THE 30 YEARS WAR

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Electors
of the
Holy Roman
Empire

Illuminated Manuscript

Left column:
Prince Bishops
(with miter & sword)

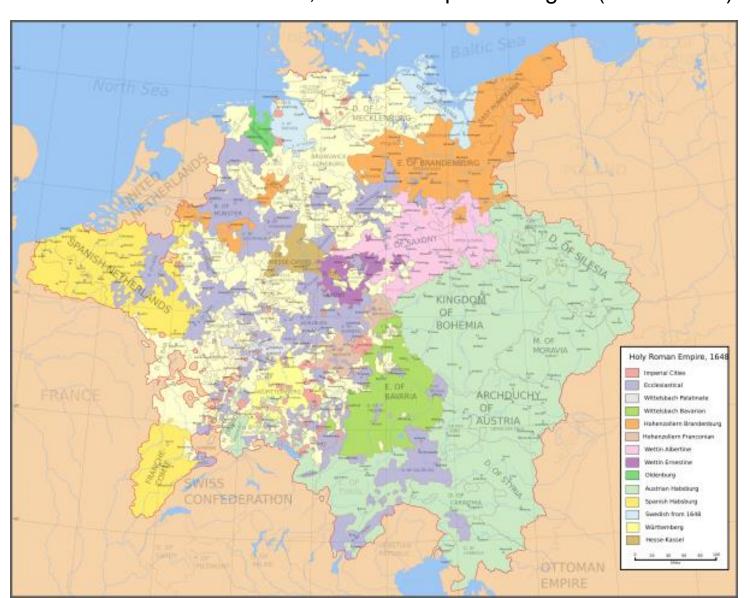




Europe around 1600

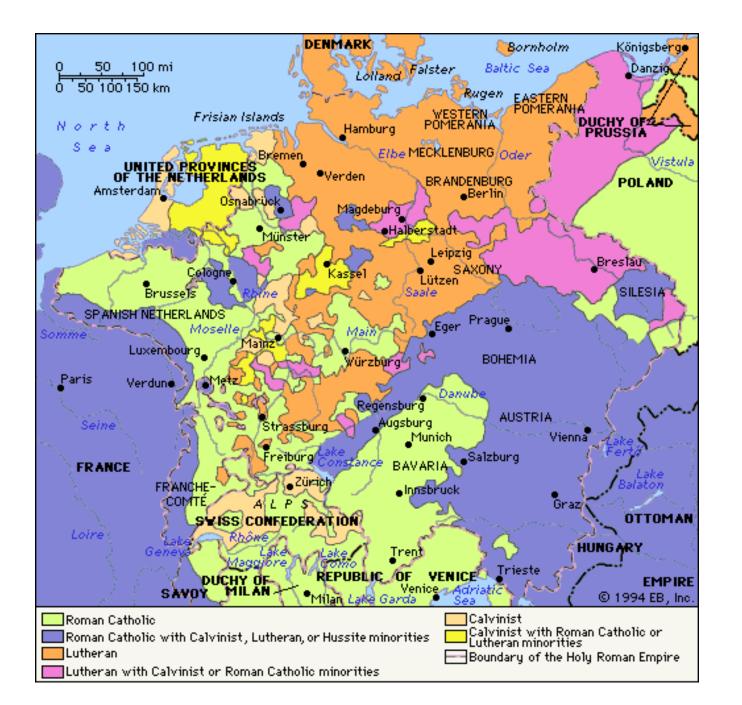
Holy Roman Empire of the German Nation:

300 separate principalities, plus 65 Free Imperial Cities (Reichstadt) & 2,000 Free Imperial Knights (Riechsritter)



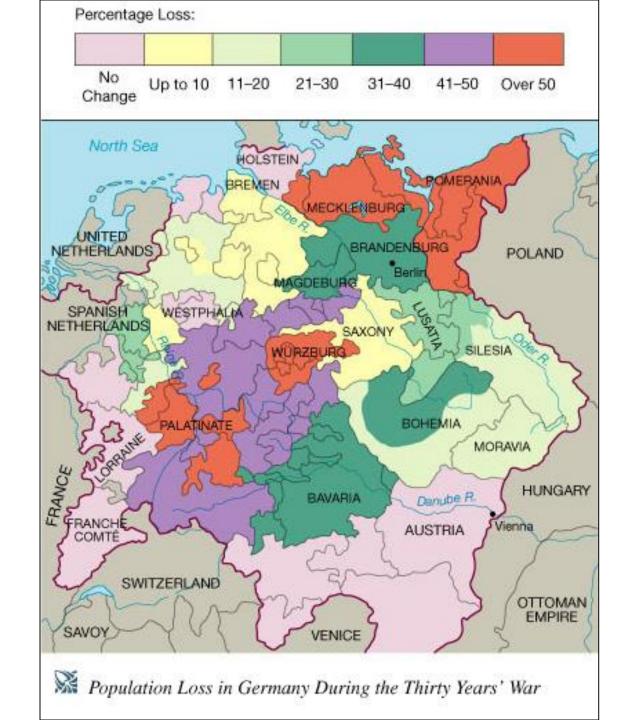
Hapsburg family territories, connected by road from Austria to the Netherlands





GERMANY DURING THE 30 YEARS WAR Population losses in Germany

30 Years War 1618-1648



Etchings as early war reporting in 30 Years' War



Jacques Callot Conquest of a town



Jacques Callot, The Miseries of War 1633



Jacques Callot Camp followers

MARS and VENUS

IMAGES OF WAR AND PEACE

IN 17TH CENTURY PAINTING

Theodore Rabb,
The Struggle for Stability in Early Modern Europe

Traces changes in depiction of war and warriors from 16th to 17th C in major artists, Titian, Rubens, Velasquez:

Heroic images of leaders on horseback gradually replaced with more symbolic images, such as Mars & Venus, indicating 17th C. exhaustion with warfare especially due to 30 Years' War and English Civil War.

