

# CONCISE ISLAM

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# Chronology

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The conventional Islamic chronology is shown here. Note that modern scholars of Islam have significant doubts regarding the accuracy of the early chronology. Look up online "[did Mohammed exist?](#)" to find out why there is a questioning of the conventional narrative. See also "[In the Shadow of the Sword](#)" by Tom Holland. We do however need to understand the conventional chronology, as shown here:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
610 AD	First revelation to Mohammed.
613 AD	First public preaching.
615 AD	First martyr, Sumayyah bint Khabbab.
622 AD	Migration (Hijrah) from Mecca to Medina. Start date of the Islamic calendar. AH = Anno Hegirae = year of the Hijrah
624 AD	Battle of Badr – first military victory.
630 AD	Conquest of Mecca.
632 AD	Death of Mohammed. Possibly <a href="#">poisoned</a> by a Jewish woman whose husband was murdered by Muslims.
632-661 AD	“Rightly guided Caliphs”: Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman, Ali
632-650 AD	The Koran is written down. Caliph Uthman rationalizes the divergent versions, starting in 644 AD. Many texts destroyed.
632 AD	The Hadith and Sunna start to be written.
642 AD	Start of the rapid conquests of Syria, Palestine, Egypt.
661 AD	Assassination of Ali, the founder of Shi'ite branch. Start of the rift, leading to splitting into Shi'ite and Sunni branches.
711 AD	Muslims enter Spain.
1095 AD	First Crusade. Sixth was in 1227 AD. Ninth 1271-1272 AD.
1453 AD	Constantinople conquered by the Ottomans.
1492 AD	Spain re-conquered by Christians.
1529 AD	Ottoman Empire halted at Vienna. And again in 1692 AD.
1924 AD	The Caliphate is abolished by Mustafa Ataturk.
1924 AD	Standardized Koran in Arabic is agreed -(14 centuries late!)
1948 AD	Israel established, despite opposition from Arab nations.

# Introduction

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We must make the effort to understand Islam. We need to understand that although we may not be particularly interested in Islam, Islam is very much interested in non-Muslims, and not in a good way!

This book is intended as a brief introduction to the key aspects of Islam. The sections are short, intended more as notes than as deep analyses. There is much information available online, if further details are needed.

Islam has a number of characteristics that make it especially dangerous. If you are familiar with another religion, Christianity for example, then you might naturally assume that Islam is similar in structure, although with a few differences of doctrine. This assumption would be complacent, and perilously wrong. Unfortunately, even prominent Christians have been deceived by Islam, and are leading several major denominations of the Church astray. Such clerics have either not understood Islam properly, or if they have, they lack the courage to be honest when describing it. It is human nature to prefer a quiet life!

Secular authorities have also failed to get to grips with Islam. They seem not to have understood even the fundamentals of Islam, and have thus taken the whole of society along an incorrect, and precarious path. In the UK these secular authorities include the government, the major political parties, the legal profession, including prominent judges, social services and health care, the police, local authorities, the security services, the education sector, the prison service, and even the armed forces — the Ministry of Defence is pro-Islam too!

It would be easy to fall into a state of doom and gloom. However, there are promising signs. An estimated one quarter of younger people growing up in Muslim families are rejecting Islam. This is an extraordinarily courageous thing to do, as under Sharia law there is the death penalty for apostasy (leaving the religion).

In theory, Islam should not be able to survive the Internet age. As more people worldwide are exposed to the modern concepts of science, decent enlightenment values, and Human Rights, it is becoming increasingly obvious to them that Islam is incompatible with the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

See the video: *Three things you (probably) don't know about Islam*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fgsrnmzxEUY>

# Islam in a Nutshell

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At Islam's core is the fundamental equation:

**ISLAM = THE KORAN + MOHAMMED**

This can be summarized as: “The Book and the Man”.

The “holy” book of Islam is the Koran.

The “perfect” man of Islam is Mohammed.

In combination, these make up the core of Islam. In other words, Islam could not exist if one or the other of these were removed.

There are other Islamic scriptures, the Hadith and Sirah (described later). However, the Koran is right at the top of the hierarchy of Islamic texts.

If we are to understand Islam, then we do need to put in some time and effort to read the Koran, and to study the biography and sayings of Mohammed. There are not really any shortcuts in this task, although there are a few **key points**, such as the doctrine of **abrogation**, that need to be known and properly understood first. This is a fundamental concept for understanding the Koran. Standard copies of the Koran do not tell you which verses have been abrogated, (effectively deleted) and are thus of limited assistance when examining Islam. Fortunately, the [Abrogated Koran](#) is a free download from the [Hellish2050.com](#) website.

Outlining the key points of Islam is the purpose of this book.

There are a number of pitfalls and traps to be aware of, before beginning your journey of discovery. There are almost endless details that you can get bogged down in. However, if at all times you remember the fundamental equation ISLAM = THE KORAN + MOHAMMED it will help you to navigate through the theological brambles and swamps.

Have you ever read “[The Pilgrim's Progress](#)” by John Bunyan? It describes a journey, in which innumerable obstacles and barriers are encountered. The Pilgrim, the hero of the narration, is often tempted and side-tracked, but keeps plodding on nevertheless. We, too, must keep plodding on, for the sake of future generations. The future of western civilisation is at stake, and coming generations do not deserve to be forced to live under Sharia law. This is their fate, if we do nothing to avert this tragedy. The demographic threat is several orders of magnitude worse than the terrorism threat.

# “Peaceful” Religion?

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Is Islam a peaceful religion? Is Islam a violent religion?

The answer to both questions is YES!

How can that be so? We need to realise that Islam is dualistic. It can be more than one thing simultaneously. Which is a strange condition, for those of us who are more familiar with western modes of thinking. We are used to binary choices: either it is peaceful OR it is violent — surely?

You may be aware that in physics, a photon is regarded as a wave AND a particle — simultaneously and continually. It is dualistic. It feels counter-intuitive; however, be aware that intuition based on your experience of daily life can be faulty. This is also the case when people with a western mindset encounter Islam. It is not straightforward!

“Islam” means “submission”. Not “peace” in the conventional sense. After every Jihadi terrorist attack we are told by prominent politicians, the police, security service experts, and mainstream journalists that Islam is a peaceful religion, that has been hijacked by a tiny minority of extremists. Such a statement is factually incorrect. Islam has NOT been hijacked by extremists. Islam is very definitely violent, according to mainstream Islamic scriptures, including the Koran. And according to the life of Mohammed, as described in the Sirah and Hadith scriptures. We are subjected to propaganda on a daily basis, such that it becomes hard to recognise it as such. Those who do recognise it are dismissed as themselves being extremists! We should endeavour to seek the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, based on reliable sources. And be willing to change our mind, when new information is presented. Where did the pro-Islam propaganda originate? It is not easy to find a single origin. However, it definitely was in place at the time of the murder of Fusilier Lee Rigby in 2013. Prime Minister David Cameron and London Mayor Boris Johnson both [denied the connection with Islam](#) itself. They [blatantly lie to us](#). The propaganda was in place at the time of the London bombings of 7/7/2005, and at 9/11 (11<sup>th</sup> September 2001). It also goes back to theological sources: Vatican II (Nostra aetate) of 1965, and a Christian apologist for Islam, Kenneth Cragg in “[The Call of the Minaret](#)” (1956). Even John Stuart Mill in his groundbreaking book “[On Liberty](#)”, published in 1859 shows a remarkable tolerance of Islam, given that liberty is not a characteristic of Islam! The roots of pro-Islam propaganda are deep. Are you angry yet, at this betrayal?

# Mohammed

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There is [evidence](#) that suggests that the scriptural Mohammed may never have existed as a living person! This comes as a surprise to many, and of course is hotly disputed by Muslims. At the core of this theory is the observation that there is a long blank period, around two centuries, between the time when Mohammed is supposed to have lived, and the existence of substantial written records of his life. You might think that it could just be that old manuscripts decay or are discarded, and that is true to an extent. However, manuscripts from far earlier dates exist (Christian, Roman, Judaic, etc.), and so this is an inadequate argument. Nag Hammadi texts are some 5 centuries older than Islam. See the book by Robert Spencer [Did Mohammed Exist?](#) . It is a fascinating possibility, which should not be dismissed, and is a real challenge to the validity of Islam. However, for brevity it is out of the scope of this book, which examines Islam based on the conventional narrative and chronology.

According to the conventional Islamic narrative, Mohammed was born in the area of Mecca, in what is now Saudi Arabia. He grew up there, married a wealthy widow, and then started to receive visions. These visions were of the Angel Gabriel, who communicated revelations from Allah. Mohammed at first thought he was going insane. However, his wife assured him that he was not, and convinced him that he was a genuine prophet. At first, he had only a small following. The followers would memorise the revelations, and also write them on items that came to hand, including leaves or pieces of wood. These snippets would, decades later, be collated in to what is now the Koran.

Around two thirds of the Koran was revealed in Mecca. Mohammed and his followers behaved badly, making themselves unpopular there, and they had to flee to Medina. Around one third of the Koran was revealed at Medina, where the numbers of followers increased rapidly, once Mohammed included revelations commanding violent physical attacks on non-Muslims. Attacking caravans proved lucrative and popular. There is no such thing as the *Golden Rule* in Islam, despite the claims by Wikipedia: <https://www.politicalislam.com/golden-rule-islam/>

Mohammed is today revered by Muslims as the “perfect” man. However, by modern standards, his behaviour falls far short of that which is acceptable. His behaviour was also unacceptable at the date he supposedly lived, in the 7<sup>th</sup> century. The evidence is in Islamic scripture.

# Allah

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One of the most serious sins in Islam is “shirk” — ascribing partners to Allah. This includes idolatry and polytheism. Islam rejects Christianity too, since Jesus, like Mohammed, is regarded by Islam as a man only, not as divine. Christians are regarded as Mushrikun — those who ascribe partners to Allah. [Koran 9:5](#), the “verse of the sword”, commands that the [Mushrikun](#) must be killed wherever they are found. This verse has not been abrogated and so is just as valid today as when first revealed.

Originally Allah was just one of 360 gods and goddesses in the Kaaba. The Kaaba is the cube-shaped building in Mecca, covered by a black cloth. (it may not be the original Kaaba though! The original may have been in [Petra, Jordan](#).) There was an idol for each god and goddess, the principal one being Hubal, thought to be a combination of the gods Hu and Baal. Mohammed was a member of the Quraysh tribe, who had the responsibility of maintaining the Kaaba. When Mohammed was a boy, his grandfather took him to the Kaaba, where he was dedicated to the god Hubal.

