

Understanding RADICAL ISLAM & the Church's Response 2018

Two Suppositions

1) Radical Islam is new, and is a political reaction to:

- Israel (1948)
- Afghanistan (2001 ->)
- Iraq (2003 ->)
- Thus, it needs a political solution
- This is not the responsibility of the Church
- The Church must therefore find 'Common Ground' with Islam, and with Muslims

2) Radical Islam is Not New

Note:

- 624-627 AD The Prophet's example in Medina
- 1300 AD Ibn Taymiyya's teaching (only follow the Qur'an and Muhammad)
- 1700 AD (Al Wahab in Arabia & Al Waihula in India)
- 20th Century...

Indian Subcontinent

- Muhammad Ilyas al-Kandhlawi (Tablighi Jamaat - 1926)
- Abul Ala Maududi (Jamaat-e-Islami)

Middle East

- Ayman Zawahiri – 'Islamic Jihad'
- Osama bin Laden – 'Al Queda'
- 1970s – Present (Hezbollah, Hamas, Muhajiroun, Hizb ul Tahrir.....)

Radicalization of **Moderate Islam**

- Yusef al Qaradawi – moderate, yet 'out of the closet' (suicide bombers, beating wives & Homosexuals)
- (Public vs. Private face of Islam)

Radical Muslim's stated Agenda:

In 1980 the 'Islamic Council of Europe' published a book: MUSLIM COMMUNITIES IN NON-MUSLIM STATES

- Muslims must band together to establish a viable Muslim community based on Islamic principles.
- Must not be assimilated by the majority culture.
- Must establish areas of high-Muslim concentration.
- Must set up: Mosques, Community centres & Islamic schools.
- Must share the message of Islam with 'unbelievers' (Da'wah)
- A responsibility of every Muslim living in non-Muslim lands.
- Objective: Muslims should become the majority & the entire nation should be governed according to Islam. (from: M. Ali Kettani "The Problem of Muslim Minorities and the Solutions", in Muslim Communities in Non-Muslim States, London, Islamic Council of Europe, 1980, pp.96-105)

Kuram Murad, in "The Islamic Movement in the West" 1980

"An Islamic movement is an organised struggle to change the existing society into an Islamic society based on the Qur'an and the Sunna, and make Islam, which is a code for entire life, supreme and dominant, especially in the socio-political spheres."

Muslim's Agenda:

1) The West is in Decline:

- Culturally** (loss of national identity, creating block societies i.e. Western Union, all in opposition to Islam's culture)
- Socially** (breakdown & dysfunction of the family, of society, rise in crime, indiscipline in schools, plethora of statistics)
- Morally** (Movies, TV, Music, all push sexual promiscuity, immorality, & have huge influence on the youth)
- Spiritually** (Secularism is now the norm, only 5-7% go to church, with much public criticism of religion)
- Economically** (Capitalism's dependence on interest/usury, is evil, and brings about inequality, and injustice)
- Politically** (Democracy is anathema in Islam, and allows unbelievers to control and eradicate the faith of believers)

2) Thus ISLAM IS THE ANSWER:

Radical Islam's Agenda

- 1) Eradicate Immorality – Shariah Law
- 2) Eradicate Usury (Interest) – Islamic banking
- 3) Eradicate Democracy - Caliphate
- 4) Eradicate Western Militaries – Ummah

Use the 3 stages of 'Da'wah'

- 'Pen' (Mecca 610-622 AD)
- 'Scale' (early Medinan 622-624 AD)
- 'Sword' (late Medinan 624-632)

How much influence do these Radical Muslims have?

In 2001, Muslims in the UK define themselves as (15% Radical, 70% nominal, 15% Liberal)

In 2002, Muslims in the UK define themselves as (25% Radical, 60% nominal, 15% Liberal)

In 2006, Muslims in the UK define themselves as (43% Radical, 42% nominal, 15% Liberal)

In 2015, Muslims in the UK define themselves as.....?

(Report 26/05/2013 <http://www.abovetopsecret.com/forum/thread949677/pg1>)

- 1 in 8 British Muslims support demonstrators who call for the death of those who insult Islam ([ICM Research](#))
- 68% of British Muslims believe that people who insult Islam should be arrested and prosecuted ([CBS News](#))
- NOP Research survey reports "hardcore Islamists" constitute 9% of the British Muslim population.
- A second group, 29% of the British Muslim population are "staunch defenders of Islam", who aggressively defend their religion from internal and external threats, real or imagined.
- 28% of British Muslims hope for the U.K. one day to become a fundamentalist Islamic state.
- 40% of UK Muslims support Sharia law being introduced in areas of Britain which are predominantly Muslim. 41% oppose this. 18% are undecided.
- 24% of British Muslims Support Suicide Bombing of Civilian Targets ([ICM Research](#))
- 35% of British Muslims aged 18-29 Support Suicide Bombing of Civilian Targets

