

THE NOBLE, REVERED PROPHET OF ISLĀM

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BETWEEN THE KHĀRIJIITE
TERRORIST SAVAGES AND THE
CONFUSED, CONJECTURING, EXISTENTIALIST,
NIHILIST HATERS

Pencils and Cartoons do not Harm the
Prophet of Islām (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) - the Very one
Who Judged the Khārijite Terrorists with
Leaving the Fold of Islām*

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* In the view of many high-ranking Islāmīc scholars, past and present, the Prophetic traditions indicate that the Khārijite terrorists are not Muslims because “*They depart from Islām as the arrow passes through the game.*” The Khārijites are of different types and ranks and there is no doubt that this judgement of apostasy applies to some of them, if not all.

Introduction

All praise is due to Allāh,¹ the Creator and Lord of the Worlds, the Lord of Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus and Muḥammad. May the peace and blessings be upon them all.

THE PROPHETS AND MESSENGERS OF GOD

The Prophets and Messengers of God such as Abraham, Moses, all the Prophets of the Children of Isra'īl (Jacob), Jesus and the last of whom is Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) came with the message of **intrinsic meaning and value and purpose and direction for life**. They explained the 'why' and the 'purpose' and gave moral codes and laws founded upon that. Resurrection and reckoning in the hereafter and recompense for one's deeds justifies the affirmation of absolute morality and a right and a wrong.²

EXISTENTIALIST NIHILISM

Existential nihilism is "the philosophical theory that life has no intrinsic meaning or value. With respect to the universe, existential nihilism posits that a single human or even the entire human species is insignificant, without purpose and unlikely to change in the totality of existence.³ According to the theory, each individual is an isolated being born into the universe, barred from knowing 'why,' yet compelled to invent meaning. The inherent meaninglessness of life is largely explored in the philosophical school of existentialism, where

¹ The name of this creator is Allāh (īl, ilāh, iloh, elah) in the languages of Hebrew, Syriac (Aramaic) and Arabic. This is not "a god of the Muslims" but rather the God of all the Prophets, all nations and all of humanity.

² Thus, Hitler, Stalin and Mao Tse Tung and every other oppressor- will be held accountable for their deeds.

³ In other words, your life is as meaningful and purposeful as a grain of sand. You create your own meaning and purpose (and morality) when you come to that realization.

one can potentially create his or her own subjective ‘meaning’ or ‘purpose.’⁴ Of all types of nihilism, existential nihilism gets the most literary and philosophical attention.”

Proponents of this philosophy include Jean-Paul Sartre (French), Albert Camus (French), Martin Heidegger (German) and others. The idea of the absolute “*freedom of speech*” (as are many other values of modern society) is tied in ways to the idea of “*no purpose or meaning to life.*” Hence, no absolute values. Hence, nothing is sacred, special or inviolable. The inherent contradiction, futility (and hypocrisy) in this philosophy is known to all people of sound mind.⁵

CHARLIE HEBDO

In March 2005, a French court judged that a clothing advertisement based on the “Last Supper” painting was “*a gratuitous and aggressive act of intrusion on people’s innermost beliefs.*” Authorities in Italy had already banned the poster a month earlier. The poster was a female version of the “Last Supper” painting. The French judge ordered all posters to be taken down within three days. The Italian watchdog said that the use of Christian symbols including a dove and a chalice “*recalled the foundations of the faith and would offend the sensitivity of part of the population.*”⁶ The designers (Marithe et Francois Girbaud) who made the advertisement appealed, saying that they did not intent to offend

⁴ As did Hitler, Stalin, Mao Tse Tung and as does every small or large scale serial killer, rapist and embezzler.

⁵ Upon this philosophy of subjective (and not absolute) moral values, it's nothing but a matter of opinion between Hitler and the numerous ethnic minorities he killed or between Stalin and the 20 million mostly Christian peasants he wiped out or between the biggest mass-murderer in 20th century history, Mao Tse Tung and the estimated 45 million Chinese he wiped out. Nihilist philosophies cannot rationally and coherently refute these evil actions and judge them to be “absolutely” wrong in the overall scheme of “purposelessness” they claim characterizes human life.

⁶ “French Court Bans Christ Advert” BBC News, 11th March 2005.

anyone with the campaign. A month later, the court upheld the ban.⁷ The Paris appeals court said that the display “*insults the religious feeling of Catholics.*”

In February 2006, Charlie Hebdo reprinted cartoons of Prophet Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) and were taken to court by Islāmic groups who said it incited hatred against Muslims. The editor, **Phillipe Val** was acquitted by the court which said that the cartoons were covered by freedom of expression laws. The case was seen as **an important test for freedom of expression** in France.⁸ Applause broke out in the court when verdict was announced, which ruled that the three cartoons were not insulting to the Muslim community.⁹ The editor, Phillipe Val, said that the cartoons were not an attack on Muslims, but on terrorists.¹⁰

Then in 2009, Maurice Sinet, a columnist for Charlie Hebdo was asked to apologise by Phillipe Val for making an “anti-semitic” jibe at Jean Sarkozy, son of the President, Nicolas, for remarking “*He’ll go a long way he will, that little lad*” because he married a successful Jewish businesswoman. When Sinet refused he was taken to court and put to

⁷ “French Christ Advert Ban Upheld” BBC News, 8th April 2005.

⁸ Of all things, mocking the Prophet Muhammad become **the** important test for the freedom of expression.

⁹ Meaning, the court decided whether the Muslims felt insulted or not - whether they actually did, had no bearing at all.

¹⁰ This is plainly false, because the cartoons were actually intended to insult and offend in the first place. You can attack and refute terrorists in ways without offending 1.5 billion people - a quarter of the planet. Especially when the Prophet of Islām has extremely harsh words about those very same terrorists in his traditions about the Khārijite extremists as is famous and well-known to the Scholars of Islām and learned Muslims (see the examples later in this book). The claim that mocking the Prophet is an attack on the terrorists is fallacious. Rather, it is motivated by hate and hostility - disguised and veiled under the cover of *freedom of speech*.

trial on anti-semitism charges.¹¹ His firing was supported by the French Philosopher Bernard Henri Levy.

What follows is a series of image tweets that were sent out over a period of three days (between 12th-14th January) after the events of 7th-10th January 2015 in Paris, France in order to exonerate the Prophet of Islām (صلى الله عليه وسلم) from two parties that ascribe to him that which he is free and innocent of: **The Khārijite terrorists** on the one hand and the claimants of the alleged and fallacious *absolute* right of the freedom of speech¹² from the **Existentialist nihilists** and their likes on the other.

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<http://aboutatheism.net/?wfryguw>

¹¹ “French Cartoonist Sine on Trial on Charges of Anti-Semitism over Sarkozy Jibe” in the Telegraph, 27th Jan 2009.

¹² No serious Western philosopher actually believes in the plausibility of such a concept theoretically speaking and nor does it exist practically speaking as the relevant laws of just about every nation will quickly inform you, not least the laws in many European countries which make illegal and prohibit, through threat of hefty fines and imprisonment, the scrunitization of certain historical claims and challenging the veracity of their details - even from a *neutral, academic* perspective.

A Lofty Standard of Character

وَإِنَّكَ لَعَلَىٰ خُلُقٍ عَظِيمٍ

**And you are indeed upon a lofty
standard of character. (68:4)**

Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) is from the offspring of Abrahām, through Ishmael and is mentioned in the Torah and Gospel. Abraham, Moses, Solomon, David, Jesus and John are from his brethren in the faith of Islām (submission to one God alone).¹³ He commanded people - as did all the Prophets before him - to shun the worship of idols, statues, stones, trees, the elements, the forces, prophets, angels, jinn, the righteous, whether living or dead. Thereafter, he commanded benevolence to parents, lowering the wing of humility to them, kindness to the orphan and widow and frequent giving of charity. He declared cleanliness to be one half of faith and purity of the heart to be the foundation of outward deeds. He forbade lying, breaking of covenants, and treachery. He also forbade usury, murder, killing innocents, embezzling wealth and falsely accusing chaste women.