In Islam there are practices that have pagan origin, and which have no equivalent in Judaism or Christianity. For example, the black stone set into the corner of the Kaaba is revered. The pagan practice of kissing the black stone, continued by Muslims today, involves the idea that the stone can take away sins. How can an inanimate object possibly do this? There is no compatibility between this idolatrous pagan practice and belief in an all-powerful and forgiving Allah. There is zero compatibility with Christianity either — in Christian doctrine it is only Jesus, an integral aspect of God, who takes away sins. Not a pagan “magic” stone.

Today Islam is staunchly monotheistic. However, Allah was believed, by the polytheists of Mecca to be associated with three goddesses: Al-Lat, Al-Uzza, and Manat. Within Judaism and Christianity there has never been any such association. It is therefore not credible that Allah is the same as the Biblical God. The origin of Allah was as an existing pagan god, and the goddesses were understood to be his companions. See the *Satanic Verses* chapter for more details about these pagan goddesses. The origin of the Biblical God is not at all the same as Allah. It seems astonishing that even [prominent Christians](#) believe them to be the same entity, as does [Nostra aetate](#) of 1965, part of Vatican II. Prominent Christians are leading many people astray, through ignorance or deceit.



## Jesus

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Jesus is regarded as a significant prophet within Islam. However, the Islamic understanding of Jesus, although having some similarities, in important aspects is not at all the Biblical understanding. Scholars such as [Richard Bauckham](#) have been able to date the earliest Christian writings and place them within the context of the Early Church. Islam lacks an equivalent verifiable link between the Koran and Mohammed.

Within the Church, there is an impetus to “pray with one voice” with Muslims. See “[In the Spirit of St. Francis and the Sultan](#)”. This may seem to be an open expression of love for Muslims, but is this the correct way for Christians to be kind? Is it a kindness to encourage a Muslim to continue in error? If Allah and the God of Christianity are *not* the same entity, then Christians and Muslims should *not* pray together. Christians who disagree should consider the Koran verses quoted in [Glasgow Episcopalian Cathedral at the Epiphany service in 2017](#), which deny that Jesus is the son of Allah. Thus, Allah **cannot** be the same as the Christian God: *Koran 19:34-36 That is Jesus, the son of Mary — the word of truth about which they are in dispute. It is not [befitting] for Allah to take a son; exalted is He! When He decrees an affair, He only says to it, “Be,” and it is.[Jesus said], “And indeed, Allah is my Lord and your Lord, so worship Him. That is a straight path. Speaking **any** Koranic verses in a Christian place of worship is a deliberate denial of Christianity and would have been regarded by orthodox Muslims as a significant Jihadic victory.*

Moreover, when you read the correctly [Abrogated Koran](#), and the Sunnah, the character and commands of Allah, the teachings and actions of his purported chosen prophet, as depicted in those scriptures, are utterly antithetical to Jesus' teachings on love, forgiveness, not sitting in judgement on others, and on rendering “unto Caesar what is Caesar's, and unto God what is God's” — the basis on which freedom of belief, and separation of faith from state and law, has been achieved within Christian civilisation. Under the scriptural commands of Allah, and the teachings of his purported prophet, there is no separation of Islam from state or law, and no freedom of belief — which means that those who leave Islam, or blaspheme against it or its purported prophet, are subject to the death penalty under Islam's Sharia laws (the codification of the scriptural commands) — as too are adulterers and homosexuals. There is absolutely no moral equivalence, or compatibility, between the Christian God and Allah. *You will know them by their fruits.* Matthew 7:16

# Hell

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The idea and fear of Hell is a powerful force over Muslims. The Islamic concept of Hell is a place of eternal torments in fire. The skin is burned off, only to re-grow so that it can be burned off again (Koran 4:56). They are forced to drink boiling water (Koran 47:15) and are restrained with iron hooks (Koran 22:21). Fear is a powerful motivator, and is frequently used by totalitarians in order to control their populations.

The word "Hell" is repeated 103 times in the Koran. Verses that do not specifically state "Hell" but use the phrase "painful doom" to refer to it occur 60 times, and "Fire" occurs 172 times. According to the Koran, who is destined for Hell? It is anyone who is: a disbeliever (non-Muslim) or a hypocrite (pretending to be a Muslim but without really believing it), apostates, those who criticise almsgiving, Christians (Koran 5:73), those who kill wild animals while on pilgrimage, those who refuse to strive for Allah with their wealth and their lives (i.e., who refuse to give Zakat and who refuse to take part in violent Jihad), evil-doers, those who take usury (interest on loans), anyone who is scornful or proud, anyone who questions Mohammed, those who hide anything from within the Scripture, those who lie about Allah, polytheists, oppressors and rebels (against Allah), those who strive against Mohammed, those who mock, those who do not believe in the Hereafter, those who hoard wealth and do not spend it for the cause of Allah (including Jihad), those who prefer to live rather than die during Jihad, and those who vex Mohammed.

According to Mohammed, the majority of inhabitants of Hell are women, because they curse and are ungrateful to their husbands:

*The Messenger of Allah... passed by the women and said, 'O women! Give charity, for I have seen that you form the majority of the people of Hell.' They asked, 'Why is that, O Messenger of Allah?' He replied, 'You curse frequently and are ungrateful to your husbands. I have not seen anyone more deficient in intelligence and religious commitment than you. A cautious sensible man could be led astray by some of you.'* The women asked, 'O Messenger of Allah, what is deficient in our intelligence and religious commitment?' He said, 'Is not the testimony of two women equal to the testimony of one man?' They said, 'Yes.' He said, 'This is the deficiency in her intelligence. Is it not true that a woman can neither pray nor fast during her menses?' The women said, 'Yes.' He said, 'This is the deficiency in her religious commitment.' Sahih al-Bukhari 304

# The Koran

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According to conventional Islamic understanding, the Koran was revealed in stages to Mohammed. It is regarded as the latest divine revelations, following on from the revelations to Jewish prophets. Islam regards Jewish prophets (including Jesus) as genuine prophets and has the idea of the divine Book in Paradise, part of which was revealed to Jews and Christians, and part to Mohammed. Jews and Christians are referred to as “the people of the Book”. As such they are superior to other non-Muslims, and might not be executed, although they are obliged to pay a “Jizya” tax as a sign of [submission and inferiority](#).

Around two thirds of the verses in the Koran were revealed to Mohammed when he was in Mecca, and one third in Medina. The arrangement of chapters (Surahs) in the Koran does not follow any obvious or logical order. This comes as a surprise to those who are familiar with the Bible, which does have a logical arrangement — by chronology and by theme. The Koran is arranged by size — with a few exceptions, the chapters are arranged in reverse size order, with the larger chapters at the beginning, tailing off to smaller chapters at the end. This is a confusing and unhelpful arrangement, as it gives no indication of chronology at all. And yet chronology is absolutely key to understanding the Koran and hence understanding Islam.

**Abrogation** is a key concept within the Koran, and yet conventional Korans do not show which verses are abrogated, leading to endless confusion. The Koran itself (Koran 2:106) stipulates the principle of abrogation: when a better verse is revealed to Mohammed, the earlier revealed verses, where there are contradictions, is to be forgotten. This principle is itself bizarre, and implies that Allah is himself forgetful, or is not good at forward planning. Allah is evidently not all-knowing or wise!

Thousands of [textual variations](#) have been found in the various editions of the Koran in Arabic. These were only resolved as recently as 1924, undermining the Islamic assertion that the Koran is the “perfect book”! The [Abrogated Koran](#) indicates the abrogated and abrogating verses, and places the chapters in reverse chronological order. Key verses are colour coded. It is a free download: [hellish2050.com](#)

The [Peace Koran](#) includes only the Meccan chapters. It should be given to Muslim prisoners, and conventional Korans must be confiscated. The Medinan chapters in the conventional Korans promote jihad.

# Hadith

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The Hadith is a huge body of texts, written over many years by various authors, describing the sayings of Mohammed. The texts of the Hadith are important within Islam, but the Koran takes the primary importance.

The number of Hadith texts proliferated over many years, to the point where it became unmanageable. A significant pruning effort was therefore undertaken, to weed out the dubious ones, and to establish the authenticity of the more credible ones. Credibility was established by determining the chain of transmission, from one Islamic scholar to the next. If a scholar was found to be unreliable then that implied that the Hadith transmitted through him could be dubious.

Sahih al-Bukhari is a collection of Hadith texts compiled by Imam Muhammad al-Bukhari (d. 256 AH/870 AD). His collection is recognized by the overwhelming majority of Muslims to be the most authentic collection of reports of the Sunnah of Muhammad. It contains over 7500 verses (with repetitions) in 97 books. Note how many years after the Hijrah (marking the start date of the Islamic calendar) this collection was compiled: well over two centuries. It would be surprising if any sort of accuracy could be maintained over such a long time span of largely oral traditions. The Hadith are available here:

<https://sunnah.com/bukhari>

The Hadith addresses all manner of issues within daily Islamic life, such as praying, pilgrimage, fasting, and also funerals, sales and trade, hiring, business dealings, agriculture, distribution of water, releasing of slaves, gifts, wills, military expeditions, and fighting for the cause of Allah (Jihad).

Here is an example Hadith, relating to Jihad:

*Narrated Anas bin Malik:*

*The Prophet said, "A single endeavor (of fighting) in Allah's Cause in the forenoon or in the afternoon is better than the world and whatever is in it." Sahih al-Bukhari 2792*

# Sirah

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The Sirah (or Sirat) is a large body of text, written over many years by various authors, describing the life of Mohammed.

The earliest of these is [\*Sirat Rasoul Allah\*](#) — the biography of the messenger of Allah, by ibn Ishaq. It does not now exist as such, but can be inferred from two derivative works, which differ only slightly. The author's name is Muhammad ibn Ishaq ibn Yasār (704-770 AD), usually referred to as ibn Ishaq.

Ibn Ishaq's work, while the original manuscripts have not survived, is substantially extant through the revisions of his editors, most notably ibn Hisham and ibn Jarir al-Tabari. The material in their documents is virtually the same, however, some material found in al-Tabari is absent from ibn Hisham, most notably al-Tabari's inclusion of the text describing the episode known as the *Satanic Verses*.

*Sirat Rasoul Allah* is over 1000 pages in length. An abridged edition, with the addition of the Satanic Verses episode inserted from al-Tabari, is available here: <https://www.lulu.com/en/gb/shop/-ibn-ishaq/sirat-rasoul-allah/paperback/product-vw56vn.html>

The chapter titles are:

*The Early Life of the Apostle of Allah, Khadija, The Revelation, The Helpers, Night Journey, Permission to Wage War, Hijra, Medina, The Qibla, Rajam, The Trinity, First Caravan, Badr, Uhud, Banu Nadir, Aisha Sufwan, The Trench, Banu Qurayza, Pilgrimage, Khaybar, Pilgrimage of Retaliation, Conquest of Mecca, Hawazin, Byzantium, Tabuk, Last Illness.*

*Sirat Rasoul Allah* is a highly significant document within Islamic scripture. The abridged translation is easy to read and understand — unlike the Koran which is obscure in places and repetitive. Most of the chapter titles are self-evident. However, take note of chapter *Rajam*. This describes how the penalty of stoning to death for adultery was re-introduced. Judaism had abandoned this practice, but Mohammed restored it. Not just for Jews — it was applied to Muslims too. Jesus is a significant prophet in Islam (although with such major differences that he cannot be regarded as the same Jesus who is central to Christianity). Jesus, as described in the Christian Gospels, strongly repudiated stoning. Mohammed thereby opposed key aspects of Christianity (compassion and redemption) as well as opposing enlightened Judaism.

