

## World War II

Summary: World War II left as many as 60 million people dead – three times the number of deaths in WWI. This lecture will explain the major events of the war in Europe, the origin and result of the Holocaust, the creation of the Pacific War and reflections from American military strategist Robert McNamara about the use of force during the war by the U.S.

- I. Adolf Hitler's World View
  - II. The Victory of Nazi Germany, 1939-1941**
    - a. Poland – September 1939
    - b. Soviets join : Baltic States, Finland 1939-40
    - c. Denmark, Norway – April 1940
    - d. Battle of France - May 1940
    - e. Battle of Britain-September through November 1940
  - III. The Holocaust
    - a. Nazi regimes throughout Europe
    - b. Extermination Camps – Auschwitz
  - IV. The Pacific War
  - V. The Fog of War – Robert S. McNamara
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