

A theology of hatred and violence

Introduction

Only the Christian religion has such high moral standards that it demands followers of Christ to love their enemies (Matt 5:44), to do good to those that hate them (Matt 5:44), to return good for evil (Rm 12:21), to forgive others time without number (Matt 18:21-22) and to even lay down their lives for others (Jn 15:13).

Some heathen religions, understanding something of the work of the law of God in their conscience through creation, avoid any form of killing or inflicting suffering – even of insects; such as Jainism. Some promote moral rectitude through honour and respect, such as Confucianism. Some others avoid violence in a lesser way such as by the principle of inaction (Taoism) or meditation leading to nothingness and elimination of desire (Buddhism).

One religion, however, differs from most other faiths by focusing upon hatred of non-members and violence towards all those that don't submit to it. That is Islam.

While religions such as Christianity affirm uniqueness and one way to salvation – but tolerate the existence of other religions, Islam affirms uniqueness but denies that any other religion can be allowed to exist.

Any religion other than Islam is not acceptable.

Qur'an 3:85.

Due to the oft-repeated lie ('*taqiyya*')¹ that Islam is a religion of peace this subject needs unpacking.

Concise comparison of religions regarding violence

Religion	Attitude to violence	Comment
Christianity: evangelicalism.	Forbidden.	Wars attributed to Christians were mainly due to political opportunism by professing believers. No real Christian can kill a human being. Religious wars are few. E.g. Thirty Years War where 'Christian' German princes were forced to defend their countries from invading forces. Violent persecution was not enacted by true Christians. E.g. the Inquisition was conducted by occultic, crypto-Jews in leadership. Witch trials were performed by fake Christians for money and power.
Christianity: Charismatic.	Forbidden.	
Christianity: Catholic.	Generally forbidden. Violence was historically applied to heretics.	
Christianity: Episcopalian.	Forbidden; allowed if a just war.	
Christianity: Baptist.	Forbidden; allowed if a just war.	
Christianity: Methodist.	Forbidden.	
Christian sects (e.g. Mormonism, JWs, Christadelphians etc.).	Generally follow mainstream denominations.	
Quakerism.	Forbidden.	Quakers were noted for pacifism.
Judaism.	Accepted in a just war. There was no Jewish army from the Roman revolt until modern Israel.	Modern Talmudic Judaism manifests violence in Israeli political strategies.
Hinduism.	Focus on karma. Accepted if a just war.	Hindus don't tend to start wars but

¹ Islam teaches that Muslims can deceive kafirs. This is called '*taqiyya*'. Muhammad said that jihad is deceit.

		have often been the victims of them. However, they have exhibited violent customs, e.g. suttee and have engaged in brutal revolts (e.g. Indian Mutiny).
Jainism.	Totally forbidden.	
Taoism.	Avoid. Focus on inaction.	
Confucianism.	Focus on honour and respect. Accepted if a just war.	
Buddhism.	Avoid. Focus on eradicating desire.	Do not tend to start wars.
Zen Buddhism.	Focus on nothingness.	
Shinto.	Allowed if it affects the honour of the emperor or ancestors.	
Baha'i.	Focus on world peace.	

Summary of Islam

Allah Is the only god.	Muhammad Is the supreme prophet of Allah..	The Qur'an Is the divine revelation of Allah.	The world Must be subjected to Allah through jihad.
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Source of violence: the sacred demand for jihad

Islam is 91% violence, 9% peace; according to sacred texts.

The reason for Islam's violent history is found in Islamic teaching. The violent doctrine of jihad is found in the Qur'an, the Sira and the Hadith. 24% of the Qur'an is devoted to jihad. 67% of the Sira and 21% of the Hadith, totalling 31% of the trilogy. The text devoted to Kafirs is 64% of the Qur'an, 81% of the Sira and 37% of the Hadith, or 60% of the trilogy.

Note that Qur'anic texts referring to peace are the earlier Meccan verses which are abrogated by the later post-Hejira Medinan texts when Muhammad's teaching could be freely promulgated in earnest. The Qur'an is not chronological; it requires scholars to know what is early and what is later. The Meccan part is more spiritual, the later part is more political and militaristic emphasising the killing of kafirs.

That jihad is primarily about the violent struggle to ensure global submission to Allah (and not the inner moral struggle for purity) is seen in the evidence garnered in this paper. This is confirmed by Islamic clerics and scholars.

Jihad is a part of Islam without which Islam cannot be established and without which it is not possible to uphold the laws of sharia.

Sheikh Muhammad bin Abdul Latteef.

In the jihad which you are seeking, you look for the enemy and invade him.
Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi.