## Five Pillars of Faith

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Islam is very much based on strict rules for every detail of life. There is not much scope for individual freedoms, individual initiatives, or individual actions. Needless to say, this creates a mindset that has a terribly moribund effect on Islamic societies — which can therefore neither reform nor progress. Muslims are themselves the primary victims of Islam.

Muslims are obliged to perform these five actions:

1. Shahada (Profession of Faith)
2. Salat (Prayer)
3. Zakat (Almsgiving)
4. Sawm (Fasting)
5. Hajj (Pilgrimage)

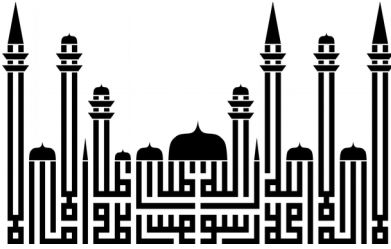
What is the purpose of these five obligations? Simply put — to gain favour with Allah, and to thereby have a better chance of going to Paradise after death. There are problems with this though:

- If a Muslim regularly performed these obligations throughout his life, but then on his deathbed, in pain and anguish, cursed Allah, then all of his previous prayers and actions would count for nothing, and he would be sent to Hell. This does not seem very fair! Supposedly there is an angel on the left shoulder and one on the right shoulder: one keeping a record of good deeds and the other keeping a record of bad deeds. Upon death the records are tallied up, which determines the destination: Hell or Paradise.
- If a Muslim fails to pray and so on, and indeed drinks alcohol, eats pork, and behaves in a generally bad way — for instance stealing — but then attacks non-Muslims in the name of Allah, and is killed while doing so, then he automatically goes to Paradise as a martyr (Shahid). The attraction of Jihadic martyrdom is therefore strong for Muslims who feel guilt, and fear the consequences of their sins. The security services need to understand that a Muslim drinking alcohol is in fact a very bad sign. It is absolutely NOT a sign that they are de-radicalised.

# Shahada (Profession of Faith)

“I bear witness that there is no deity but Allah, and I bear witness that Muhammad is the messenger of Allah.”

This is the profession of faith that every Muslim must make.



The Shahada written in square Kufic script.



A mancus gold dinar of king Offa of Mercia.

The Shahada appears on several flags:



ISIS, with Antifa flag



Saudi Arabia



Afghanistan

## Salat (Prayer)

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Salat (or Salah) are the prayers that Muslims are obliged to pray. The direction of prayer is towards the Kaaba in Mecca. Within mosques the direction is marked with a Qibla, usually an alcove, which can be ornate or simple. Of course, an app on a smartphone can be used instead.

The direction of prayer is towards Mecca, but this has not always been the case. Islamic scripture does acknowledge that the Qibla direction was changed — it is believed by Muslims to have been initially towards Jerusalem, in the early years of Islam. The change of Qibla direction is stated in the Koran itself: *Koran 2:143 ...And We appointed the qiblah which ye formerly observed only that We might know him who followeth the messenger, from him who turneth on his heels....*

Historian [Dan Gibson](#) examined the foundations of the very early mosques, looking for the Qibla alcove, and discovered that they pointed towards Petra in Jordan! Not to Jerusalem, and not to Mecca.

There is even a mosque which had two Qibla directions, one towards Petra and the other towards Mecca. The Petra Qibla is now erased.

Five prayers per day are required, and the timing of these is relative to local sunrise and sunset. At the equator, day length does not vary significantly during the course of the year. However, at increasing angles of latitude (north or south) it does significantly vary. For Muslims living north of the Arctic Circle, this is a problem, because during the summer the sun does not set, and during winter it does not rise. Some special (man-made) rules apply in that case.

Prayer times and directions are also a problem for [Muslim astronauts](#) when in an orbiting space vehicle. The angle towards Mecca varies significantly during the course of a prayer. Typically, an orbit may take 90 minutes, and so strictly five prayers must be completed within 45 minutes, leaving very little time for any mission-related tasks. In practice, some man-made rules are implemented, prayer times being based on the times of sunrise and sunset at the rocket launch site.

The prayer times are: At dawn — Fajr prayer. At noon — Zuhr prayer. Late in the afternoon — Asr prayer. At dusk — Maghrib prayer. After sunset — Isha prayer. The postures, wording and repetitions of the prayers are defined. These can be varied according to circumstance, for example if travelling a long distance, or if unwell or disabled.



## Zakat (Almsgiving)

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There are numerous verses in the Koran that instruct Muslims to give to charity. It is a key pillar of Islam. The uses to which this charity are put are defined in Koran 9:60:

*The alms are only for the poor and the needy, and those who collect them, and those whose hearts are to be reconciled, and to free the captives and the debtors, and for the cause of Allah, and (for) the wayfarer; a duty imposed by Allah. Allah is Knower, Wise.*

The problematic phrase is “for the cause of Allah”. This phrase is used frequently in the Koran to command Jihad:

Koran 61:11 *Ye should believe in Allah and His messenger, and should strive for the cause of Allah with your wealth and your lives. That is better for you, if ye did but know.*

Koran 49:15 *The (true) believers are those only who believe in Allah and His messenger and afterward doubt not, but strive with their wealth and their lives for the cause of Allah. Such are the sincere.*

Koran 22:58 *Those who fled their homes for the cause of Allah and then were slain or died, Allah verily will provide for them a good provision. Lo! Allah, He verily is Best of all who make provision.*

Also see Koran 47:31, 4:75-76, 4:100, 3:168, and 8:74

Of the zakat charity donations that Muslims are obliged to pay, 1/8<sup>th</sup> is for “the cause of Allah” — namely Jihad. The UAE has found 15 “charities” in the UK, Europe and the USA to be allegedly terror supporting:

<https://moneyjihad.wordpress.com/2014/11/17/worlds-biggest-islamic-charity-branded-as-terrorist-group-by-2nd-middle-east-country/>

Islamic charity cannot be given to non-believers: see Koran 28:86 “...never be a helper to the disbelievers.” (This is in stark contrast to most Christian charities, which help people regardless of their religion.)

Occasionally a small amount may be given to non-Muslims, but only for PR purposes — to confuse donors and the Charity Commission. Islam permits Muslims to deceive non-Muslims in the interests of Islam — look up “taqiyya”, “kitman”, “tawriya”, and “muruna”.

## Sawm (Fasting)

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Fasting is one of the five pillars of Islam. Fasting is obligatory for Muslims — with exceptions for those who are unwell or who are travelling. It is usually associated with the month of Ramadan in the Islamic calendar, when nothing can be eaten or drunk from sunrise until sunset.

The Islamic calendar is based on lunar cycles, and so, because there are not a full number of cycles in a solar year, the Islamic calendar shifts relative to calendars based on the solar year. In the Northern Hemisphere day lengths are longer during the summer and shorter during winter. Fasting can therefore be quite onerous for Muslims living at high latitudes, such as in northern Sweden, northern Canada, or northern Russia.

The most northerly mosque in the world is Nord Kamal Mosque in the city of Norilsk, Russia. It is at a latitude of 69°20'N. This is about three degrees of angle inside the Arctic Circle. The midnight sun is above the horizon from 21 May to 24 July (65 days). If Ramadan falls within this date range, then strictly, no food or drink can be consumed for the entire month. Clearly this is not practical as it would result in dehydration and probably death within a few days. Therefore, Islamic scholars have devised some rules to apply. Evidently such rules are man-made, not made by Allah or Mohammed. There is no mention of the Arctic Circle within the Koran. Either Allah did not know about sunrise and sunset at the Arctic Circle, or he unwisely omitted to tell Mohammed.

You should not always trust Wikipedia. It indicates that Koran 2:183 is the key verse relating to fasting. However, Wikipedia fails to mention that this verse has been abrogated by Koran 2:185, which states:

*The month of Ramadan in which was revealed the Qur'an, a guidance for mankind, and clear proofs of the guidance, and the Criterion (of right and wrong). And whosoever of you is present, let him fast the month, and whosoever of you is sick or on a journey, (let him fast the same) number of other days. Allah desireth for you ease; He desireth not hardship for you; and (He desireth) that ye should complete the period, and that ye should magnify Allah for having guided you, and that peradventure ye may be thankful.*

## Hajj (Pilgrimage)

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The pilgrimage to Mecca is one of the five pillars of faith. Every Muslim who is able to do so, is expected to undertake this pilgrimage at least once in his or her lifetime.

For women in particular, according to the Hadith, this is the most significant thing that she can do. For men, fighting in the cause of Allah (Jihad) is the most important thing that they can do:

*Narrated Aisha: (That she said), "O Allah's Messenger! We consider Jihad as the best deed. Should we not fight in Allah's Cause?" He said, "The best Jihad (for women) is Hajj-Mabrur (i.e. Hajj which is done according to the Prophet's tradition and is accepted by Allah). Sahih al-Bukhari 2784*

The Hajj takes place during one week of the last month of the Islamic calendar year. Typically, over 2 million pilgrims take part, although it has been over 3 million. In 2020, due to coronavirus restrictions, the numbers were reduced significantly.

The actions performed on each day are defined. There are five days (optionally six) in which these actions take place: Men must wear simple white clothing, women should wear a head covering, but the face should be visible. The ritual of Tawaf includes walking seven times around the Kaaba, kissing or touching the Black Stone on each circuit, and saying a prayer. The Black Stone is set within a silver surround, at one corner of the Kaaba. If the pilgrim cannot reach it, then pointing to it is acceptable. Tawaf is followed by sa'ay — running or walking seven times between the “hills” of Safa and Marwah, located near the Kaaba. After sa'ay, male pilgrims shave or trim their hair and women generally clip a portion of their hair. On the next day, pilgrims go to Mount Arafat, about 20 km east of Mecca. On the third day, pilgrims perform a ritual stoning of the devil, represented by a stone pillar. Male pilgrims shave off their hair. On the fourth and fifth days, the stoning of the pillars continues. Before leaving, they may circle 7 times around the Kaaba, a practice [copied from pagans](#): honouring the 5 planets plus the sun and moon.

The “hills” of Safa and Marwah are not in fact hills, but slightly raised rock mounds. The fact that they are not hills is yet another indication that the location of the original Kaaba was not Mecca at all.