Hapsburg Emperor Charles V (reign 1519-1555)

Also King Carlos I of Spain, ruler of Austria & Spanish Netherlands

1547

Titian





Philip II of Spain

Son of Charles V

Titian



Peter Paul Rubens 1577-1640 Flemish Baroque painter

Heroic military figures followed later by

symbolic scenes of Mars and Venus (god of war versus goddess of love)

Rubens

Emperor Maximilian I

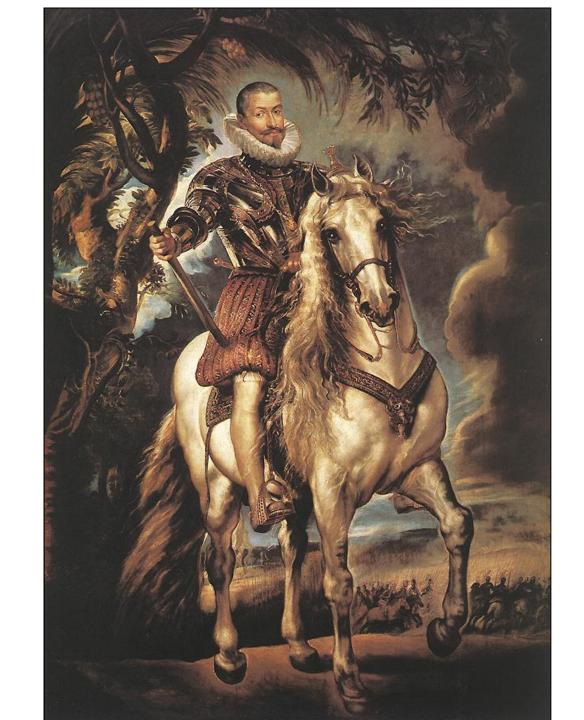
Father of Charles V



Peter Paul Rubens 1577-1640 Flemish Catholic Baroque painter

Duke of Lerma (Spain)

1603



Duke of Buckhingham (England)

Favorite of King James I

Rubens



Rubens

Decius Mus (Roman Republican General)

addressing his troops

1617





Rubens Heroic Death of Decius Mus 1617



Rubens 1622: Constantine's vision before the Battle of Milvian Bridge 312 AD



Constantine (white horse) defeats Maxentius







Milvian Bridge



Rubens, Peace and War, 1629 (seven years after Constantine series)



Rubens The Horrors of War 1637

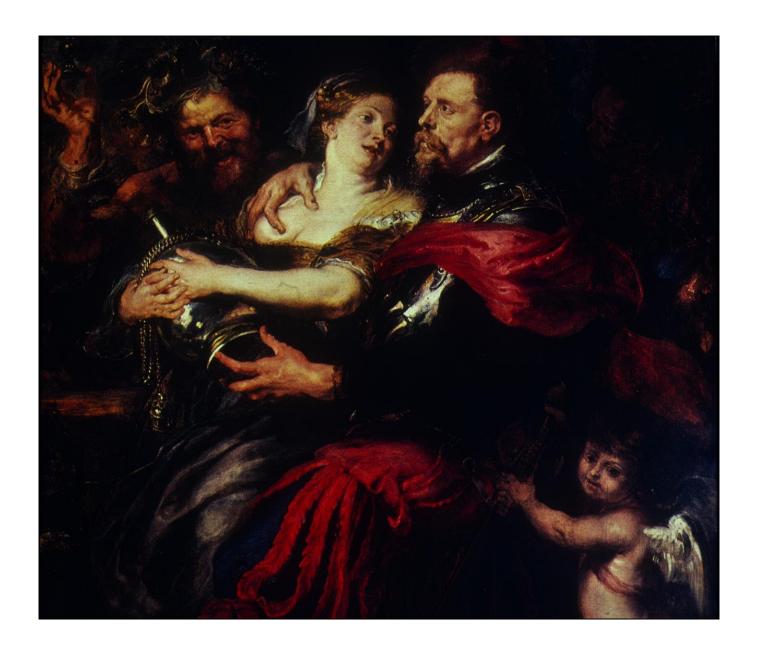


Rubens The Massacre of the Innocents

Rubens

Venus Cupid and Mars

1630's



Rubens Venus, Mars and Bacchus



Velazquez Philip II equestrian

Diego Velasquez 1599-1660

court painter to Spanish Kings

similar pattern to Rubens: from heroic military figures to symbolic renunciation of war

Velazquez Prince Carlos equestrian





Velasquez The Surrender of Breda 1634-35



Velasquez

Mars

1640