Islam ... has the right to destroy all obstacles ... Those who say that Islamic jihad was merely for the defence of the homeland of Islam diminish the greatness of the Islamic way of life.

Qutb.

[Jihad is] A religious war with those who are unbelievers in the mission of Muhammad. It is an incumbent religious duty, established in the Qur'an and in the traditions as a divine institution, and enjoined specially for the purpose of advancing Islam.

Dictionary of Islam. Quoting from the Hanafi school, Hedaya, 2:140, 141.1.

Commands to hate and kill

Contrary to many Islamic apologists both the Qur'an and the Hadith give very clear, literal commands to hate, fight and kill non-Muslims (*kafirs*). This is unequivocal. This is not misinterpretation of texts; nor is it misuse of figurative sentences; it is crystal clear statements issued many times.

There are at least 109 Qur'anic commands to ambush, attack, hate, fight, kill and use the sword, or even fire, to kill kafirs. This is further emphasised by hadiths. Muhammad also set the example for others to follow by delighting in killing non-Muslims; at one point killing 80 Jews in front of his child bride as a gift to her.

The logic of this in Muhammad's teaching is that it is the duty (*jihad*) of all Muslims to conquer the world for Islam ('Islam' literally means 'submission') The globe must be brought into submission to Allah. Those who submit become Muslim proselytes. Those who refuse must be eliminated from the face of the earth to bring full submission.

The model of Muhammad

Early verses of the Qur'an speak of peace but in later (post Medina) texts Muhammad said that he was never happier than when he had a sword in his hand and waged war to create slaughter.

Muhammad ... was a child of the sword, [he was happiest] ... when he had the sword in his hand.

Sharaf ad-din Ali Yazdi.

It is not for a Prophet that he should have prisoners of war until he had made a great slaughter in the land.

Qur'an 8:67.

Cutting off someone's head while shouting "Allahu Akbar" is an Islamic tradition that began with Muhammad.

Ibn Ishaq / Hisham 990

He took the head back to Muhammad and said, 'Here is the head of the enemy of Allah,' and threw it at Muhammad's feet. The prophet said, 'Praise be to Allah'.

Ishaq 452.

The Medinan strategy

In Medina ('city of the prophet'; formerly Yathrib) Muhammad and his followers had been given sanctuary. There were three tribes of wealthy assimilated Jews that made the city prosperous. As his numbers grew Muhammad attacked the Jews. The first two tribes were exiled (but only due to the intercession of certain Arabs) and their property stolen. The third tribe was slaughtered and enslaved. All the men were beheaded in public in one day (over 800) and the women and children used as slaves.

This is the strategy of Muslims to this very day. Everywhere Muslims have entered a society as migrants, they eventually took over and controlled it in time. The Medinan Strategy is well underway in Europe and especially in Britain, where London is the centre of western jihad – the struggle to overthrow western, Christian, democracies.

The teaching of the Qur'an

Scholars identify over 109 verses in the Qur'an that call for violence or war with unbelievers. Beheadings are commanded in the Qur'an, as well as chopping off fingers and to kill kafirs wherever they are hiding. Muslims that do not enjoin this jihad are told they will go to hell.

HATRED

Muslims must muster all weapons to terrorise kafirs.

Qur'an 8.60.

There are multiple verses against Jews, whom Muhammad called 'apes' or 'monkeys'.²

Muhammad: 'If it weren't for the Jews, meat would not rot'.

Bukhari 4. 55. 547.

FIGHT

Fighting is prescribed for you ... which is good for you.

Qur'an 2:216.

Then fight in the cause of Allah, and know that Allah heareth and knoweth all things.

Qur'an 2:244.

Those who believe fight in the cause of Allah.

Qur'an 4:76

Allah has preferred ... those who strive hard and fight ... Unto each, Allah has promised good [Paradise].

Qur'an 4:95.

Kafir are stupid; urge the Muslims to fight them.

Qur'an 8.65.

Oh Prophet, exhort the believers to fight.

Qur'an 8:65.

² E.g. Qur'an 2.65.

Fight with them until there is no more Fitnah and religion is all for Allah.

Qur'an 8:39.

Fight against them so that Allah will punish them by your hands

Qur'an 9:14.

Oh you who believe fight those of the unbelievers who are near to you and let them find in you hardness.

Qur'an 9:123.

Fight those who do not believe in Allah.

Qur'an 9:29.

Oh you who believe fight those of the unbelievers who are near to you and let them find in you hardness.

Qur'an 9:123.

Surely Allah loves those who fight in his cause.

Qur'an 61:4.

O Prophet, strive against the disbelievers and the hypocrites and be stern with them. Hell will be their home.

Qur'an 66:9.

