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- ### Origins
- Starts out as political division of Roman Empire
  - Constantine will move capital to Byzantium, renames "Constantinople"
  - After fall of western Roman Empire, Byzantine continues
  - Justinian will attempt to reconstruct old Roman Empire, succeeds but military costs of trying to hold on to eastern territory weaken Empire in long run
  - Justinian will also rebuild capital

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### Justinian's Wife is Theodora



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### Decline of Byzantines

- Begins early due to expansion
- Issues with religious division- break with RC church in 1054, leads to creation of Eastern Orthodox church
- Creation of large bureaucracy and role of court-corruption issues- Empress Theodora and Zoe
- Rise of Islam a major reason for decline- see map
- Invasions by Seljuk and Ottoman Turks
- Are responsible for spreading Christianity into eastern Europe (Cyril & Methodius)

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### Cyrillic Alphabet

To this day, the writing system used in Russia is still the one developed by Cyril and Methodius – the Cyrillic Alphabet, based on the Greek alphabet.

Аа Бб Вв Гг Дд Ее  
 Ёё Жж Зз Ии Йй  
 Кк Лл Мм Нн Оо  
 Пп Рр Сс Тт Уу Фф  
 Хх Цц Чч Шш Щщ  
 Ъъ Ыы Ьь Ээ Юю  
 Яя (Іі ОѠ Vv Ъъ)

Аа Бб Вв Гг Дд Ее  
 Ёё Жж Зз Ии Йй Кк  
 Лл Мм Нн Оо Пп Рр  
 Сс Тт Уу Фф Хх Цц  
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### Map of Byzantine Empire by 1500s




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### Rise of Russia

- First political entity that develops comes from Slavic nomads (from eastern Asia) mixing with indigenous groups located in today's Ukraine
- Scandinavian traders/raiders (Vikings) come in around 600s
- Monarchy begins around 855 under Rurik, becomes known as Kiev.
- Adopt Christianity (eastern Orthodox) under Vladimir I around 1000. Becomes kingdom known as Kievan Rus

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### Decline of Kievan Rus

- Decline begins around 1100s
- Internal problems- poor rulers, fights over succession etc.
- External issues- Mongol invasions in 1100s will end the dynasty, and city will be destroyed. Later rebuilt. Shift of Russia power to cities that survive Mongol invasion: Moscow
- The new Russia will come from Moscow- Third Rome

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