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1. Lakshmi.

Clue: This statue is a representation of Lakshmi, one of the principle goddesses in Hinduism. She is the goddess of love, joy, and prosperity. Her hands form the mudra (symbol) for the Dharmachakra, meaning the cycle of life.

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2. Nicene Council.

Clue: Two councils held in Nicea in 325 CE and 787 CE were instrumental to defining the practices and beliefs of the Catholic and Orthodox Christian churches.

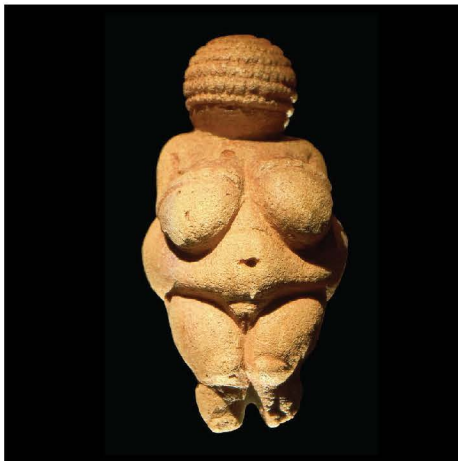
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3. Dalai Lama.

Clue: The current Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, has been in his position since 1950. He serves as both a political leader to the Tibetan people and the highest spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhism. He is considered a living Buddha, or "enlightened one."

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4. Venus of Willendorf.

Clue: The Venus of Willendorf was carved between 28,000 and 25,000 years ago and is one of the best-known early examples of religious art.

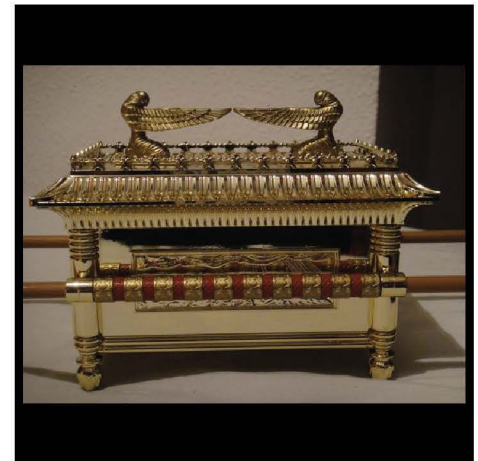
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5. Xuankong Temple.

Clue: Also known as the Hanging Temple, this temple was built into a cliffside more than 1,500 years ago. Buddhists, Taoists, and Confucianists have all worshiped here.

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6. Ark of the Covenant.

Clue: Described in the Book of Exodus, the Ark of the Covenant is said to contain various religious artifacts from the Jewish and Christian traditions including the Ten Commandments, Aaron's rod, and Manna.

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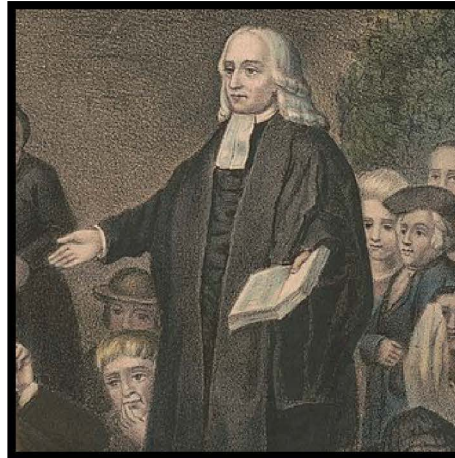
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7. Madonna of the Book.

Clue: *Madonna of the Book* was painted by the Florentine master Sandro Botticelli in tempera on wood panel and depicts the Virgin Mary and Christ Child reading.

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8. John Wesley.

Clue: John Wesley was an Anglican cleric and co-founder of the Methodist movement with his brother, Charles. During the 1730s, John Wesley ventured to the American Colonies where he assembled a collection of Psalms and Hymns, the first Anglican hymnal published in America.

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9. Mi'raj of the Prophet Muhammad.

Clue: This miniature by Sultan Muhammad shows the Mi'raj of the Prophet Muhammad, astrid the beast Buraq, in which he ascends at night to Heaven. The Mi'raj is one of the most important events on the Islamic calendar.

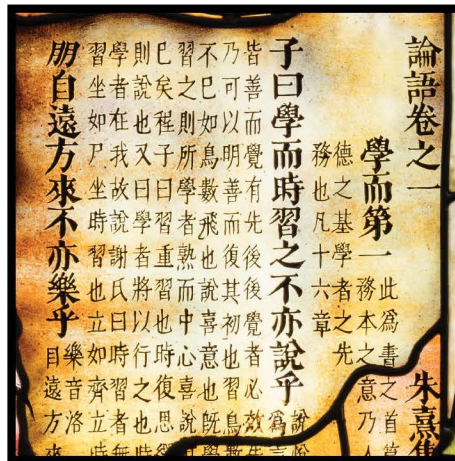
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10. Jainism.

Clue: One of the world's oldest religions, Jainism advocates peacefulness and respect towards all living things. The three pillars of Jainism are Ahimsa (non-violence), Anekāntavāda (non-absolutism), and Aparigraha (non-attachment).

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11. Analects.

Clue: This book, written during the Warring States period, contains the philosopher Confucius' ideas for proper living and a just society. It serves as the basis for the religion: Confucianism.



12. Martin Luther.

Clue: Martin Luther was a monk and theologian. His *95 Theses*—a list of complaints and questions about the Catholic church—helped spark the Reformation.

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