

History of the World:

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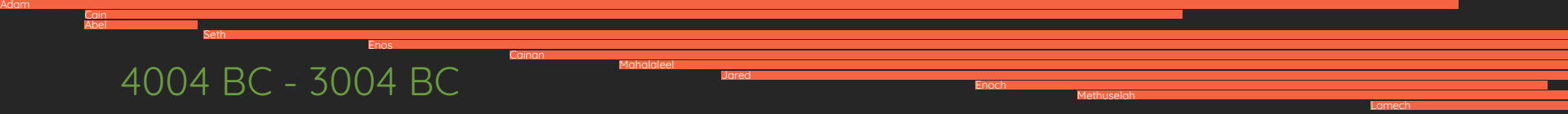
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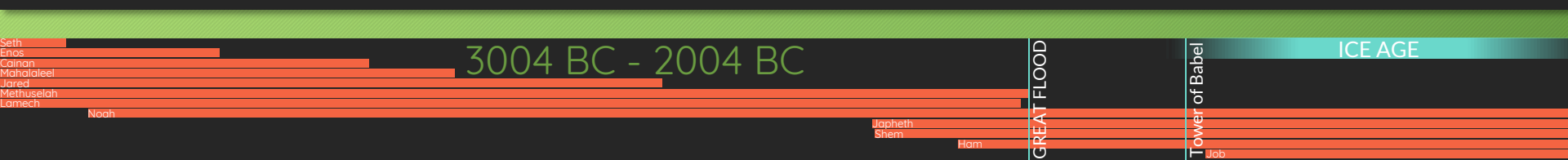
The Spread of Christianity

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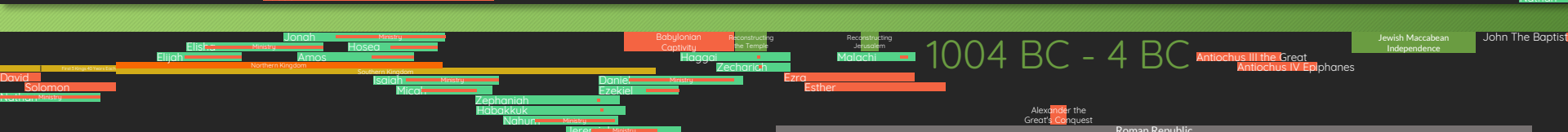
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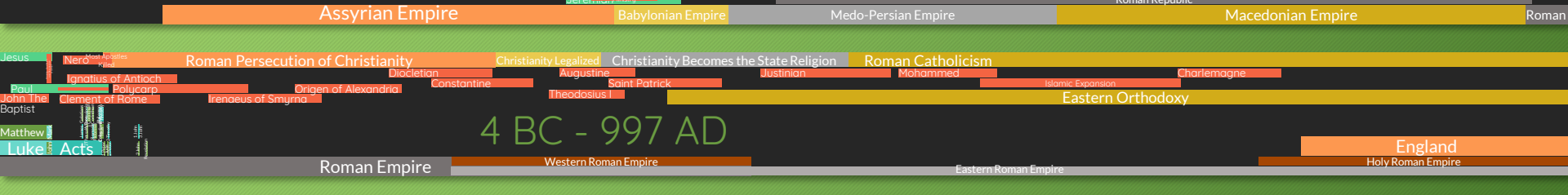
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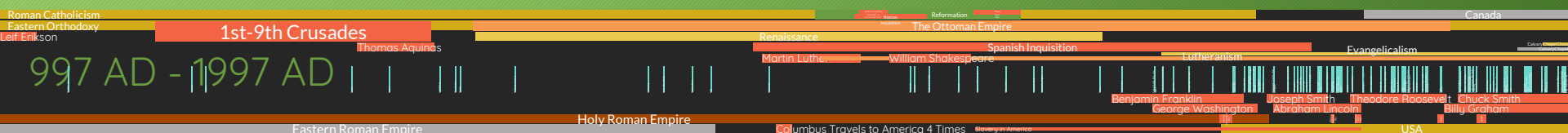
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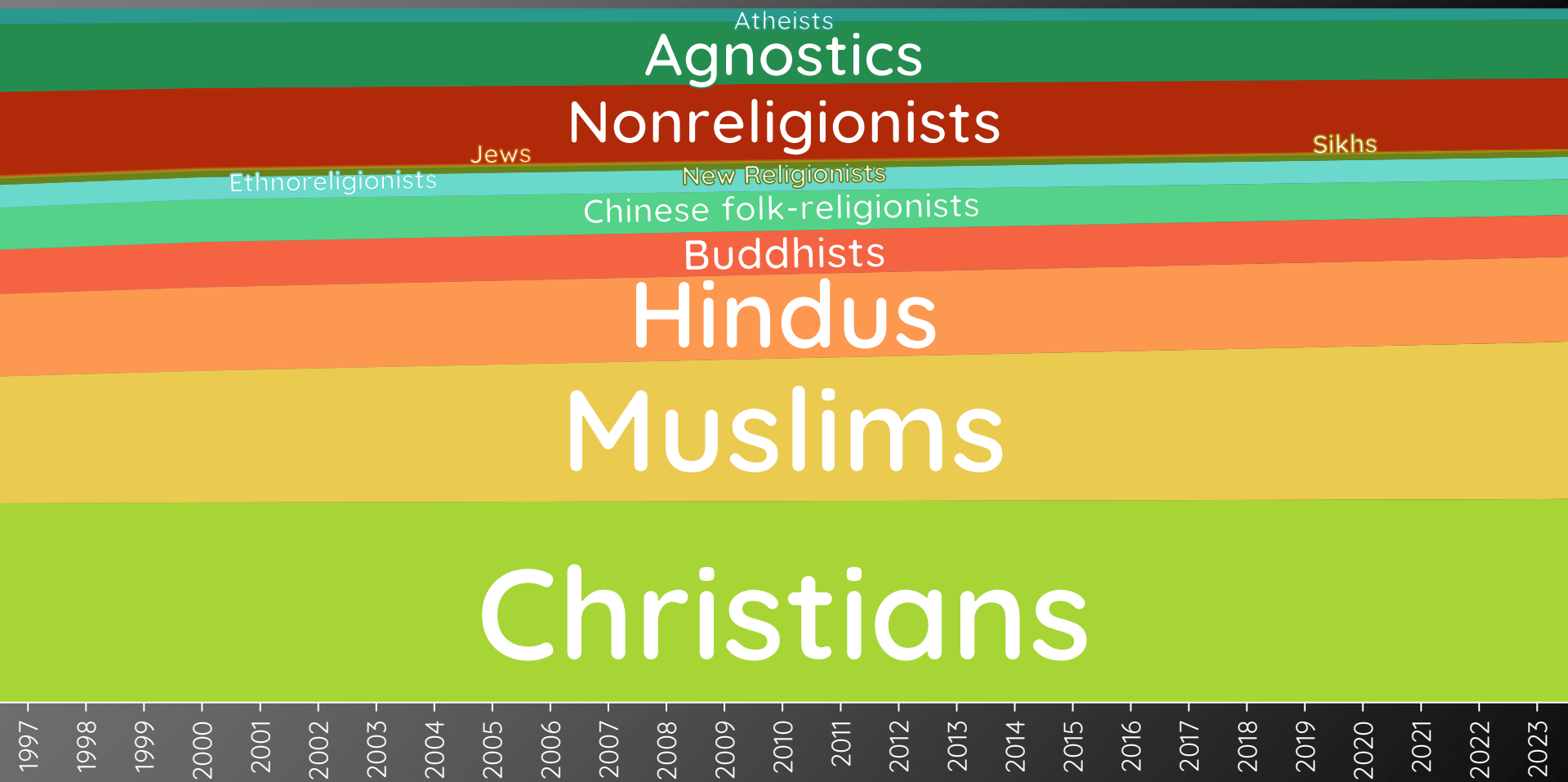