KILL

Kill them wherever you find them ... fight them until there is no more Fitnah (unbelief).

Qur'an 2:191-193. [The context is not defensive war but offensive against those who resist Islam.]

Take not friends from their ranks (unbelievers) ... seize them and slay them wherever you find them.

Qur'an 4:89.

I will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve. Therefore strike off their heads and strike off every fingertip of them.

Alternative translation: I will send terror into the Kaffirs' hearts, cut off their heads and even the tips of their fingers.

Qur'an 8:12.

A prophet should not take prisoners of war until he has fought and slaughtered in the land.

Qur'an 8.67.

Slay the idolaters wherever you find them, and take them captive and besiege them and lie in wait for them in every ambush.

Qur'an 9:5.

Punish the kafirs with garments of fire, hooked iron rods, boiling water; melt their skin and bellies.

Qur'an 22:19.

We verily shall urge thee on against them, then they will be your neighbours in it but a little while. Accursed, they will be seized wherever

found and slain with a fierce slaughter.

Qur'an 33:60-62.

When you encounter the Kafirs on the battlefield, cut off their heads until you have thoroughly defeated them.

Qur'an 47:4.

Those who disbelieve follow falsehood ... So when you meet those who disbelieve smite at their necks [behead them] till when you have killed and wounded many of them ... Those who are killed in the Way of Allah, he will never let their deeds be lost.

Qur'an 47:3-4.

DESTRUCTION OF TOWNS AND CITIES

When we wish to destroy a town ... we destroy it with utter destruction.

Qur'an 17:16.

THE FATE OF KAFIRS

As to those who reject faith, I will punish them with terrible agony in this world and in the hereafter, nor will they have anyone to help.

Qur'an 3:56.

Soon shall we cast terror into the hearts of the unbelievers.

Qur'an 3:151.

The disbelievers are ever unto you open enemies.

Qur'an 4:101.

They should be murdered or crucified or their hands and their feet should be cut off on opposite sides or they should be imprisoned.

Qur'an 5:33.

I will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve. Therefore strike off their heads and strike of every fingertip of them.

Qur'an 8:12

[Those who disbelieve] Smite at their necks till when you have killed and wounded many of them.

Qur'an 47:3-4.

DUALISM

Those with him [Muhammad] are hard [ruthless] against the disbelievers and merciful among themselves.

Qur'an 48:29. [Islam is not a religion of peace to non-Muslims. However, Muslims even wage war against other Muslims contrary to the Qur'an.]

The directions in the Hadith

Our prophet, the messenger of our Lord, has ordered us to fight you until you worship Allah alone ... and our prophet has informed us that our Lord says whoever amongst us is killed shall go to paradise and lead a life of great luxury.

Bukhari, 4. 53. 386.

Allah's apostle said, 'I have been ordered to fight the people till they say,

“None has the right to be worshipped but Allah” And if they say so, pray like our prayers, face our Qibla and slaughter as we slaughter, then their blood and property will be sacred to us and we will not interfere with them except legally’.

Bukhari 8:387.

[Muhammad said] ‘I decided to order a man to lead the prayer and then take a flame to burn all those who had not left their houses for the prayer, burning them alive inside their homes’.

Bukhari 11:626

Fight with the Jews, and the stone behind which a Jew will be hiding will say, ‘Oh Muslim, there is a Jew hiding behind me, so kill him’.

Bukhari³ 52:177.

Be aware that Paradise lies under the shadow of swords.

Bukhari 52:73.

Allah’s apostle said, ‘Know that Paradise is under the shades of swords’.

Bukhari 52:73.

Allah’s apostle said ... ‘I have been made victorious with terror’.

Bukhari 52:220.

The messenger of Allah said, “I have been commanded to fight against people till they testify that there is no god but Allah”.

Muslim 1:33.

The messenger of Allah said, ‘One who died but did not fight in the way of Allah nor did he express any desire for Jihad died the death of a hypocrite.’

Muslim⁴ 20:4696/

The prophet declared, ‘Kill any Jew who falls under your power’.

Tabari⁵ 7:97.

[Muhammad] ‘Killing unbelievers is a small matter to us.’

Tabari 9:69.

The directions in the Sira

‘Allah desires killing them [the enemy] to manifest the religion.’

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Fight everyone in the way of Allah and kill those who disbelieve in Allah.

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³ Sahih al-Bukari is in the prophetic tradition (‘hadith’) of Sunni Islam.

⁴ Sahih Muslim, one of the six major collections of the hadith in Sunni Islam.

⁵ Abu Jafar Muhammad ibn Jarir al-Tabari was a prominent Persian scholar of the Qur’an.

