

Yankee Steve's Column
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The Koran and the End of Civilization

Egypt remains to this day one of the most mysterious and with that one of the most unusual places in the world.

Those who live in the land of the Pharaohs have much to be proud of, not the least of which is the fact that their country once housed the greatest library in the world, a library so large that its enemies needed six months to burn it.

Among other written masterpieces, the works of Aristarchus of Samos (who theorized that the earth revolved around the sun 13 centuries before Copernicus) became tinder in the city's bathhouses. A library that had been a gift to the world from the family of Cleopatra was criminally and willfully reduced to ashes.

Who would do such a thing? I will tell you who.

Egypt is not only the land of pyramids as mausoleums and mummies; it is the land of mosques and Muslims.

We can date the conflagration. In the year 640 A.D., Muslims rode into Egypt on a mission from God. But those guys were not Jake and Elwood, the Blues Brothers - this was *jihad* which rhymes with "sad" and "bad." Any book in the library that agreed with the *Koran* (or *Qur'an*), the Muslim holy book, was deemed superfluous; any that deviated from it would have to be destroyed.

There could only be one way of looking at the world, the Muslim way. Long before Jean-Jacques Rousseau dream of the idea of reorienting society toward a whole new outlook, the Muslims with swords flashing put the people of the world on notice that it must rethink its perspective.

Jihad brought change. Egypt would need to learn a new language. Arabic, the language of the Bedouin raider and mercenary, replaced their ancient tongue which explains why the Egyptian culture began to decline. Language and culture are inseparable.

By show of arms the Egyptians were forced to adopt a new way of speaking and writing so that they could read in the original the words of an illiterate prophet named Mohammed, whose fearful tirades and blood-curdling rants have been etched into the hearts of Islamic terrorists. Mohammed left behind a religion that is both humorless and cruel and one that only the most credulous could embrace.

The Koran

Should you spend time reading the *Koran*? It would be a desolate day at the library. Instead read Charles Dickens. He along with Lord Ashley Earl of Shaftesbury [1801-85] was responsible for the revival of kindness in modern times. Wouldn't you know it? They believed in Jesus.

The lapsed Christian Thomas Carlyle, who by all accounts ended up as an atheist, would have praised the *Koran* had he been able to, but after reading it registered this complaint,

I must say, it [the Koran] is as toilsome reading as I ever undertook. A wearisome confused jumble, crude, incondite; endless iterations, long-windedness, entanglement; most crude, incondite; - insupportable stupidity, in short! Nothing but a sense of duty could carry any European through the Koran . . .

You may not believe it, but this is the book that U.S. soldiers in Guantanamo Bay were not allowed to touch. Muslim detainees feared that that if they handled the Koran that they would **contaminate** it.

I consider it interesting the men who feared such pollution were themselves murderers and terrorists. Is there any one more self-righteous than a Muslim? Islam's attitude toward America and the rest of the world goes back this one thing - it views all non-Muslims as infidels.

The Muslim is the consummate Pharisee. He enters his mosque which is off-limits to women for Friday prayers and says, "I thank you Allah that I am not like other men, like those Christians . . ."

What baffled America's founding fathers was the hostility Islam showed toward the fledgling nation. Future Presidents Thomas Jefferson and John Adams discovered the reason for their hostility. The hostility, Adams remarked,

. . . was founded on the Laws of their Prophet, that it was written in their Koran, that all nations who should not have acknowledged their authority were sinners, that it was their right and duty to make war upon them wherever they could be found, and to make slaves of all they could take as Prisoners, and that every Musselman (Muslim) who should be slain in Battle was sure to go to Paradise.

In order for Muslims to justify their attitudes and actions toward those of us who live in the West they must see us as sinners. If they did not, they would have to feel shame for their actions like the exploitation of the West carried out by Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), most of whose members are Muslims.

People from this same religion are now trying to build a mosque near Ground Zero. If I were a Muslim, I would hole up in a cave somewhere like Mohammed hid from the town fathers of

Mecca who reacted to his priggishness. However he later compromised and allowed the residents of Mecca to keep one of their idols, the venerated Kaaba or Black Stone.

After preaching righteousness to others, Mohammed began to live a life of debauchery and bloodletting. He offered his followers a paradise that is more a brothel than the dwelling place of angels. Still he felt no shame. Alas dear reader, if I were a Muslim I would be ashamed just for the fact that Mohammed was the prophet of Islam.

Muslims after acting like barbarians on every continent and throughout history are telling us in the West that their cause is a righteous one. They even want us to think that Islam has no agenda, no desire to plant a minaret in every city and town in the world. Facts deny this. Mosques in America have trebled during the last 30 years. They now number 1,203, eighty percent of which are paid for by Saudis who are trying to bring about the end of civilization as we know it.

