

Dredging up Islam's past

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Philip Carl Salzman describes the Islamic invasion of various areas, including India. I would add that Hindus were labeled as idol-worshippers, and it is considered a Muslim obligation to smash idols. As a result, an estimated 50,000 temples were destroyed by invading Islamic armies, and mosques were built over them. American historian Will Durant describes the Islamic invasion of South Asia as the bloodiest conquest in history, with an estimated 80 million slaughtered.

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