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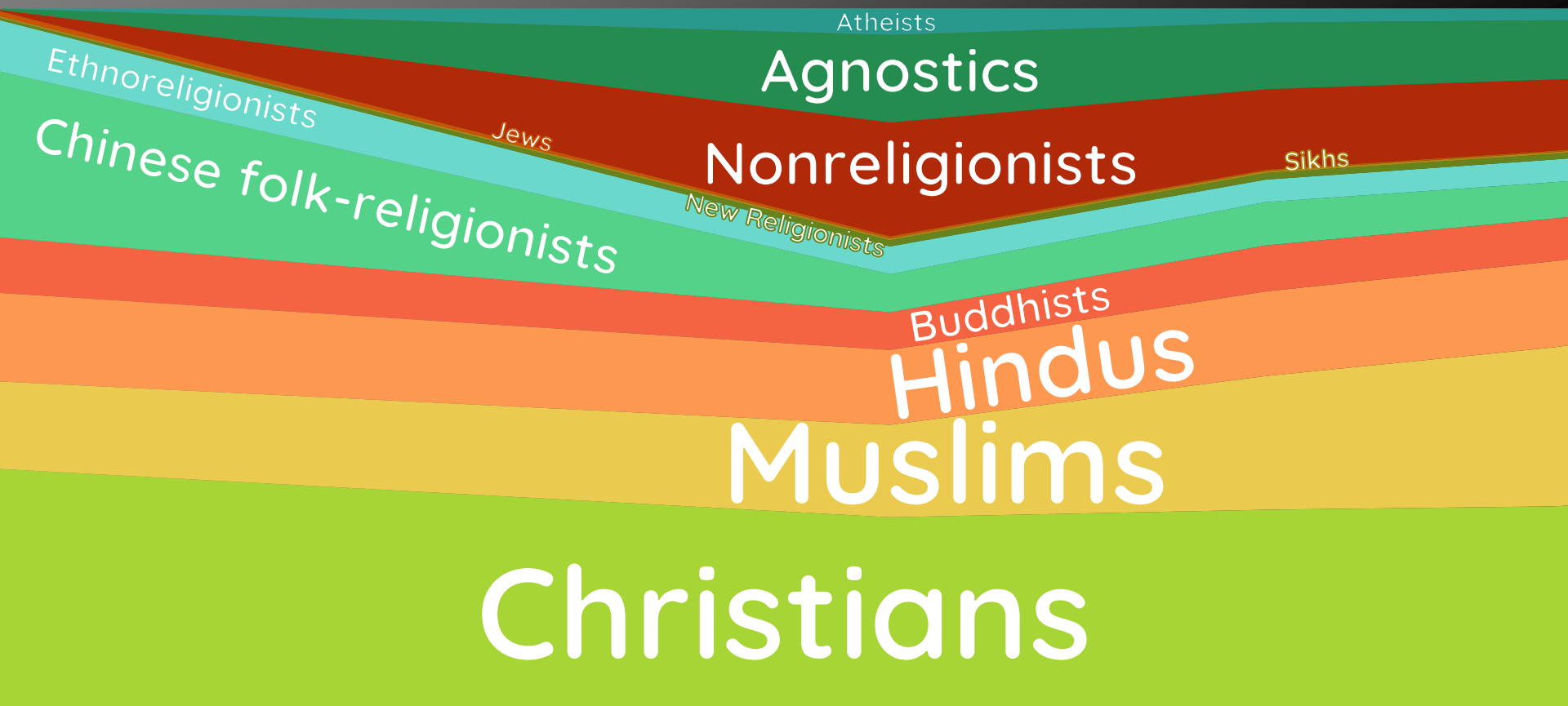


