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Style Sheet

Please be aware that all essays on the theme of a volume should be approximately 3,000 words (including notes), all general articles should be 6,000 to 12,000 words (including notes), and you should adhere to the following guidelines in preparing and submitting your paper:

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6) Please leave only one space, not two, after full stops, such as periods, colons, etc.

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FIGURE 2. Dome of the Rock, Jerusalem, plan (after James Snyder, Henry Luttikhuizen, and Dorothy Verkerk, Snyder’s Medieval Art, 2nd ed. 2006, fig. 10.4).

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