## Migration (Hijrah)

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Migration or emigration is highly significant in Islam. The migration of Mohammed and the bulk of his followers (estimated at around 100 to 200 people) from Mecca to Medina in 622 AD is so significant that the Islamic calendar starts from that date.

Islam regards the world as divided in two parts: Dar al-Islam (the land of Islam) and Dar al-Harb (the land of war). In other words, everywhere in the world that is not yet controlled by Islam is a legitimate target for takeover, using a variety of techniques, including: deceit, money, demographics, and violent Jihad. These resulted in the rapid expansion of Islam into formerly Christian, Hindu, Buddhist and Zoroastrian lands.

Islam operates on a long timescale. The ultimate aim is for it to dominate the whole world. Dr Bill Warner of the Centre for the Study of Political Islam explains this in his video: "The Islamic Doctrine of Migration" <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hy6eZnj1gpc>

He gives a spreadsheet of Jihad attacks: <https://cspi-web-media.ams3.cdn.digitaloceanspaces.com/documents/Islam-BattlesDate.pdf>

*Koran 2:218 Those that have embraced the Faith, and those that have fled their land and fought for the cause of Allah, may hope for Allah's mercy. Allah is forgiving and merciful.*

*Koran 8:72 Truly, those who believe and have left their homes and have given of their wealth and lives for Allah's cause, and those who have taken them in and helped them, will be as close as family to each other. But those who believed but did not leave their homes, you are not beholden to them until they also go into exile. But if they seek your help on account of the faith, it is your duty to help them except those against whom you have a treaty. Allah knows all that you do.*

*Koran 9:20 They who have believed, have fled their homes, and have striven with all their might with their property and their souls in the cause of Allah will have the highest rank with Him. These are the ones who are triumphant. Their Lord sends them tidings of mercy from Himself and of His good pleasure and Gardens in which lasting pleasure will be theirs. They will abide there forever. Allah's presence is the greatest reward of all.*

<https://www.cspii.org/blog/political-islam-and-migration/>

## Anti-Jew Hatred

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Hatred of Jews is widespread among Muslims. Where does this hatred come from? Is it simply a result of the creation of modern Israel in 1948? No, it goes back much further than that. Indeed, it is hard-wired within Islamic scriptures, written in the early years of Islam. A “good” Muslim is one who follows scripture, with its many demands to hate unbelievers.

The root of the problem is that the Jews whom Mohammed interacted with refused to acknowledge him as a genuine prophet. The initial phase of his revelations, in Mecca, is relatively tolerant of others. The Meccan verses in the Koran comprise around two thirds of the total. It seems that during this phase Mohammed was trying to persuade people that he was a genuine prophet, using words, but gained only a few followers, estimated at around 100 – 200. After moving to Medina he became more violent and the Medinan verses reflect this. He gained thousands of followers. The Jewish tribes of Medina were forced to flee, or were massacred, because they regarded him as a false prophet. Such attacks on Jews can never stop, because the “prophet” Mohammed did it, and he was the “perfect” man. Christians pandering to Islam are complicit too. Islamic scripture describes the end-time prophecy of the genocide of the Jews by Muslims. It is the case that true-believing, orthodox Muslims really believe this command, in the  [Hamas Charter](#) of 1988:

*The Last Hour would not come until the Muslims fight against the Jews and the Muslims would kill them, and until the Jews would hide themselves behind a stone or a tree and a stone or a tree would say, Muslim or Servant of Allah there is a Jew behind me; come and kill him; but the tree of Gharqad would not say it, for it is the tree of the Jews (Bukhari and Muslim)*

<https://oldwebsite.palestine-studies.org/sites/default/files/jps-articles/2538093.pdf>

Hamas is now trying to soften its stance; the [updated Charter](#) opposes the “Zionist enemy” rather than specifically Jews. However, the implication is much the same; it does not fool anyone who is knowledgeable about these matters, and it does not erase the Hadith. Nobody has the authority to erase Islamic scripture. Nor can they pick and choose verses to apply to their actions. Scripture is not divisible.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hamas\\_Covenant](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hamas_Covenant)

# Deceit

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*Does Islam permit Muslims to lie?* Muslim scholars teach that Muslims should generally be truthful to each other, unless the purpose of lying is to “smooth over differences” or “gain the upper hand over an enemy.”

There are several forms of lying to non-believers that are permitted under certain circumstances, the best known being *taqiyya* (the Shia name). These circumstances are typically those that advance the cause of Islam — by gaining the trust of non-believers in order to draw out their vulnerability and defeat them. There are several forms of deceit:

**Taqiyya** — Saying something that isn't true as it relates to Muslim identity (i.e., whether one is a Muslim or what Islam entails). This is a Shiite term, the Sunni counterpart is *Muda'rat*.

**Kitman** — Lying by omission. An example would be when Muslim apologists quote only a fragment of Koran verse 5:32 (that if anyone kills “*it shall be as if he had killed all mankind*”) while neglecting to mention that the rest of the verse (and the next) mandate murder in undefined cases of “corruption” and “mischief.” The full scriptural text makes clear that that quotation, so often cited by apologists (including deputy PM Nick Clegg) in defence of Islam, was a wilful misunderstanding of it.

**Tawriya** — Intentionally creating a false impression by saying something that is technically true, when knowing that the listener will interpret it in a different way. e.g. when Muslims say Islam is a religion of peace without explaining what the Islamic concept of peace actually means.

**Muruna** — 'Blending in' by setting aside some practices of Islam in order to advance others. <https://www.thereligionofpeace.com/pages/quran/taqiyya.aspx>

There is a serious question that needs to be answered: when a Muslim swears an oath to be truthful while holding the Koran, for example in a court of law, or when taking a responsible position in public office, does their oath have any value? The answer appears to be no. Islam permits Muslims to deceive non-Muslims. Therefore, such an oath, in effect a promise to be honest, can have no force. The laws of Allah are regarded as superior to man-made laws. It is thus extremely dangerous for Muslims to be entrusted with positions of authority in the West. An Islamic “long march through the institutions”, with the objective of Islamic conquest, is happening in many countries. The standard Koran advocates violent Jihad. This is what they are swearing to abide by.

# Jihad

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The word “Jihad” has two meanings. It can mean an internal spiritual struggle. The more common use of the word however is: physical, violent attacks against those deemed to be the enemies of Allah.

Within the Koran, a frequent phrase is “for the cause of Allah”. Many of the verses associated with this phrase do indeed command violent attacks on non-Muslims.

Violent Jihad is a genuine feature of Islam itself. Those who seek to deny that this is true (usually Western politicians after every terrorist attack by Muslims) have evidently not read the Koran with an understanding of abrogation. [Abrogation is key](#). It is the violent, hate-filled verses that abrogate, effectively cancel out, the more tolerant verses. Of course, apologists for Islam will only quote the more tolerant verses, without ever telling you that they have been abrogated — effectively deleted.

Here are some sample verses that command violent Jihad. There are many more such verses, (see [164 Jihad verses](#)) :

*Koran 9:123 O ye who believe! FIGHT those of the DISBELIEVERS [non-Muslims] who are NEAR TO YOU, and let them find harshness in you, and know that Allah is with those who keep their duty (unto Him).*

*Koran 9:5 Then, when the sacred months have passed, SLAY the idolaters (Mushrikun) wherever ye find them, and take them (captive), and besiege them, and prepare for them each ambush. But if they repent and establish worship and pay the poor-due, then leave their way free. Lo! Allah is Forgiving, Merciful.*

*Koran 9:29 FIGHT against such of those who have been given the Scripture [Jews and Christians] as believe not in Allah nor the Last Day, and forbid not that which Allah hath forbidden by His messenger, and follow not the Religion of Truth, until they pay the tribute [jizya] readily, being brought low.*

Note that in [Koran 9:5](#) the word that is often translated as “idolaters” is “[Mushrikun](#)”. The more accurate meaning is “those who associate other things with Allah”. This of course includes Christians, who believe that Jesus is divine. Thus, the Koran calls for the killing of Christians too, in the name of Allah, and not just idol worshippers.

Have you ever seen a photo of a non-Muslim holding a human head?

## Direction of Prayer

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The direction of prayer is towards Mecca, and specifically towards the Kaaba. The Kaaba is an approximately cube-shaped building, covered in a black cloth. There are fragments of a black stone set within a silver surround at one corner of the building which is now generally thought to be a meteorite. Pilgrims try to touch and kiss the stone in veneration. The belief is that it takes away sins, and that it was originally white, but over the years pilgrims' sins have turned it black. Does this sound somewhat like idolatry? How can an inanimate object take away sins?

The direction of prayer seems not always to have been towards Mecca. Investigations by historian [Dan Gibson](#) have caused considerable consternation: by examining the remnants of very early mosques he discovered that the original prayer direction was towards Petra in Jordan. Every mosque contains a Qibla direction and associated [Mihrab](#) alcove, which is a marker indicating the direction of prayer. Mosques would be built with this alcove built into the wall facing this direction. By examining the foundations of ancient mosques, Dan Gibson discovered that the earliest ones, in the first century of the existence of Islam, faced towards Petra. There then ensued a period of confusion, where some faced Petra and some faced Mecca, before finally they faced Mecca.

In addition, the Islamic scriptural descriptions of the area where Mohammed began to receive his revelations simply do not match the area around Mecca. They do, however, more closely match Petra and its surrounds. Petra was on trading routes, whereas Mecca was a long way from trading routes. Mohammed initially worked as a merchant trader. The Nabataeans were the inhabitants of the Petra area. They worshipped various deities, including the three goddesses named in the Koran: Al-Lat, Al-'Uzza, and Manāt. Thought of as female companions of Allah. Further, the dimensions of the Kaaba in Mecca do not match the description in Islamic scripture. Dan Gibson has discovered the foundations of a building in Petra with a better match. He has an informative website, with links to his numerous videos. The Sacred City website: <http://thesacredcity.ca/> There is also a website that focuses on the Nabataeans, who created an astonishing set of dams and water pipes, so that even though Petra is in a dry area they had an ample water supply: NABATAEA.NET <https://nabataea.net/>



## Satanic Verses

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Today, Islam is strictly monotheistic. It opposes Christianity, which it deems to be polytheistic, and indeed those who practise it are guilty of the extremely serious sin of Shirk — associating others (in this case Jesus) with Allah. Blasphemy against Allah incurs the death penalty under Sharia law. Islam regards the god of Islam, Allah, to be the same as the God of Christianity and Judaism. Jesus stated: “*by their fruits shall you know them*” [Matthew 7:16](#). The fruits of Islam are death and hatred. Given that Shirk is so opposed, it is surprising that for a brief period Islam was polytheistic — the male god Allah, and his three female companions: the Nabataean goddesses of the Moon, Venus (morning star), and Fate. The moon and star are Islamic symbols. Mohammed briefly acknowledged these goddesses as genuine, to the delight of the polytheists: thus Muslims and polytheists prayed side by side. Whether Mohammed had this revelation as a convenient political subterfuge to protect Muslims at a dangerous moment (Muslims are permitted to deceive non-Muslims); or whether he felt it to be a genuine revelation is not clear. Nevertheless, later on Mohammed stated that Satan had revealed the polytheistic verses, and thus they were removed from the Koran. The three Nabataean goddesses are still mentioned in the Koran.

