

How Muslims Defend Islam

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Part 1: Understanding Muslims

Islam is a religion that stands on the lies of the mullahs and the ignorance of the Ummah. These two are perfect combination for each other. The former say or write whatever they wish and the later accept them without ever verifying. The Ummah completely rely on the supposed integrity of the Mullahs. Muslims are eager gullibles, who are happy to be fool because they are happy with their idiotic belief. Actually they deceive none but themselves.

They believe that Islam is true, the Quran is divine and Muhammad was a prophet of the Almighty, just because the Quran contains few noble and wise verses which are much fewer than the foolish, nonsensical, morally wrong, scientifically erroneous, and logically pervert ones. Any diabolical person can plagiarize noble thoughts but they fail to plagiarize noble deeds of really great and benevolent persons. Muhammad was such a person, who could steal the wisdom of earlier scripture but he could not emulate did of the old prophets.

Another reason for the expansion of Islam is the persecution of critics with blasphemy laws and the execution of Muslim apostates, forced conversion and high rate of procreation. Mullahs and Muslims never encounter a critic with reason and debate, but always try to silence them with threat, killing, persecution and bloodshed. Modern examples of persecutions are Taslima Nasreen and Salman Rushdie, Theo Van Gogh and Imran Firasat.

The biggest weapon the Ummah have is, 'Ignorance' – the ignorance of nothing but Islam itself—because they can debate, even fight, for Islam only when they don't know anything about Islam. If they know, they would find it difficult to debate, as there are lots of things in the Quran and Ahadith which are difficult to justify and defend. So, they are absolutely comfortable and happy with their ignorance. After all, at the end of the day, happiness matters, not the knowledge. If knowledge is painful, what is the use of it? That is why, there is a proverb: '*Deeper the ignorance, the sweeter it is*'. But there are some people like us prefer to acquire knowledge and know the truth, no matter how painful and uncomfortable these are. What is the use of being happy and sitting in the darkness!

Even most educated Muslims are highly devoid of reason when it comes to their faith and talk like a moron, a dumb and a fat-head. Their education is limited to their technical knowledge, general information and brainwashing tactics of Islam. Even the most certified and academically elevated among them never verify or question their faith and the Quran. Not only they are the victims but also they victimize their children by commanding them to believe the Quran and Muhammad without any second thought. If Islam is true, it can be understood with reason and can stand the test of reason, then why must they instill their belief in children? People would definitely embraced Islam, if it is true and based on reason. Yet, Muslims are warned since their childhood not to question Islam or Muhammad and Allah, and not to read the Quran or Hadith with critical intention. Why, why are such warnings? If the Quran and Hadiths are errorless, we shouldn't stop someone from reading it critically. The story doesn't end here; Muslims are also warned not to read the books of other faith and the books critical to Islam. They are also advised to stay away from people, who ask questions critical about Islam and Muhammad.

Whatever alleged miracles of Islam and the Quran or about science in the Quran and Hadiths Muslims are told, they immediately believe them to be true without any question or verification, because they wish them to be true as those beliefs

please their emotions and flatter their cherished belief. I have debated with more than twenty five Muslims, who claim that they are not Muslims just by birth but they analyze Islam themselves and found it to be true before embracing Islam whole-heartedly. But I talked to them, I found that they have zero or very little knowledge about the Quran and Hadiths, or they have never read them. What they have studied is the works of mullahs, for example, Miracles in the Quran, Science in Islam, Science in the Quran, Miracles of Muhammad etc. They neither verify them from the original sources nor analyze them with reason. What they demonstrated was not wisdom but sheer ignorance and nonsense. Some of them even expressed morally unacceptable views, like non-Muslims are filthy, they should be killed as they are rebels against God, their women should be made concubines of Muslims. The question is: What great deeds have these nuts done in the eyes of God before their birth that God would give them so much privileges and freedom just because they are born in Muslim family and thus became Muslim.

Muslims believe in Islam—firstly because they are indoctrinated since their childhood with the ideas that ‘Islam is the only true religion, Muhammad is the true and the last messenger, and all non-Muslims are misleaders and enemy of Islam and Allah’; secondly because they are flattered by their ego that their cherished belief cannot be wrong. They take it for granted that they are fortunate to be made Muslims by God and God loves them more than anybody else in this world. This is just a false belief, not knowledge, let alone being wisdom. Knowledge is something, which is attained by minds capable of reasoning, not instilled or inculcated in impressionable minds in the childhood. But a belief is needed to be inculcated in impressionable minds since the tender age; else it would fail to be successfully passed from one generation to the next.

Another fallacious belief that Muslims treasure is that if they pass on one message of Islam to another person or if one converts a non-Muslim to Muslim, they will get double rewards for it, one for his own deeds and one for the person who is converted.

Many Muslims brag that they are not Muslims by birth but by choice, and after carrying out thorough verification and research, they found Islam to be very practical and logical, and the Quran to be miraculous. It is very good if one verifies everything about an ideology and then embraces it. It should be appreciated. But when I drilled down a bit further into their verification and research on Islam, I found that their reading and research is based only on some secondary Islamic books by modern authors. For example, they read books which speak good about and glorify Islam and the Quran—like miracles in the Quran, Science of Hadiths, miracles of Muhammad, compatibility of Islam and Science etc.—that are written by Muslims and mullahs only, not by any scientist or psychologist or biologist, and they never check from the original source whether they are really written in the Quran or Hadiths.

Those who use threat instead of logical arguments to defend their ideology only show their intellectual impotence and ethically act as violent pimps of their indefensible creed. Muslims are exactly the same, as they use threat to suppress the critics of Islam and voice of truth. Had their ideology being found on truth, they would defeat the critics of their faith with the weapon of reason and rational substantiation. But just because their faith has no rational grounds, but is based on superstition, fallacy and weird claims, they are incapable of defending it in rational arguments, and they readily turn intolerant and are ever ready to persecute anyone at the slightest of criticism against Islam and Muhammad. In sum,

MUSLIMS = logically blind + intellectually impotent + fanatically Fierce + sensitively insane + morally depraved + ethically demised + educationally deprived

The educated act like educated; the ignorants act like ignorants, but when the educated act like ignorants, it takes Islam.