Despite thirteen years of sustained abuse, mockery, physical harm and the torture and killing of his companions, he never initiated violence and was prohibited to do so. Forced to leave Makkah because of rising hostility, he endured another ten years of schemes, intrigues and war against him and his companions. He was commanded in the Qurʾān to be patient and to endure the harm and only after exhausting all avenues of peaceful resolution and the use of treaties, he was granted permission to defend himself when his enemies proved to be treacherous and did not value their covenants. This is engraved in history. At the end of his call, he marched into Makkah in total peace (not war), victorious, having given free passage to his

¹³ Learned Torah Jews know that Islām is the religion of all the Israelite Prophets and the name of “Allāh” and His religion, “Islām” is equivalent in the languages of Hebrew, Arabic and Syriac (Aramaic).

enemies and having forgiven them. This is the noble Prophet of Islām and his lofty character. Cartoons do not and will not rewrite history!

An Exalted Remembrance

وَرَفَعْنَا لَكَ ذِكْرَكَ

And we have raised high
your mention. (94:4)

There are over one and a half billion Muslims on the Earth, spanning across all continents and all ethnicities and races. Five times a day, the name of Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) is mentioned in the call to prayer alongside that of Allāh, the Lord of the Worlds, the same Lord of Abraham, Moses, Solomon, David, Jesus and John. In every prayer, a Muslim makes mention of Muḥammad, asking for peace, mercy and blessings to be showered upon him. Every time his name is mentioned, a Muslims says, “*may peace and blessings be upon him.*” His name is **the most popular** name on the planet. Every day, he is **the most remembered** person on the planet. Of the closest of all the people to Muḥammad from those who traversed the Earth is Jesus (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) - he who came to be through a word and spirit from Allāh. The Prophet Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) said, “**Both in this world and the next, I am the nearest of all the people to the son of Mary, and all the prophets are paternal brothers, and there has been no prophet between me and him (Jesus).**”¹⁴

But Muḥammad is remembered and revered as a Prophet, not a deity.¹⁵ He strictly prohibited physical representations and idolization. He prohibited praise of himself above and beyond his status as a humble slave and messenger of Allāh. He prohibited bowing and prostration to him. He disliked people standing up for him. He ordered his companions not to imitate the nations who stand

¹⁴ Reported by Imām al-Bukhārī in his Ṣaḥīḥ.

¹⁵ Jesus did not command his followers to worship him but he commanded them to worship his Lord and their Lord - and the message of Muḥammad is the actual message of Jesus and all previous Prophets.

for their kings and leaders. When an outsider would come to see the Prophet, he could not distinguish him from his companions. He aided in household chores, relieved others of difficulty and showed respect to the old and mercy to the young. Frequently, he visited the weak, the sick and the poor and would mend his own clothes and shoes. He lowered himself in humility but has been raised in honourable mention! Pencil cartoons do not and will not rewrite history and nor will they diminish or lower his rank (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ).

The Prophet: A Mercy To The Worlds

THE RIGHTS OF THE NON-MUSLIM NEIGHBOUR

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا رَحْمَةً لِّلْعَالَمِينَ

And we have not sent you except as
a mercy to the worlds. (21:107)

From the numerous manifestations of the mercy brought by the teachings of the Prophet is the right of the neighbour. After the rights of parents and blood-relatives, it is the greatest of rights and applies to every neighbour, **Muslim or non-Muslim**.

The Prophet Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) was commanded to emphatically stress this right. He said, “**The [angel] Jibrīl (Gabriel) has not ceased advising me with respect to the neighbour until I thought he (the neighbour) would be made to inherit (from his fellow neighbour).**” The Prophet also negated complete faith from the one who does not withhold from harming his neighbour, “**By Allāh, he does not have faith, by Allāh, he does not have faith, by Allāh, he does not have faith whose neighbour is not safe from his harm.**” And in another authentic tradition, he said, “**Whoever believes in Allāh and the Final Day (of Reckoning), let him honour his neighbour.**”

Under the chapter heading, “*The Jewish Neighbour*,” the famous collector of Prophetic traditions, Imām al-Bukhārī relates the following authentic tradition from the commentator of the Qur’ān, Mujāhid (d. 102H), who said: “I was with ‘Abdullāh bin ‘Amr (a companion of the Prophet) whilst his servant was preparing a sheep (for a meal) and he said, ‘O servant! When you have finished (cooking the meal) then begin by offering to our Jewish neighbour (first).’ So a man present said, “The Jew, may Allāh rectify you?’ He replied, ‘I heard the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) advising with (kindness) to the

neighbour (with such emphasis) until we feared he would relate to us (through revelation) that the (neighbour) is to inherit (from his fellow neighbour)’. ” The neighbour in Islām is defined as the one who lives in any direction around a person, left, right, front, back and would also include above and below in flats and apartments. These are the teachings of the Prophet Muḥammad. Neither terrorists nor cartoonists can falsify history nor distort the teachings of this lofty and noble Prophet! The rock of authentically related Prophetic tradition will smash both the terrorist’s gun and the lying pencil of the cartoonist.

Between Muḥammad And The Terrorists

قُلْ هَلْ نُنَبِّئُكُمْ بِالْأَخْسَرِينَ أَعْمَالًا ﴿١٠٣﴾ الَّذِينَ ضَلَّ سَعْيُهُمْ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا

وَهُمْ يَحْسَبُونَ أَنَّهُمْ يُحْسِنُونَ صُنْعًا

Say: Shall we inform you of the greatest losers as to [their] deeds? Those whose efforts have been wasted in this life while they thought that they were acquiring good by their deeds! (18:103-104).

It is common knowledge to most Muslims of the world today, their Scholars, students and even lay people that **ISIS and al-Qaidah** are from the group that was explicitly mentioned by the Prophet of Islām. They are known as **the Khārijites (extremist renegades)**. They have killed exponentially more Muslims in the past 1400 years than they have killed non-Muslims in the past 20 years. **In fact**, if we were to say this the other way around, that they have killed exponentially more Muslims in the past 20 years than they have killed non-Muslims in the past 1400 years it would still be true!¹⁶ Their appearance was prophesized by the Prophet and they appeared less than 30 years after him in 36-37AH.

From the well-known, authentically related statements of the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) about this group¹⁷ include his saying, “**They depart from the religion (Islām) like an arrow passes through its game**” and “**Their faith does not pass beyond their throats**” and “**They recite the Qur’ān**

¹⁶ See the commentary on the article from Der Spiegel towards the end.

¹⁷ These reports can be found in the ḥadīth collections of al-Bukhārī, Muslim, Abū Dāwūd, Ibn Mājah and others and are well known and famous to the Scholars of the Muslims, the students of knowledge and many of the common folk. It is great oppression therefore, that the actions of these terrorists are ascribed to Islām and its noble Prophet.

but it does not go beyond their collar-bones,” indicating ignorance and false scholarship. He further said, “**They speak with the best speech of the creation,**” meaning, beautified, alluring speech and “(They are) **young of age, foolish of mind**” and “**Their speech is beautiful, alluring yet their actions are evil**” and “**They are the most evil of the creation**” and “**They call to the Book of Allāh, yet they have nothing to do with it.**” The Prophet (ﷺ) went further and also said “**They are the most evil of those killed beneath the canopy of the sky**” and “**If I was to reach them, I would slaughter them, like the slaughtering of Ād (a destroyed nation of the past)**” meaning, every last one of them until none of them remain as explained by the classical Scholar, Ibn Ḥajar. He also said, “**They are the Dogs of Hellfire.**” The Prophet (ﷺ) encouraged the Muslim rulers to fight them whenever they appear with their turmoil and bloodshed. He said, “**Wherever you meet them, kill them, for there is a reward on the Day of Judgement for whoever kills them.**” For this reason, the Muslim rulers from the time of the fourth righteous Caliph ‘Alī bin Abī Ṭālib (رضي الله عنه), have never ceased to fight against them. When they appeared the senior Companions of the Prophet applied this Qur’ānic verse upon them which has preceded - misguided in this life, losers in the next, vain will be their deeds in the Hereafter, whilst they thought they were doing good!

