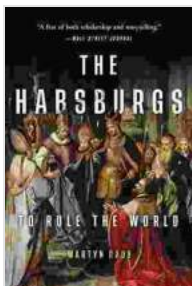


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## The Early Habsburgs

The Habsburg dynasty began in the 11th century in the Swiss Alps. The family's founder, Guntram the Rich, was a count who ruled over a small

territory in the Aargau region.

Guntram's descendants gradually expanded their territory, and by the 13th century, the Habsburgs had become one of the most powerful families in the Holy Roman Empire.

In 1273, Rudolf of Habsburg was elected Holy Roman Emperor. Rudolf's election marked the beginning of the Habsburg dynasty's long reign over the empire.

## **The Habsburg Empire**

Under the Habsburgs, the Holy Roman Empire became one of the most powerful states in Europe. The Habsburgs expanded their empire through a combination of conquest, marriage, and inheritance.

By the 16th century, the Habsburg Empire included Austria, Hungary, Bohemia, the Netherlands, and much of Italy.

The Habsburgs were also major players in the Protestant Reformation. Charles V, Holy Roman Emperor from 1519 to 1556, tried to suppress the Protestant movement, but his efforts failed.

The Habsburgs' power began to decline in the 17th century. The Thirty Years' War (1618-1648) devastated the empire, and the Habsburgs lost much of their territory.

The Habsburgs continued to rule over Austria and Hungary until the end of World War I. In 1918, the Habsburg Empire collapsed, and the family was forced to flee into exile.

## **The Habsburg Legacy**

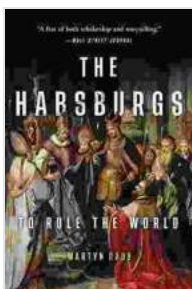
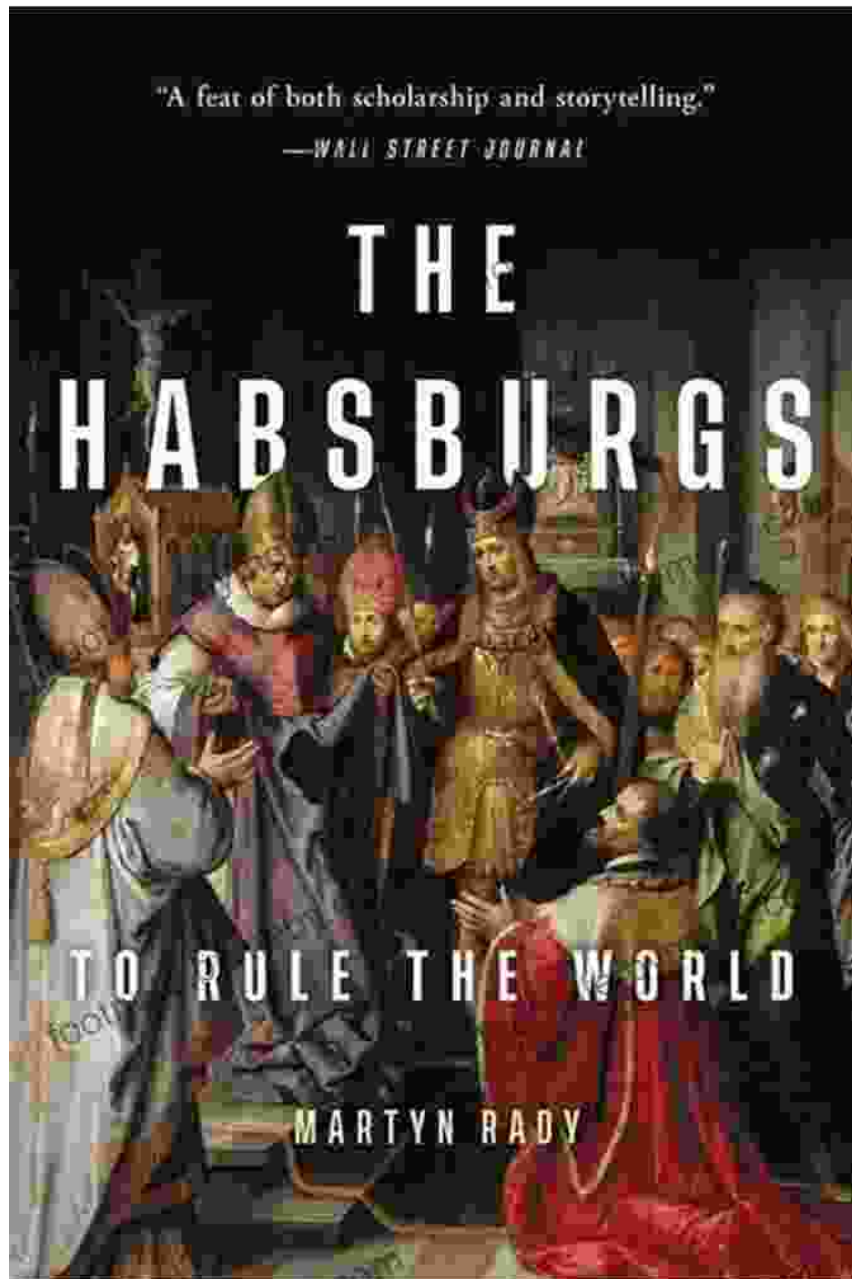
The Habsburgs were one of the most powerful and influential families in European history. Their empire lasted for over six centuries, and they played a major role in shaping the course of European history.

The Habsburgs are still remembered today for their ambition, power, and intrigue. Their story is a fascinating one, and it is sure to captivate anyone who is interested in history.

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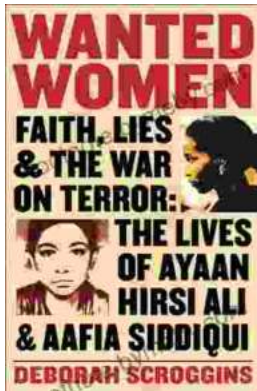
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