Part 2 - Their Silly Arguments

Muslims use an endless list of fallacious and silly arguments in their defence of indefensible Islam. Here is a list of those:

'Out of Context' Argument

When one raises questions about verses of the Quran or Muhammad's actions from the hadith, all Muslims—be it mullahs or educated moderate ones—parrot only one thing in defence: 'You are talking out of context', 'please find out under what circumstances Muhammad did so', 'there must be some reason for that' and so on. But they themselves will never try to find out those contexts or circumstances under which Muhammad did so many malicious things, or nonsensical or violence-inciting verses were revealed. And when you show them the context of verses from the tafsirs, which often make Islam appear even more evil and atrocious, they immediately change tune to claim that 'this verse is allegorical' and on the worst scenario, they would say 'this verse is sarcastic'. Just imagine that the creator of the universe is talking in allegorical or sarcastic terms for guiding humanity through His divine scripture.

'Circular Logic' Argument

Whenever one asks Muslims to prove their religion and prophet to be true, all of them answer in a similar and very absurd and illogical way. They explain:

Muslim: Muhammad is a true prophet because the Quran says so.

Inquirer: What is the evidence that the Quran is true and divine?

Muslim: The Quran is true because Allah says so.

Inquirer: How do you to be certain that Allah is the true God and the Quran is His divine words?

Muslim: Allah is the true God because Muhammad said so.

Inquirer: And how do you know what Muhammad was true?

Muslim: Muhammad is true because the Quran says so.

This is called circular logic, proving something from its own source. It is like saying: I am the God, and the evidence for this is that I am saying so. Remember, no one trust something that the claimer himself says. He has to prove himself either with evidences

or with reason. The source of the Quran and Allah is only one and that source is Muhammad. Muhammad himself is claiming everything, and there is no evidence whatsoever that those claims are true and credible. Any thug and imposter can claim something in these ways. That doesn't make that claim true. Not only that, whenever Muslims try to validate or justify any instruction or law of the Quran or of Islam—like the benefit of veil or growing beard or anything else—they give Quranic evidence in support of their claims, even to non-believers of the Quran. How foolish these behaviours are!

'This is Not Islam' Argument

Whenever pointed to evil acts committed by a Muslim, Islamic group or Islamic nation in the name of Islam, another excuse Muslims offer in Islam's defence is: 'This is not Islam', 'This has nothing to do with Islam', 'Nowhere does Islam command one to do so'. Be it 9/11 or 26/11 terror attacks or a condemnable act like the shooting of young girl Malala Yousufzai by Pakistani Taleban, their answer is always the same: "This is not Islam" to which is routinely added another excuse, "This must a ploy of the Jews and the West to defame Islam".

Whenever something bad is done by Muslims, Muslims countries—immediately Muslims will blindly say the following:

- Iran, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia's political and social fallacies has nothing to do with real Islamic country.
- The Taliban's destruction of Buddhist antiquities has nothing to do with real Islam.
- The Taliban shot fourteen years old Malala Yousufzai for promoting girls' education in Pakistan and killing six polio vaccinators of Pakistan from UN have nothing to do with real Islam.
- The forcible conversion of helpless Christians in Indonesia has nothing to do with real Islam.
- The genocide being perpetrated in Sudan by the Islamists in Khartoum has nothing to do with real Islam.

- Bomb-blasts in Mosques of Pakistan, Iran and Iraq; has nothing to do with Islam.
- The unwillingness of the Saudi authorities to allow women to drive has nothing to do with real Islam.
- The sectarian violence in Pakistan between Sunni and Shiite has nothing to do with real Islam.
- The practice of female genital mutilation by Muslims all over North Africa, Middle East, Pakistan, Indonesia etc. have nothing to do with real Islam.
- Having sex with slave girls in Saudi Arabia has nothing to do with real Islam
- Women oppression and inequality with men has nothing to do with real Islam.
- The decapitations of the inhabitants of entire villages by jihadists in Algeria have nothing to do with real Islam.
- Acts of terror committed frequently around the world in the name of Islam have nothing to do with real Islam.
- The Hadiths depicting Muhammad (pbuh) as a pedophilic, murderous, thief have nothing to do with real Islam.
- The verses in the Quran and Hadiths justifying the slaughter of the Banu Qurayza by Allah's Apostle (pbuh) have nothing to do with real Islam.

They will keep adding such excuse after excuse such that it would appear: Islam itself has nothing to do with “real” Islam.

If this is not Islam, then what is Islam, where is it followed, and who are following it?

‘Everyone cannot understand the Quran’ Argument

Whenever one criticizes or asks questions about errors and contradictions in the Quran, Muslims repeat the reply like parrots that not everyone can understand the depth and wisdom of the Quran, many people get misled by reading the Quran itself. If ask back: What other meanings can one derive from verses of Quran,

which misleads the readers also? Or who will decide who is actually misled by reading the Quran, who is not? Is it the non-believers of the Quran or the Muslims themselves? Questions such as these would lead Muslims to a point, when they will have no further answers to offer. And at such point, they will say: “This kind of questions will only weaken your faith and eventually would lead you to great loss”.

‘Islam is also a socio-political Religion’ Argument

Muslims claims that Islam teaches everything in life, from sex acts to politics. When they are pointed to any unconscionable or violent command in the Quran and Hadiths, for example, some Islamic teachings that deprive individuals of his/her rights or teachings that are perilous to certain person or gender, then immediately they try to show some social benefit of that law or teaching, while completely ignoring its detrimental aspects. This argument is a shameless trick used by Muslims to hide the Islamic blunder, which Muslims often make—some of them consciously, others plagiarizing subconsciously. This argument is a significant camouflage against the truth that Islam is a political cult.

‘Scientific laws may change but not the Quran’ Argument

On one hand, Muslims claim that science is not comparable to Islam, which is absolute and eternal divine truth, while science keeps changing. On the other hand, they try hard to show that Islam is compatible with science, and they keep trying to prove that there are all kinds of sciences in the Quran and Hadiths. At the other end, science never tries to claim compatibility with the Quran; science works on its own way. Therefore, Muslims by trying hard to show compatibility of the Quran with science unwittingly puts science above, Islam below, because nobody will try to show compatibility of something with another which is inferior. Similarly, they claim that the teachings of the Quran are above everything else, yet they send their children to school to learn science, which they consider backward and inferior to Islam, to knowledge of the Quran and Hadith. Who could be greater fools than Muslims, who knowingly send their children to learn a false,

inferior and momentary thing? They claim all other scriptures like the Bible, Torah, Gita and others are either corrupted or not at all divine, and simultaneously they claim that Muhammad is predicted in those scriptures. None can bigger idiots than those, who make such self-contradictory claims?

