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9.4 The Byzantine Empire and the Crusades – Reading Check Questions (pp. 303-308)

1. What is the significance of The Body of Civil Law?

2. How did the rise of Islam affect the Eastern Roman Empire?

3. Why was Constantinople one of medieval Europe's greatest centers of commerce?

4. What threats, both internal and external, did the Byzantine Empire face in the eleventh century?

5. What factors motivated Europeans to participate in a Crusade?