⁶ Muhammad ibn Ishaq ibn Yasar ibn Khiyar was an Arab historian and biographer of the prophet Mohammad.

⁷ Hisham ibn Abd al-Malik was the 10th Umayyad caliph who ruled from 724-743.

The targets of Islamic violence: non-Muslims

Jews and Christians

The Jews and the Christians are perverts; fight them.

Qur'an 9:30.

Fight with the Jews.

Bukhari 52:177.

The prophet declared, 'Kill any Jew who falls under your power'.

Tabari 7:97.

The Apostle of Allah said, 'Kill any Jew who falls into your power'.

Ishaq 554.

Torture the Jew until you extract what he has.

Ishaq 764.

Kafirs in general

Punish the kafirs with garments of fire, hooked iron rods, boiling water; melt their skin and bellies.

Qur'an 22:19.

Those who disbelieve follow falsehood ... So when you meet those who disbelieve smite at their necks [behead them] till when you have killed and wounded many of them ... Those who are killed in the Way of Allah, he will never let their deeds be lost.

Qur'an 47:3-4.

We verily shall urge thee on against them, then they will be your neighbours in it but a little while. Accursed, they will be seized wherever found and slain with a fierce slaughter.

Qur'an 33:60-62. ['Slaughter' is translated as 'merciless murder' or 'horrible murder' in some versions.]

Pagans

The prophet ... was asked whether it was permissible to attack the pagan warriors at night with the probability of exposing their women and children to danger. The prophet replied, "They are from them."

Bukhari 52:256. [I.e. it is permissible to kill women and children in attacking pagans.]

Acceptance of terrorism

Muslims must muster all weapons to terrorise kafirs.

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Qur'an 8:12.

Allah's apostle said ... 'I have been made victorious with terror'.

Bukhari 52:220.

Internecine hatred and violence

Firstly, as we have already observed, apostate Muslims are to be killed. Muslims not following Islamic laws prescribed by Muhammad must be terminated. The problem is that everyone outside a particular Islamic sect is considered apostate. This leads to the mass slaughter of Muslims perpetrated by other Muslims.

Once Islamic regimes have eradicated all traces of non-Muslims in a region the fundamental motive to hatred and violence within Islam continues to percolate. This always results in one Islamic group attacking and killing another Islamic group. The direction to dwell on violence, to always having a sword in the hand, results in internecine hatred when there is no outside target left. When left with no kafir enemy, Islamists rage against each other. It is notable that Muslims will kill everyone outside of their tribe or sect.

In general terms the hatred within Islam is between the two main factions: Sunnis (leadership centred in the four orthodox Caliphs and then the Umayyad and Abbasid Caliphates) and Shias (Shi'ites; the followers of Ali). Underlying this is also the historic ethnic animosity between say, Sunni Arabs versus Shi'ite Persians.

The tension between Sunnis and Shi'ites has led to constant aggression, wars, violence, and continual political upheaval.

The major parties persecute the minority parties. Then there are religious factions that wage war against political factions, such as the Wahhabis (fundamentalist Sunnis) against the Ba'athists (liberal, nationalist and Socialist). Whole Muslim nations will wage war on other Muslim nations, such as the Iran-Iraq War.

But Islam is sub-divided into numerous rival groups and legal systems. A simple summary of this would be the following:

Sunni sects

- Wahhabi.
- Hanafi.
- Hanbali.
- Maliki.
- Shafi'i.

Shi'ite sects

- Saidis (Zaydis).
- Isma'ilism: Seveners: Druze, Musta'lis, Nusayris.
- Jafri: Twelvers, Alawites.
- Zaidiyya.
- Khawari: Ibadiyya.
- Ahmadiyya.
- Sufi.

A contemporary example is the situation now in Syria, thanks to Western / Israeli intervention and resourcing of Salafist terrorists. Assad maintained a liberal society where minority groups were tolerated; the focus was upon Syrian nationality not religious

factions. With western democratic influences, following his Alawite sympathies, women had unrivalled opportunities, being MPs in parliament and even a female as deputy leader. [In Sunni societies (e.g. Saudi Arabia) women are despised and have few rights.] Now there is genocide taking place in Syria. Christians and Jews are being murdered everywhere but also Alawites. This is being committed by HTS, ISIS, al-Qaeda, al-Nusra and other Salafist Islamic factions under the national leadership of a former proscribed terrorist. Blood is running in the streets as Muslims kill other Muslims in brutal ways.

Every Western intervention into Islamic nations (Libya, Iraq, Syria) led to mass deaths followed by internecine violence and sectarianism.