‘Allah knows best & It’s Allah wish’ Argument

In a debate or discussion with Muslims or mullahs, when one asks a critical question about Islam for which they have no answers, they will immediately end the discussion with words like: “It is Allah’s wish”, “Allah knows best”. This means that they come to engage in debate with certitude when they know little in their own admission. If one comes to engage in a discussion or a debate and says, he doesn’t know, it is Allah who knows, then what is the point of discussion with him? I have debated with hundreds of such Muslims. Their answers were all the same and ended with same sentence: “It is Allah wish”. For example, when I ask them: Why did Allah take six days to create the heaven and earth in spite of the power of ‘Kun Fayakun’ and being omnipotent, they answered, “It is Allah’s wish”. Whenever I ask Muslims, why Allah asked Muhammad to marry a six-year-old girl and what Allah proved thus, their only answer is: “It is Allah’s wish”. When I asked, how a child would be treated on Judgment Day, who was born in an infidel family and died within 2-3 years of his/her birth, they answered: “Allah knows best”. When I asked them, how the population after Adam and Eve grew when they only had two sons, Abel and Cain, no sister, they answered: “Allah’s know. We are not supposed to know everything and cannot question him and his wisdom.” If Islam don’t have the answer for ‘wherefrom and how we have come to existence’, isn’t it foolish to believe Islam’s saying about where we heading to.

They win debates by saying only, ‘Allah knows’, and “Allah has every answer”. Thus, they are saved from answering crucial question leaving the critics unable to debate further, because Muslims can’t contact Allah for the answer and Allah will not answer before the Judgment Day.

‘Even hearing such things is sin’ Argument

Another very cunning and dishonest ploy Muslims employ in defense of Islam is that they leave a discussion or a debate by saying: “Oh God! We can’t even hear this sort of denigration about a great person like our beloved Prophet Muhammad” or “it is a sin to hear such defamation of our prophet”. This is a very great misdemeanor to defend Islam and Muhammad. If one is defaming my father, I am not supposed to leave the place saying, “*I cannot even hear such things against a great personality like my father*”. If I have confidence in the integrity of father, I will clear the doubts of the person raising such criticisms against my father’s character with refutation of the accusation with substantive evidence. Only if I have no confidence in my father’s character, I may leave the place with lame excuse like Muslims do regarding the weakness of Muhammad’s character, although it will be wiser for me to ask for evidence from the person so that I may enlighten myself about some unknown weakness that my father might have had. After all, we are only humans prone to erring.

On the existence of Allah and the sanctity of Islam, Muslims are always afraid of losing their faith and try to avoid such discussions at any cost, while atheists or agnostics are never afraid of such things. This is because, whatever beliefs Muslims cherish are not based on concrete reason or evidence but on superstition or blind faith. Faith is nothing but hope, and hope is the only lie that never loses its credibility. Atheists and agnostics live on evidence and reason while believers live on faith and superstition. That’s why the former don’t have controversies and contradictions among them and are open to discussion and doubt anything, even their cherished thoughts about the world. Edifice based on faith and superstition can’t be defended by reasoned argument, but only threats and violence, which followers of blind-faith religions have employed copious throughout history. So says Bertrand Russell: “*Persecution is used in theology, but not in arithmetic, because in arithmetic there is knowledge, but in theology there are only opinions.*”

‘This life is just a Test’ Argument

Whenever faced with questions like – why there is so much suffering and diseases in the world, why there are earthquakes, floods, cyclones and other natural disasters, from which even the followers of the Quran and Hadiths are not spared – Muslims readily claim that ‘This life is only a test’. For them, earthly life is temporal, does not deserve any serious attention and the earth is only an examination hall. Yet, they pay so much importance to their unimportant life on earth that they carry out the most horrendous acts like the 9/11 massacre in USA, 26/11 massacre in Mumbai, Madrid bombings, Boston blasts, shooting the little girl Malala, and such. In the examination hall only, their prophet had more than a dozen of wives and married a six-year-old girl (Aisha) when he was aged 50.

‘Islam is the fastest-growing religion’ Argument

In the defence of Islam, another frequent made vacuous claim of Muslims is: ‘Islam is the fastest growing religion’ in the world. So, it must be the truest religion on earth. First, this argument is completely fallacious. Islam is the fastest-growing religion does not mean that is the true or truest religion, because truth has nothing to do with majority, nor should it be judged on the basis of numbers. If this is so, then idolatry was truest religion 2000 years ago, because the world’s 99% people were polytheistic at that time. Believers of Hinduism were larger than Muslims over the greater part of Islam’s 1400-year history (until the last century), so Hinduism was true religion, Islam was false until then. Today, Christianity is believed by more people than Islam; so Christianity must be true, Islam is false. Or once, Christianity was the fastest-growing religion in earth; so Christianity was the true religion during those times.

Muslims are polyphiloprogenitive, i.e. they breed faster than others peoples. But that is the characteristic of all poor and uneducated people in any nations. Prior to Copernicus and Galileo, almost everyone agreed that the Earth was flat and the universe was geocentric. This consensus of virtually every member of

human race did not make this belief true. As Bertrand Russell said: *The fact that an opinion has been widely held is no evidence whatever that it is not utterly absurd; indeed in view of the silliness of the majority of mankind, a widespread belief is more likely to be foolish than sensible.*”

It is totally fallacious on the part of Muslims when they claim Islam to be true because it is most popular, like saying “thousands of people convert to Islam; so it must be true”. Hitler said, if a lie is repeated often enough and long enough, it would come to be perceived as truth.

Other similar Muslim claims are:

1. Muhammad is most influential person in history as per Michael Hart’s “The 100”.

2. The Quran is the most widely read book.

3. Muhammad is the most common name.

Almost all people can make bricks. Far lesser number can make pots. There are far more patients than Doctors. Even among the Doctors skilled surgeons and experts are only a fraction. Very few people on earth understand Astrophysics. In all times, knowledge and skill have been rare commodities possessed by only a few. Ignorance has always been the part of majority. Ignorance of Muslims is not only amazing, but positively harmful to them as well as to the rest of humanity. Hitler was influential too. The Harry Potter series have been most sold books in recent history. The housefly is the fastest breeding insect and the fish is the largest breeding in number. If proliferation is the point to establish truth and majority is the sign of divinity, then houseflies are most truthful creature and fishes are most divine.