*Koran 53:19-22 Have ye thought upon Al-Lat and Al-'Uzza And Manat, the third, the other? Are yours the males and His the females? That indeed were an unfair division!*

The events surrounding the Satanic Verses debacle are narrated by the early authentic and widely trusted Islamic scholar al-Tabari in his book “*Mohammed at Mecca*”. The relevant section is reproduced here: <http://hellish2050.com/books/Sirat.pdf>

In 1988 the author [Salman Rushdie](#) published his novel “*The Satanic Verses*”. The plot is somewhat confusing; nevertheless he does highlight the embarrassing polytheistic phase within Islam. Death threats were made against him, and he had to go into hiding. Shamefully, there were those who wished he would just shut up — they did not support his freedom of expression. Without freedom of expression, problems cannot be discussed, ultimately destroying democracy and leading to totalitarianism. One problem with [anti-hate speech laws](#) is that they seek to shut down debate, and so, rather than bringing light into a problem, that problem is instead hidden, festering and becoming worse.

## Sects Within Islam

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Islam has numerous violent ongoing internal conflicts, not surprisingly! After Mohammed died ([poisoned by a Jewish woman](#) avenging the murder of her husband) there was the question of who should succeed him. The first four successors are called the “*Rightly Guided*” Caliphs, as they were directly taught by Mohammed. They were: Abu Bakr (632-634 AD), Umar ibn al-Khattab (634-644 AD), Uthman ibn Affan (644-656 AD), and Ali ibn Abi Talib (656-661 AD). Then the divisions began.

Caliph Ali was assassinated in 661 AD. His sons, Hassan and Hussein, were denied the right of accession. The Shia sect, “Shiat Ali” — the “Party of Ali” — was formed at this time.

**Sunni** Islam comprises 84%–90% of all Muslims. Sunni means “tradition”. Countries with predominantly Sunni populations include: Indonesia, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia, Libya, Somalia, Jordan, Afghanistan, UAE, Syria, Turkey, Yemen, and Kuwait.

**Shi`ite** Islam comprises 10%–16% of all Muslims. The three main subgroups of Shi`ites are Twelvers (Ithna-`Asharis), Seveners (Isma`ilis), and Fivers (Zaydis). Iran has a predominantly Shi`ite population, and significant numbers are in Iraq, Yemen, Lebanon, Kuwait, and Bahrain.

**Sufis** are Islamic mystics. Sufis seek a personal experience of God through meditation. Most Sufis are Sunni, but some are Shi`ite.

**Baha'is** and **Ahmadiyyans** are 19th-century offshoots of Shi`ite and Sunni Islam respectively. Ahmadiyyans are significantly persecuted in Pakistan as they are regarded as not true Muslims. They are denied permits to go on pilgrimage to Mecca and are often attacked. They are peaceful, do not apply abrogation, and believe the Mahdi already came.

**Druze**, **Alevis**, and **Alawis** have unorthodox beliefs that split them off from Islam. Druze and Alevis do not regard themselves as Muslims.

Movements to reform Islam originated mainly in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Most are Sunni movements, such as the Wahhabis, the Muslim Brotherhood, and Jama`at-i-Islami. Note that reforming Islam does not make it more tolerant and less violent — often quite the opposite! Reformers seek to restore the hegemony of fundamental Islamic doctrine and the Sharia. There are Muslims advocating the reform of Islam to make it compatible with secular principles, but Islamic doctrine, governance and law provides no basis for such reform.

## Sharia Law

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Sharia Law, [via numerous schools](#), is the legal system of Islam. It defines and controls what people must do, how they must speak, and what they must think. It is thus a totalitarian system, as it controls the totality of a person's life. The purely religious aspects of Islam are but a part of the whole, the main part is political Islam. Islam should more accurately be regarded as a harmful totalitarian political ideology with some parallels to Nazism, Stalinism and Maoism, rather than as just a religion. It strongly affects non-Muslims under Islamic control, and may already be affecting *you*: Dr Bill Warner of the Center for the Study of Political Islam <https://www.cspii.org/> estimates that non-Muslims (Kafir) are the subject focus of Islamic scriptures: Koran 64%, Sirah 81%, Hadith 37%.

In the UK, Sharia Councils (de facto Courts) were introduced in 1982, when the public focus was upon the Falklands conflict. In 2008 Archbishop of Canterbury Dr Rowan Williams stated that it was inevitable that elements of [Sharia Law would be introduced](#). Under the premiership of Tony Blair, this did happen, with the assistance of [Lord Chief Justice Phillips of Worth Matravers](#). The irony is that his [Jewish grandparents](#) had to flee from an increasingly Islamised Egypt. Archbishop Justin Welby's book [Reimagining Britain](#) states that Sharia Law is incompatible with British law. Sharia is an early example of identity politics: punishments depend upon identity (a Muslim killing a non-Muslim is punished differently than vice-versa). It stipulates the punishment of cutting off hands and feet. However, there is a restrictive rule, stated in the classic Islamic law book "*The Reliance of the Traveller*": <http://hellish2050.com/books/RelianceOfTheTraveller.pdf> Only a Caliph may permit such amputations (section O14.5). Given that there is no Caliph in the world, nor likely to be one (there cannot be more than one at a time, and thus the competing sects preclude it), it seems that amputation cannot be enforced and should be abolished! Stoning for adultery should also be abolished. It is not mentioned in the Koran. Indeed, the punishment in the Koran for adultery strongly implies that the death penalty should not be used: it states that the punishment for an adulterous wife depends on whether she was previously a slave or not — a former slave having half the punishment. Since it is not possible to be half killed nor killed twice, the death penalty should be abolished. Punishments that involve killing and violence are human rights violations, and are incompatible with Western morality, values and laws.

# Reliance of the Traveller

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This is the title of a book written in the 14th century by Shihabuddin Abu al-'Abbas Ahmad ibn an-Naqib al-Misri. The full title is: *Reliance of the Traveller and Tools of the Worshipper*. It was translated into English in 1991 by Nuh Ha Mim Keller. This was the first translation of a standard Islamic legal reference book. It is divided into sections: Book A, Book B and so on, which cover, in great detail, legal matters relating to Islamic life.

These sections are:

BOOK A: SACRED KNOWLEDGE

BOOK B: THE VALIDITY OF FOLLOWING QUALIFIED SCHOLARSHIP

BOOK C: THE NATURE OF LEGAL RULINGS

BOOK D: AUTHOR'S INTRODUCTION TO `UMDAT AL-SALIK

BOOK E: PURIFICATION

BOOK F: THE PRAYER (SALAT)

BOOK G: THE FUNERAL PRAYER (JANAZA)

BOOK H: ZAKAT

BOOK I: FASTING

BOOK J: THE PILGRIMAGE

BOOK K: TRADE

BOOK L: INHERITANCE

BOOK M: MARRIAGE

BOOK N: DIVORCE

BOOK O: JUSTICE

BOOK P: ENORMITIES

BOOK Q: COMMANDING THE RIGHT AND FORBIDDING THE WRONG

BOOK R: HOLDING ONE'S TONGUE

BOOK S: DELUSIONS

BOOK T: A PURE HEART

BOOK U: THE GABRIEL HADITH

BOOK V: THE BASES OF BELIEFS

It is available here, as a free download:

<http://hellish2050.com/books/RelianceOfTheTraveller.pdf>

# Human Rights

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Islam is clearly incompatible with modern concepts of human rights. It was a significantly backward step even by the standards of the 7<sup>th</sup> century. For example, Judaism had already abolished the death penalty for adultery but Mohammed reinstated it. The description of this is within the book *“Sirat Rasoul Allah”* by ibn Ishaq, in the chapter *“Rajam”*. <http://hellish2050.com/books/Sirat.pdf>

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) and the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) have similar core sets of Articles. However, the ECHR addresses an anomaly in the UDHR — it stipulates that some rights are over-ridden by others. In particular the right to practise religion is limited to those cases that do not infringe the more fundamental rights. The [Organisation of Islamic Cooperation](#) rejects the UDHR. How can Muslims cite human rights laws in their own defence, given that these man-made laws are opposed to the laws of Allah?

UDHR Article 1 states that we should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood. Islam, when it can, subjugates non-believers as second-class citizens, who exist in a state of [Dhimmitude](#) and pay the Jizya tax as a sign of inferiority — Koran 9:29. [The [Dhimmitude](#) option is limited.]

Article 2 states that everyone is entitled to these rights irrespective of who they are. Under Islam a woman is regarded as the property of a man, either her father or husband. The husband determines what she does and how many children she has — Koran 2:223.

Article 3. “Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person.” Not in Islam — Koran 9:5.

Article 4 opposes slavery. Koran 4:24 allows a Muslim man to keep female captives as sex slaves. ISIS does so. In the UK, the “grooming” gangs “own” girls by hooking them on drink and drugs.

Article 5 disallows cruel and inhuman punishment. Koran 5:33 mandates cutting off hands and feet on opposite sides. The list goes on! Islam is also incompatible with Articles 6, 7, 16, and 18.

Sir Winston Churchill stated in his book *“The River War”* — *“The fact that in Mohammedan law every woman must belong to some man as his absolute property – either as a child, a wife, or a concubine – must delay the final extinction of slavery until the faith of Islam has ceased to be a great power among men.”* [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\\_River\\_War](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_River_War)

## Non-Muslims

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Within countries controlled by Islam there are traditionally three choices for non-Muslims: convert to Islam, be executed, or live as a [Dhimmi](#). This third option was usually available only to the “people of the Book”, namely Christians and Jews, conforming to the [Pact of Umar](#). The strict rules have been varied at different times and places, for example for Hindus when Islam conquered India. A dhimmi is regarded as an inferior person, and is forced to pay an extortionate tax, the “jizya”, as a sign of subservience and humiliation. They are also required to bow down low or crawl when paying it. This subservience is spelled out in the Koran in verses that have not been abrogated: *Koran 9:29. Fight against such of those who have been given the Scripture as believe not in Allah nor the Last Day, and forbid not that which Allah hath forbidden by His messenger, and follow not the Religion of Truth, until they pay the tribute [jizya] readily, being brought low.*

Islam is totalitarian, and demands control of non-Muslims as well as Muslims. It has an unhealthy obsession with non-Muslims. Scholar of Islam, Dr Bill Warner has estimated the percentages of verses relating to unbelievers in Islamic scriptures are: Koran 64%, Sira 81%, Hadith 37%. See his website: “Center for the Study of Political Islam” <https://www.politicalislam.com/>

The “*Abrogated Koran*” colour-codes key verses by category, and it is recommended that non-Muslims particularly view verses in the “Jihad” and “unbelievers” categories. There is no copyright restriction:

<http://hellish2050.com/books/AbrogatedKoran.pdf>

An increasing number of non-Muslims are gaining an understanding of Islam, and are improving their ability to defeat apologists for Islam during discussions. Islamic scripture states that Muslims cannot be defeated militarily by non-Muslims — Koran 21:43. With a few exceptions, this has not been the case for centuries now. The fact that military defeat happens at all must be a setback to their strength of belief. Islam has a deep and enduring contempt for non-Muslims. Look up: “Al-Wala' wa al-Bara” <https://www.jihadwatch.org/2020/04/al-wala-wa-al-bara-islams-doctrine-of-contempt-for-the-other>

It is extraordinary that [non-Muslim apologists for Islam](#) exist. If they discuss the Koran without mentioning the [key principle of abrogation](#), they are either ignorant or deceitful. In either case, ignore them!