In Christianity

WORLD RELIGION BY % FROM 1997 TO 2023

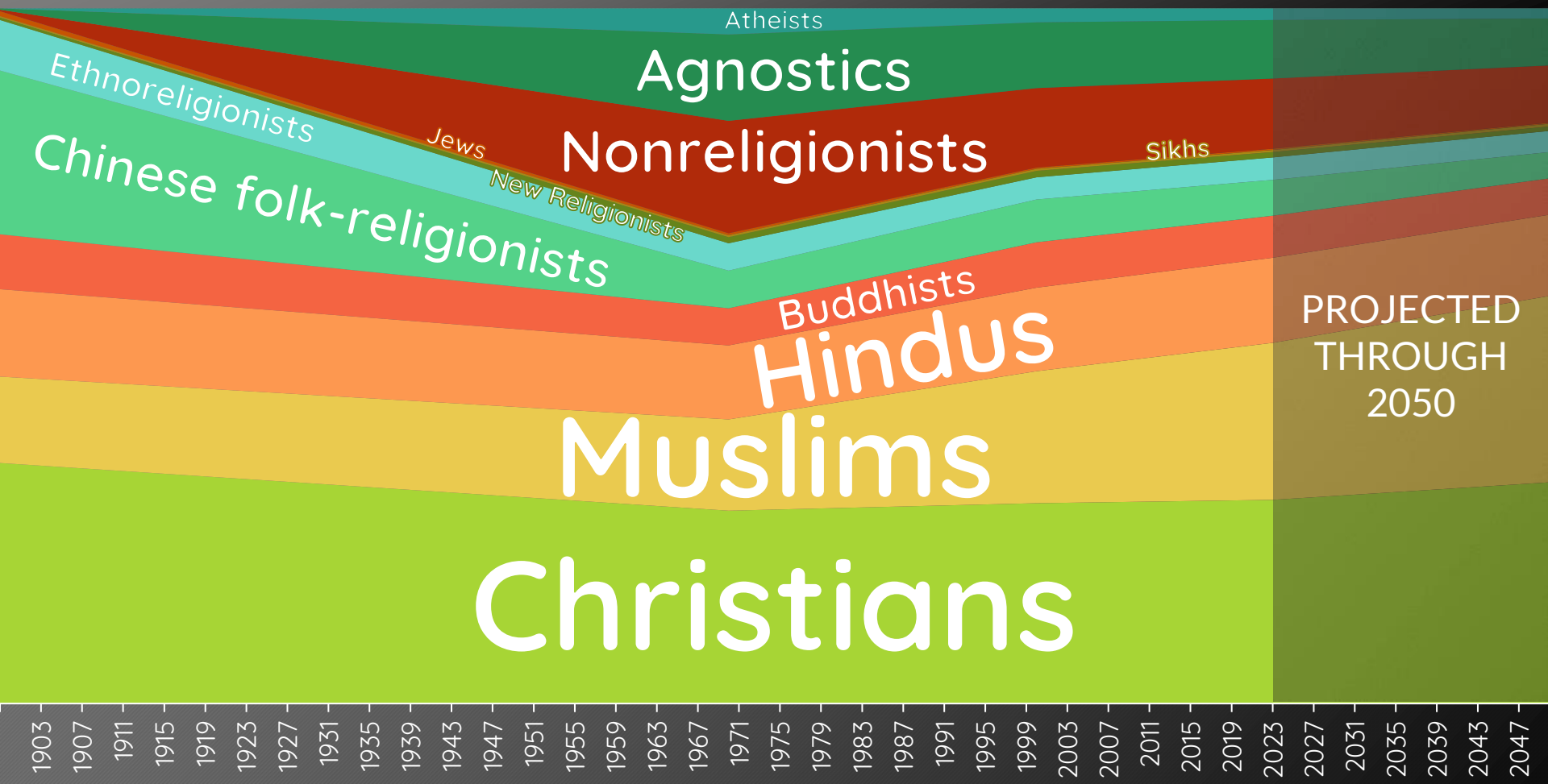


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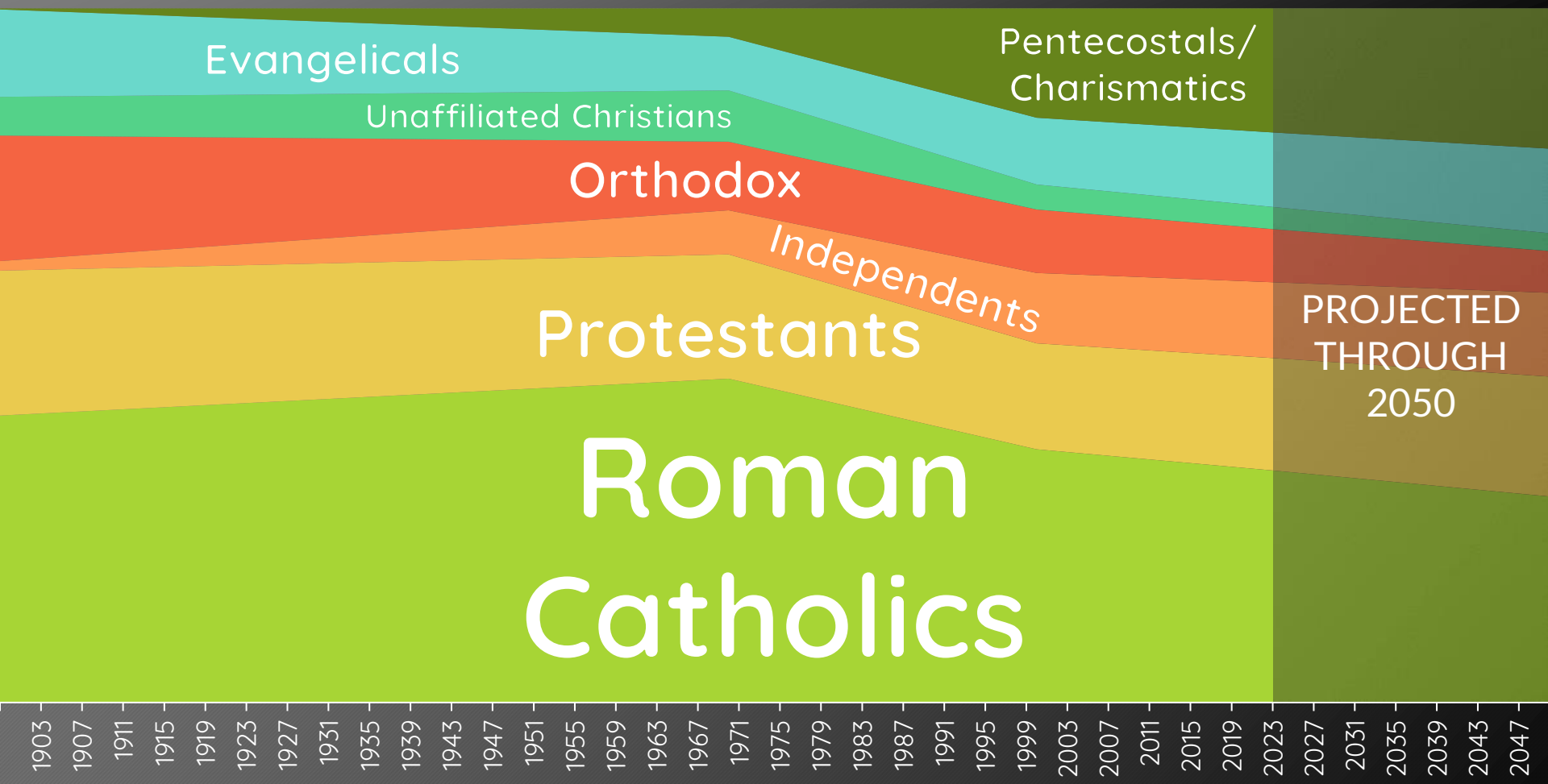
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WORLD RELIGION BY % FROM 1900 TO 2050



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WORLD TRADITIONS BY % FROM 1900 TO 2050