‘This was the custom of that time’ Argument

When one points out the evil practices and violence of Muhammad, Muslims come up with another excuse that ‘This was the custom of the time’. No matter you tell them, ‘Muhammad had slaves’, ‘Muhammad had concubines’, ‘He married a six-year-old girls’, ‘He killed people’ or ‘He waged wars’, their answer would

always be similar and simple, 'This was the custom of the time' or 'War was sometime necessary to establish peace'. But when you ask them to produce example of another saints or prophets who did so, you will find them mum. Remember, morality is not a time-dependent, place-dependent, or person-dependent variable. Whatever is wrong for one person, it is wrong for another; whatever is wrong in on time, it is wrong for any time; whatever is wrong is one place, it is wrong in another place. Another question is that: Did Muhammad come to reform the social evils of his or to be a part of it? If he could not reform the evils of the contemporary society, instead practiced those evils, then why should one follow him?

'It is our fault, not Islam's' Argument

Today, very few Muslims follow certain laws of Islam, like, keeping beard, say prayers five times a day, reproduce prolifically, and learning from Islamic teachers or mullahs. When one asks them: why don't you follow Islam properly if it is a simple and beneficial religion, then you will definitely hear this answer: 'This is our fault.' "If we cannot follow Islam, it is our fall, not of Allah; Allah has given us guidance, now it is up to us whether or not we follow it'. If such a vast majority of Muslims fails to comply with the Islamic laws, then we are obliged to say that Islam has failed as a religion.

'The Error is in the translation' Argument

When the contradictions, absurdities, or the violent verses of the Quran are pointed out, Muslims will ask aggressively: "Do you know Arabic?" When the non-Muslim replies, "No", they triumphantly say, "You have to read it in original Arabic to understand it fully", or "These verses/words are not there in the original Arabic Quran", or, "The exact meaning of the verses of the Quran is lost in the translation", or "There are many fake translations of the Qur'an to malign Islam" etc. With this, Western critics generally become silent. If critics ask them to name a translation that they read to understand the Quran properly, they would hesitate to tell any name, but if you press them, they would

name those same translations which they were denying to inaccurate. So, the conclusion is that they can use any translations for their understanding of the Quran properly, but if the critics discover errors and contradictions in the same translation, it becomes inaccurate.

Now the essentiality of reading the Quran in Arabic to understand it accurately, the question is: *How many Muslims have read the Qur'an in original Arabic?* Since the majority of the Muslims are not Arabs, they also rely on translations. When they have not read it in Arabic or they even don't know anything about Arabic, how could they claim that it needs to be read in Arabic to understand correctly? Therefore, the language argument is a dishonest Muslim tactic to defend the many problems inherent in the Quran. Language is no barrier for find truth, as those who translated must have done so with extreme care and analysis and consultation from various sources. Furthermore, if they think those translations are wrong then why there is no protest against those fake translations, like the way Muslims generally do for any criticism and denigration against Islam and Muhammad. And how many Muslims scholars and Muslims read the Bible in Greek or Aramaic, the Torah in Hebrew or the Gita in Sanskrit before they criticize those scriptures, which they are most active at.

If the translations of the Quran by greatest scholars of Arabic language and Islam are full of errors, then who in this world has understood the Quran accurately? Why God has created the Quran in such a language and expressions that is difficult to grasp and interpret by the most proficient in Arabic? Though the purpose is to guide the entire population of the world, while Arabic is the language of humankind's most treasured sacred book that is understood by small population in the world. Did Allah want to spend half of our lives in learning a language and then understanding His divine instruction?

'Islam is a misunderstood religion' Argument

Another excuse used by Muslim apologists that aims to sanitize Islam from the practices of its followers when they are pointed to

the evil, atrocities and outrageous activities of Muslims all the globe, like bomb blasts in the mosques in Pakistan, Iraq or any other, shooting by Taliban to a young girl (Malala), attacking and bombing schools of young children by the Taleban in Afghanistan and other shameful terrorist activities all over the world, and very old men, often clerics, marrying underage girls, they reply: 'Islam is a misunderstood religion', 'those Muslims misunderstand Islam'. Such claims are made against by those devout members of Islamic organizations, who spend their entire lives learning about Islam. The irony is that the people who make the claims have very little knowledge of or even know nothing about Islam. For them, Islam comprises of only those soft outer layer such as shahada, prayers, fasting, zakat, hajj, and avoiding sins like adultery, alcohol and pork consumption. There are tens of millions of Muslims, whose understanding of Islam is limited to that polished image. They are the Muslims, who truly misunderstand Islam. They never read the Quran and Hadith to understand that their Islam is only a miniscule part of the whole gamut of Islam, which is purely a political game, set up by Muhammad to rule the world and bring the world under Islamic imperialism.

A religion that can be so extensively misunderstood for fourteen hundred years by its own followers is certainly not worth following, nor respect.

Almost every Muslim will make the outrageous claim that they are not true Muslims, they are not following Islam. Muslims of one sect claims the Muslim of another Islamic sect that 'they are not Muslims'; 'they are not following Islam truly'. Who truly follow Islam is a completely dark concept. Even if there some people who correctly follow Islam, their number must be miniscule or nearly non-existent.

It takes more exploration and learning to discover the inherent harder core of Islam, where the importance of jihad and rejection of the others become more highlighted. Unfortunately, by the time Muslims reach that level of knowledge, they have already committed themselves to the service of Allah and their brain

damage is complete. They become the violent and outrageous Muslims. A few others desert Islam.

There was never a time when Islam had a one distinct picture that Muslims could see with clarity and agree on. From the beginning, Islam was destined to have multiple interpretations. The Quran addresses issues in a vague, not concise style that sets the ground for multiple interpretations. Muslims are told that they can find in the Quran all the information they need; but when they open the book, they find nothing but repeated vagueness. Instead of coming to the obvious conclusion that the Quran is nonsense, they try to extract any interpretation to support whatever imagination they have in mind. Seeking refuge in Hadith does not help, because different Hadiths give different pictures of Islam depending on which ones you want to believe.