## Insecurity of Property

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Islam seeks to conquer the world. For non-Muslims there can be no security of property. You may indeed be fortunate to retain your life! If you live in a land where Islam is growing at a fast rate, and yet you feel insulated by your current portfolio of properties, material possessions, and political influence, such feelings of security are illusory. As Sir Winston Churchill stated accurately in his book "The River War":

*How dreadful are the curses which Mohammedanism lays on its votaries! Besides the fanatical frenzy, which is as dangerous in a man as hydrophobia in a dog, there is this fearful fatalistic apathy. The effects are apparent in many countries. Improvident habits, slovenly systems of agriculture, sluggish methods of commerce, and insecurity of property exist wherever the followers of the Prophet rule or live.*

*A degraded sensualism deprives this life of its grace and refinement; the next of its dignity and sanctity. The fact that in Mohammedan law every woman must belong to some man as his absolute property – either as a child, a wife, or a concubine – must delay the final extinction of slavery until the faith of Islam has ceased to be a great power among men.*

*Individual Moslems may show splendid qualities. Thousands become the brave and loyal soldiers of the Queen: all know how to die: but the influence of the religion paralyses the social development of those who follow it.*

*No stronger retrograde force exists in the world. Far from being moribund, Mohammedanism is a militant and proselytizing faith. It has already spread throughout Central Africa, raising fearless warriors at every step; and were it not that Christianity is sheltered in the strong arms of science, the science against which it had vainly struggled, the civilisation of modern Europe might fall, as fell the civilisation of ancient Rome.*

If today you are enjoying material wealth, and you see Islam spreading its power and influence within your nation, and yet you do not use your resources to counter it, then one day you may well regret your squandered opportunity. The time to act is **now**. You should support those who do care and do speak out. You must also cease supporting and funding those who know that Islam is indeed a serious threat to us all, yet do nothing meaningful to counter this growing menace.

## “Islamophobia”

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The word “Islamophobia” has gained great currency, and has been used in an attempt to silence any criticism of Islam. The definition had been “Dislike of, or prejudice against, Muslims or Islam, especially as a political force”. Does it have any legitimacy? A phobia, in psychiatry, is a real mental ailment, deserving of sympathy and understanding. Here, however, the term is being misused to suggest that there is something wrong with a person who fears Islam. But it is rational and morally sound to fear a totalitarian, theocratic, political ideology which inflicts violent punishments on people who break theocratic laws, and which is committed to forcing the whole world into submission to its rule, by violent or any other means. The term “Islamophobia” has no validity.

On 27th November 2018, the [All-Party Parliamentary Group \(APPG\) on British Muslims](#) published a report titled *“Islamophobia Defined: the inquiry into a working definition of Islamophobia”*. It contained the definition: *“Islamophobia is rooted in racism and is a type of racism that targets expressions of Muslimness or perceived Muslimness.”*

In the UK, the Labour Party, Liberal Democrats, SNP, Scottish Conservatives, Green Party, Plaid Cymru, several councils, and the NUS have adopted this new definition, thereby are enabling totalitarianism.

This new definition is worse than the standard one, because of its definition of Islam as a race, which it obviously isn't. Further, the new definition introduces an ill-defined concept of “Muslimness”, which it seeks to protect. [Sir Mark Rowley](#), (former Assistant Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police) expressing his concerns about the new definition, observed that the concept of “Muslimness” might be taken to include jihadi terror activity, and this could [impede counter-terror work](#). Many other things practised by Muslims on the basis of Islamic scripture, such as theocratic death penalties and hand amputation, child marriage, FGM and so on are worthy of dislike, indeed utter condemnation.

There is evidence of racism in Islamic scripture. Mohammed is recorded as keeping black slaves, and regarded them as inferior, and of half the value of non-black slaves: *There came a slave and pledged allegiance to Allah's Apostle on migration; he (the Holy Prophet) did not know that he was a slave. Then there came his master and demanded him back, whereupon Allah's Apostle said: Sell him to me. And he bought him for two black slaves...* Sahih Muslim 3901. See Slavery on [TROP website](#).



## Women

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Islam does not respect equality between women and men. Under Islam, women are regarded as the property of men. A Muslim man can have sexual intercourse with the women he owns or controls. If his sex slave is already married, it is not regarded as adultery. A wife cannot refuse her husband; she does not control her fertility — he does. The husband determines what she does and how many children she has: Koran 2:223.

Over a century ago [Sir Winston Churchill](#) wrote: *“The fact that in Mohammedan law every woman must belong to some man as his absolute property – either as a child, a wife, or a concubine – must delay the final extinction of slavery until the faith of Islam has ceased to be a great power among men.”* Politicians today will not speak or write about Islam in such an honest way. No doubt they would be expelled from their political party for “Islamophobia” if they did.

The suppression of Muslim women is scriptural: Mohammed stated that women are “deficient in intelligence and religion”. The testimony of women is worth half that of men: a rapist can accuse his victim of seducing him, and he is let off while she may be stoned for adultery.

Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) is rife in Islamic nations, and in Muslim communities in Western nations. UNICEF (2016) estimates 200,000,000 — one in twenty — women and girls alive today have undergone the procedure. [End FGM European Network](#) estimates that 137,000 girls and women are living with FGM in the UK; the House of Commons Home Affairs Committee (2014-2015) estimates the figure at 170,000.

The Koran permits marriage between first cousins, resulting in a 13-fold increase in recessive genetic disorders and related disabilities than in the non-Muslim population, which avoid it. First cousin marriage should be made illegal. That the Koran states such marriages are permissible makes it unlikely that Sharia will ever halt it. It also permits sex slavery:

*Koran 33:50 O Prophet! Lo! We have made lawful unto thee thy wives unto whom thou hast paid their dowries, and **those whom thy right hand possesseth of those whom Allah hath given thee as spoils of war, and the daughters of thine uncle on the father's side and the daughters of thine aunts on the father's side, and the daughters of thine uncle on the mother's side and the daughters of thine aunts on the mother's side who emigrated with thee...***

## “Grooming” Gangs

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In the UK an estimated 19,000 girls were raped by Muslim gangs in 2019.

<https://www.jihadwatch.org/2019/12/uk-official-figures-show-muslim-rape-gangs-exploited-19000-children-in-past-year-actual-figure-may-be-much-higher>

The [Home Office report](#) on the “grooming” gangs lacks honesty: the embarrassing reality is not their ethnicity, but that they are almost entirely Muslims. Islamic scripture permits Muslim men to have sexual intercourse with women and girls whom they own: *“(the captives) that your right hands possess”*. Look up Koran 4:3, 4:24-25, 33:50, 70:30, 23:6. These verses have not been abrogated and so are relevant today.

This issue has been raised in courts of law. Why do non-Muslim judges in the UK disregard the evidence of Islamic scriptures, and the testimony of ex-Muslims? Evidently such judges are not interested in determining *the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth*. If they were real truth-seekers rather than propagandists for a particular political opinion, they would not be so dismissive when verifiable facts are presented to them.

At Canterbury Crown Court (May 2018), Judge Heather Norton criticised Tommy Robinson for using the phrase “Muslim child rapists”. In another case, at a hearing at the Old Bailey, a [report](#) dated the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019 states:

*“... he [Tommy Robinson] gave graphic and disturbing examples of other historic sexual offences committed by Muslim men; and suggested that ‘sexual slaves’ are permitted, if not encouraged, by Islam as a religion.”*

Why can’t these judges look up the scriptural references for themselves, rather than being prejudiced in favour of Islam? The information is freely available. Islam is of necessity a fundamentalist religion. There can be no “moderate”, contextual interpretation of the phrase “right hands possess”. It clearly refers to women owned by Muslim men, whom they can rape. We must strive to speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. It is deeply concerning that the courts are attempting to suppress the true root of the Muslim rape gangs — namely, the teachings of the Koran and the acts of Mohammed. With so many girls raped by Muslim gangs, it is extremely irresponsible for those in authority, including the courts, to continue to deny the truth. The Church is also enabling Islam and hence child abuse. Jesus: millstones.

## Deluded Judges

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It has become apparent, from the pronouncements by various judges, that there is widespread ignorance about the reality of Islam within the judiciary. They should be determined to discover *the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth*. Why is their knowledge of Islam so lamentably poor? Particularly for those judges who are trying cases of Jihad violence and Muslim grooming gangs, a knowledge of Islam should be a prerequisite — they should study Islam first! If you know of any such judges, please order copies of this book and send them one.

See this significant article on the *Gates of Vienna* website: *The Lamentable Shortcomings of Some English Judges and Senior Lawyers*

<https://gatesofvienna.net/2019/06/the-lamentable-shortcomings-of-some-english-judges-and-senior-lawyers/>

Here are some quotes from the article:

“Mr. Justice Sweeney presided over the trial in 2014 of the killers of Lee Rigby. One of them was Mujaahid Abu Hamza, formerly Michael Adebolajo, from Nigeria. He had converted to Islam and had been mentored and trained by Anjem Choudary. A diligent student of Islam, he had prepared from the Koran a list of some thirty-one Islamic [scriptural authorisations](#) and commands for the killing of non-Muslims, which he handed to a passer-by after the gruesome murder...

He [Judge Sweeney] exposed his lack of knowledge in [what he said](#) to the defendants:

*You each converted to Islam some years ago. Thereafter you were radicalised and each became an extremist — espousing a cause and views which, as has been said elsewhere, are a betrayal of Islam and of the peaceful Muslim communities who give so much to our country.*

At that point the two defendants howled and shouted in protest, knowing, as they did and the judge did not, that what they had done was not a betrayal at all, but a dutiful fulfilment of Islam’s commands.”