These mosques are the nose of the camel in the tent of the Bedouin.

Would you believe it, the Muslims in southern Spain are at this very moment lobbying the Bishop of Cordoba so that they can share the cathedral and use it for Muslim services? I like what the Bishop replied, "Sharing a church with a mosque is like a man sharing his wife with another man." Now I ask you in the light of what the Bishop said, "What should we think of a religious congregation in St. Charles, Missouri, that for some time now has been allowing Muslims to use its facilities for a mosque?"

By the way Cordoba is the name they have given to the mosque they are trying to build by Ground Zero. Doesn't that tell you something? They just don't give up do they? They have marked out the area around Ground Zero for themselves. 9/11 was in their eyes a victory.

France has again been invaded. This time it is not the Nazis. Now the French have to deal with Muslim militants. The problem is real. Entire streets are shut for Muslim prayers. There is a politically incorrect book circulating through France now that looks ahead to the time when the Cathedral of Notre Dame will be turned into a mosque. Instead of the bells of Notre Dame ringing out the French will be forced to listen to that dreary wail that issues incessantly from minarets throughout the Middle East, a part of the world made moribund by Islam's prophet.

My complaint with Islam is not that it wants its daughters to remain chaste. Christians want the same thing.

Or that its people refuse to use alcohol and drugs. This makes good sense.

Or that it believes that religious life is the best life. Many would agree that a secular society will in time become an ailing society.

My complaint is that the religion of Islam is humorless (I have never seen a Muslim smile), and that it breeds self-righteousness and group paranoia, which in turn allows some of the worst people in the world to actually think that God approves of actions that are indefensible.

Western Civilization: Its Demise and Downturn

The *Koran* is contaminated, not our soldiers. **What is true in the Koran is not original; what is original is not true.**

Nevertheless the Koran is powerful; without assistance from any other written work it could bring civilization as we know it to a standstill. If the Koran ever replaces the Bible as the book that Americans place on their coffee tables (which in most cases collect dust in some upstairs closet) our civilization like the ancient Egyptian will begin to falter.

General George Patton wrote in his memoirs that the Muslims of North Africa didn't even know how to plow correctly. The reason for this backwardness, he commented, could only be traced to their religion. A people rise no higher than the religion they espouse will let them.

Our civilization (especially in America) rests its great weight on four pillars. These are the supremacy and pervasiveness of teachings that are found in the Bible, the independent and self-governing spirit of the Anglo-Saxon, Greek Science which is self-correcting, and last but not least, Greek Democracy and the rule of the many. It is significant is it not, *not one* of the four supporting pillars that have resulted in the betterment of Western man can be found in the *Koran*.

Western man owes no debt of gratitude to Islam, its prophet, or its holy book. **We would be where we are now** had we never heard of the one religion that more than any other has been responsible for so much scientific retardation and bloodshed. As far as the West and the progress of humankind are concerned Mohammed and Islam did not need to exist. I will go further, it should not have happened.

This is the place to ask, "Should we burn the Koran like the Muslim caliphs burnt the works of Leucippus and Virgil?" No!

"Should a congregation I have heard about in Florida set aside a day for a Koran-burning?" No!

We are not book-burners. Still and all we should be wary of the Koran, for where it goes civilization always suffers setbacks.

Tolerance and good will, a respect for individuality, the progress of learning, universal suffrage, and many other things we should hold on to have come to us from that part of the world which has up until now resisted Islam, which met it head on in the Battle of Tours in 732 A.D., and later ousted it from Spain when in the year 1236 A.D. it returned the Cordoba mosque to a church.

This meant that the people of Spain had returned church property to its rightful and original owner because Christianity is older than Islam. Mohammed was a 7th century johnny-come-lately, an impostor whose name in Arabic translates as “Messiah,” but who was never raised from the dead as was the real Messiah and whose death and glorious resurrection was predicted in the Old Testament [Psalms 16, Isaiah 53:10, etc.]. In the New Testament, the honorable apostles, the witnesses of Christ’s crucifixion and resurrection, realized that these two events set Him apart from any charlatans. This explains why Mohammed denied these crucial events in Jesus Christ’s life as well as His divinity.

Those same apostles, if they lived now in Arabia the birthplace of Mohammed, would have to incur the wrath of the Islamic religious police which boasts that Arabia has now been completely evangelized Muslim-style; there is not one church or one practicing Jew.

Be assured that what they have accomplished in Arabia, they will duplicate in America and around the world IF WE LET THEM AND SHAME ON US IF WE DO.

Ever yours,

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