

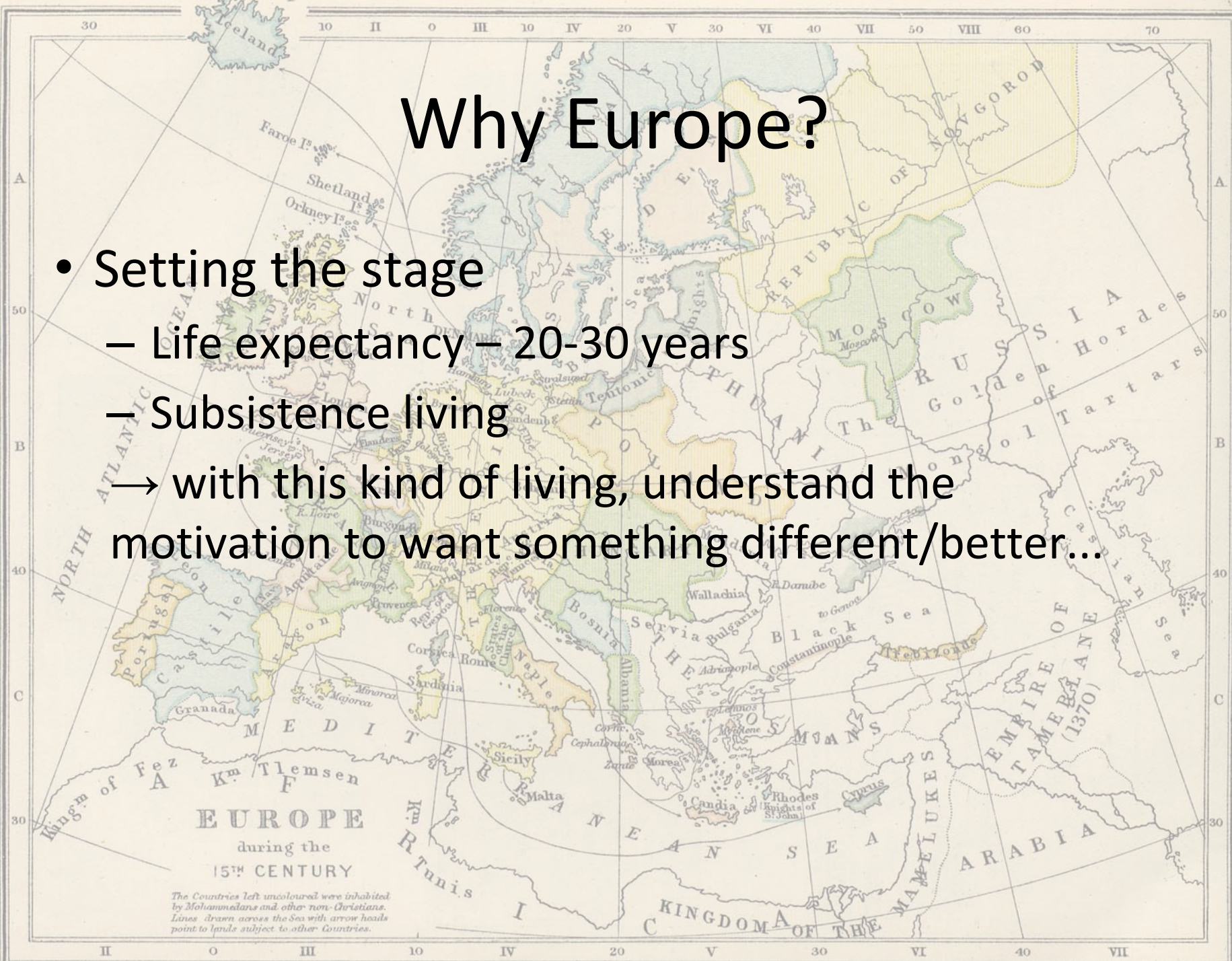
Origins of European Expansion,



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Why Europe?

- Setting the stage
 - Life expectancy – 20-30 years
 - Subsistence living
 - with this kind of living, understand the motivation to want something different/better...



Landscape of Society

- Based on **divine-ordination** and for the preservation of **unity and order**
 - There is God-given order because of diversity
 - Hierarchy of class system
 - Nobility – owned land
 - Commoners – worked the land
 - 1st men, 2nd women, 3rd beasts
- Liberty is a privilege (not a right)
- To seek equality is to destroy order



Challenges to the Old Order

- **National monarchies superseding power and status of the Church (of England and the Papacy)**
- **Protestant Reformation (1400-1500s)**
 - Protestant individualism – personal relationship with God; people want to honor God first not the church
 - Kingdoms broke with the Catholic Church (Church of England)
- **Religious schism – different protestant sects and many are persecuted for not being part of state church or the papacy**
 - Massacres, murder
 - Torture
 - Joblessness

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Consequences of Change

- Competitive, religious countries compete for dominance
 - most powerful empire in the world
- How did an empire become most powerful?
 - wealth