See also this article: *The Koranic Basis for the Murder of Lee Rigby*

<https://gatesofvienna.net/2013/12/the-koranic-basis-for-the-murder-of-lee-rigby/>

## Islam is Fundamentalist

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It is now necessary to prove that Islam is of necessity fundamentalist, with no real scope for other interpretations. The Koran itself demands that Islam be interpreted as a fundamentalist religion. There can therefore be no such thing as “moderate Islam”. Those Muslims who think this is possible are either deceiving themselves or are seeking to deceive non-Muslims. In proof that Islam can only be fundamentalist, see this verse as an example:

*Koran 3:7 He it is Who hath revealed unto thee (Muhammad) the Scripture wherein are clear revelations - they are the substance of the Book - and others (which are) allegorical. But those in whose hearts is doubt pursue, forsooth, that which is allegorical seeking (to cause) dissension by seeking to explain it. None knoweth its explanation save Allah. And those who are of sound instruction say: We believe therein; the whole is from our Lord; but only men of understanding really heed.*

In other words, this entire paragraph states that no interpretation is necessary and that all verses must be taken as they are written. Literally! A fundamental Islam is the only permissible Islam, according to the Koran itself.

Historically, strife in the West has largely resolved such matters. Islam is dragging us backwards! Philosopher John Locke, an influential Enlightenment thinker, wrote in 1683 AD: [Locke: A Letter Concerning Toleration](#) *‘The toleration of those that differ from others in matters of religion is so agreeable to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to the genuine reason of mankind, that it seems monstrous for men to be so blind as not to perceive the necessity and advantage of it in so clear a light... I esteem it above all things necessary to distinguish exactly the business of civil government from that of religion and to settle the just bounds that lie between the one and the other. If this be not done, there can be no end put to the controversies that will be always arising between those that have, or at least pretend to have, on the one side, a concernment for the interest of men's souls, and, on the other side, a care of the commonwealth.*

## Homosexuality

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The Koran (literally, ‘recitation’) alone is not responsible for Muslim attitudes to homosexuality. If we are to account for the barbaric treatment of homosexual men in, for example, Iran or Saudi Arabia, then it is to the Hadiths and the Sharia (‘path’ or ‘way’) which derives from it, rather than just to the Koran itself, that we need to turn. In the words of Peter Townsend:

*“Homosexuality is seen not only as morally reprehensible by Islamic law but as a very serious crime that should be severely punished. The four Sunni and the Shi’a legal schools differ in terms of the exact nature of this punishment, but none of them proposes a tolerant live and let live attitude. It is, in fact, difficult to see how devout Muslims could ever come to a place of acceptance and tolerance given the vigorously homophobic attitudes expressed in the Qur’an and hadiths.”* [Peter Townsend (2014) *QUESTIONING ISLAM: Tough Questions & Honest Answers about the Muslim Religion*. Sydney, Australia.]

**The Koran 7:80.** This is one of four occasions which recounts the story of Lut (Lot): each time the sin of the people of Lut’s city is identified as homosexuality, and they are destroyed by having fire and brimstone rained down on them.

**Sahih Bukhari 7:72:774.** Mohammed cursed effeminate men, and ordered that they be thrown out.

**Abu Dawud 38:4447.** The Prophet said: If you find anyone doing as Lut’s people did, kill the one who does it, and the one to whom it is done.

**Abu Dawud 38:4448.** If a man who is not married is seized committing sodomy, he will be stoned to death.

Sharia law is **revealed law** and is both ‘religious’ and ‘political’. In our century, there are increasing calls for compliance with the Sharia throughout the West — and make no mistake — this is a call for non-Muslims to comply with its terms, too. It applies to everyone: Muslim and non-Muslim. This infringes modern principles of human rights.

The traditional means of execution is to throw the gay man down from a tall building, or bury him under stones. Iran hangs gay men. They are doing the will of Allah, according to Islamic scripture.

## Apostasy

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Leaving your religion is called *apostasy*. For most religions the consequences are fairly mild: being ostracised from your former co-religionists is probably the worst of these. However, leaving Islam demands the death penalty, under Sharia law. Where it takes place in a non-Islamic country, then being ostracised is just the start. Ex-Muslims in the UK have been threatened and indeed physically attacked. We should do everything we can to be supportive of such ex-Muslims, because they have a legal and moral right to protection from coercion and harm, and because they are courageous, seeking the freedom to live a good and decent life. It is doubly difficult for them — they have to leave their family and former friends. They might have been living inside the Islam bubble, with little experience of life outside it, and they may not know who to turn to for help. Nor who to trust.

Shamefully there has been a case where an [ex-Muslim convert to Christianity](#) sought help from the Church, for himself and his family but received very little help in response. It seems that because the Church is trying to befriend Islam, find common ground, “pray with one voice” and permitting the Koran to be preached in churches and cathedrals, the existence of converts is an embarrassment.

Unfortunately the mainstream Church seems to have lost its way, repeatedly pandering to Islam. As such, it appears to be not only useless for ex-Muslim Christians who ask for help, but counterproductive. In one case, Nissar Hussain, [a convert was given short shrift by the Archbishop of Canterbury](#), and told by a Bishop that the Church didn't want converts to the Church [“like him” implied]. Such rejection deters Muslims from trying to join the Church, and leaves them isolated and vulnerable. It acts as a barrier, a disincentive, for Muslims to convert to Christianity.

Fortunately, there is an organisation that does provide help: the Council of Ex-Muslims of Britain (CEMB). <https://www.ex-muslim.org.uk/> From the description on their website, they are supportive of all ex-Muslims, whether they convert to another faith, or are atheist or agnostic.

There is a political party in the UK that very much welcomes ex-Muslims, and indeed welcomes people who are concerned about Islam and its detrimental effect on our traditional freedoms and values. The name of the party is **For Britain**. It is one of the very few registered political parties that does not pander to Islam: <https://www.forbritain.uk/>

## Nikah Halala

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There is a practice called “Nikah Halala” within Islam that is both bizarre and immoral. In Islam a husband is allowed to divorce his wife simply by saying “talaq” to her three times. Thus, in the eyes of Allah and the Islamic community their marriage is over. Even if he said it while angry and afterwards regretted it, the divorce is enacted.

The method of reversing this is called “Nikah Halala”, and is stipulated within the Koran: *Koran 2:230 And if he hath divorced her (the third time), then she is not lawful unto him thereafter until she hath wedded another husband. Then if he (the other husband) divorce her it is no sin for both of them that they come together again if they consider that they are able to observe the limits of Allah. These are the limits of Allah. He manifesteth them for people who have knowledge.*

An investigation by the BBC found that this is practised in the UK. The going rate for the “service” is £2,500, as discussed in this BBC documentary: *“Halala: The Men Who Sell Divorce An exclusive investigation by the Asian Network has found online services charging divorced Muslim women thousands of pounds to take part in sham Islamic marriages.”* Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TlvNMIIlMWhw> Women who want to re-marry their husband must first marry another man — then wait for him to divorce her before she can again marry her original husband. The “service” is typically performed by the Imam, according to the BBC report. It is a degrading procedure, and without any guarantee that the temporary husband will in fact divorce her in a timely manner, if at all. She effectively becomes a sex slave. And pays for it too! Islam really is bizarre and cruel.

Note that the documentary states that it is only a small minority who believe in Halala. The others cannot have read the Koran very carefully; Koran 2:230 clearly describes and mandates the procedure. This verse has not been abrogated, and is thus still completely relevant today.

This treatment of women must surely be regarded as cruel and unusual treatment under the Universal Declarations of Human Rights. Given that such rights seem to be routinely ignored by Sharia courts operating in the UK, the Government should make Nikah Halala specifically illegal. It should also ban Sharia courts entirely, as they are discriminatory particularly against women — although the politicians currently in office may be too timid to even suggest doing so.

# Animal Cruelty

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The [RSPCA](#) and the [British Veterinary Association](#) oppose non-stun slaughter. We must take heed of the advice of the animal welfare experts, and use the best available techniques recommended by them. It is an avoidable cruelty to farm animals. The throat of the animal is severed with a knife, without any attempt to mitigate the pain and distress. Some Halal abattoirs do use pre-stunning; however it is the grossly inadequate “stun to stun” method, rather than the method used in non-religious abattoirs, which is “stun to kill”. Legislation is urgently required, to mandate the most effective technology currently available be used in **all** abattoirs, without exception for religious traditions. No civilised society should permit this wanton cruelty. The current legislation gives exemptions from the humane treatment of farm animals for religions, but also states that religiously slaughtered meat is “intended for” consumption only by the followers of these religions. This is widely ignored. Halal dishes served to non-Muslims add significantly to overall cruelty. A quick initial piece of legislation could be put in place, preventing the sale of non-stunned meat to non-Muslim customers.

Not only meat is Halal certified — so are bread and other foods as well as cosmetics. It is a trillion dollar global market. Halal certification authorities are effectively collecting the Zakat tax. Koran 9:60 indicates that 1/8<sup>th</sup> of the Zakat tax must go “for the cause of Allah” which includes subverting non-Islamic countries and for violent Jihad.

It is all so unnecessary. Muslims can eat non-Halal meat if there is uncertainty (though if they know it is pork it is not acceptable); they just need to say a prayer over it before eating — Koran 5:5. This being so, it would appear that the Halal certification scheme is a massive money-making con trick. Gullible non-Muslims have gone along with it, presumably out of fear that they may be labelled as somehow racist, if they stand up for decent values and oppose animal cruelty, oppose the subversion of their countries by an intolerant totalitarian ideology, and are oppose violent jihad. Jonathan Bartley is co-leader of the Green Party of England and Wales. He wrote a [grovelling letter of apology](#) to the Muslim Council of Britain, after he said that Halal should be banned: *“I also wish to make clear that my comments were not reflective of Green Party policy. The Green Party is committed to protecting the rights of religious expression, including Halal slaughter.”* Does he know that murdering infidels - Koran 8:12 - is also a form of religious expression?



## Scientific Absurdities

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There are numerous scientific absurdities within Islamic scripture. The information supposedly revealed to Mohammed was absurd even by the standards of the 7<sup>th</sup> century, let alone by modern standards. For example, the Koran states that the sun sets in a muddy spring. I have had the surreal experience of pointing out to a Muslim that the sun is around a million times larger than the Earth, so this would not be possible. Of course if the sun came close to the earth the spring would boil away, as would all of the rivers and oceans. I was unable to convince him, as he preferred to believe the Koran:

*Koran 18:85-86 And he followed a road Till, when he reached the setting-place of the sun, he found it setting in a muddy spring, and found a people thereabout. We said: O Dhu'l-Qarneyn! Either punish or show them kindness.*

The Koran states that the moon was split in two. Modern science has dated the moon to several billion years old. Of course, it has experienced numerous large impacts, but if it had been observed splitting by Mohammed 14 centuries ago, such a massive event would have been observed and recorded around the world — and it has not been. The Koran cannot be trusted:

*Koran 54:1 The hour drew nigh and the moon was rent in twain.*

The times of prayer are defined according to the times of sunrise and sunset. What times should the prayers be if the sun does not rise or set? As would be the case for Muslims living north of the Arctic Circle, where the winter sun does not rise, and the summer sun does not set. I pointed this problem out to a devout Muslim. He replied that scholars had worked out some rules. The problem then, of course is that such rules are man-made. The rules of Allah are supposed to take precedence over man-made rules. If Allah was all-knowing, then he would surely have known about the Arctic Circle. If he was wise, he should have revealed to Mohammed some special rules for prayer times in that region.