Let us not forget that Islam, from its inception, has been used as a political tool to subjugate the masses. Today's Muslims have the same problem in understanding Islam as their ancestors did over the past fourteen centuries. Muslims, who are biased to their own political views, can usually manage to find some kind of support in the Quran or Sunna.

Only 24 years after Mohammed's death, a group of Muslims broke into Uthman's house; the third rightly-guided Caliph and the Prophet dearest companion and son-in-law, and murdered him while he was reading the Quran. Those Muslims did not think for a second they were committing a murder, but were utterly convinced they were practicing jihad for the sake of Allah. Their judgment was based on their understanding of the Quran and Sunna. On the other hand, Uthman's supporters, who also based their judgment on the Quran and Sunna, believed those men were murderers and deserved to be killed.

Caliph Ali, the fourth rightly-guided Caliph and also the Prophet dearest companion and son-in-law, and his supporters of Sahaba (Mohammed's companions) were engaged for five years defending the Islamic state against their adversaries, who were also Sahaba. Both sides fought the war while holding the Quran and

shouting “Allahu Akbar”, as they slaughtered each other for the sake of Allah. More recently, when the Muslim nations were divided over Iraq’s invasion of Kuwait, both sides produced mountains of evidence, all based on sharia sources to prove that they were right and the other side was wrong or even committed kufr and deserves the death penalty!

A religion that can be so misunderstood for fourteen hundred years is certainly not worth following.

‘Red Herring’ Argument

This is one of the most common fallacies Muslims often make. It means whenever you point out an evil or an error of Islam, they would highlight the evil of other religions, instead of clarifying the criticism raised against Islam or the Quran. They present this fallacy as if you are an apologist of that religion, which they use as red herring. They don’t understand that highlighting evils committed by others does not dissipate theirs. When I raised the issue of polygamy of Muhammad, every Muslim shot back: ‘so what, even Krishna had several thousand wives’. What is interesting is that they often assert and believe that Ramayana and Mahabharata are only myths, yet they won’t refrain from highlighting those mythical stories to defend Muhammad, a real person, just to hide their own disgrace. If I point out that how can defend the Prophet by citing mythical stories from the Ramayana and Mahabharata, they often call me an apologist of Hinduism. Once I asked a Muslim why Muhammad fought so many wars, the person immediately retorted: “so what about the war of Mahabharata was also fought; Kanishka, a Buddhist, also waged wars and killed so many people. Then I asked him two questions: Is Mahabharata a real story and Was Kanishka a prophet of God? Then the person became quiet. In the first place, they are ignorant of the fact that highlighting evils of others does not justify the evils of their own. While debating, they rationalize as if Islam and other faiths are to have the same standard; they are not supposed to stand and fall together.

‘This Hadith is not authentic’ Argument

This argument is perhaps the last defence Muslims employ to save Islam. There are thousands of moral, scientific, and logical errors in the book of Hadiths, which itself is more than sufficient evidence to prove that Islam is a evil cult and Muhammad was a cruel imposter. But when questions raised on the integrity of Islam and Muhammad due to those numerous indefensible Hadiths, the sustainers of Islam come up with another explanation that those Hadiths (sayings and deeds of Muhammad as mentions in the books of Hadiths) are Da'eef (not authentic). On what basis they declare those Hadiths to be unauthentic is completely unexplained and cagey. If those Hadiths were not correct, then why the Muhadiths wrote those outrageous and incorrect things, still a nightmare for Islamic apologists? The acme of misdemeanor is that if those Hadiths are going to remain there even it is not authentic, so that they can bring them into play when needed.

'Conspiracy of the West and Jews' Argument

Whatever atrocities Muslims do all over the world, Muslims generally blame the conspiracy of the West and the Jews for those acts. Be it the 9/11 terrorists attacks, or the Madrid bombings or the 26/11 Mumbai massacre, Muslims tend to accuse anyone but Muslims for those evil acts. Even after the confession of Osama Bin Laden, Muslims still claimed that the 9/11 attacks were an inside job of the US government or committed by the Jews. Those, who commit those atrocities, Muslims believe, are actually agents of the West or Israel, who had taken proper training in Islam. All these they do are aimed at defaming Islam. This sort of lies released by renowned Muslim clerics or leaders eventually reaches the mouth of every Muslim, who learns it by heart, and like a parrot, speaks without any reasoning whatsoever. Why would the West and Israel try to defame Islam? Why they don't carry out the same campaign against other religions, such as Hinduism or Buddhism? What they would achieve from these efforts? Would a person burn his own house in order to blame his neighbour? And if they undergo proper training in Islamic scripture just to malign Islam, why don't they get inspiration from their learning the Quran, Hadiths and Sira, and become devout Muslim? Why Allah leaves

them uninspired even after their reading the Quran? These are questions Muslims are afraid to ask. From the last question in this list arise Muslims' fallacious argument discussed next.

'Allah's gives Hidayah as He wishes' Argument

When one asks a Muslim: Why do so many Muslims leave Islam, especially after gaining good knowledge of Islam and the Quran? Or, why there are so many non-Muslim scholars of Arabic and Islamic literature who, despite having very deep knowledge of Islam, never embrace Islam? They would retort that Allah gives Hidayah, whomever He wills. They argue that Allah did not bestow Hidayah even upon Muhammad's loving uncle and protector. Such arguments are nothing but fallacious defence to hide the evil and treachery of Muhammad. The reason why Muhammad's uncle did not accept him as a prophet can be another. His uncle Abu Taleb did not only deeply love him, but also swore to protect him when the Meccan expressed their desire to harm Muhammad for his insulting their religion and customs. Yet, Muslims will never reflect on why such a loving uncle would refuse to believe Muhammad's prophetic claim, or why Allah will not give guidance to such a devoted and loving protector of His beloved apostle? Logically, if there was only one person Allah decided to give guidance, it should have been his uncle Abu Taleb. It seems Allah provide guidance to only those, who blindly trust Muhammad's words.

Other Arguments

Muslims use more tricks in the defence of Islam. Whenever they are face with some Islamic duty, which are weird or difficult to follow for moral or practical reasons, they make all kinds of groundless classifications to justify their inability to follow them. Suppose, they are face with modern-day reality, where they must embrace Bid'dah (innovation), they classify it into two types—namely Bid'dah-e-Husna and Bid'dah-e-Zalala. When faced with their duty of engaging in Jihad, they classify it as Jihad-e-Nafs and Jihad Amr. But, there are such descriptions in the Quran and Hadith.

