tension between being, say, a Southern Baptist and an American. However, Muslim immigrants in Western Europe often have had a different experience. They have not integrated so easily into the national lives of their new homes; most European countries have had little experience in assimilating immigrants and have not made vigorous attempts to do so. Furthermore, multicultural policy (see 10.8), if anything, discourages such attempts.

Nationalistic passions have long had the capacity to move national minorities to terrorism—consider the assassination of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand (see 10.2) or the Basque separatists of more recent times. Religious identity has the same capacity. A version of Islam—sometimes described as “Islamism” to distinguish it from traditional Islam—calls on all Muslims to recreate the Islamic state of the Middle Ages, which would, in turn, enforce an inflexible form of Sharia, or Muslim law, binding all Muslims into a true community. Unbelievers, even the Christians and Jews for whom traditional Islam had