TERRORISM AGAINST THE PROPHET’S COMPANIONS

Their first act of terrorism was against the Companion of the Prophet called ‘Abdullāh bin Khabbāb near Baṣrah in Irāq in the year 37AH. They acted treacherously towards him, lay him on the ground and slaughtered him. Then they murdered his woman who was at the peak of pregnancy, pleading for her life and that of her child. Then they killed numerous other women who were with him. It was here that the son-in-law of the Prophet, ‘Alī bin Abī Ṭālib (رضي الله عنه) followed the Prophetic traditions which ordered with their killing and encouraged their wiping out from the face of the Earth! **ISIS and al-Qaidah are the**

ideological descendants of those first Khārijite terrorist renegades and had the noble, esteemed, lofty, honourable, merciful Prophet of Islām been alive to reach them and their likes, he would have slaughtered them until not a single one of these dumb savages remained!

This, is the Prophet of Islām! The Khārijite terrorists are a trial for the Muslims before anyone else. This has been transmitted century after century in their books and is common knowledge amongst the Scholars of the Muslims and will never, ever be erased - not by the rhetoric of the terrorist himself nor by the hateful pencil of the ignorant cartoonist.

THEY KILLED THE PROPHET'S NEPHEW AND SON-IN-LAW, 'ĀLI BIN ABĪ ṬĀLIB

As has preceded, the Prophet of Islām informed of the continued appearance of the sect of **the Khārijites** (extremist renegades) against the Muslim nation. Their underlying ideological motivation (desire for wealth) manifested when their ideological grandfather, called **Dhul-Khuwaisarah al-Tamīmī**, challenged the integrity of the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) regarding distribution of wealth - famously documented in the Prophetic traditions. As this audacious man walked away after his remark, the Prophet said, **“From this man’s offspring will appear a people who recite the Qur’an but it will not go beyond their throats.”** He further described these people, **“They are the most evil of the creation”** and he stated, **“Each time they appear, they will be cut off until the Dajjāl (Anti-Christ) will appear in the midst of their armies”** and **“If I was to reach them, I would slaughter them, like the slaughtering of Ād (a destroyed nation of the past)”** meaning, every last one of them until none of them remain.

When they appeared less than 30 years later, they started killing the Prophet’s companions and **Alī bin Abī Ṭālib**, the son-in-law of the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) and fourth caliph of Islām - recognizing that these

were the very people spoken of by the Prophet decades earlier - mobilized himself to fight them. A number of years after battling them, one of the extremist Khārijites called ‘Abd al-Raḥmān bin Muljam assassinated ‘Alī. And this is the way of these people throughout the ages until this day of ours: To pursue wealth and power by undermining the Islāmīc authorities and bringing chaos, destruction and bloodshed. In the Prophetic traditions, the Muslim rulers are commanded to fight these terrorists whenever they appear - because their evil ideology and terrorist mindset is **the first of enemies** to the religion of Islām and runs contrary to it from many angles. **They are motivated by wealth, land, power and politics and simply use Islām as a hijacked vehicle or a garment through which they pursue worldly interests.**

Whilst the noble, honourable Prophet of Islām, Muḥammad (ﷺ) commanded that these evil and most harmful of people to Islām and its adherents be fought, killed and cut off (under the supervision of the rulers when these extremists appear and openly manifest their evil) we see **on the other hand** that they and their activities are **most beneficial** for the purposes and agendas of those who oppressively, fraudulently and wickedly ascribe their evil actions to the Prophet of Islām. This is despite the historical record showing that the Prophet of Islām was challenged by their ideological grandfather, that his companions were slaughtered and murdered by them and that the Islāmīc tradition throughout history is squarely against them.

Qatādah (d. 118H, 8th Century CE), the famous Qur’anic commentator, said about them as cited by Imām al-Ṭabarī, “The Khārijites emerged whilst the Companions of Allāh’s Messenger (ﷺ) were plentiful in Madīnah, Shām and ‘Irāq, and his wives were still alive. By Allāh, none of them (the Companions), male or female, came out as a Ḥarūrī (Khārijite) ever, and they were not pleased with what they (the Kharijites) were upon, nor did they support them in that. Rather, they used to narrate the Messenger of Allāh’s (ﷺ) criticism of them and his descriptions which he described them with. They used to hate

them (the Khārijites) with their hearts, and would show enmity towards them with their tongues, and by Allāh, their hands would be severe against them when they came across them.”¹⁸ This proves that Islām has always been in one direction and the Khārijite terrorists have been in an altogether different direction.

The Prophet Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) said, “**There will appear at the end of time¹⁹ a people who are young of age, foolish-minded. They will speak with the best (alluring) speech (said) by people and will recite the Qur’ān but it will not go beyond their throats. They will pass through from Islām as the arrow passes through its game. Whoever meets then, let him kill them, for there is a reward for whoever kills them.**”²⁰

The Prophet’s Companion, **Abū Umāmah al-Bāhili** (رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ) said of the Khārijites, “The Dogs of the people of Hellfire, they used to be Muslims but turned disbelievers.” When Abū Umāmah was asked whether this was his own speech or something he heard from the Prophet, he said, “Rather, I heard it from the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ).”²¹

Imām al-Ājurri (d. 360AH, 10th Century CE) said in his book entitled *The Sharīah*, “It is not permissible for the one who sees the uprising of a Khārijite who has revolted against the leader, whether [the leader] is just or oppressive, so this person has revolted and gathered a group behind him, has pulled out his sword and has made lawful the killing of Muslims, it is not fitting for the one who sees this, that he becomes deceived by this person’s recitation of the Qur’ān, the length of his standing in prayer, nor his constant fasting, nor his good and

¹⁸ Dar Iḥyā al-Turāth al-‘Arabī, 1421H, 3/209

¹⁹ The various Prophetic traditions about them indicate that they would appear shortly after the death of the Prophet and would continue to appear through the passing of time.

²⁰ Reported by Ibn Mājah (no. 167).

²¹ Reported by Ibn Mājah (no. 175).

excellent words in knowledge when it is clear to him that this person's way and methodology is that of the Khārijites.”²²

Ibn Ḥazm al-Andalūsī (d. 456AH, 11th Century CE) said, “And they do not cease to strive in overturning the orderly affairs of the Muslims (to chaos) and splitting the word of the believers. They draw the sword against the people of religion and strive upon the earth as corrupters. As for the Khārijites and Shī'ah, their affair in this regard is more famous than that one should be burdened in mentioning it.”²³

Today, ISIS and al-Qaidah, their ideology and their activities are as alien to Islām and its people as were their predecessors, the Khārijite renegade extremists who embarked upon murdering the Prophet's Companions. Thus, the maligning of Islām and its Prophet by **the lying, fraudulent, oppressive pencil of the cartoonist** raises questions about who truly benefits from the existence and activities of these terrorists. In reality, when we get through the fog and the mist, the propped-up cartoonist and the armed terrorist are actually partners. Both aid and support each other in lying upon Islām, its Prophet and the Muslims in general. For that reason, the Muftī of Saudi Arabia, Shaykh 'Abd al-'Azīz said, “*I doubt they are Muslims (in truth), they are under dubious banners (of leadership)*” and “*The terrorism of ISIS is the very first enemy of Islām.*”²⁴

²² Al-Sharī'ah (p. 28).

²³ Al-Faṣl Fil-Milal al-Ahwā' wal-Niḥal (5/98).

