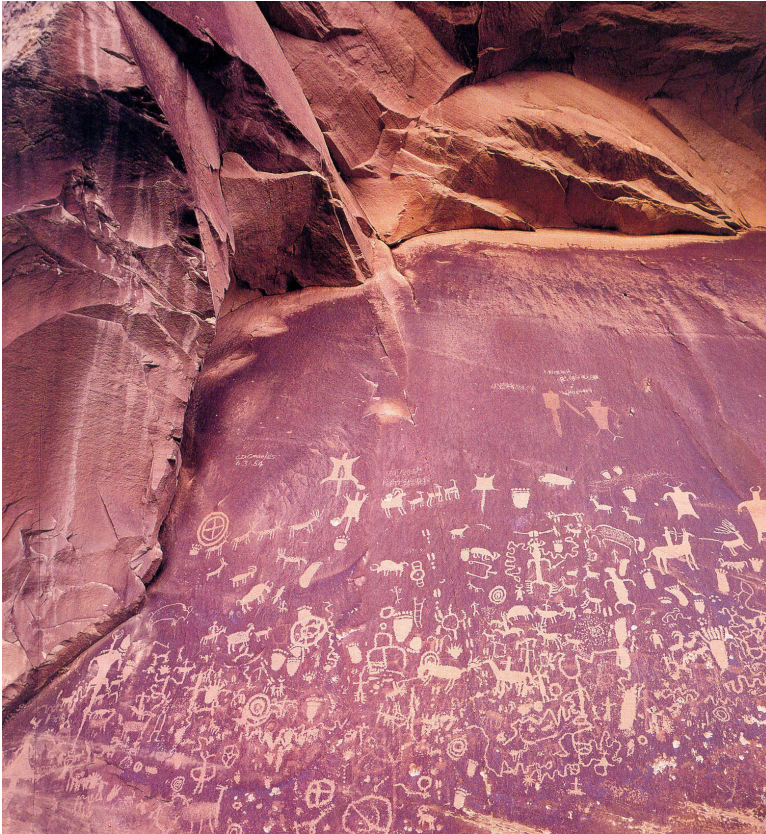


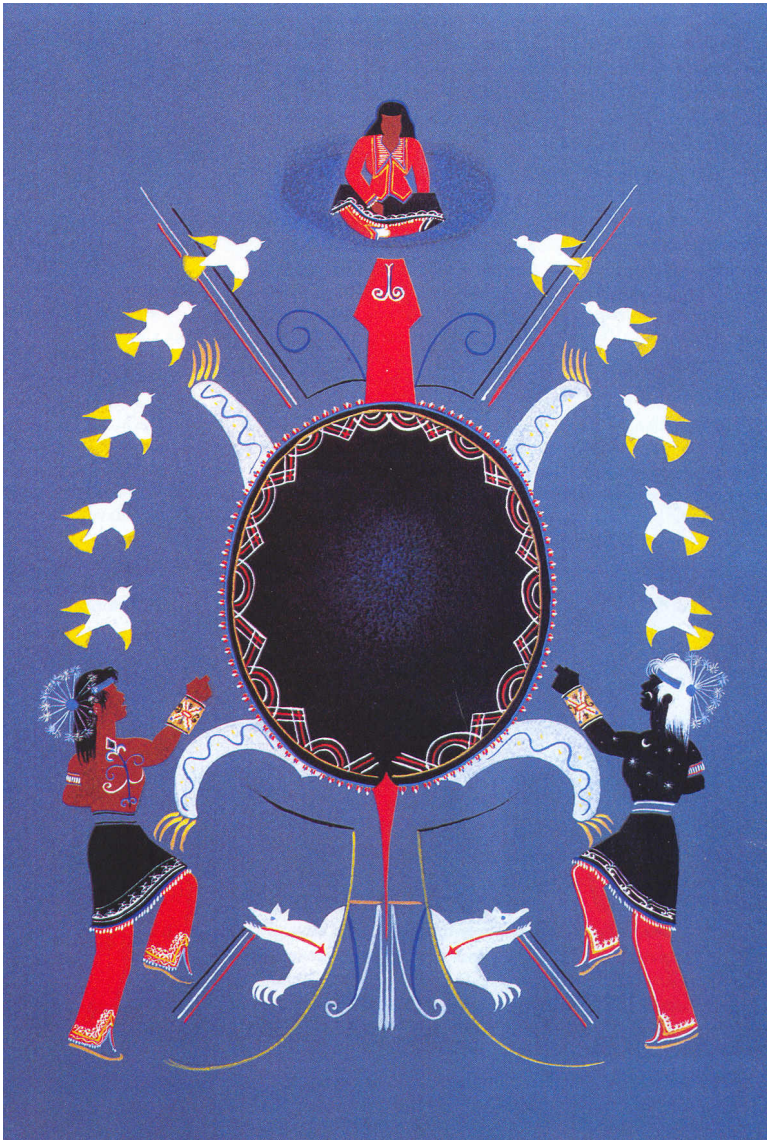
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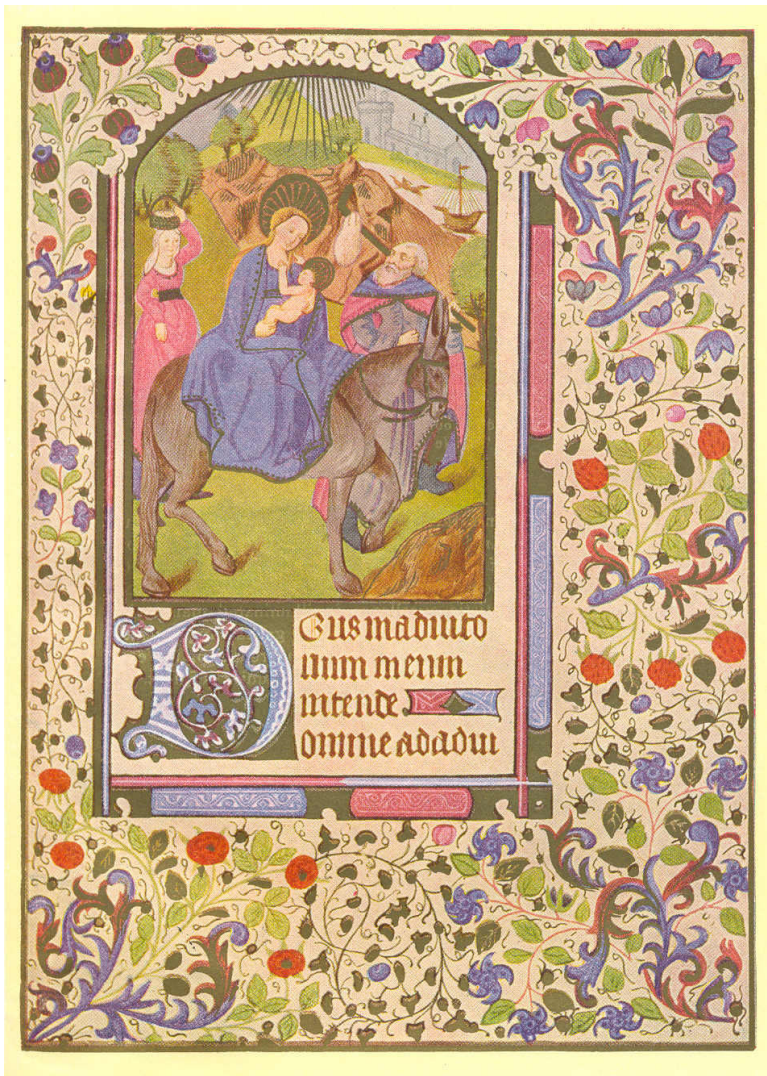
Newspaper Rock Petroglyphs (Native American Illumination).



Mayan Popol-Vuh.



Illumination of the Onondaga Creation Story (Native American).



The Christian flight of Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus into Egypt. This is the hour of vespers in the seven hours contained within the 'Book of Hours.'



Christian illumination of the raising of Lazarus from the dead and Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem.



Christians listen to sermons, pray, flagellate themselves and show charity.



The Christian acts of mercy, sheltering strangers,
 burying the dead, visiting the sick, feeding the hungry,
 giving drink to the thirsty.



Procession of Christian Monks, 14th Century
illumination.



Illuminated Christian Psalter for Daily Mass.