The fact that there are numerous scientific absurdities in the Koran clearly demonstrates that Allah was not all-knowing or wise. Islam is not compatible with the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

# Israel

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The foundation of the modern State of Israel in 1948 was met with much hostility in the Islamic world. Israel is a modern, thriving democratic country, producing innovative ideas and products and scientific advancement. It puts the Islamic countries to shame.

Recently (2020) several Islamic nations have agreed to normalise relations with Israel. This is a welcome positive step. However, some countries, Iran in particular, still wish to see Israel destroyed and Jewish people exterminated. Where do such ideas come from?

Islam heavily borrowed from Judaism and other religions from the earliest time of its existence — the verses in the Koran from the Meccan period refer to Jewish prophets. However, particularly during the Medinan period, Jewish scholars refused to acknowledge Mohammed as a genuine prophet. His anger at this resulted in their massacre or expulsion. Such anger and hatred against Jews has continued throughout Islamic history.

Yet, paradoxically, there is a glimmer of hope from within the Koran itself. In numerous verses that have not been abrogated, the existence of the State of Israel is mandated. The prophet Moses is described, leading the Children of Israel out of bondage in Egypt and eventually bringing them to the Promised Land — which is of course Israel. If only we could persuade Islamic clerics that such verses are still valid today, then maybe all Islamic nations would normalise relations with Israel? Ideally they would abandon the Koran entirely, however politics is the art of the possible, and any step in the right direction would be welcomed.

Full details are in the book *“Israel Justified Within the Koran”* available via: [hellish2050.com](http://hellish2050.com)

*Koran 10:93 And We verily did allot unto the Children of Israel a fixed abode, and did provide them with good things;*

*Koran 17:104 And We said unto the Children of Israel after him: Dwell in the land; but when the promise of the Hereafter cometh to pass We shall bring you as a crowd gathered out of various nations.*

We do need to carefully examine Islamic scriptures, so that we can find the highly significant verses such as these. Clerics cannot hide them!

## Sobering Facts

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Mainstream Islamic scripture permits, and indeed demands, violent Jihad attacks against non-Muslims. Mohammed, the “perfect man”, undertook many such Jihad attacks himself. Why then, do Muslims in non-Muslim countries not attack on a daily basis? They do not need to! The political parties have largely caved in already, with relatively few attacks. Islam is patient: demographics are far more potent than bombs. Non-Islamic countries are regarded as Dar al-Harb (the land of war), in which it is the duty of Muslims to strive for Islam to gain control. This striving can include appearing to be moderate and peaceful while their numbers are small. Deceiving non-Muslims is an established technique.

- Two thirds of British Muslims would NOT report a terrorist [[ICM poll, 2016](#)]
- 52% of British Muslims say [homosexuality should be banned](#).
- 35% of young Muslims in Britain believe suicide bombings are justified (24% of Muslims overall). [Pew Research, 2007]. In other words, the problem of lack of integration is getting worse, not improving.
- 27% of [British Muslims](#) do not support the deportation of Islamic extremists preaching violence and hate.
- About 1 in 5 Muslim students in Britain (18%) would not report a fellow Muslim planning a terror attack. [Federation of Student Islamic Societies].
- 25% of British Muslims disagree that a Muslim has an obligation to report terrorists to police. [ICM Poll].
- 16% of British Muslims believe suicide attacks against Israelis are justified. [Populus Poll, 2006].
- 37% of British Muslims believe Jews in Britain are a “legitimate target”. [The Times, 2006].
- 37% of 16 to 24 year old Muslims said they would prefer Sharia law, against 17% of those over 55. [Policy Exchange, 2007].
- 62% of British Muslims say freedom of speech shouldn't be protected [NOP Research]. See also [more polls](#).

**270 MILLION ! This is the estimate of the numbers killed due to Islamic Jihad over the last 14 centuries. This estimate may be on the low side. Other estimates give as many as 600 million.** The 270 million figure comprises 120 million Africans, 60 million Christians, 80 million Hindus and 10 million Buddhists. Reference YouTube watch: [Why We Are Afraid, A 1400 Year Secret by Dr Bill Warner](#)

## Deradicalisation Programmes

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Time after time, terrorists who have been through deradicalisation programmes go on to commit terrorist acts. Why should this be any surprise whatsoever, given that Islam permits Muslims to be deceitful? They seemingly easily fool the security services into believing they have become reformed with tragic consequences. See: *“UK: Muslim jailed for encouraging Jihad massacres had attended ‘deradicalization’ program”* <https://www.jihadwatch.org/2020/11/uk-muslim-jailed-for-encouraging-jihad-massacres-had-attended-deradicalization-program>

This article gives links to 13 examples of such failings. Surely the security services would know by now that these programmes do not work? The author, [Robert Spencer](#), is highly knowledgeable about Islam and has written numerous books. After 9/11 (2001) he was a trainer on Islam for the US military and for the FBI. In 2013 he was banned from entering the UK, by the then Home Secretary Theresa May. He states: *“The whole premise of “deradicalization” is that Islam is a religion of peace that jihadis misunderstand, twist, and hijack. Since that is a false premise, and warfare against unbelievers is actually taught in the Qur’an and Sunnah, “deradicalization” focuses on other issues, such as “anger issues” that the jihadi may have, his feelings of “alienation,” and the like. But since none of that changes what the Qur’an and Sunnah say about warfare against unbelievers, it doesn’t “deradicalize” the jihadi at all. A British psychologist behind a “deradicalization” scheme has [admitted](#) that there’s no guarantee that jihadis can ever be “cured.”*

See: *“UK: Psychologist behind 'deradicalization' scheme says there’s no guarantee jihadis can ever be 'cured'”*

<https://www.jihadwatch.org/2020/01/uk-psychologist-behind-deradicalization-scheme-says-theres-no-guarantee-jihadis-can-ever-be-cured>

Such schemes must seem insulting and patronising to Muslims, as they imply that non-Muslims know more about Islam than do Muslims who have studied it for years. There is something that has not yet been tried: it is bizarre that Jihadis in prison are able to have access to the very scriptures that persuaded them to be Jihadis initially. All such scriptures must be confiscated. They should ONLY be allowed copies of **The Peace Koran**, from which the Islamised, violent, pro-Jihad Medina period chapters have been removed. Printed copies are available in English, French, and Arabic: <https://www.lulu.com/spotlight/Hellish2050/>

## Why Muslims Leave Islam

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The testimony of ex-Muslims is powerful indeed. They have studied Islam, lived it, and for a time believed it and defended it. They really do know what they are talking about. Look up on YouTube “**Why I left Islam**”, and you will find many ex-Muslims giving powerful testimony. See also the book: <https://www.lulu.com/spotlight/Hellish2050/>

Mohammed is regarded by Muslims as the perfect man. This supposedly perfect man kept sex slaves, as is well documented in mainstream Islamic scriptures. One significant reason why Muslims turn away from Islam is that they find its teachings morally repugnant. Ex-Muslim scholar and former preacher Ishmael has stated one of the reasons he left Islam:

*“[because of] the Koran and Mohammed, and their teachings on moral standards and conduct. You see, over the past few years I have found that I am no longer able to defend the Koran and especially Mohammed's morals and conduct. In the past I have done my best to defend Islam and in particular to defend Mohammed from the claims and charges made against him. I tried my best to love Mohammed, and I can prove that I stood up for him and defended him many times... As shocking as it may seem, both the Koran and Mohammed teach that it's permissible, Halal, to capture and rape female war captives, even if these women are married and their non-Muslim husbands are still alive. [i.e., it is not regarded as adultery in this case] So let's investigate the Islamic sources to see what they say: The Koran ...informs Muslim men about the categories of women who they are forbidden ... 'except those whom your right hands possess'.”*

*“No sane person in his or her right mind could defend the Koran and Mohammed on this issue. This is nothing more than legalised rape of married women, and I cannot believe that this is from God. So therefore I am rejecting the Koran and Mohammed on this issue. Now you have some idea why I left Islam.”*

Ishmael is courageous — the penalty for leaving Islam is death. See his video: “[Why I left Islam](#)”, on YouTube channel “[Don'tConvert2Islam](#)“. Forcing a religion upon someone with threats of violence itself demonstrates the weakness of that religion, not its strength.

## Signs of Hope?

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In theory at least, Islam should not be able to survive the Internet age. The scientific and technological progress that the non-Islamic world has made is far in advance now of the Islamic world. And this difference in progress also extends into social, legal, and governmental areas, artistic and creative endeavours, and the sphere of rights and responsibilities. The freedom of thought and freedom of expression that propels such progress struggle to exist when constrained by Islam.

Even in the more repressive Islamic nations there is hope. I asked someone from Iran to estimate what percentage of people there are strongly religious. He estimated around 10%. It does seem extraordinary that this 10% of fanatics is able to control the remaining 90%. And yet it is not without historic precedent. In 1930s Germany the percentage of fanatical Nazis was somewhere around this figure, and they were [able to control the whole population](#). The mechanism of control is of course fear. If that large majority could put its fear to one side and work together in a co-ordinated way, then extremists could not prevail.

While there are courageous people in Iran who are resisting Islamic despotism, the sad irony is that in so many Western nations there are hardly any public figures who speak honestly about the threat of Islam itself. After every Jihadi terrorist attack [prominent politicians](#) will deny that there is any linkage with Islam. They claim that true Islam is peaceful, and that the attacker has a distorted understanding of it. Such an assertion is clearly bizarre — the Jihadi will have spent years studying the Koran and other scriptures, whereas the politician may have barely glanced at them, and will have no understanding of which verses are abrogated by which other verses. Politicians should read this book!

The hope in Western nations is that the general public is becoming increasingly knowledgeable about Islam. At this rate of increase in understanding it will no longer be possible for politicians to be elected unless they demonstrate an accurate understanding of Islam, and a willingness to speak honestly about it. The hope must be that the democratic process can resolve the problem. If it cannot, then the West may well enter a period of extreme strife and blood-soaked turmoil.

Time is rapidly running out, if we are to save Western civilisation from Islam. We should all do what we can to avert tragedy, in this existential crisis. **You must help too: send a copy of this book to all your contacts.**