²⁴ This statement was well-covered in many leading Arabic newspapers in August 2014. Refer to <http://arabic.cnn.com/middleeast/2014/08/19/saudi-mufti-isis>

We Are Prohibited to Mock Other Deities

MUSLIMS ARE PROHIBITED TO INSULT AND MOCK THE DEITIES OF OTHERS

وَلَا تَسُبُّوا الَّذِينَ يَدْعُونَ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ فَيَسُبُّوا اللَّهَ عَدْوًا بِغَيْرِ

عِلْمٍ كَذَلِكَ زِينًا لِكُلِّ أُمَّةٍ عَمَلُهُمْ ثُمَّ إِلَىٰ رَبِّهِمْ مَرْجِعُهُمْ

فَيُنَبِّئُهُمْ بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ ﴿١٠٨﴾

And insult not those whom they worship besides Allāh, lest they insult Allāh wrongfully without knowledge. Thus We have made fair-seeming to each people its own doings; then to their Lord is their return and He shall then inform them of all that they used to do. (6:108).

Even though Muslims reject the worship of deities besides the deity in truth (of Abraham, Moses, Jesus and Muhammad and all the Prophets), and may disagree with and criticize the rationale (if there is any) behind the worship of stones, trees, the elements, the forces, animals, prophets or the righteous or any created entities, they are prohibited from abusing, reviling and mocking the deities of others even though (upon the alleged foundation of absolute freedom of speech) they would be at liberty to do so.

The late Salafi Scholar of the 20th century, ‘Abd al-Raḥmān bin Nāsir al-Sa’dī, said in his commentary on the above verse: “Allāh forbade the revilement of the deities of the polytheists because they are (naturally) protective of their religion and are strongly partisan towards it and because every nation’s deed has been made fair-seeming to it. Hence they see it as something good and defend it

through every means until they would even revile Allāh, the Lord of the Worlds [out of zeal and defence of their deities].”

Thus, Muslims are prohibited to revile, mock and abuse the deities of others because it would lead to escalation and violation of sanctities. **As orthodox Muslims who follow the Sunnah, we boast of this legislation and all the wisdoms surrounding it** and - [unlike the brainless savages and extremists terrorists] - we venerate and respect this legislation by withholding from mocking the deities of others and what they consider to be sacred, let alone withholding from violence. **We are proud of this legislation** because it demonstrates the forbearance enjoined upon Muslims - even in matters that are sacred to them. Our strict adherence to this injunction will never be affected in the least by the spiteful pencil of the cartoonist because unlike the cartoonist (and the savage terrorist) we are taught by Islām to be honourable and dignified in the face of abuse.

The Prophet and His Followers Have Been Sufficient Against the Mockers

إِنَّا كَفِينَاكَ الْمُسْتَهْزِئِينَ

Indeed, We are sufficient for you against the mockers. (68:4)

When the Prophet of Islām, Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ), peacefully invited to the message of all of the Prophets of the Children of Isra'īl (Jacob) before him -[to abandon the worship of stones, trees, the elements, the forces, causes and effects, animals, prophets or the righteous or any created entities and to reserve it only for the creator of all entities, beings forces, causes and effects] - those who felt threatened by this simple message consisting of **no more than four words** (*lā ilāha illallāh*) embarked upon a sustained campaign of hindrance, abuse, mockery, physical harm, assassination and declaration of war to hinder his “**freedom of speech.**” The story is a long one but Islamophobes driven by irrational hate omit a large portion of the story so as to give the impression that Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) was a murderous maniac. Orientalist scholars such as Bernard Lewis dispelled the myth that Islām was spread by the sword (see his book *The Jews of Islām*) as did many other writers throughout the 19th and 20th centuries such as Thomas Carlyle,²⁵ Lawrence Browne,²⁶ James Michener²⁷ and others.²⁸

²⁵ “Our current hypothesis about Mahomet, that he was a scheming Impostor, a Falsehood incarnate, that his religion is a mere mass of quackery and fatuity, begins really to be now untenable to any one. The lies, which well-meaning zeal has heaped round this man, are disgraceful to ourselves only.” In *On Heroes, Hero-worship and the Heroic in History*.

²⁶ “Incidentally these well-established facts dispose of the idea so widely fostered in Christian writings that the Muslims, wherever they went, forced people to accept Islam at the point of the sword.” in *The Prospects of Islām* (1944).

Today, we live in the world of the tube, social media and cartoons. One can falsify and distort history in an instance through the use of satire and mockery based upon lies not facts. Only the most-blatant of lies get caught out and ridiculed - **Mr. Steven Emerson** will tell you that.²⁹ Mass media (print or digital) is *privately owned*. They are not obliged to tell you the truth. They broadcast their own politically motivated opinions in order to shape yours so that in turn the interests of the private owners of that mass media can be realized. Mocking the Prophet of Islām and ridiculing Islām is part of that agenda. The terrorist and his activity is also part of that agenda. The cartoonist and the terrorist serve the same master and Islām, its Prophet and the Muslims are free of the lie of both the cartoonist and the terrorist.

So let us go back to the **bomb in the turban myth** and concisely deal with it. The polytheists of Quraysh - their idol-worship and monopoly over the society threatened by that **simple four word formula** - ridiculed Muḥammad by accusing him of being a poet, a soothsayer, a magician, a madman, one to whom stories are dictated. When this failed to distract the people, they began persecuting and torturing his followers. The first martyr was a woman, Sumayyah (رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا), an elderly, barren woman who was killed by Abu Jahl with a spear. When this approach failed they began to physically harm the Prophet -

²⁷ “No other religion in history spread so rapidly as Islam. The West has widely believed that this surge of religion was made possible by the sword. But no modern scholar accepts this idea.” *Reader’s Digest*, May 1955, pp. 68-70.

²⁸ Whilst most of them rose above medieval prejudices they did not entirely escape from bias and contradictions in their accounts. Nevertheless, they tried to be as objective as possible and that’s a far throw from the Islamophobes of today.

²⁹ This “terrorism” expert is one of many who are perhaps funded by paymasters to spread hatred against Islām and the Muslims. This dumb fool of sub-zoology intelligence claimed Birmingham city is entirely Muslim and is a no go area for non-Muslims. He was ripped and ripped again via Twitter, mercilessly, by both non-Muslims and Muslims alike until he was forced to make an uncompromising apology.

something they avoided previously because of his nobility in lineage and standing in society. When this approach failed they resorted to assassination attempts. During all this time the Prophet was ordered to continue preaching peacefully and to endure their harm, without any retaliation. When the assassination attempts increased, he was forced to migrate to what became al-Madīnah. Tensions increased as Muslim numbers were increasing and emigrations were taking place to Madīnah. The polytheists entered into alliances with each other in order to murder the Prophet and wipe out and silence the small fledgling Muslim community.

Why all the aggression? Because **a simple four word formula** scared the wits out of those people. Throughout this period, Muḥammad was ordered to incline towards peace, and to avoid war at every possibility and to exhaust the avenues of restraint, compromise, conciliation, truces and treaties. Finally, permission was given to the Muslims to defend themselves. The fighting eventually declared permissible by the Qurʾān was for an honourable, noble cause. To fight for the **freedom of expression** in calling to **a simple four word formula**.³⁰ A correct and authentic correlation between the verses pertaining to jihād and the facts of history in the Prophetic biography will inform the truth-seeking reader of these realities.³¹ **So where does the bomb in the turban come from then?**

³⁰ Forced conversions are prohibited in Islām and as the scholar, Ibn al-Qayyim mentioned, the Prophet Muḥammad never, ever forced a single person to convert to Islām. He only fought those who waged war against him first and hindered him from peacefully preaching his message.

³¹ These texts are distorted and used out of place by both the hateful, resentful spite-filled Islamophobe and the dumb, savage, terrorist ignoramus and his twisted idea of jihād. The Khārijite terrorists in early Islām till this day of ours exit and depart from the spirit of Islām and are free and innocent of it as it is of them. Whoever analogizes for mainstream Islām through them is a hateful liar and similar to the one who analogizes for Christianity through the Klu Klux Klan.