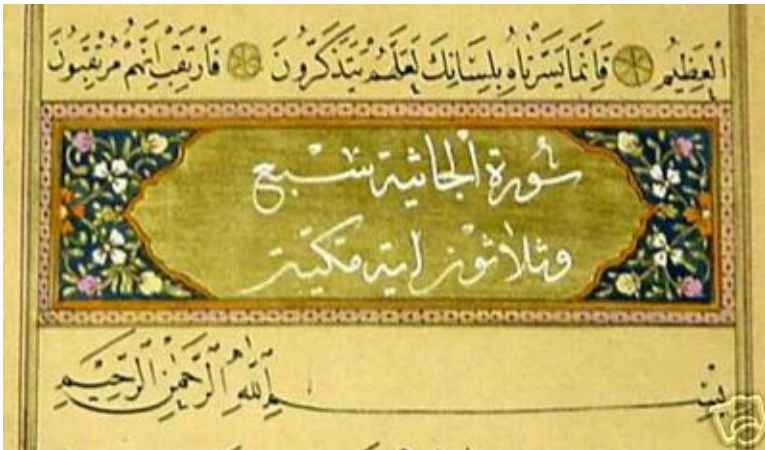
Illumination of the Christian virtues of prudence, wisdom and knowledge.



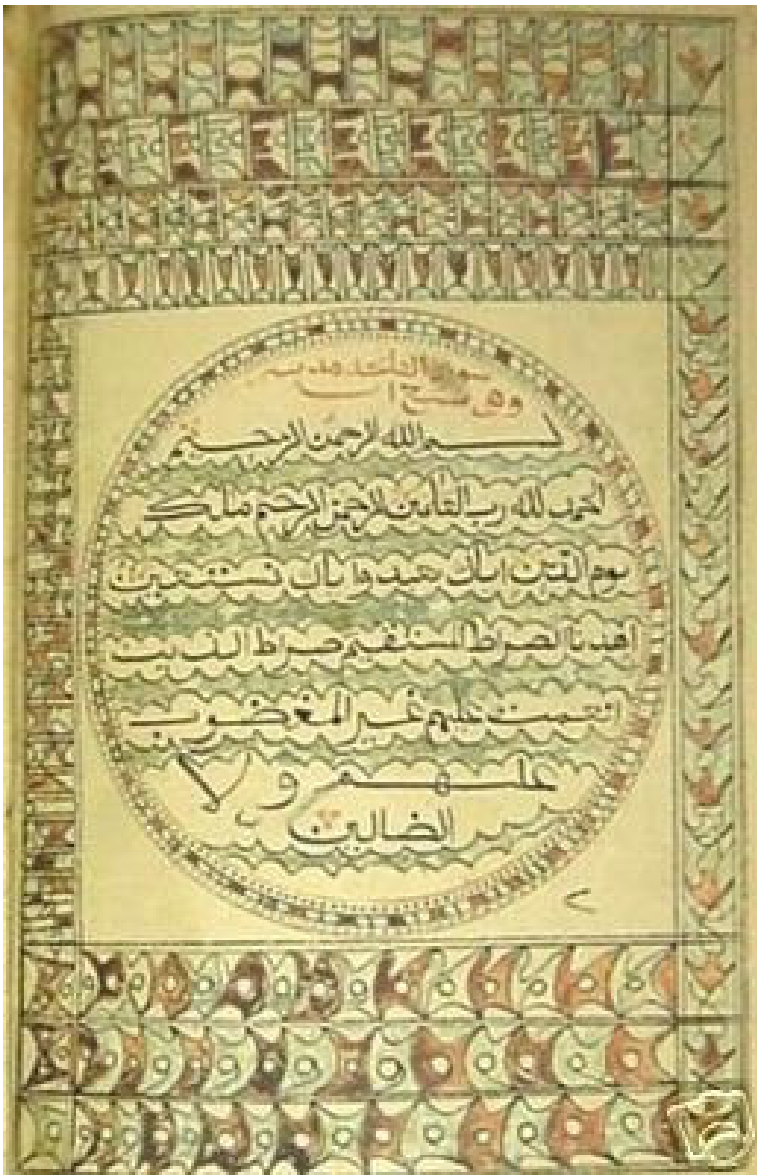
**Castle of Wartburg, East Germany, Luther Bible
Where Martin Luther was shielded when he introduced
the first bible in the language of the people.**



Page from the Islamic Holy Qur'an.



Golden illumination (actually made with pure gold) of the Islamic Holy Qur'an.



Early illumination of the Islamic Holy Qur'an.



Refused ferry passage, an Islamic Sufi Mystic skims across the water on a holy prayer mat.



Whirling Islamic Sufi Dervishes show the spiraling journey to divine union.

وَاصْنَعُوا لَهُمْ قُورُورًا وَنُورًا مِنْ سَاسٍ مِنْ عِبَارَاتٍ وَنُورًا لِيُشَاءَ الْإِصْرَ
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Simpler illumination of the Islamic Holy Qur'an.