The Problem

"The funeral of British suicide bomber Shehzad Tanweer was held in absentia in his family's ancestral village, near Lahore, Pakistan. Thousands of people attended, as they did again the following day when a qul ceremony was held for Tanweer. During qul, the Qur'an is recited to speed the deceased's journey to paradise, though in Tanweer's case this was hardly necessary. Being a shahid (martyr), he is deemed to have gone straight to paradise. The 22-year-old from Leeds, whose bomb at Aldgate station killed seven people, was hailed by the crowd as 'a hero of Islam'." (From 'The Myth of Moderate Islam' by Patrick Sookhdeo, [The Spectator](#), July 30, 2005 pgs.12-14)

The Myth of Multiculturalism

- Sharia laws for finance and mortgages
- Halal food in schools, hospital and prisons
- Faith schools funded by the state
- Muslim majority school's dress code ('Jilbab')
- Teaching of Islam by foreign Imams
- Prayer rooms in every police station in London
- Introduction of 'Islamaphobia' report
- 'Incitement to Religious Hatred' law

Muslim Weekly – July 8, 2005 - 'Islam, Faith and Power' by Abid Ullah Jan

- Muslims should strive to gain political and Military power over non-Muslims
- Warfare is obligatory for all Muslims
- Islamic state, Islam and Sharia (Islamic law) should be established throughout the world

Trevor Philips, the father of 'Multiculturalism, now says, "Multiculturalism is Dead!"

We live in a parallel Society. **Bombers are:**

- Native Born (Leeds 3, Omar Sharif, Asif Hanif, Daniel Perle)
- Foreign Refugees (Somalian)
- Recent Converts (Jamaican, Richard Reid)
- Finsbury Park Mosque

FROM WHERE DO THEY DERIVE THEIR AUTHORITY? TWO SOURCES:

- 1) THEIR SCRIPTURE: The Qur'an
- 2) THEIR PARADIGM: The Prophet Muhammad

1) Scripture: Looking at the Qur'an:

The Peace Verses:

Sura 2:256 = "For there is no compulsion in religion"

"Law of Abrogation" (Suras 2:106, 16:101)

"That which we give, we give something better" (Mansukh vs. Nasikh)

Thus, Sura 2:256 is a weak verse, abrogated by 101 verses which follow!

Sura 2:190-193 = "Those who fight you, Do not transgress limits, / ...and slay them wherever ye catch them, and fight them, until there prevail faith in Allah"

A Moderate Interpretation:

Sura 5:31-32 (raven, and blood of Abel)

"We ordained for the Children of Israel that if anyone slew a person not in retaliation of murder, or to spread mischief in the land, it would be as if he slew the whole people; and if anyone saved a life, it would be as if he saved the life of the whole people..."

A Radical Interpretation:

Sura 5:31-32 "we ordained for the Children of Israel that if anyone slew a MUSLIM not in retaliation of murder, or to spread mischief in the land, it would be as if he slew ALL MUSLIMS; and if anyone saved A MUSLIM, it would be as if he saved the life of ALL MUSLIMS..."

What kind of Murder? Killing of Muslims in: -Chechnya? Kashmir? Afghanistan? or Iraq?

What kind of 'Mischief in the Land'? Immorality? Secularism? Democracy? Usury (use of interest)?

The Qur'an's 149 Sword Verses:

1. 2:178 2. 2:179 3. 2:190 4. 2:191 5. 2:193 6. 2:194 7. 2:216 8. 2:217 9. 2:218 10. 2:244 11. 3:121 12. 3:122
13. 3:123 14. 3:124 15. 3:125 16. 3:126 17. 3:140 18. 3:141 19. 3:146 20. 3:152 21. 3:153 22. 3:154 23. 3:155 24. 3:156 25. 3:157 26. 3:165
27. 3:166 28. 3:167 29. 3:169 30. 3:172 31. 3:173 32. 3:195 33. 4:071 34. 4:072 35. 4:074 36. 4:075 37. 4:076 38. 4:077 39. 4:084 40. 4:089
41. 4:090 42. 4:091 43. 4:094 44. 4:095 45. 4:100 46. 4:102 47. 4:104 48. 5:033 49. 5:035 50. 5:082 51. 8:001 52. 8:005 53. 8:007 54. 8:009
55. 8:012 56. 8:015 57. 8:016 58. 8:017 59. 8:039 60. 8:040 61. 8:041 62. 8:042 63. 8:043 64. 8:044 65. 8:045 66. 8:046 67. 8:047 68. 8:048
69. 8:057 70. 8:058 71. 8:059 72. 8:060 73. 8:065 74. 8:066 75. 8:067 76. 8:068 77. 8:069 78. 8:070 79. 8:071 80. 8:072 81. 8:073 82. 8:074
83. 8:075 84. 9:005 85. 9:012 86. 9:013 87. 9:014 88. 9:016 89. 9:019 90. 9:020 91. 9:024 92. 9:025 93. 9:026 94. 9:029 95. 9:036 96. 9:038
97. 9:039 98. 9:041 99. 9:044 100. 9:052 101. 9:073 102. 9:081 103. 9:083 104. 9:086 105. 9:088 106. 9:092 107. 9:111
108. 9:120 109. 9:122 110. 9:123 111. 16:110 112. 22:039 113. 22:058 114. 22:078 115. 24:053 116. 24:055 117. 25:052
118. 29:006 119. 29:069 120. 33:015 121. 33:018 122. 33:020 123. 33:025 124. 33:026 125. 33:027 126. 33:050 127. 47:004
128. 47:020 129. 48:015 130. 48:016 131. 48:017 132. 48:022 133. 48:024 134. 49:015 135. 59:002 136. 59:005 137. 59:006
138. 59:007 139. 59:008 140. 59:014 141. 60:009 142. 61:004 143. 61:011 144. 61:013 145. 63:004 146. 64:014 147. 66:009
148. 73:020 149. 76:008

How should these verses be exegeted?

2) Paradigm: The example of Muhammad, Their Paradigm

His biography: 'Sira-t-ul rasul-Allah'

His Sayings: **Hadith**

The **Maghazi**: 29 battles fought, 39 battles planned

With those under his Jurisdiction:

1. The Jews

-624 - After Badr - Banu Qaynuka

-625 - After Uhud - Banu al Nadir

-627 - After the Trenches - Banu Quraiza

2. Those who criticized him: Asma the poetess, and Umair the blind disciple were killed, and around 25 others were assassinated

With these Scriptures, and the example of the prophet Muhammad, can you then understand why so many within Islam today are saying what they are saying, and doing what they are doing? Their authority, they believe, is that of 'holy writ', a divine authority, modelled by the greatest and clearest paradigm for Mankind, for all peoples, all places, and for all times...including the UK...today.

Effects of '911'

Before '911', Islam was:

- “Over There”, persecuting primarily apostates
- No agenda to take over the world
- No index for ‘Radical/Fundamental/Orthodox’ Muslims.

After '911', Islam is:

- ‘Now Here’, attacking many within the West
- ‘Radical Islam’ is everywhere (911, 7/7, Madrid, Istanbul, Bali, London ‘149’)

Result: FEAR – RETRENCH, RETREAT

WHO MUST CONFRONT THEM? THE STATE!

- It has the might and ‘where-with-all’
 - Its function is to protect
 - Its function is to police
- THE STATE CANNOT CONFRONT THEM

SO, WHO CAN CONFRONT RADICAL MUSLIMS?

RADICAL CHRISTIANS!

Only Christians can, because we start from the same Paradigm (The authority of scripture, modelled by a man), we have done the same to our own scriptures, and we are the only ones with the antidote.

Examples

- Bible vs. Qur’an
- Kingdom of God vs. ‘Khilafah’
- Women in the Bible vs. Women in the Qur’an
- Jesus vs. Muhammad
- ‘Yahweh’ vs. ‘Allah’
- Peace in Christianity vs. Violence in Islam
- Relevancy of Christianity vs. Islam

Compare:

1910-World Missionary Conference (Edinburgh) (1200 Delegate)

“Christianity was to be spread to every corner of the world, and then Christ would come, once every ear had hear”

2010-World Missionary Conference (Edinburgh) (300 Delegates)

“Christianity was to witness and do evangelism in such a way that we are a ‘living demonstration of the love, righteousness and justice that God intends for the whole world”

C. Douglas McConnell Dean of Fuller’s Intercultural Studies:

“At the 1910 Edinburgh conference, people thought they would take the world for Christ...now many of our students wonder if they should even try...”

‘Vacationaries’

- Most missionaries to day see themselves as ‘Vacationaries’
- 2 weeks or less to areas where Christianity predominates
- Almost strictly for social justice and humanitarian work
- ‘To broaden their spirituality’
- 82% go to Christian areas
- 2% go to the Muslim World
- Church and Mission Response

Europe:

- Irenic Approach only: ‘Dialogue’ Methodology or ‘Grace Approach’
- Government promotes ‘Interfaith Dialogue’ and many Christians join in. Yet their agenda is that we all worship the same God.

North America:

-‘Insider Paradigm’ (C-5)

Finding ‘Common Ground’ with Islam, promoting ‘Islamic Compliant translations’ of the Bible, despite opposition.

-‘Chrislam’

Acquiesce and ‘become one with’

Third Option

Pfander & SWAD – Research Islam’s Foundations

‘i2’ – Train others

‘Engage’ publicly

Build Churches. Defy Islam and demand new churches in the Muslim World, and rebuild those burned down.

Result: “Christ’s name would be spread [once again] to every corner of the world, so the Christ would return once every ear had heard”

We have the solution!!

Christ and the Gospel are the solutions!