

World Religions in Greater Indianapolis Teaching Module

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World Religion: Christianity **Teaching Module Title:** Muslims in the United States in the 1700s and 1800s

Teaching Module Goals:

1. Introduce students to the different areas where slaves came from such as Senegambia, Benin, Gold Coast and Sierra Leone.
2. Discuss the traditional religious practices of Africans from the foregoing areas including the practice of Islam and the concepts of African spirits, deities, and animism.
3. Discuss the values and customs of slaves in United States in the 1700s and 1800s and differences between the cultural experiences in America and Africa.
4. Introduce students to the impact of the American Colonization Society and David Walker's *Appeal to the Colored Citizens of the World* (1829).

Assigned Readings and/or Websites:

Edward E. Curtis IV, *Muslims in America: A Short Story* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2009). 1-22

James A. Henretta, Eric Hinderaker, Rebecca Edwards, Robert O. Self, *America A Concise History, Volume 1: To 1877 1865* (Boston: Bedford/St. Martin's 2015), p. 240, 329, 345, 328, 362,

Clayborne Carson, Emma J. Lapsansky-Werner, Gary B. Nash, *The Struggle for Freedom, A History of African-Americans, Combined Volume, 2nd ed.* (Upper Saddle New Jersey: Prentice Hall 2011), p. 91, 152, 153, 174, 175, 176, 177, 188, 193

Darlene Clark Hine, William C. Hine, Stanley Harrold, *The African-American Odyssey: Combined Volume, 3rd Ed.* (Upper Saddle New Jersey: Prentice Hall 2006) p. 41, 190, 193, 201-202, 203, 121, 197, 217, 456

Study Questions and/or Discussions Prompts for Students:

1. What role did Ayuba Sulieman Diallo, known as Job ben Solomon to Europeans, play in the history of Muslims in America?
2. What impact did David Walker and his *Appeal to the Colored Citizens of the World* (1829) have in the antislavery movement in America?
3. What were the aims of the American Colonization Society?

Written Assignments and/or Other Assessment Instruments:

Discuss the goals of the American Colonization Society and its historical significance.

Why was Job Ben Solomon allowed to return to his home in Africa?

Discuss the historical significance of David Walker's *Appeal*.