

CHAPTER VI
EURASIAN SOCIAL HIERARCHIES
500 B.C.E.–500 C.E.

CHAPTER LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- *To explore social structures in classical Eurasia*
- *To consider what made social structures different in different civilizations*
- *To explore the nature of classical **patriarchy** and its variations*

KEY TERMS/PERSONS/DATES/EVENTS

Aspasia:

Ban Zhao:

Brahmins:

caste:

(varna)

(jatis)

dharma:

Greek and Roman slavery:

helots:

karma:

Ksatriya:

latifundia:

Pericles:

“ritual purity”:

scholar-gentry class:

Spartacus:

Sudra:

the “three obediences”:

untouchables:

Vaisya:

Wang Mang:

Wu, Empress:

Wudi:

Yellow Turban Rebellion: