

We both know it is profoundly wrong to equate Palestinians, in particular, and Islam, in general, with terrorism or to see a fundamental conflict between Islam and the West. For the vast majority of the more than one billion Muslims in the world, tolerance is an article of faith and terrorism a travesty of faith.

Bill Clinton

I also want to speak tonight directly to Muslims throughout the world. We respect your faith. It's practiced freely by many millions of Americans, and by millions more in countries that America counts as friends. Its teachings are good and peaceful, and those who commit evil in the name of Allah blaspheme the name of Allah.

George W. Bush

Islam has a proud tradition of tolerance. [...] That is the spirit we need today. People in every country should be free to choose and live their faith based upon the persuasion of the mind and the heart and the soul.

Barack Obama

Islam



A Uniquely Dangerous Religion



**Every other major religion:
*Personal, voluntary submission
to tenets of its faith.***

**Islam:
*Subjugation of entire world
to rule of Allah***

***Muslim sees Islam in vastly different way than
Christian sees Christianity!***

World's Fastest Growing Major Religion



**1.6 billion worldwide in 2010,
to 2.2 billion in 2030**

**5.2 million in N. & S. America in 2010,
10.9 million in 2030 (+100% growth)**

**2.6 million in USA in 2010,
6.2 million in 2030 (142% growth)**

Worldwide, 60% 29 yrs. and under

What Is Islam?



Founded in Saudi Arabia in 7th century.

By Muhammad – “final great prophet of God”

Islam = “surrender” (to God)

Muslim = “one who surrenders”

What Is Islam?



Islam's Creed

The "Shahada" – Statement of Faith

"There is no God but Allah, and Muhammad is His servant and messenger."

Monotheistic – One God

Unquestionably and strictly follows the teachings of Muhammad

The Two Sources of Islamic Truth



Qur'an (Koran)

*Claims to be word for word inspired
prophecy given to Muhammad by God.*

Hadiths (Narrations)

*Traditions claiming to tell true stories
about Muhammad's life:*

what he said, did, did not object to.

Muhammad = The "perfect man"

The Qur'an



**Written by Muhammad over
a span of 23 years.**

Reflects major changes in his life.

The Qur'an



Early years in Mecca (610-622):

Fairly well-to-do merchant.

No great political clout.

Mecca: Center of pagan worship:

“One God” teaching unpopular.

Islam a minority, unpopular religion.

*Muhammad and followers
reviled, persecuted, some killed.*

The Qur'an



Later years in Medina (622-632):

At first, impartial judge in clan disputes.

Quickly became person of influence.

Medina: Large Jewish population

City not as opposed to “one God” doctrine.

Prominent pagan converted, most of population followed suit.

Muhammad became powerful, rich.

Forced out or killed all 3 Jewish clans.

The Qur'an



Later years in Medina (622-632):

Muhammad became a warlord!

Okayed attacks on caravans from Mecca.

Attacked and eventually overthrew Mecca.

Instituted Islamic law.

Armed invasion of Northern and Eastern Arabia, abolished paganism, established Islam as the political and religious government.

The Qur'an



**What if you were leader of outnumbered,
unpopular religious movement with
powerful enemies and no protection laws?**

“Let’s get along!”

***“You do your thing, I’ll do my thing, and we’ll
just tolerate each other!”***

The Qur'an



Sura 2:256 “Let there be no compulsion in religion.

Truth has been made clear from error. Whoever rejects false worship and believes in Allah has grasped the most trustworthy handhold that never breaks.

And Allah hears and knows all things.”

The Qur'an



Sura 21:107 -109 “We have not sent you except to be a mercy to all mankind: Declare, ‘Verily, what is revealed to me is this, your God is the only One God, so is it not up to you to bow down to Him?’ But if they turn away then say, ‘I have delivered the Truth in a manner clear to one and all, and I know not whether the promised hour (of Judgment) is near or far.’”

The Qur'an



Sura 60:8 “God does not forbid you to be kind and equitable to those who have neither fought against your faith nor driven you out of your homes. In fact God loves the equitable.”

The Qur'an



“Let there be no compulsion in religion”

*“We have not sent you except to be a
mercy to all mankind”*

“God does not forbid you to be kind and equitable”

When were these written?

**Muhammad's early years in Mecca!
Islam was unpopular, minority religion.**

The Qur'an



What if you were powerful leader of popular, majority religious movement, with power to exert authority in any way you wanted?

The Qur'an



Sura 9:5 “So when the sacred months have passed away, then slay the idolaters wherever you find them, and take them captive and besiege them and lie in wait for them in every ambush, then if they repent and keep up prayer and pay the poor-rate, leave their way free to them.”

The Qur'an



Sura 9:29 “Fight those who believe not in Allah nor the Last Day, nor hold that forbidden which hath been forbidden by Allah and His Messenger, nor acknowledge the religion of Truth, (even if they are) of the People of the Book (Jews and Christians), until they pay the Jizya (tax) with willing submission, and feel themselves subdued.”

The Qur'an



Sura 9:123 "O you who believe! Fight those of the unbelievers who are near to you and let them find in you hardness."

Sura 8:12 "I will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve. Therefore strike off their heads and strike off every fingertip of them."

Sura 8:39 "And fight with them until there is no more fitna (unbelief) and religion should be only for Allah."

The Qur'an



**“Slay the idolaters wherever you find them,
and take them captive and besiege them”**

“Fight those who believe not in Allah”

“Strike off their heads”

“Fight with them until there is no more fitna”

When were these written?

Muhammad's later years in Medina!

Islam was popular, majority religion.

Dealing With The Qur'an's Early & Later Conflict



sura 2:106 "None of Our revelations do We abrogate, or cause to be forgotten, but (unless) We substitute something better or similar. Knowest thou not that God hath power over all things?"

God can change His mind
any time He wants to!

Substitute early rule for better one later.

The Suras Muslims In America Use



“Tolerance!” “Peace!”

Isn't that lying?

“Lying is not always bad, to be sure; there are times when telling a lie is more profitable and better for the general welfare, and for the settlement of conciliation among people, than telling the truth. To this effect, the Prophet says: ‘He is not a false person who (through lies) settles conciliation among people, supports good or says what is good.’”

(Muslim scholar Afif A. Tabbarah, “The Spirit of Islam,” page 247)



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The First Great Lie Of Islam!



“If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men” (Rom. 12:18).

“To speak evil of no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing all humility to all men” (Titus 3:2).

Jesus, who does not lie!