Evangelicals

Unaffiliated Christians

Orthodox

Independents

Protestants

Roman Catholics

Pentecostals/
Charismatics

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Matthew 5:13-16

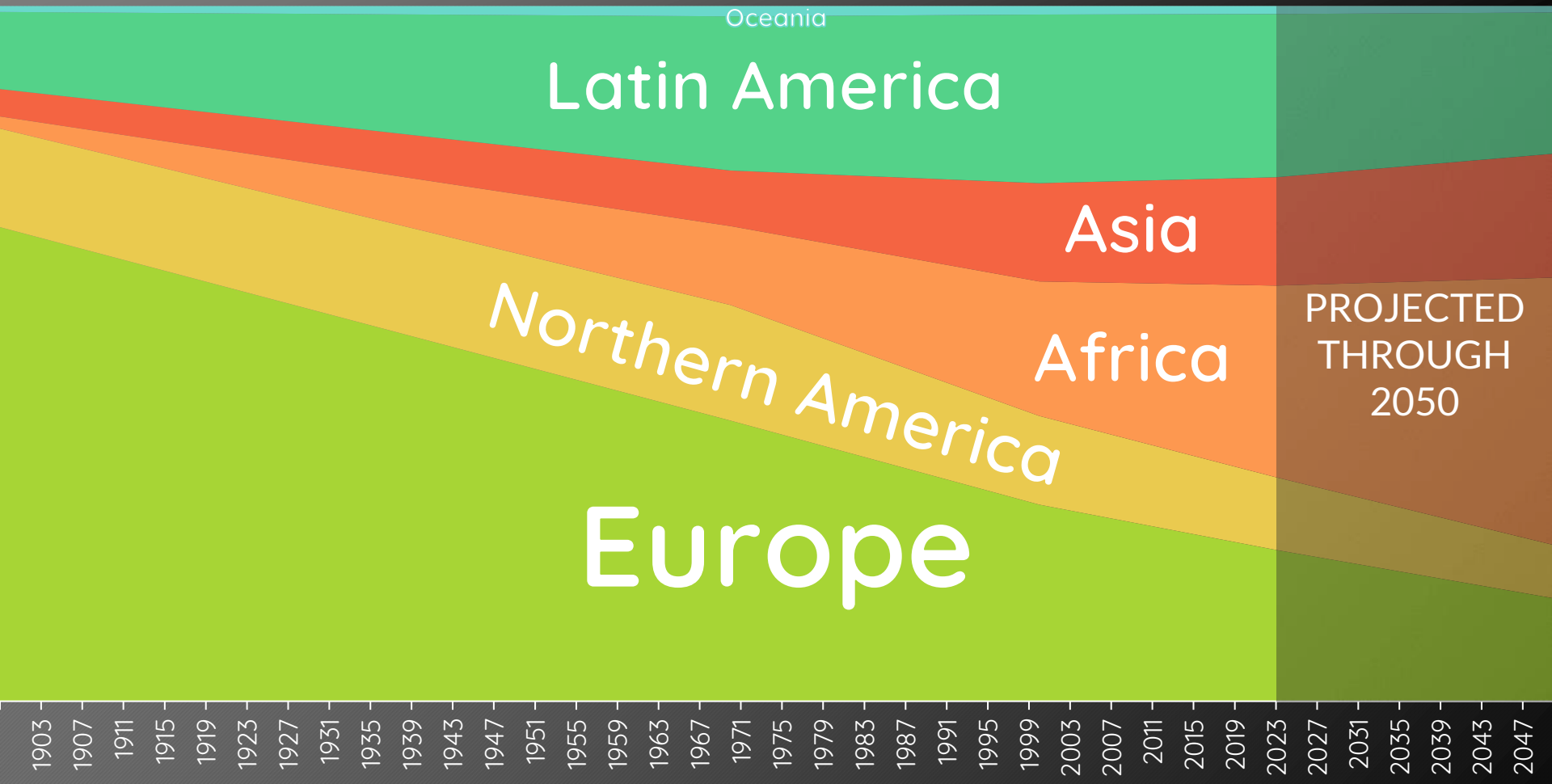
¹³ “You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

¹⁴ “You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all *who are* in the house. ¹⁶ Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

1 Corinthians 9:19-23

¹⁹ For though I am free from all *men*, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win the more; ²⁰ and to the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might win Jews; to those *who are* under the law, as under the law, that I might win those *who are* under the law; ²¹ to those *who are* without law, as without law (not being without law toward God, but under law toward Christ), that I might win those *who are* without law; ²² to the weak I became as weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all *men*, that I might by all means save some. ²³ Now this I do for the gospel's sake, that I may be partaker of it with *you*.

CHRISTIAN REGIONS BY % FROM 1900 TO 2050



Matthew 24:9-14

⁹ “Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name’s sake. ¹⁰ And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another. ¹¹ Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. ¹² And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³ But he who endures to the end shall be saved. ¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