Examples of Muslim on Muslim violence and genocide	
Historic events	
Yazid sent Umayyad troops to attack Imad Hussein (Muhammad's grandson) at the Battle of Karbala. Hussein and 72 compatriots (including Hussein's family, one was six-months old) were killed, beheaded and the heads sent to the caliph in Damascus. Women and children were tortured.	680.
Destruction of Multan (India).	1005.
Mahmoud of Ghazi attacked the city of Rayy and crucified Ismailis.	1029.
The Ottomans persecuted Alevis in Anatolia. Tens of thousands of Shias were killed in the Ottoman Empire.	
Persecution of Shia by Sultan Feroz Shah in India.	1351-1388.
Timur genociding Persian Shi'ites.	1387.
Timur slaughtering Damascene Muslims.	1401.
The sack of Baghdad by Timur.	1401.
Ten Taraaj-e Shia campaigns in Srinagar, Kashmir. People were killed, libraries burned, villages plundered and sacred sites desecrated.	1477-1885.
The Safavid Empire attacked Shamakhi massacring 5,000 Shias.	1721.
The 6 th Mughal Emperor Aurangzeb Alamgir massacred over 700 Shias.	18 th century.
Wahhabi Sunnis sacked Karbala killing up to 5,000.	1802.
Recent events	
The Iran (Shi'ite) - Iraq (Ba'athist) War..Iraq invaded Iran (pushed by America). 2 million dead.	1980.
Iraq invaded Kuwait.	1990.
After the fall of Saddam Hussein the Shia majority sought to gain power. This resulted in a violent insurgency by Sunni factions, such as al-Qaeda. Tens of thousands of people were killed in a civil war after 2006.	2003-2008.
After the withdrawal of US troops from Iraq Sunnis protested against the government and violence increased resulting in a war involving ISIS lasting until 2017.	2011-2017.
The murder of Gaddafi and thousands of Libyan Muslims by ISIS and other Islamic forces sponsored by America.	2011.
Multiple attacks against Syrian Shi'ites by Turkey.	2011 to present.
ISIS (Sunni) has persecuted and killed Shias in many countries, such as: Iraq, Syria, Libya. In 2014 ISIS killed 1,700 unarmed Shia Iraqi army cadet recruits. ISIS has killed prisoners, such as 670 from Mosul and others from Erbil. The killing of Shias, Yazidis and Christians has been officially termed genocide. Hundreds have been killed in Afghanistan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Pakistan, Syria, Saudi Arabia and Oman.	2014+.
Saudi Arabia (Sunni) missile strikes and bombing of Yemen (65% Sunni).	Contemporary.
Shia have been persecuted in Pakistan from the beginning. Between 2012 and 2015 nearly 2,000 people were killed in bomb or gun attacks. Overall, thousands have been killed.	Contemporary.
The 10% Shia population of Saudi Arabia are subject to constant discrimination and	Current.

persecution.	
In Yemen, 35% are Shia, 65% Sunnis. Sunni persecution of Shias led to civil war and the rise of the Houthis movement.	Current.
Shia are persecuted and killed in Nigeria by Sunnis.	Current.
The genocide of Alawites in Syria by Sunni Muslim factions like HTS (Hay'at Tahir al-Sham).	Current.
The attacks on Syrian Druze (Shi'ite) by HTS (Wahhabi).	Current.

The working out in history

In the years before he died, Muhammad spent his life killing Jews and kafirs and subjugating their lands. The economy of his rulership relied upon theft and pillaging instead of commerce and enterprise. The history of Islam is the continuation of this (until the discovery of oil and tourism). Thus historic Islamic advancement is based upon invasion and conquering.

Khalid

Muhammad sent Khalid ('the sword of Allah') to wage war in the 7th century. He annihilated the Jazima tribe and won the Battle of Olayis in Iraq, whereupon he cut off so many heads in a dry river bed that it ran with blood. Khalid was also notable for his raping of women. In one case he beheaded a Zoroastrian captain in front of his wife, letting his blood run into the soil; and then raped her in that bloody soil. This set an example for the future. Khalid murdered all Christians found in Aleppo and Antioch.

Umar

The second caliph Umar (d. 644) seized Syria (635), Palestine (640), Egypt (641-2.), Mesopotamia and Iran (Persia, 643). His rule was a reign of terror and plunder much like the reign of ISIS today.

Here is an account of Umar's commander Muawiya in Cappadocia (Turkey).

Muawiya arrived and ordered all the inhabitants to be put to the sword. He placed guards so that no one escaped. After gathering up all the wealth of the town [Euchaita], they set to torturing the leaders to make them show things that had been hidden. The Taiyaye [Muslims] led everyone into slavery – men and women, boys and girls – and they committed much debauchery in that unfortunate town; they wickedly committed immoralities inside churches. They returned to their country rejoicing.⁸

Tamerlane [Timur Lenk – the 'Sword of Islam', 1336–1405.]

