**Key Issue 2: Why Do Religions Have Different Distributions?**

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1. Complete the chart below describing the origins and branches of the major universalizing religions.

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|  | **Buddhism** | **Christianity** | **Islam** |
| Year of Origin |  |  |  |
| Founder |  |  |  |
| Major Branches & Main Belief of Each Branch |  |  |  |

1. Buddhism is built around **“Four Noble Truths”** as taught by the Buddha. Summarize them.
2. How was its origin different than universalizing religions?
3. When did it originate?
4. Where did it originate?
5. What **two** ancient peoples beliefs blended to form Hinduism?
6. Give **three** explanations for the diffusion of Christianity.
7. Give **three** ways in which Islam spread.
8. Give **two** reasons for the expansion of Buddhism.
9. Provide **three** examples of cases in which religions, or religious practices, have blended.

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| Religions Which Have Blended | Location |
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1. How is its distribution very different from other ethnic religions?
2. What was the ***diaspora*?**
3. How were most Jews treated as they lived among other nationalities?
4. What is the origin of the term ***ghetto***?