All the leaders of the Western world, Blair, Cameron, Bush, Obama, Sarkozy, Hollande, Merkel and others know for sure that it was not the Prophet of Islām or any Muslim government or army that dropped the bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki killing 200,000 in order to liberate those people and give them the benefit of freedom of expression in the afterlife. Nor was it Muslims who destroyed North Korea in the 1950s and liberated another 900,000 from the misery of life through the gift of the bomb. Nor was it Muslims who killed 2 million Vietnamese giving their souls a chance to escape the shackles of life in the



rice-field to complete and unrestrained freedom of expression in the grave. The picture is of one of the many mass graves that were continuously being discovered in Japan decades after the A-bomb taught those people that **their lives didn't have any purpose or meaning** - upon the nihilistic existentialist philosophy that is championed and protected under the slogan of "freedom of speech."

The list could go on and on, we only gave three examples. The intelligent person gets it straight away. There was and is no **bomb in the turban**. That's pure cartoon fiction for sub-zoology minds. Many Orientalists of the 19th and 20th centuries only barely managed to throw off the shackles of medieval prejudice. Then came Fox News and failing substandard satire magazines to return back to the medieval ages of superstitious fabrications.

Let's leave the last word for "Jewish" secular atheist, Uri Avnery who wrote: *"In his lecture at a German university, the 265th Pope described what he sees as a huge difference between Christianity and Islam: while Christianity is based on reason, Islam denies it. While Christians see the logic of God's actions, Muslims deny that there is any such logic in the actions of Allah. As a Jewish atheist, I do not intend to enter the fray of this debate. It is*

much beyond my humble abilities to understand the logic of the Pope. But I cannot overlook one passage, which concerns me too, as an Israeli living near the fault-line of this ‘war of civilizations.’ In order to prove the lack of reason in Islam, the Pope asserts that the Prophet Muhammad ordered his followers to spread their religion by the sword.” After speaking about Muslim Spain, Avnery writes, “Every honest Jew who knows the history of his people cannot but feel a deep sense of gratitude to Islam, which has protected the Jews for fifty generations, while the Christian world persecuted the Jews and tried many times ‘by the sword’ to get them to abandon their faith. The story about ‘spreading the faith by the sword’ is an evil legend, one of the myths that grew up in Europe during the great wars against the Muslims - the reconquista of Spain by the Christians, the Crusades and the repulsion of the Turks, who almost conquered Vienna. I suspect that the German Pope, too, honestly believes in these fables. That means that the leader of the Catholic world, who is a Christian theologian in his own right, did not make the effort to study the history of other religions.” Fox news and Charlie do not do history. The Pope, Joseph Ratzinger demonstrated the same. **They do propaganda.**

In short, the noble, honourable, revered Prophet of Islām, Muḥammad (صلى الله عليه وسلم) has been sufficed against lies and mockery and his elevated mention will not be lowered, neither by the pencil of the cartoonist nor the evil lie of the terrorist, for the Prophet of Islām is free and innocent of both. **Whoever ascribed the actions of the ISIS or al-Qaidah terrorist to Muḥammad (صلى الله عليه وسلم) is the same as the one who ascribes the racism and “negro”-lynching of the Klu Klux Klan to Jesus (عليه السلام).** Both are evil wicked liars in the judgement of all people of sound mind, integrity and justice.



Lying in Jest is Not the Trait of a Muslim

MUSLIMS ARE PROUD THAT THEY ARE PROHIBITED FROM TELLING LIES JUST TO MAKE PEOPLE LAUGH

The Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ), exalted in his standard of character, said:

ويل للذي يحدث بالحديث ليضحك به القوم فيكذب ويل له ويل له

“Woe be to the one who relates a story in order to make people laugh but lies therein, woe be to him and woe be to him.”³² On the basis of this tradition, it is unlawful for a Muslim who follows the Prophet of Islām to tell lies just to make people laugh. The companion of the Prophet, ‘Abdullāh bin Mas‘ūd (رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ) said, “Lying, whether seriously or in jest is not befitting.” The commentators upon the Prophetic traditions explain the level of honesty a Muslim is to maintain in light of this Prophetic teaching. Muḥammad Shams al-Dīn Al-Azīmabādī the author of ‘Awn al-Ma‘būd (13/235) says, “In this tradition there is an indication that what some of the people speak with when the child cries for example with words made in jest or a telling a lie about giving the child something or to make them fear (so they stop crying), this enters into the lying (that is prohibited in this tradition).”

The Muslim who follows this Prophet of lofty, impeccable character and noble manners does not tell lies, neither in jest nor in seriousness, nor to make people laugh, nor in sarcasm or mockery and not even with children. As Muslims we boast of this legislation. We are proud of this legislation.³³ This legislation is **the moral club hammer** which

³² Related by Aḥmad, Abū Dāwūd, al-Tirmidhī and numerous other authorities.

³³ The compliance or transgression of no Muslim can be used to pass judgement on the stature of the moral code he is demanded to abide by as his action is only a judgement and reflection of himself. Many Muslims oppose the standard of character requested of them, but that reflects only on them as individuals and not upon Islām and its teachings.

smashes the fraudulent pencil of the cartoonist who tells lies and invents fabrications in jest to grant relief to the baser instincts of his soul (in the name of “freedom of expression”) just as it smashes the way of the terrorist in telling lies in seriousness in order to cause destruction.³⁴ This is what the Prophet of Islām (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) taught Muslims and he is the one who said, “*Indeed I have been sent that I may perfect the noblest of manners.*”³⁵

³⁴ The terrorist has to operate through lies, deception and treachery in relation to his contractual obligations and covenants in the society he has chosen to live.

³⁵ Aḥmad in al-Musnad (no. 8729).

Between the Prophet of Islām and the Prophet of Existentialist Nihilism

PART 1: Islām is Our Complete Way of Life and Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) is Our Prophet

قُلْ إِنَّمَا أَنَا بَشَرٌ مِّثْلُكُمْ يُوحَىٰ إِلَيَّ أَنَّمَا إِلَهُكُمُ اللَّهُ وَاحِدٌ فَنَ كَانَ يَرْجُوا لِقَاءَ رَبِّهِ فَلْيَعْمَلْ عَمَلًا صَالِحًا وَلَا يُشْرِكْ بِعِبَادَةِ رَبِّهِ أَحَدًا ﴿١١٠﴾

Say (O Muḥammad to mankind): “I am only a man like you. It has been inspired to me that your deity is but one deity alone (who is worthy of worship). So whoever hopes for the meeting with his Lord, let him work righteousness and associate none as a partner in the worship of his Lord.” (18:110).

No amount of **materialist** or **existentialist** brainwashing can remove the innate, inherent, pre-programmed intuitive belief that the universe and life display order, regularity and design - and by appeal to that intuition, along with reason and revelation, the Prophet Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ), as did all of the Prophets before him - such as Abraham, Moses, Solomon, David, Jesus and John - demonstrated that the worship of stones, trees, the elements, the forces, the planets, stars, the sun, the moon, causes and their effects, animals, prophets or the righteous or any created entities is futile in a) intuition, b) common sense, c) sensory perception, d) reason and e) revelation.

On that basis they invited mankind to show exclusive devotion and gratitude only to the Creator of the elements, entities, forces and intertwined systems of cause and effect that the universe is comprised of and through which innumerable benefits are brought to every living creature. The entire universe appears designed to facilitate life

and indicates a purpose and meaning (to life) leading to a foundation for absolute moral codes. Each soul has been inspired with an inherent, basic sense of morality and conscience to make it inclined towards beneficial conduct that is indicated through revelation. Upon this scheme of things, the Prophets - themselves upright and moral³⁶ - called to a perfection of morals and manners centered around this underlying foundation of Tawḥīd (strict monotheism).