When one criticizes Islam, they demand for his/her qualification, when for such one issues, one require no specific qualification is required other than their own logic and conscience to be able to judge right and wrong, to tell sinner and saint apart, to separate good from evil. Yet, Muslims themselves can go on criticizing every other religion as per their wish.

When an ex-Muslim is able to show a Muslim the unsavory truth of Islam and convince him to leave Islam, Muslims accuse that new apostate must be an idiot and ignorant of true Islam or must have been forced to leave Islam. Actually those accusations apply to themselves most perfectly as they are the real ignorants of Islam and the victim of the greatest lie of the universe. Moreover, force and persecution is the weapon of Islam, of Muslims, not of the liberals because Islam legally mandates the killing of apostate.

With advancement of knowledge and technology with time, Muslims innovate new justifications to defend their weird and irrational beliefs. Most recently, they innovated the excuse that Islam mandate debate in open forum with physical presence, not in writing on websites, blogs or emails. This they claim because they know well that no sensible critic would debate with Muslims on Islamic issues in front of a Muslim audience, who are ever ready to kill anybody on the slightest of criticism of Islam. So, this is nothing but a cowardly way to defend their indefensible ideology. If anything, debating on internet can be far more feasible, comfortable, cheap, authentic and intellectual than any debate with physical appearance. Debating face to face can be threatening; people can use shriek, sophism, chicanery or demagoguery to win the debate.

Muslims always react with shriek and insolence when one says something critical of Islam. It is well known that Muslims almost nothing substantive to support their claim that Islam is a true religion and Muhammad was a true prophet of God. Muslims only can hurl abuses and threats to silence the critics of Islam. Shrieking and stridency is their weapon to support their illogical and evil cult. If their religion is founded to truth, they would defend it with

reason and logical arguments, not with threats and persecution. It seems their Allah did not provide brains or their religion didn't provide them grounds to defend their claims. Else, they need not behave like wild beasts when people criticize Islam; they can shut the critics with logical arguments and refutations.

If a people in a society do evil things, like sacrificing young children and engage in killing and plundering of opponent sects, and assume that those evil deeds are worship of God, without any inclination to listen to anything about their rituals and beliefs, and are ready to kill anyone who say anything against their (evil) beliefs, just like Muslims do, then can you tell me any method to guide them to right path. Remember, open scrutiny is the only way to separate the right from the wrong. No criticism no rectification.

Bertrand Russell asserts: *“Thoughts are not ‘free’ when legal penalties are incurred by the holding or not holding of certain opinions, or by giving expression to one’s belief or lack of belief on certain matters.”* And when there is no freedom of thought, criticism is not tolerated, and then no reformation or purification is expected. Those who use threats, not logical arguments, are not only pauper of evidence but also intellectually impotent and ethically wimp, who depend on the means of others. Muslims fit that bill perfectly, as they use threats to suppress the critics of Islam and voices of truth. If they were on the right path, they would defeat them with the weapon of reason and ample rational substantiation in support of their claims. Just because they have no rational grounds to defend their superstitious, illogical and weird claims, they are so intolerant and ready to persecute one at the slightest of criticism against Islam and Muhammad.

As far as Muslims’ fanatical attitude regarding Islam is concerned, the Great Philanthropist, Philosopher, Mathematician, Logician and Educationist Sir Bertrand Russell’s following words most fitting:

The opinions that are held with passion are always those for which no good ground exists; indeed the passion is the measure of

holder's lack of rational conviction. Opinions in politics and religion are almost always held passionately."

'...the problem with the world today is ignorant are cocksure and intelligent are full of doubts.'

Muslims keeps blabbering about truth, greatness and miracles of their faith, but when questioned about basis of their rock-solid confidence in Islam, about what miracles they have seen in Islam, they can comes up with nothing convincing. I have asked this question to thousands of Muslims. Most of them failed to tell me anything and when some of them come up with answers, those appear silly or ridiculous.

I concur with Ali Sina's statement that "Muslims put off their brains with their shoes and sandals and stand blindly behind an illiterate Imam who barks the Quranic verses without understanding even a single letter of it." The Islamic ills affecting Muslims is chronic, which will take a long, long time to be cured. It can only be accelerated by their study of Islam patiently and with an open mind. There are a lot to know about Islam, judge everything by listening to both sides of arguments—all with a rational mind, and only then can Muslims realize what is true about their faith.

"He, who decides a case without hearing the other side, even if he decides justly, cannot be considered just."

God will not punish anyone of us for using our brain to ask logical questions about anything we believe or even for questioning God's existence, at least until His existence has been founded on concrete evidence. But Muhammad and his Islam intimidate Muslims against using your brains concerning his claims. Muslims are turned so morally down, dejected, downhearted and depressed that they have no moral courage to question anything about Islam than blinding believing each and everything Muhammad, the 7th-century pedophile, looter, liar, lustful misogynist and narcissist said and base their moral founds on the same. He turned Muslims into zombies, who have lost God's biggest gifts them—their brain and rationality—thanks to Muhammad lure for them of big-bosom

hours in Islamic heaven and the fear of roasting and toasting in hell. No matter how qualified they are academically, how many certificates and diplomas they may have, they are prone to utter nothing but rubbish in the matter of religious beliefs. There are honored professionals among Muslims, such as chartered accountants, doctors, and engineers, but the end result is all the same—they generally remain devoid of reason, when it comes to their faith. Just as Bertrand Russell has written (*Sceptical Essays*): “*When a man adds up an account, he is much more likely to make a mistake in his favour than to his detriment; and when a man reasons, he is more apt to incur fallacies which favour his wishes than such as thwart them.*”

Part 3: Understanding the Muslim Mind!

“The purpose of Education is to give culture to the individual and to develop his capacities to the utmost.” -- Bertrand Russell (*Education and the Social Order*)

“Education consists in the cultivation of reason and judgment not in maneuvering them.” -- Bertrand Russell (*On Education*)

The biggest fear Muslims have is the fear of losing their faith (‘Imaan’). This is because of the fear, inculcated in them since childhood, that any information that has no parallel in Islamic theories and laws is false and detrimental to their faith.

This is in fact nurturing their religious superstition, which they cherish and glorify. Truth has no fear. Yet, when they are so afraid of losing their faith, what can be made of that faith? Something that has no strong foundation? No better than stupid superstition?

Since childhood, Muslims are strongly advised to hold their faith tight, strengthen their “imaan”, so that nothing can shake their faith in Islam and on the integrity of Muhammad. This is simply instilling one’s own beliefs and ideas into someone else, not letting them learn based on evidence and reasoning. It is nothing but ‘brainwashing’. This training of the impressionable mind of children is a perfect tool to turn them obstinate against evidence, to turn them blind to reasonable arguments.

Education does not require to be hammered into someone. It is attained by the power of realization and evaluating premises on the basis of integrity and conscience. Once a child has his reasoning elevated, he himself would decide what is right and what is wrong. This is a privilege which Muslim children are deprived of. Muslims live in a kind of sick societal atmosphere where education is censored, knowledge is curbed from acquiring to the fullest extent possible, and real-life approaches and experiences are manipulated to suit Islamic ideologies!

If Allah is so much happy with divine ignorance and godly stupidity, then Satan must be happy with verified knowledge and proven education. Isn't it?

Muhammad taught his followers to believe blindly in all his balderdash instead of teaching the importance of intellect, reason, open-mindedness and doubt. He never encouraged his followers to be great in creativity, art, innovation, knowledge, science, education, discipline and integrity. Instead, he commanded to marry and produce offspring as much as they could. He wanted to see the number of his followers to be large, not the higher quality, so that they can be manipulated and engaged in fighting for achieving his ignoble and ulterior motives. Muslims always say that science is not perfect and does not have all the answers. This is another fallacy they love to commit. Failure of one thing does not make the other victorious. It has to prove its own claims.

Secondly, the reason Muslims blindly believe what is told to them about Islam is because, they have never read the Sunnah--the sayings and deeds of Islam's self-proclaimed prophet, Muhammad. The *Truth about Muhammad* is told in the Sunnah. The problem with Muslims is that they are totally incapable of thinking for themselves. No Muslims will ever challenge the Quran or question the integrity of Muhammad. Anything they learn about the Quran and Sunnah is mainly from hearsay. And there lies the cause of all problems in Islam. Muslims are commanded in the Quran to take Muhammad as their model. Muhammad is considered the perfect and divinely-endorsed "role model" in Islam. Since the words and

deeds of Muhammad are only found in the Sunnah, it is important that Muslims read the Sunnah. Few Muslims read the Sunnah, even the Quran, in a language they understand. They believe whatever has been told to them by their Imam.

Thirdly, in Islamic culture, children are instructed to believe everything Muhammad said and did, love and respect him more their parents, which Muhammad himself had instructed his followers to do. They are never ever supposed to doubt the messages of the Quran and Hadiths. Suppose a child, since very early age, is taught that two and two makes five, and till his ripe age, every people around him—teacher, preacher, father, mother, brother or uncles sister, aunty friends and foes—confirmed it and said the same thing, then that child, even after coming of age, would never be able to realize that two and two actually makes four. Instead, he/she will deem such a claim as false or illogical.

Muslims find the Quran to be miraculous and inspiring, because it validates and satisfies their preconceived ideas of hate, nonsensical laws and ideas, and stupidities about Allah, Muhammad, believers, non-Believers, Heaven and Hell. Muslims find the Quran to be correct because it confirms whatever the irrationalities, inhuman opinions, and absurdities they have received from their parents, teachers and relatives. This is like a Muslim child told in his green age that Jews are filthy and evil, and after they reach adolescence or adulthood and reads the Quran, it confirms his inculcated-since-tender-age belief that Jews are filthy and evil. Thus that childhood teachings perpetuates in them till death.

This is how Muslims' unshakable belief in every absurdities and drivels of the Quran in groomed. A person who is sitting in a moving car cannot feel the movement of another car moving in parallel at the same speed. Similarly, when a person groomed with errors since tender age and later finds a scripture filled with the same errors, he/she fails to perceive the error. Even if a book has some wisdom in it, that does not necessarily make it is a divine book, because we have to see the character of the speaker/writer,

not the book, because it is easy to plagiarize the wisdom from other books but very difficult to emulate a true saint or prophet. Furthermore, even a bad watch tells you correct time twice a day.

In moderate countries like India or Bangladesh, Muslims are not in as bad a shape as their Muslim brothers of African and Middle East countries. And these less-damaged Muslims think that what they believe and perform as their religion – like the prayer, fasting, and zakat – is the only true form of Islam. Such thoughts are not borne out of knowledge, but of their ignorance about real Islam. They never read Islamic history, never read the Quran thoroughly to understand its messages, and they never read the Sahih Hadiths. Their knowledge and ideas of Islam is predominantly shaped by age-old social tradition. And whatever they read are the works of contemporary scholars and Maulanas that contain pick-and-choose knowledge and ideas of Islam in sugarcoated form, not the undistorted actual message and teachings of Islam. And Muslims never verify or check what has been written in those books to see if it is correct, whether or not they have provided authentic and correct reference. When it comes to books written by the critics of Islam, they, in the first place, refuse to read those books. Then they right-away condemn such writings as ill-intentioned calumny against their beloved religion, instead of reading and checking to verify whatever they have written are true or not. In sum, they blindly believe and praise the writings in favour of their religion, and disbelieve and pour scorns on those, whose writings go against Islam.

Muslims are so fanatic and intolerant about their religion and prophet that whenever there is any criticism of those two subjects, they whole-heartedly come to defend their faith and prophet with their arsenal of ignorance, whether or not they follow even the basic teachings of Islam or have the least bit of knowledge of it. They do so in the hope of earning some reward from Allah by showing their blind and utmost love and reverence toward their prophet and religion. They won't let go of any such opportunity to earn Allah's rewards the easy way. Their mind has been shaped in such a way that they would commit any misdemeanor, even

outrageous violence, to protect their religion in the hope of earning great divine virtues and rewards, instead of being just and rational. Even the most ignorants amongst Muslims, even little children, harshly attack the critics of Islam and Muhammad, while their greatest of apologists and scholars fail to offer coherent and convincing answer to those critics. Like it is said: “*The ignorant blathers on the dense issues, what the enlightened falters to speak about.*”

Whenever someone tries to show Muslims the truth about Islam, they behave as if he is trying to mislead them and that person is their biggest enemy. Instead of listening and verifying whatever that person has to say and find out if there is any contradictions in what they been told about Islam, they behave like they don't have the capacity to judge things about their religion—choose between right and wrong, truth and falsehood. Muslims fear questioning Islam and embracing the truth just like a witch is afraid of being exposed to daylight. When one tries to project the light of truth toward their forehead, both their eyes and mind shrink. Just as Oliver Wendell Holmes said:

"The mind of a bigot is like the pupil of the eye. The more light you pour upon it, the more it will contract."