Mercantilism

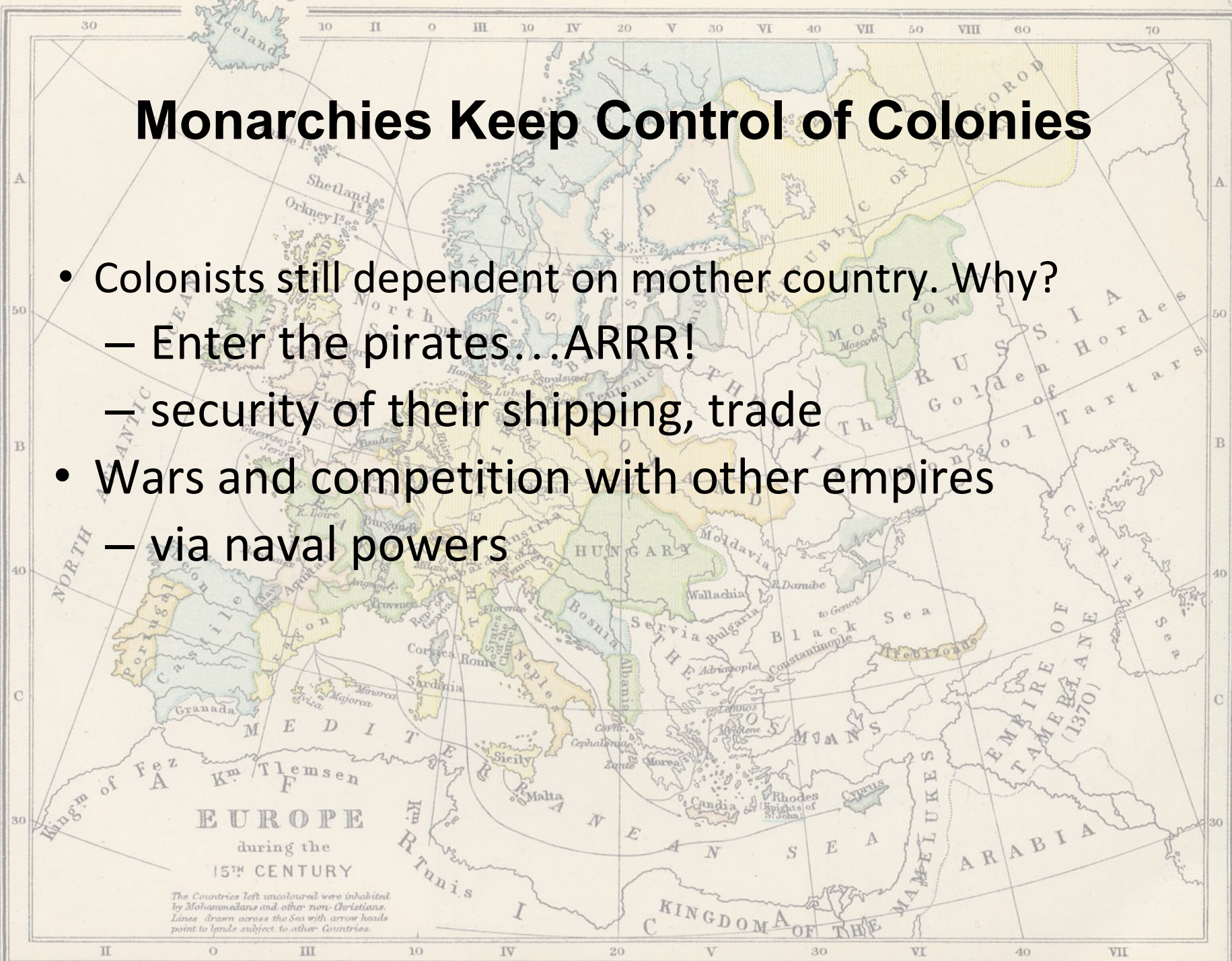
- Main societal goal: accumulate **wealth**
- Why? b/c money = power
- Mercantilism = economic system where the gov't decides which companies will produce, what to produce, etc.
- Colonize to collect raw materials, gold, and slaves and sell; do at the expense of colonies
 - ex) Spain in the new world - gold
 - ex) Britain in Virginia - tobacco

EUROPE
during the
15TH CENTURY

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Monarchies Keep Control of Colonies

- Colonists still dependent on mother country. Why?
 - Enter the pirates...ARRR!
 - security of their shipping, trade
- Wars and competition with other empires
 - via naval powers



The Capability & Desire to Travel Oceans

- **The Desire**

- Individuals: religious freedom (God); economic opportunity
- Countries/Companies: glory, gold/riches (vying for dominance) (politics and economics)

- **The Capability**

- Innovations: maps, compasses, ships, guns/gun powder
- Closeness of Atlantic
- New perception of the world: oceans separated by continents (not the other way around)