Through the morality they enjoined (which allows for attainment of pleasure through sex between males and females within defined limits and contexts) - **the institution of marriage and the family** became the fabric of society through which stable, mentally sound, morally upright, disciplined and mindful individuals are produced. The legislation of Islām which the Prophet conveyed, is aimed at protecting certain necessities which include the preservation of **life, lineage, honour and wealth**. Thus, usury is strictly forbidden and is considered a war against God before it is considered a war against society. The law of retribution is aimed at protection of life and wealth and so on. The legislation of Islām brought **perfection of balance** between **the rights of the individual** and **the rights of society** and **protection of all beneficial interests**.

Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) is the leader of the Muslims. He is the leader of mankind in his piety, humility, uprightness, morals and manners. This is testified to by many a non-Muslim scholar and academic who - through objective research - has managed to overcome both a) the fabrications of medieval prejudice and b) the sarcasm and mockery of pleasure-seeking existentialists.

³⁶ All of the Prophets and Messengers were upright and lead moral lives. As for what is claimed against some of the Prophets of Allāh, then it is either a lie in its foundation or a distortion of the scripture. Muslims do not accept veracity of the claims in distorted scripture against the Prophets of the Children of Isrā'īl and the Qur'ān exonerates the Prophets from the fabrications made against them.

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A RANKING OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL PERSONS IN HISTORY

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Muḥammad, the Messenger of Allāh (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) was chosen as the most influential person in history in this book (1992 edition).

PART 2: “Existentialism is Our Way of Life and Jean-Paul Sartre is Our Prophet”

وَقَالُوا مَا هِيَ إِلَّا حَيَاتُنَا الدُّنْيَا نَمُوتُ وَنَحْيَا وَمَا يُهْلِكُنَا إِلَّا الدَّهْرُ وَمَا لَهُم

بِذَلِكَ مِنْ عِلْمٍ إِنْ هُمْ إِلَّا يَظُنُّونَ ﴿٢٤﴾

And they say: “There is nothing but our life of this world, we die and we live and nothing destroys us except the passing of time.” And they have no knowledge of it, they only conjecture. (45:24).

In opposition to the Prophets and Messengers who receive revelation for the rectification of societies and establishment of objective moral standards, the philosophies of most Philosophers are simply rational justifications for living the life they have decided is most beneficial or pleasurable to them in light of the subjective experiences they have encountered in their personal lives.³⁷

The life of this world is all that they believe in. One such philosophy (religion) is Existentialism, its 20th century prophet was the French philosopher, **Jean-Paul Sartre**. He died in 1980 and 50,000 people



turned up on the streets of Paris. What made these people come out for such a man and what was this man actually about? **Please excuse the nature and content of what follows - but the circumstances demand that we mention it to enlighten the non-Muslims**

³⁷ Many of them either had **miserable lives**, or suffered **traumatic incidents** which made them resentful and bitter towards people and life or they were enslaved by the pleasures of lust as a result of which they proceeded to choose a course in life which they then tried to justify through the philosophical ramblings of their minds.

particularly, but also to bring coolness to the heart and eye of the Muslim who loves the Prophet Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) and is grieved that he is maligned in falsehood. Jean-Paul Sartre was a **serial seducer**. His philosophy paved the way for (others) to live private lives of **utter depravity**. Sartre's ideas were explored in his novels and philosophical works. **He was given the Nobel Prize.**

Sartre had an open relationship with **Simone de Beauvoir - a lesbian paedophile**. She was fired from her teaching job in 1943 for seducing her female students. Her and Sartre had an agreement that they would remain committed to each other whilst allowing unlimited sexual relationships with others. They were both serial seducers and used their philosophy for their own gratification - often with underage teenagers who were psychologically disturbed and harmed by the experiences. Jealousies would make them retaliate against each other. Simone would sleep with men and Sartre would retaliate by sleeping with girls (and their sisters for good measure). Simone de Beauvoir, **being a feminist**, hated marriage and family. She would recruit her pupils, exploit and abuse them and then pass them on to Sartre (often for joint pleasure). Age did not matter to Beauvoir or Sartre, girls were groomed so Sartre could take their virginity and Sartre's rationale was that these girls would be "empowered" by the experience.

In 1977, **seventy French intellectuals and politicians** signed a petition seeking to abolish all age of consent laws (for sex). Essentially, this was to make paedophilia legal and **socially acceptable**. This is public knowledge, Michel Foucault writes in his *History of Sexuality and Sexual Morality and the Law* (1990) that the list of signatories included himself and **Helene Althusser, Louis Althusser, Jean-Paul Sartre, Simone de Beauvoir and André Glucksmann, Roland Barthes, Guy Hocquenghem, the jurist Jean Danet, filmmaker Alain Robbe-Grillet, writer Philippe Sollers, pediatrician and child psychoanalyst Françoise Dolto** and many others holding political positions in the French government. There were in fact numerous petitions throughout the 1970s and

these intellectuals also brought rational arguments to justify paedophilia and to defend men who had slept with six to twelve year olds . **How about a sarcastic front cover on that one Charlie, with a 3 million distribution?** In short, materialism and existentialism comprise **a religion** which has its own prophets and religious books. They resent the Prophets and Messengers of God and under the slogan of “*freedom of speech*” denigrate them, their teachings and moral codes whilst glorifying, propagating and defending their own. The **savage terrorist** (motivated by wealth, politics) destroys society in a particular way using twisted rhetoric. The **extreme liberal and permissive existentialist** destroys society in another way. The Prophets and Messengers of God are free and innocent of them both, for they are rectifiers, not destroyers.

The Khārijite Terrorists Between Muslims and non-Muslims

The Prophet of Islām, Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) prophesized an extremist renegade group comprising of youthful and foolish, ignorant individuals who would depart from Islām, excommunicate Muslims and embark upon killing them. They appeared only 26 years after his death and began slaughtering his Companions after excommunicating them. They are known to the Muslim nation as **the Khārijites (extremist renegades)**. Their primary targets are **not** non-Muslims, but Muslims they consider to be apostates because they disagree with their extremist views alien to Islām. **The slaughter and annihilation of Muslims - as a means of gaining wealth, leadership and power - is their ultimate goal.** The reason non-Muslims are targeted in the modern era and why terrorism exists in Western lands is because - in the perception and view of the Khārijites - the governments and armies of non-Muslims are meddling in Muslim lands and this hinders their goal of slaughtering Muslims and their leaders in order to gain, leadership, wealth and power in the name of “Islām” and the “Sharīah” - a wicked, evil, filthy, baseless lie.

These people did NOT appear in 1993, 1995, or 2001! They appeared almost 1400 years ago in the year 657CE (26AH). And they are motivated by wealth, land and power- NOT religion. This is what the Prophet Muḥammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) said about them in numerous famous and authentic traditions which are common knowledge to the Scholars of the Muslims, their students and even common-folk, **“They are the most evil of the creation”** and he stated, **“Each time they appear, they will be cut off until the Dajjāl (Anti-Christ) will appear in the midst of their armies”** and **“If I was to reach them, I would slaughter them, like the slaughtering of Ād (a destroyed nation of the past)”** meaning, every last one of them until none of them remain, and **“They are the Dogs of Hellfire”** and, **“Wherever you meet them, kill them, for there is a reward on the Day of Judgement for whoever**

kills them” and “They are the worst of those killed beneath the canopy of the sky.”

These **savages** are resentful that they have been hindered from the greater goal of cleansing Muslim lands of “apostate” rulers and subjects. Its all there, right in the books of **Sayyid Quṭb**, their modern ideological grandfather. Western foreign policy **is NOT** the cause of the existence of these extremists. It is an evil, filthy, ideology **diametrically opposed** to everything Islām stands for and it appeared **at the dawn of Islām**.