An exceptionally cruel tyrant. He was born in Uzbekistan and was the greatest-ever Asiatic conqueror, though he is little known in the west.

He was the Mongol ruler of Samarkand between 1369–1405. He led a large army of Mongols and Turks (Tartars)⁹ between about 1364 and 1405, conquering a large area that included Persia, northern India, Turkey, Iraq, Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, Afghanistan,

⁸ Michael the Syrian, quoted in Warner, *Political Islam*, Vol 2. p27.

⁹ Tartar (Tatar): a member of the combined forces of central Asian peoples, including Mongols and Turks, who under the leadership of Genghis Khan conquered much of Asia and eastern Europe in the early 13th century, and under Tamerlane (14th century) established an empire with its capital at Samarkand.

Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Pakistan and Syria, establishing his capital at Samarkand (now in eastern Uzbekistan). He defeated the Ottomans near Ankara in 1402 and was an ancestor of the Mogul dynasty in India. He died during an invasion of China.

He used violence, not because he was a sadist, but to set an example in warfare. His strategy, which worked, was to so terrify an area by brutality in the first city conquered that following cities just surrendered. His massacres, in the millions, of Muslims as well as kafirs, and of men, women and children, became proverbial. Yet Tamerlane aspired to the title of 'Ghazi' ('warrior of the faith').

- It is estimated, conservatively, that Tamerlane killed over 17 million people. This was then an estimated 5% of the world's population.
- 1383: in Isfizar 2,000 people were piled on top of each other and cemented alive into towers of clay and bricks in the centre of the city.
- 1387: in Isfahan, Persia, 70,000 were slaughtered. The writer Arabshah says, '*Temur ... ordered bloodshed and sacrilege, slaughter and plunder, devastation, burning of crops, women's breasts to be cut off, infants to be destroyed, bodies dismembered, honour to be insulted (rape) ... the cutting sword in the fields of their necks and made their graves in the bellies of wolves and hyenas*'.¹⁰ Every man, woman and child was killed. The women and children were taken to a plain outside the city with the children under seven placed apart. These were crushed under the soldiers' horses. The mothers who saw this spectacle were then ridden over also plus seven thousand other children. Tamerlane participated in this crushing to set an example. Each division of the army was commanded to bring back a certain number of heads; those killed were Muslims. 28 towers of 1500 heads were erected.
- 1398: he killed 100,000 Hindu prisoners in one day before advancing on Delhi. The severed heads were used to build a high pyramid.
- He destroyed 700 villages in India. Delhi was so ravaged that it took a hundred years to recover. In one Indian battle he massacred 30,000. Towers were built of severed heads. Some streets were blocked by heaps of the dead.
- 1400: He ordered that 3-4,000 Armenian Christians be buried alive in Sivas, Anatolia, after promising not to shed their blood. Others were drowned with their heads tied between their thighs. 9,000 virgins were carried away into sex-slavery. The city was utterly destroyed.
- 1401: He killed the entire population of Damascus, including fellow Muslims. The people were subjected to all sorts of torture, including new ones invented to cause pain. These included being crushed in a press, slowly scorched over flames suspended by the thumbs, suspended upside down with dust in the nostrils, slowly ripping arms from sockets, pouring powdered ashes into nostrils, mutilations etc.
- In Aleppo, 20,000 heads were severed; massacres continued for four days. All children were slaughtered, their mothers raped in public, including within the Great Mosque. Piles of severed heads were shaped like knolls 15-feet high and 30 in circumference.

¹⁰ Justin Marozzi, Tamerlane: Sword of Islam, conqueror of the world, Harper Perennial, (2004), p153.

- 1401: During the sack of Baghdad 90,000 were killed; their heads were cemented into 120 towers. The Tigris ran red with blood and the air was putrid from rotting corpses.
- 1402: he catapulted the severed heads of Knights Hospitallers into the city in the Battle of Smyrna.
- In Iraq, Tamerlane annihilated the Nestorian and Jacobite Christians. The ruin of Nestorian Christians had a massive impact since they dominated the Silk Route and they had missionaries in the Chinese court. At that time Afghanistan was partly Nestorian Christian but Tamerlane ruined Christianity in that country to this day.

The oppression in India under Tamerlane's son, who destroyed temples and forced conversions, was so bad that Indian women instigated the practice of Suttee, setting themselves on fire, so that they wouldn't be sold as sex slaves by Muslims.

