Zen Buddhism

Warrior Values in Heike

- Never Retreat!
- Concern with Way of Death
- Announcing Names
- Concern with own Status and Fame
- Appreciation of arts?

Warrior Values (cont.)

- Brutality
- Loyalty
- Prowess in Battle
- Seppuku
- Style of Warfare

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Buddhist values in Heike

- Fate
- Mappô
- Nembutsu
- Mujô
- Karma

Historical Periods

- Kamakura Age (1185-1333)
- Muromachi Age (1333-1568)
 - Azuchi-Momoyama (1568-1600)
 - Oda Nobunaga, Toyotomi Hideyoshi, Tokugawa Ieyasu
- Edo Period (1600-1868)

End of Heian Period

- 1050-1185: Decline of Heian imperial system
 - Privatization of power
 - Conflicts in court
 - Increasing reliance on bushidan
 - Rise and Fall of Heike
 - Minamoto Yoritomo establishes Kamakura government

Buddhism

- Life is suffering, in the face of which humans are helpless
- Existence is transient and in perpetual flux
- Blind desire is root of illusion and suffering
- Enlightenment = freedom from lust and attachment

Buddhism in Kamakura Period

- Tendai and Shingon: dominant sects
- New Buddhists: Practice vs. Faith?
- Pure Land Buddhism
 - Honen and Shinran
- Nichiren Buddhism