The Spread of Christianity

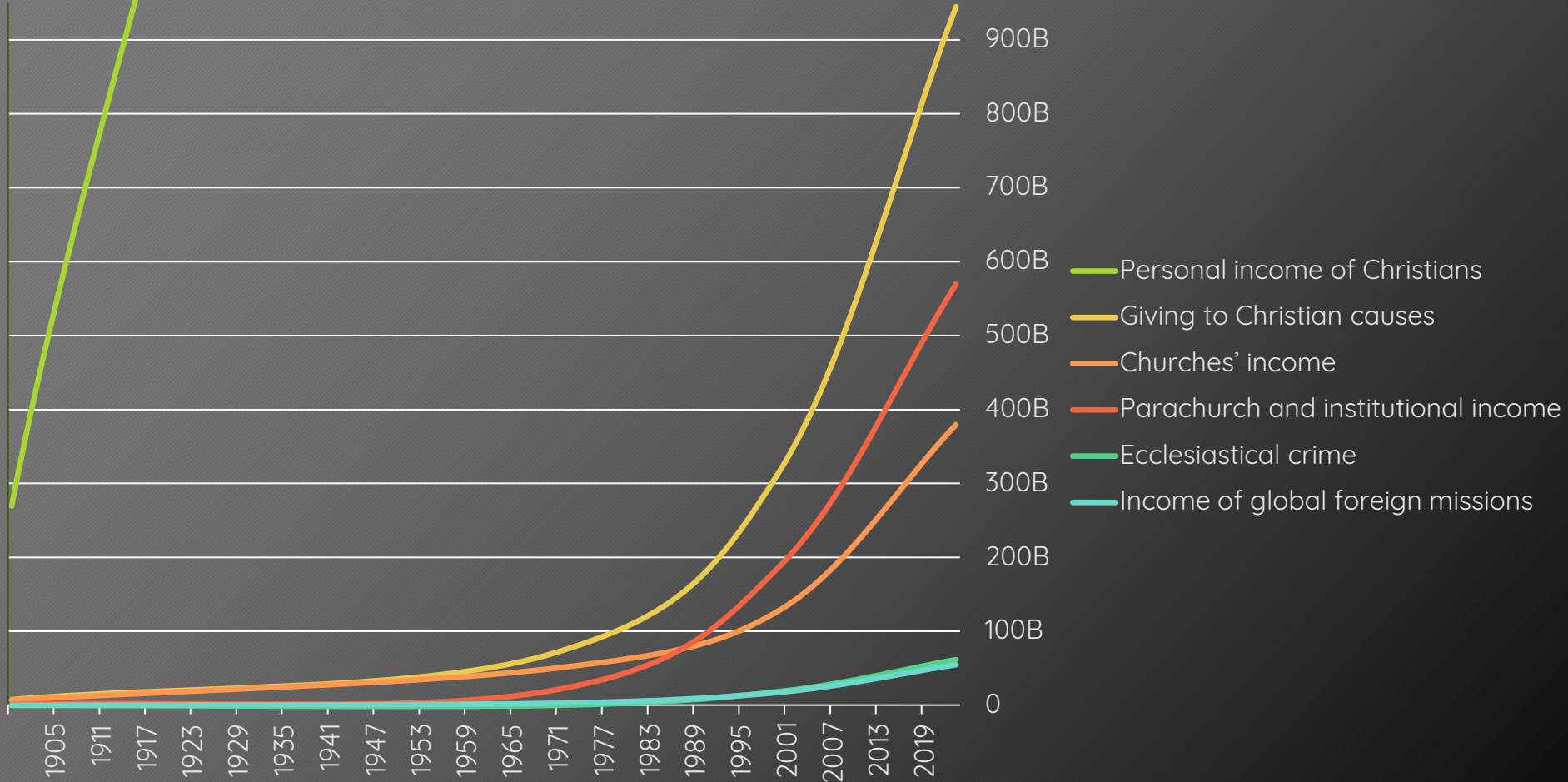


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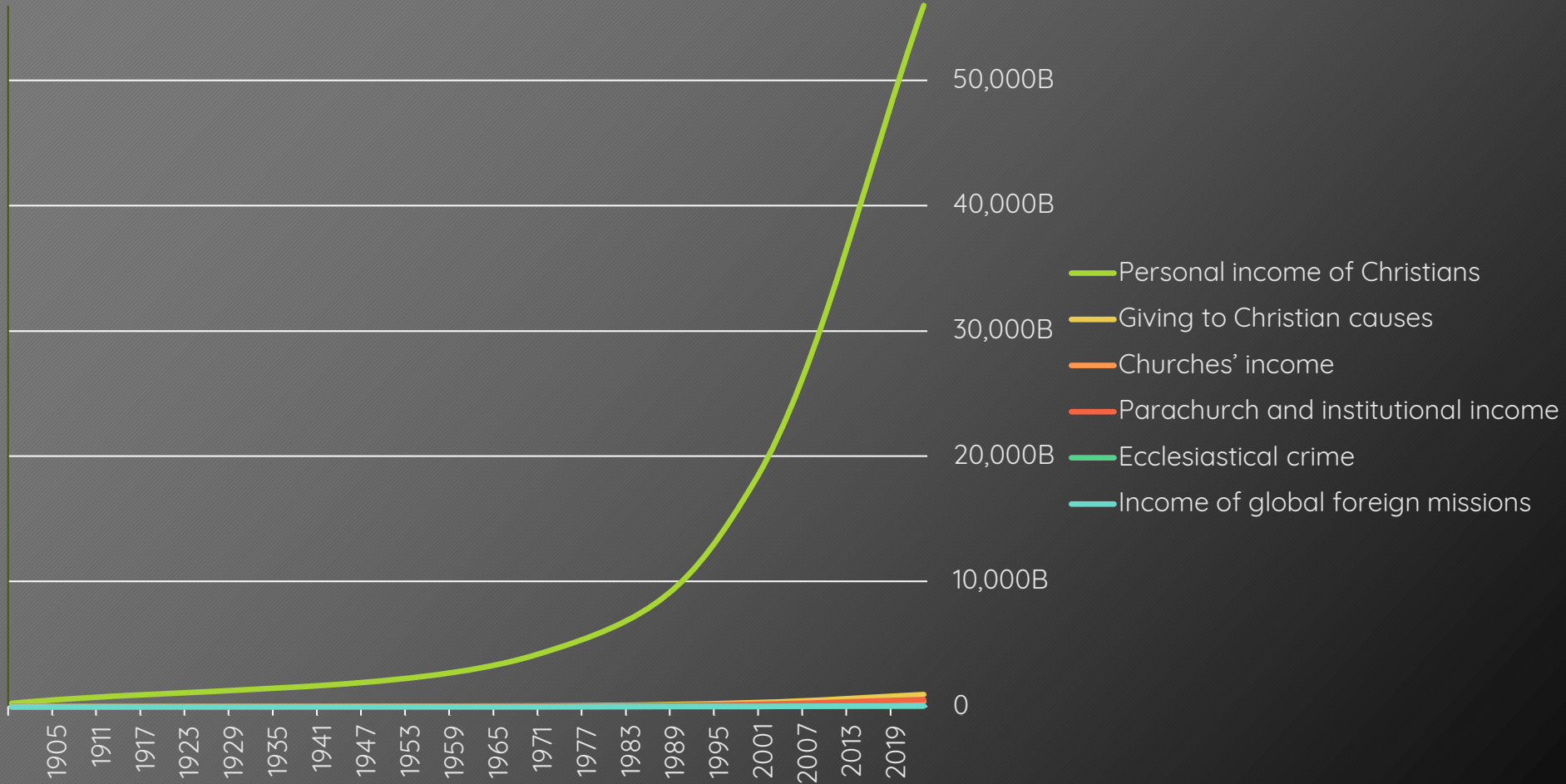
2 Corinthians 9:6-8

⁶ But this *I say*: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ *So let* each one *give* as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may have an abundance for every good work.

