, “For they had departed from Rephidim, had come to the Wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness. So Israel camped there before the mountain.”

Ex. 19:3, “And Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, ‘Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel:

Ex. 19:4, “ ‘ “You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to Myself.” ’ ”



THE EXODUS

• Mt. Sinai
 • Mt. Sinai
 • Mt. Sinai to Kadesh-barnea
 • Kadesh-barnea to the area of Mt. Nebo

Ex. 19:5, “ ‘ “Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine.

**Ex. 19:6, “ ‘ “And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.”
These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel.’ ”**

Deut. 33:10, “They shall ...

- 1. Teach Jacob Your judgments, and Israel Your Law:**
- 2. Put incense before You”**

Rev. 8:3, “Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.”

Deut. 33:10, “They shall ...

- 1. Teach Jacob Your judgments, and Israel Your Law:**
- 2. Put incense before You,**
- 3. And a whole burnt sacrifice on Your altar.”**

Ex. 19:7, “So Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before them all these words which the LORD commanded him.

Ex. 19:8, “Then all the people answered together and said, ‘All that the LORD has spoken we will do.’ So Moses brought back the words of the people to the LORD.”

Ex. 19:9, “And the LORD said to Moses, ‘Behold, I come to you in the thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and believe you forever.’ So Moses told the words of the people to the LORD.”

**Ex. 19:10, “Then the LORD said to Moses,
‘Go to the people and consecrate them
today and tomorrow, and let them wash
their clothes.**

**Ex. 19:11, “ ‘And let them be ready for the
third day. For on the third day the LORD
will come down upon Mount Sinai in the
sight of all the people.’ ”**

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piel perf 2 masc sing consec

**to consecrate (to declare sacred) from
the Latin for “holy” to be set apart for
the use of God**

Ex. 19:12, “ ‘You shall set bounds for the people all around, saying, “Take heed to yourselves that you do not go up to the mountain or touch its base. Whoever touches the mountain shall surely be put to death.

Ex. 19:13, “ ‘ “Not a hand shall touch him, but he shall surely be stoned or shot with an arrow; whether man or beast, he shall not live.” When the trumpet sounds long, they shall come near the mountain.’ ”

Ex. 19:14, “So Moses went down from the mountain to the people and sanctified the people, and they washed their clothes.

Ex. 19:15, “And he said to the people, ‘Be ready for the third day; do not come near your wives.’ ”

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*to be sanctified***

Ex. 19:16, “Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled.”

Ex. 19:18, “Now Mount Sinai was completely in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly.”

Deut. 4:12, “And the LORD spoke to you out of the midst of the fire. You heard the sound of the words, but saw no form; you only heard a voice.

Deut. 4:13, “So He declared to you His covenant which He commanded you to perform, the Ten Commandments; and He wrote them on two tablets of stone.”

Ex. 19:19, “And when the blast of the trumpet sounded long and became louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by voice.

Ex. 19:20, “Then the LORD came down upon Mount Sinai, on the top of the mountain. And the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.”

Ex. 24:1, “Now He said to Moses, ‘Come up to the LORD, you and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship from afar.

Ex. 24:2, “ ‘And Moses alone shall come near the LORD, but they shall not come near; nor shall the people go up with him.’ ”