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James Howard-Johnston provides a sweeping account of probably the most dramatic single episode in world history - the emergence of a new religion (Islam), the destruction of two established great powers (Roman and Iranian) and the creation of a new world empire by the Arabs, all in the space of not much more than a generation.