CHRISTIAN FINANCE (IN \$ PER YEAR) 1900 -2023



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Matthew 5:10-12

¹⁰ Blessed *are* those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. ¹² Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great *is* your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Rank	Country	Continent	Christian Annual Growth	Years to double	Majority Religion
1	Nepal	Asia, South Central	10.93%	6.6	Hindu
2	China	Asia, Eastern	10.86%	6.6	Atheism
3	United Arab Emirates	Arabian Peninsula	9.34%	7.7	Muslim
4	Saudi Arabia	Arabian Peninsula	9.27%	7.8	Muslim
5	Qatar	Arabian Peninsula	7.81%	9.2	Muslim
6	Oman	Arabian Peninsula	7.62%	9.4	Muslim
7	Yemen	Arabian Peninsula	7.09%	9.1	Muslim
8	Mongolia	Asia, Eastern	5.96%	12.1	Buddhist
9	Cambodia	Asia, South-eastern	5.87%	12.3	Buddhist
10	Bahrain	Arabian Peninsula	5.49%	13.1	Muslim
11	Benin	Africa, Western	4.85%	14.8	Christian
12	Burkina Faso	Africa, Western	4.81%	15	Muslim
13	South Sudan	Africa, Eastern	4.67%	15.4	Christian
14	Bhutan	Asia, South Central	4.60%	15.7	Buddhist
15	Mali	Africa, Western	4.54%	15.9	Muslim
16	Brunei	Asia, South-eastern	4.49%	16	Muslim
17	Guinea	Africa, Western	4.44%	16.2	Muslim
18	Kuwait	Arabian Peninsula	4.26%	16.9	Muslim
19	Singapore	Asia, South-eastern	4.12%	16.3	Buddhist
20	Turks and Caicos Islands	Caribbean	3.97%	18.1	Christian

Maybe You Noticed...

- 19 of the countries in the top 20 are in Asia and Africa.
- 11 countries on the top 20 list are Muslim majority countries.
- Not a single country from Europe, Northern America or Latin America makes the top 20 list
- These high Christian growth rates are found among all major non-Christian religious groups: Hindus, Atheists, Buddhists, Muslims and Ethno-religionists (Benin and South Sudan)
- Most are clustered in three areas: Eastern Asia, Western Africa and the Arabian Peninsula

Acts 14:19-23

¹⁹ Then Jews from Antioch and Iconium came there; and having persuaded the multitudes, they stoned Paul *and* dragged *him* out of the city, supposing him to be dead. ²⁰ However, when the disciples gathered around him, he rose up and went into the city. And the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

²¹ And when they had preached the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, ²² strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting *them* to continue in the faith, and *saying*, “We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God.” ²³ So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.



1 in 7
Christians

1 in 5
Christians
in Africa



Are Suffering
Ongoing
Persecution

2 in 5
Christians
in Asia

In 2023...