A court writer named Yazdi, in the service of one of Timur's grandsons, stated:

We have a tradition of Muhammad wherein he assures us that he was a child of the sword, and that the most happy moments which he passed with God were when he had the sword in his hand; and he adds that paradise is itself is under the protection of the sword; which demonstrates that kings are not peaceable possessors of the throne.¹¹

Akbar the Great

Jalaludin Muhammad Akbar (1542–1605), was Mughal (Mogul) emperor of India 1556–1605; known as Akbar the Great. He expanded the Mughal Empire to incorporate northern India and established an efficient but 'enlightened' administration, but in his earlier years he was a typical bloodthirsty invader.

In the 16th-17th century Akbar killed 600,000 Hindus. After the fall of Chitod he slaughtered over 30,000 unarmed Hindu peasants at one time. Note that Mughal rulers took the title of 'Ghazi', slayer of kafirs.

Saladin

Saladin (Salah ad-Din Yusuf ibn Ayyub), founder of the Ayyubid dynasty, was not the honourable general as so often described in Western history books. He was a ruthless conqueror who did not balk at killing surrendered troops under the promise of safe passage and committing massacres. Muslim historic sources have always affirmed this.

His troops raped and pillaged just like other Muslim armies. In his ruthless quest for victory, Saladin would destroy entire regions in the locality of a city to be attacked, killing innocent civilians. He famously stated that he was determined to wipe Christianity out from the Middle East.

Death statistics

Islam destroyed the Christian states in North Africa, Turkey and the Middle East and then wiped out the Zoroastrians in Persia followed by many Hindus in Afghanistan and India. The approximate list of deaths is as follows:

¹¹ Justin Marozzi, Tamerlane: Sword of Islam, conqueror of the world, Harper Perennial, (2004), p95.

- 60 million Christians killed in the initial jihad conquest of Europe and the Levant.¹²
- 80 million Hindus killed from 1000 to 1525.¹³
- 10 million Buddhists killed.¹⁴
- In Africa alone over 120 million Christians and animists were killed through the last 1400 years.¹⁵
- 270 million dead overall.

However, some historians believe that this is an under-estimate and affirm that Muslims killed 600 million people in India alone. Others affirm that the number is at least 100 million dead Hindus. Muslim invaders appeared in the 8th century and brutalised India for 1200 years, determined to annihilate Hindus. Prof. KS Lal avers that the Hindu population in India decreased by 80 million between 1000-1525.¹⁶ Observations of massacres show that they easily killed 500,000 a year or more; i.e. 600 million overall. Examples include:

- Aurazeb killed 5 million in 20 years.
- Bahmani sultans in central India determined to kill 100,000 every year in South India for 250 years (and these were only a third-rank provincial dynasty).
- Babur killed one million in three years.
- Akbar killed two million in his earlier years.
- Tamerlane killed one million in one month.
- Qasim killed two million.
- Ghazni Muhammad and Gauri Muhammad killed nearly 30 million during thirty invasions.
- Tipu Sultan killed ten million in South India.
- In Bengal, Muslims killed nearly 30 million.
- Regular incursions by Arabs, Iranians, Turks, Afghans and others killed nearly 50 million.
- Nadir Shah killed 100,000 civilians in one day.

India was ravaged by Afghan Muslims from the north and Arab / Turkic Muslims from the west. Terrible murders and tortures were inflicted on Hindus for hundreds of years. Indian artwork shows Muslims hacking children in pieces or crushing people slowly between two great wheels, one spiked. There were widespread rapes in a land where rapes were very uncommon, even though women were bare-breasted. Beheadings were commonplace, there were impalements, slavery was endemic, temples destroyed, villages pillaged or ruined, rivers flowed red and so on. Religious advisors affirmed that to Allah, Hindus were like mud and slaves to Muslims, to be treated as rubbish and killed if they did not convert.

¹² 9 million martyrs. 50 million killed in wars. One million Christian Africans killed in 20th century. See Barrett & Johnson; *World Christian Trends AD 30-AD 2200*, p230; R Moore; *History of Asia Minor*.

¹³ Elst; *Negationism in India*, p34.

¹⁴ Barrett & Johnson; *World Christian Trends AD 30-AD 2200*, p230.

¹⁵ 11 million slaves crossed the Atlantic and 14 million sent to Islamic nations. Collateral deaths equal 95 million. Sowell; *Race and Culture*, p188.

¹⁶ Lal; *The Growth of the Muslim Population in India*. 1000 AD was the year that Mahmud Ghazni invaded India. 1525 is one year before the battle of Panipat.