In the past **1400 years**, since 657CE (26AH) **exponentially more Muslims have been killed** by these savage dogs and their terrorism than non-Muslim in the past 20 years. And in the past 20 years, **exponentially more Muslims** have been killed by these brutal savages than non-Muslims. In Algeria alone, during ten years from 1991, there were almost 200,000 Muslim deaths **because** of this ideology whose enmity is towards Islām and its people. So to mock the Prophet of Islām and ascribe the actions of these people to him and his message **is motivated by ideological hate** and not “*freedom of speech*” - which is a mere excuse for hate propaganda. Intelligent people living on this planet (**and not in the 7th, Charlie**) - know this full well.

The following article was published by Der Spiegel (summarized):



SPIEGEL ONLINE INTERNATIONAL

Surprising Study On Terrorism: Al-Qaida Kills Eight Times More Muslims Than Non-Muslims. Few would deny that Muslims too are victims of Islamist terror. But a new study by the Combating Terrorism Center in the US has shown that an overwhelming majority of al-Qaida victims are, in fact, co-religionists.

New Report Shows Many More Muslims Killed Than Non-Muslims. It is, of course, no surprise that al-Qaida kills more Muslims than non-Muslims -- particularly for people in the Islamic world. But a new report by the Combating Terrorism Center (CTC) at the United States' Military Academy at West Point in New York -- which has gathered together these and other relevant figures in one report ("Deadly Vanguard: A Study Of al-Qaida's Violence Against Muslims "), spells out the discrepancy in black and white.

Non-Westerners 38 Times More Likely To Be Killed

Put another way, between 2006 and 2008, non-Westerners were 38 times more likely to be killed by an al-Qaida attack than Westerners.

For full article refer to:

<http://www.spiegel.de/international/world/surprising-study-on-terrorism-al-qaida-kills-eight-times-more-muslims-than-non-muslims-a-660619.html>

The Prophet of Islām and Jihād

The noble, honourable, brave, just and merciful Prophet of Islām (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) never, ever forced a single person to accept Islām by the sword. All the wars of the Prophet were in response to the aggression of the polytheists and their plotting and planning against him - despite his completely peaceful approach in inviting them to his message. The verses of jihād were revealed in successive stages and at every stage, every attempt was made to arrive at peace, conciliation, forgiveness, withholding and restraint. However, when the aggressors proved treacherous to their treaties and covenants, the Muslims were given permission to engage in war.

Ibn al-Qayyim (d. 751H), a famous Islāmic scholar, said: “And when Allāh sent His Messenger (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ), the majority of the people of the [various] religions responded to him and to his successors (caliphs) after him, willingly, out of choice. He did not compel a single person to [accept] the religion, ever. Rather, he would fight whoever waged war against him and fought against him. But as for the one who was peaceful with him or made a truce with him, he did not fight him and did not compel him to enter into his religion - fulfilling the command of His Lord - the Sublime - when he said, **‘There is no compulsion in religion truth has become clear from falsehood’** (2:156). And this is a [statement of] negation with the meaning of *prohibition*, meaning "Do not compel anyone upon religion." This verse was revealed regarding some men amongst the Companions (of the Prophet). They had children who had become Jews and Christians prior to Islām. When Islām came, their fathers accepted Islām and they desired to compel their children upon the religion. So they were prohibited from that by Allāh - the Sublime so that they themselves could [willingly] choose to enter into Islām. That which is correct [regarding this verse] is that upon its generality of meaning, it applies to every non-Muslim...

It will become clear to whoever reflects upon the biographical account of the Prophet (ﷺ) that he did not compel a single person to accept his religion, ever. Rather, he fought whoever fought against him (first). As for the one who made a truce with him, he never fought him so long as he remained upon the truce and did not violate his covenant. Rather, Allāh the Exalted commanded him to fulfil the covenant with them, so long as they abided by it, just as He, the Exalted said, ‘**So as long as they are upright toward you, be upright toward them**’ (9:7). When he came to Madīnah he made peace treaties with the Jews and affirmed them upon their religion.³⁸ When they waged war against him and broke the covenant and initiated fighting against him, then he fought against them. Thereafter he showed favour to some of them (sparing them), banished others and killed others. Likewise when he made a truce with the Quraysh for ten years, he never initiated fighting against them until they initiated fighting against him and violated their covenant. When they did that, he fought against them in their lands. Prior to that, they had fought against him, such as when they desired (to kill) him on the day of Uḥud and the day of al-Khandaq and the day of Badr as well. They came to fight against him (first), but if they had turned away from him (and left him) he would not have fought them. **The intent here is that he (ﷺ) never compelled anyone to enter his religion, ever.** Rather, the people entered his religion wilfully, out of choice. The majority of the people of the Earth entered his call when guidance became clear to them and that He is the Messenger of Allāh in truth.”³⁹ End quote.

MUSLIM AND NON-MUSLIM RELATIONS

The Qur’ān has outlined the base rule concerning the relationship between Muslims and non-Muslims who do not fight the Muslims on

³⁸ Meaning, that he did not force them to accept Islām, but made treaties and covenants with them which he honoured.

³⁹ Ḥidāyat al-Hayārā (Dār ‘Ālam al-Fawā’id, pp. 29-30).

account of their religion and nor expel Muslims from their homes. Allāh (سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى) stated in Sūrah al-Mumtahinah:

﴿ لَا يَنْهَىكُمُ اللَّهُ عَنِ الَّذِينَ لَمْ يُقَاتِلُوكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ وَلَمْ يُخْرِجُوكُم مِّن دِينِكُمْ
 أَنْ تَبَرُّوهُمْ وَتُقْسِطُوا إِلَيْهِمْ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُقْسِطِينَ ﴾ (٨)

Allah does not forbid you from those who do not fight you because of religion and do not expel you from your homes - from being righteous toward them and acting justly toward them. Indeed, Allah loves those who act justly. (60:8)

This verse was revealed during the truce between the Muslims and the Quraysh of Makkah. The classical commentator and Salafī scholar, **Ibn Kathīr** (رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ) stated in his exegesis of this verse, “Meaning that you are benevolent towards them and deal justly with them” and **Imām ‘Abd al-Raḥmān bin Nāṣir al-Sa’dī** (رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ), a Salafī scholar of the modern era stated in his exegesis of this verse, “Meaning: Allāh does not prohibit you from benevolent conduct, good ties, returning goodness and behaving with justice towards the polytheists, from those who are relatives and other than them, where they do not fight you for your religion and nor expel you from your homes.”

Ibn Kathir brings a number of narrations from **Asmā’** (رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا), the daughter of **Abū Bakr** (رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ), whose pagan mother came to visit her in Madīnah, explaining that this was the reason for the revelation of this particular verse. **Asmā’** said, "My mother who was a pagan approached (Madinah) during the truce with (the tribe of) Quraysh, so I came to the Prophet (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) and said, 'O Messenger of Allāh, my mother has come and she desires to see me, shall I keep ties with her?' He said, 'Yes, keep the ties of kinship with your mother'."

Ibn Jarīr al-Ṭabarī (رحمته الله), another classical Salafī commentator explains in his exegesis that there were a number of opinions regarding this particular verse, and mentions amongst them:

- That this verse was particular only to those Muslims who were residing in Makkah but had not yet emigrated.
- That this verse relates to people outside of Makkah who had not emigrated to Madīnah.
- That this verse was regarding the pagans of Makkah who did not fight the Muslims nor expel them from their homes, but that it was later abrogated with the command to fight the pagans (on account of their breaking the truce).

Then al-Ṭabarī explains the correct viewpoint, stating therein, "The most correct of these sayings is the statement of the one who said that what is meant by, **“Allah does not forbid you to deal justly and kindly with those who fought not against you on account of religion”** (is that it pertains to) all of the factions from the varying beliefs and religions. That you behave good towards them, and that you are just regarding them, because Allāh (ﷺ) generalised with His saying, **“...those who fought not against you on account of your religion and did not drive you out of your homes.”** So this applies to everyone who is characterised by this. He did not specify some as opposed to others in this regard." End quote. And then al-Ṭabarī goes on to discredit the view of those who said this injunction was abrogated.