...a Church was Attacked Every

4 Hours

... a Christian was Detained Every

2 Hours

... a Christian's Life was Taken Every

93 Minutes

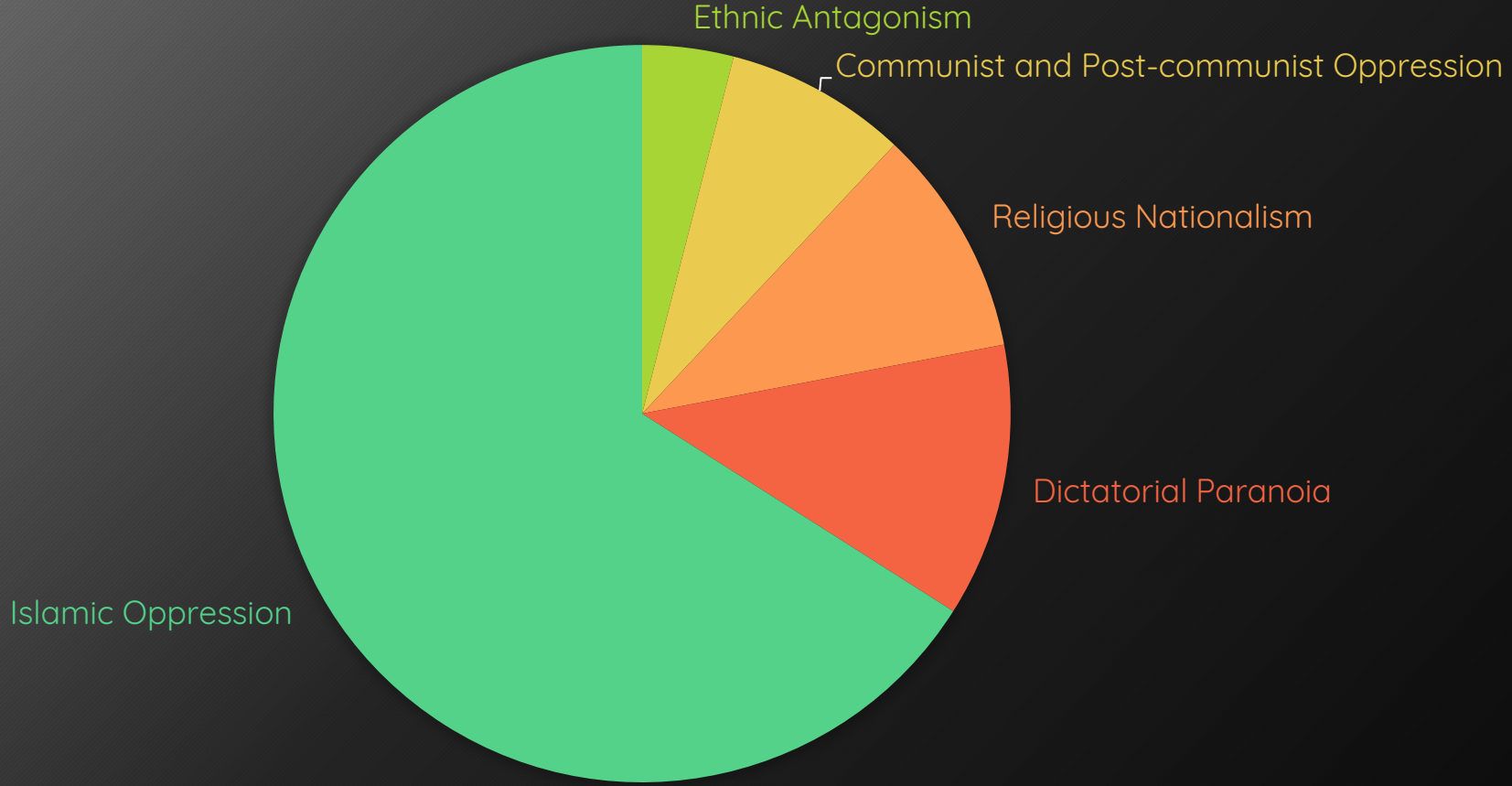
John 15:18-21

¹⁸ “If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before *it hated* you. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. ²⁰ Remember the word that I said to you, ‘A servant is not greater than his master.’ If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they kept My word, they will keep yours also. ²¹ But all these things they will do to you for My name’s sake, because they do not know Him who sent Me.

Rank	Score	Country	Persecution Type	Region	Main Religion
1	94%	North Korea	Communist and Post-communist Oppression	Asia	Atheism
2	94%	Afghanistan	Islamic Oppression	Central Asia	Islam
3	91%	Somalia	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
4	87%	Libya	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
5	87%	Pakistan	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Islam
6	87%	Sudan	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
7	86%	Eritrea	Dictatorial Paranoia	Africa	Christianity, Islam
8	86%	Yemen	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
9	85%	Iran	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
10	83%	India	Religious Nationalism	Asia	Hinduism
11	82%	Syria	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
12	80%	Nigeria	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Christianity, Islam
13	79%	Iraq	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
14	78%	Maldives	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Islam
15	77%	Saudi Arabia	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
16	76%	Egypt	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
17	74%	Uzbekistan	Dictatorial Paranoia	Central Asia	Islam
18	71%	Myanmar	Religious Nationalism	Asia	Buddhism
19	71%	Laos	Communist and Post-communist Oppression	Asia	Buddhism
20	71%	Vietnam	Communist and Post-communist Oppression	Asia	Atheism
21	70%	Central African Republic	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Christianity, Islam
22	70%	Algeria	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
23	69%	Turkmenistan	Dictatorial Paranoia	Central Asia	Islam
24	68%	Mali	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam

26	66%	Turkey	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
27	65%	China	Communist and Post-communist Oppression	Asia	Atheism
28	65%	Ethiopia	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Christianity
29	65%	Tajikistan	Dictatorial Paranoia	Central Asia	Islam
30	65%	Indonesia	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Islam
31	65%	Jordan	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
32	64%	Nepal	Religious Nationalism	Asia	Not Set
33	64%	Bhutan	Religious Nationalism	Asia	Buddhism
34	63%	Kazakhstan	Dictatorial Paranoia	Central Asia	Islam
