

- MAR 30** Spiritualism, Millennialism  
Shakers .....chapters 29:478–290; 30:492-4
- APR.** 1 Oneida Perfectionists.....chapter 30: 497-9  
Mormonism .....chapter 30:501-9
- 4 Seventh-Day Adventists  
Christian Science .....chapter 29:478-81; 60:1020-26
- 6 **Class Prep** (*no written prep required*): Can religions be invented? What authority do religions have? How/in what sense are religions “true”? What makes them true?
- 8 Black Churches.....chapter 42
- 11 **Essay #2 Due:** Respond to the questions raised in the Class prep for **April 6**. Illustrate your argument using one “traditional” (Protestant, R. Catholic, Native American) and one “new” (Shakers, etc.) religion.  
Revivalism vs. Liberalism ...chapter 44:743-748; chapter 46
- 13 Social Gospel.....chapters 46–47
- 15 Modern Protestantism.....chapter 48; “8 Moralistic Therapeutic Deism”
- 18 20<sup>th</sup> c. Roman Catholicism ..chapter 59; “9 Amer Catholic convert”
- 20 20<sup>th</sup> c. Judaism .....chapter 57
- 22 **Class Prep:** Reflecting both on Roman Catholicism and Judaism, does the future belong to the “liberals” (Catholics, Reform Jews) or “traditionalist” (observant Catholics and Orthodox Jews)? Why?
- 25 Islam in America (1)
- 27 Islam in America (2)
- 29 Islam in America (3)  
**Class Prep:** Can Islam be “Americanized”? If no, why not? If yes, what will it lose, and what will it gain?
- MAY** 2 Hinduism and Buddhism in America (2): **chapter 61**  
**Class Prep** (*no written prep required*): Do a search for “Hinduism in America” or “Buddhism in America.” Find one article and bring it to class. Be prepared to explain: how this is based on classical Buddhism? What changes have taken (are taking) place? As a class reflect on the question: is American (western) Buddhism creating a “new Buddhism”?
- 4 Final Discussion .....“10 Amer Religious Identification 2008”  
**Essay # 3 Due:** is America still a “Christian” nation? Why or why not. To what extent, and if “yes,” in what sense, do its Protestant roots influence other religions?