The esteemed Salafī Scholar of the 20th century **Muḥammad Amīn al-Shanqīṭī** (رحمته الله), has a lengthy discussion in his exegesis, *Aḍwā' al-Bayān*. He mentions the numerous views, including the viewpoint that this verse was abrogated with the command to fight the pagans. He then goes on to provide historical and textual evidences to discredit this view, mentioning:

One: The statements of al-Ṭabarī and Imām al-Shafī'ī, after which he says said, “This (view) that has been deemed correct by Ibn Jarir (al-Ṭabarī) and which was authenticated by al-Shafī'ī (رحمَهُ اللهُ) is that which is necessitated by spirit of the Islamic legislation.” **Two:** The benevolence of the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) towards specific non-Muslims, such as Thumāmā who had come to assassinate the Prophet but was captured by the Muslims. He was treated well, eventually released and he voluntarily became a Muslim. **Three:** The various delegations that came to the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) in the 9th year after the hijra. Such as the Christians of Najrān, and the delegation of Tamīm, and others. With all of them, the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) was gentle and kind, he was benevolent towards them. **Four:** The treatment of the Jews of Khaybar who despite being treacherous, scheming a variety of intrigues, instigating the Banī Quraydha, and plotting against the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) on numerous occasions, were spared. After being forced to surrender they were allowed to live off their land whilst giving a share of the produce to the Muslims. **Five:** The verse in the Qur'ān regarding the treatment of non-Muslim parents who force a person to worship others besides Allāh. Al-Shanqī'ī said, “And in closing, that which makes this clear very strongly, and about which no one has claimed abrogation is the saying of (Allāh), the Exalted, ‘**And if they both strive to make you associate with Me (in worship) that of which you have no knowledge, then do not obey them. But accompany them in this life with goodness.**’ (31:15). This good behaviour and benevolence is towards the one who strove to make a Muslim associate others with Allāh (in worship) but did not actually fight against the Muslims. Hence, the right of the parents are to be given precedence, even if they are upon disbelief, and strive to lead one to associationism (shirk).”

With these and other evidences ash-Shanqiti invalidates the view of those who spoke with abrogation of this verse. Al-Shanqiti covered this issue in some depth in his Aḍwā' al-Bayān, explaining, “And we have lengthened the speech regarding this matter due to its importance and the dire need for it today.”

MUSLIMS IN NON-MUSLIM LANDS

As for Muslims who reside in non-Muslim lands such as Europe, Britain, the United States, Canada and elsewhere, then the Salafī scholar, **Shaykh Ibn al-‘Uthaymīn** (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ) advised a large gathering of Salafīs in the city of Birmingham in July 2000:

Likewise I invite you to have respect for those people who have the right that they should be respected, those between whom there is an agreement (of protection) for you. For the land in which you are living is such that there is an agreement between you and them. If this were not the case they would have killed you or expelled you. So preserve this agreement, and do not prove treacherous to it, since treachery is a sign of the hypocrites, and it is not from the way of the Believers. And know that it is authentically reported from the Prophet that he said, "*Whoever kills one who is under an agreement of protection will not smell the fragrance of Paradise.*" Do not be fooled by those sayings of the foolish people, those who say "Those people are Non-Muslims, so their wealth is lawful for us (to misappropriate or take by way of murder and killing)." For by Allāh - this is a lie. A lie about Allāh's religion, and a lie about Islāmīc societies. We may not say that it is lawful to be treacherous towards people whom we have an agreement with. O my brothers. O youth. O Muslims.

Be truthful in your buying and selling, and renting, and leasing, and in all mutual transactions. Because truthfulness is from the characteristics of the Believers, and Allāh - the Most High - has commanded truthfulness - in the saying of Allāh - the Most High, "**O you who believe, fear and keep you duty to Allāh and be with the truthful**" (9:119). And the Prophet encouraged truthfulness and said, "*Adhere to truthfulness, because truthfulness leads to goodness, and goodness leads to Paradise. And a person will*

continue to be truthful, and strive to be truthful until he will be written down with Allāh as a truthful person." And he warned against falsehood, and said, "Beware of falsehood, because falsehood leads to wickedness, and wickedness leads to the Fire. And a person will continue lying, and striving to lie until he is written down with Allāh as a great liar."

O my brother Muslims. O youth. Be true in your sayings with your brothers, and with those non-Muslims whom you live along with - so that you will be inviters to the Religion of Islām, by your actions and in reality. So how many people there are who first entered into Islaam because of the behaviour and manners of the Muslims, and their truthfulness, and their being true in their dealings.⁴⁰

TERRORISM IS NOT JIHĀD

That which is fraudulently claimed to be jihād is not jihād - it is corruption, mischief and destruction. Terrorism involves the violation of every lofty and noble characteristic that Islām inculcates in an individual: Truthfulness, honesty, fulfilment of covenants and contracts, not causing harm and so on. It involves every evil, filthy trait that Islām has outlawed. Lying, deception, treachery, breaking contracts, violating covenants. None but **the Salafī scholars** have been at the forefront of refuting and exposing this twisted, evil, corrupt idea of jihād⁴¹ which actually came from the **Ṣūfī Ash'arī's** of Egypt:

⁴⁰ From a tele-link recording on 28th July 2000 at a conference organized by Salafī Publications (Maktabah Salafiyyah).

⁴¹ The statements of these scholars such as **Shaykh al-Albānī, Shaykh Ibn Bāz, Shaykh Ibn al-'Uthaymīn, Shaykh al-Fawzān, Shaykh Rabī bin Hādī, Shaykh Zayd al-Madkhalī**, who wrote a famous book on terrorism almost 20 years ago, **Shaykh 'Abd al-Muḥsin al-'Abbād** and many others are well known and well-spread. It is almighty strange that despite this being out in the open for the past two decades, equivocation is made between the ideology of the terrorist barbarians and the creed and methodology of the Salafis. Indeed many an academic fraudster has made a career out of it.

Ḥasan al-Bannā, founder of the Muslim Brotherhood (al-Ikhwān) and **Sayyid Quṭb**, the founder of all modern-takfirī movements. Muṣṭafā Ramaḍān published an article⁴² comprising interviews with three former members of al-Ikhwān who all consider Ḥasan al-Bannā to be the founder of the doctrine of mass takfīr of the Muslim ummah and hold that the Ikhwānī da‘wah was built upon that very foundation, even if it was not explicitly preached prior to the era of Sayyid Quṭb in the 50s and 60s. During the late 1940s, with the approval of Ḥasan al-Bannā, terrorist activities were perpetrated against civilians and politicians. Less than two decades later, the fully developed modern (twisted, corrupted) idea of jihād found itself expressed in the writings of Sayyid Quṭb. After judging every Muslim society on Earth of reverting to pre-Islāmic barbarism (jāhiliyyah) and apostasy (riddah), **he openly called for destructive, violent revolutions to overthrow all of those societies**⁴³ - and this became the notion of jihād in the 20th century, the springboard for groups like al-Takfīr wal-Hijrah, al-Qā‘idah and ISIS.⁴⁴

So it is upon all people who value truth and justice that they put everything in its proper place and not to attribute the crimes of the criminals to those who are free and innocent of them and that they beware and beware again of the lies, distortions, fabrications, fake piety and wickedness of the terrorists and likewise the misguidance, lies, rank hatred and hypocrisy of the existentialist nihilists.

⁴² <http://onaeg.com/?p=1219303>

⁴³ These writings are very apparent in his Qur’ān commentary known as “Fī Zilāl al-Qur’ān,” extracts of which were published separately as “Ma‘ālim Fī al-Tarīq” (Milestones).

⁴⁴ To learn more about the realities of these two heads of misguidance refer to <http://ikhwanis.com/?gewgovp> for Ḥasan al-Bannā and for Sayyid Quṭb refer to <http://ikhwanis.com/?fkwuwpd>.

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