35	63%	Morocco	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Not Set
36	63%	Brunei	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Islam
37	63%	Tunisia	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
38	62%	Qatar	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
39	62%	Mexico	Ethnic Antagonism	Latin America	Christianity
40	61%	Kenya	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Christianity
41	60%	Russia	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Not Set
42	60%	Malaysia	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Islam
43	60%	Kuwait	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
44	59%	Oman	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
45	58%	United Arab Emirates	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
46	58%	Sri Lanka	Religious Nationalism	Asia	Buddhism
47	58%	Colombia	Ethnic Antagonism	Latin America	Christianity
48	58%	Bangladesh	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Islam
49	58%	Palestinian Territories	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
50	58%	Azerbaijan	Dictatorial Paranoia	Central Asia	Not Set

PERSECUTION SOURCES



John 18:37-40

37 Pilate therefore said to Him, “Are You a king then?”

Jesus answered, “You say *rightly* that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.”

38 Pilate said to Him, “What is truth?” And when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews, and said to them, “I find no fault in Him at all.

39 “But you have a custom that I should release someone to you at the Passover. Do you therefore want me to release to you the King of the Jews?”

40 Then they all cried again, saying, “Not this Man, but Barabbas!” Now Barabbas was a robber.

Matthew 7:24-27

²⁴ “Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: ²⁵ and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

²⁶ “But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: ²⁷ and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall.”

2 Timothy 2:14-16

¹⁴ Remind *them* of these things, charging *them* before the Lord not to strive about words to no profit, to the ruin of the hearers. ¹⁵ Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. ¹⁶ But shun profane *and* idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness.

1 Peter 3:13-17

¹³ And who *is* he who will harm you if you become followers of what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, *you are* blessed. "And do not be afraid of their threats, nor be troubled." ¹⁵ But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always *be* ready to *give* a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear; ¹⁶ having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in Christ may be ashamed. ¹⁷ For *it is* better, if it is the will of God, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.



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