Big Picture Questions (X)

1. How did the histories of the Byzantine Empire and Western Europe differ during the era of third-wave civilizations?

2. What accounts for the different historical trajectories of these two expressions of Christendom?

3. How did Byzantium and Western Europe interact with each other and with the larger world of the postclassical era?

4. Was the civilization of the Latin West distinctive and unique, or was it broadly comparable to other third-wave civilizations?

5. How does the history of the Christian world in the postclassical era compare with that of Tang and Song