Beheadings are normal

Islam's military and political activities routinely included mass beheadings and throat cuttings in public places. More than once generals built piles of severed heads several feet high after battles. Akbar, noted for his later tolerance, had a tower of severed heads of the surrendered army of Hemu after the second battle of Panipat. Nadir Shah made a tower of Hindu skulls killed in Delhi alone. The Mughal founder Babur Babur (1483-1530) raised towers of heads of beheaded captives at Khanua when he defeated Rana Sanga in 1527 and again at Chanderi. Tamerlane did this many times. Campaigns waged against Jews, Christians, Zoroastrians, Buddhists and Hindus for centuries included mass beheadings. Christians who submitted to Muslim rule in Spain in 711 revolted in 713; Toledo was then pillaged and all the Christian nobles had their throats cut.

Massacres

There have been multiple massacres. For example:

- 627: Banu Quraysa tribe massacre of 800 Jews.
- 1011: Cordoba massacre of Jews.
- 1066: Granada massacre of Jews.
- 1033: Fez massacre of Jews.
- 1263: The Mamluk sultan Baybars took Antioch and slaughtered the 16,000 strong garrison then sold the 100,000 inhabitants into slavery.
- 1387: the Isfahan slaughter of 70,000.
- 1398: slaughter of 100,000 Hindu prisoners.
- 1401: 90,000 killed during the sack of Baghdad.
- 1453: Sack of Constantinople.
- 1528: Babur captured the Fortress of Chanderi and slaughtered the population; men, women and children.
- 1739: Nadir (Nader) Shah invades India and kills millions. Dehli was massacred in March 1739 with slaughter continuing for 6 hours, killing at least 20,000.
- 1876: Turks slaughtered 30,000 Bulgarians for resisting Islamic government.
- 1894-96: 300,000 Armenian Christians slaughtered in Turkey in various provinces.
- 1909: 30,000 Armenians killed in Adana, southern Turkey.
- 1915: 1½ million Armenian Christians killed in Turkey.
- 1922: The Turks murdered 150,000 Christians in Smyrna.
- 1971: In Bangladesh, Pakistan's soldiers killed three million Hindus in one year. 200,000 women were raped.
- 1983 onwards: the Sudan genocide.
- 2004: The Beslan (North Ossetia) school massacre. 1,100 people, including 777 children, captured; 385 killed by Muslims.
- 2008: In 1947 Hindus were 10% in Pakistan and 25% in Bangladesh. By 2008 Hindus had decreased to 1% in Pakistan and 10% in Bangladesh.

Modern jihad

A database of Muslim attacks since 11.9.2001 has been compiled. The database shows, the date, country, city, number killed, number injured and a description of the attack. It shows 19,000 terror attacks as at August 2012; it is now much higher since, especially with the situation in Libya, Syria and Iraq. There is hardly a day that goes by when there is not a jihad attack while the concentration of attacks is in Europe.

It is notable that there are more Muslim attacks on other Muslims than there are on kafirs.

The difference between historical jihad and modern jihad is that there is a multitude of attacks that are not state-based. In history the Islamic wars emanated from the caliph; today any individual Muslim can go and commit a terrorist attack in the name of Allah.

Conclusion

I have spoken to many Muslims who have no clue about the theology and history of Islam. Some have affirmed that it teaches peace and cited statements by their local cleric - which were entirely false. If I, a time-pressured, medically compromised person can study Islam and write a 140-page book on it (see website), why cannot devout Muslims do a little research of their own by reading the source documents and finding the truth.

The truth is that there are 109 texts (at least) in the Qur'an demanding that Muslims fight, kill and torture non-Muslims. That is basic jihad. To fail to do this means that the Muslim will go to hell. Violence is not the province of radical Islamists; it is normal Islam. The history of Islamic expansion for centuries demonstrates this brutality in action in many nations and four continents. This is why Islam is not compatible within liberal, democratic nations.

The key focus, in practice, of Islam is violence to instigate submission. The world must be submitted to Allah and violence must secure this if persuasion fails.

Even the non-religious, ordinary rational person with a stable conscience can understand that this religion cannot be benevolent or democratic. Yet it is slowly seeking to dominate British culture and has already overtaken several cities like Birmingham, Bradford, Luton and London. I challenge you to look at the results in these various towns and cities.¹⁷

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¹⁷ Birmingham is now an appalling dump, apart from some leafy suburbs like Bournville, Edgbaston, Harborne and Solihull. Rubbish is strewn everywhere, including human faeces. Rats the size of cats are running wild in streets, parks, and gardens. Christmas has been banished but Eid is celebrated with many official offices and businesses closing (try to get a taxi during Eid). The city is economically bankrupt yet council tax increases and services are cut back. Council corruption is endemic. Violent crime is rampant; women fear walking the streets after dark. Gangs of Muslim men with knives roam freely. Whole areas once attractive are now shabby and ugly. I could go on.