No Muslim understands the Quran but they pretend that they do and understand it satisfactorily. Else, they would be insulted of ignorance and unguidance by fellow Muslims or peers. If mullahs and mufassir have understood it, then there would not be so much contradictions and controversies among Islamic scholars in their interpretations, and there won't be so many sects in Islam. Every Muslim understands Islam as per his/her whims and wishes. Why the Quran, supposedly a clear guide to life for Muslims of all level of education and intellect and of all ages, leaves so much space for people to understand it as per their desire is a question that needs deeper consideration and analysis.

Every Muslim thinks that he/she is better human being than others; they believe their language 'Arabic' is the most preferred by God; they believe that the Quran is the one and completely pure,

original and divine book. They also believe that among themselves, those who perform Salah (5 times prayer) are better than those who do not; those who grow beard and do the Salah are better than those without beard but do the Salah; and Muslims who perform the Hajj (pilgrimage) are better than those Muslims who do not. And they often treat fellow Muslims differently as per these considerations. Thus they possess some sorts of ingrained narcissistic traits. One may count such silly thoughts and attitudes of Muslims on and on. But the fact is: Even the worshippers of devil and followers of Satan may make such narcissistic claims about themselves, but it is not THEY, who are supposed to decide the truth about themselves. It is the third party, it is their actions and deeds, that should determine whether or not they are superior to others.

If Muslims are the most adorable creature on earth, then why the Omnipotent Allah fails to make His beloved folks the majority even after 14 centuries; if Arabic is the favourite language of Allah, then why He fails to turn it into a universal language. The answer is simple. These narcissistic claims of Muslims are all lies and complete rubbish. Even if we agree that they are right, then which one among the many Muslim sects is on the right path of God, as every sect among them is accusing others of infidelity, blasphemy, shirk and such? If they are all on the right path, there would be no contradictions among them, so won't multiple sects. The truth is always one but lies can be many. It is the lies which divide people, truth unites them. There is not a single week that passes without a news of bomb blasts in Muslim countries like Pakistan, Syria, Iran, Iraq or Egypt in which one group of Muslims target another group. The Quran says that non-believers are cursed by Allah. Then, why is there so much curse of Allah in Muslim countries instead of blessings? It is not non-Muslims, but Muslims, who burn most of the Quran by exploding bombs in mosques of the other sects, assuming that they are carrying out the divine plan of Allah. Just as an adage goes, "*Live by the sword, die by the sword.*"

- Has anyone ever heard of Hindus rioting and burning embassies of other countries or shooting Mullahs when Muslims butcher cows, which sacred to Hindus?

- Did Buddhists around the world riot and kill Muslims when Muslims destroyed the statues of Buddha in Afghanistan?

- Did Christians riot and act barbarously when Muslims burned the flag of Denmark which has a cross on it?

All such savagery is unique to Muslims.

Muslims are incapable of even considering the possibility that even the smallest thing written in the Quran and Sunnah can be lie or not right. A Muslim is incapable of proving any criticism of Islam as false. But, he is adamant that Islam is true and anyone disagreeing with it must be wrong. These poor souls are prisoners of intellectual incapacity. They have a mental block from which they can't break away. They believe that if they defend Islam in whichever way it be, they will get rewarded for it in the afterlife. So, we normally see them blindly try to defend the religion of Allah, no matter how much knowledge they have or how much it works. They just do it, because they believe that being Muslims they have the utmost responsibility to protect Islam from criticism.

Once a Muslim told me that those, who don't pray to Allah at his home, their home will become a graveyard. I asked him: *Is Allah so needy and desperate? He sounds more like a psychopath, despot, narcissist and dependant on our worship.*

His reply was: Since Allah has created you and everything in the world, he has the right to do anything he wants. He has the right to destroy his creation.

I said to him, this sums up the insanity of Muslims. They believe in a false postulate without questioning its validity. In fact, they do not dare question it for the fear of hell. And then, once that fallacy is accepted as truth, they shut up their brains and mindlessly do what Muhammad told them to do. This is total madness. Muslims have been reduced to zombies. Nothing can be more dangerous than a brainless killing machine. Who said that Allah created us?

How do we know that Allah was not the Satan who picked the vilest man on Earth to fool people and convert this world into hell of lies? There is plenty of evidence that Allah and Muhammad's deeds are demonic. Where is the proof that he is the real God? Islam is an embodiment of evil.

They are mentally paralyzed by the fear of hell, thus spiritually regressed. At the same time, they are fascinated by the lure of carnal delight of Allah heavenly brothel.

Muslims think that all followers of Islam, after being punished for a period for the evils they commit in the worldly life, will go to heaven to live there for eternity, but those who never accept Islam will burn in Hell endlessly. They can't even think on their own about what Muslims have done before their birth that Allah would give them such a privilege to kill and curse the non-believers of Islam, and call them filthy and misguided, and why Allah deprives others to be born as Muslim to enjoy all those privileges. And if you can only be saved by believing in Muhammad, what about all those billions of people throughout the period of Islam who lived in vast areas of the world without ever hearing about Muhammad? Will they all be condemned to eternal fire just because of their lack of information about Muhammad's religion?

Once I asked a Muslim scholar: How would Allah judge a baby who died only a few days after his/her birth before he/she could believe in Islam? Would he go to heaven or hell?

His answer was: It was a profound theological question, and added, either the baby's soul would go into limbo (until when one wonders?) or it would be judged on the behaviour of the parents.

What staggering nonsense! Thank goodness the baby won't be judged on the behaviour of the mullahs.

When Muslims are shattered in debates and has no answer, they quickly claim that their faith only gets boosted in course of such arguments. This nothing but fruitless effort on their part to discourage the critics, just like a candle flutters before it blows out. When a person losses his extremely dear object or subject, he

initially fails to believe that he has actually lost it. This happens because at the initial stage, he fails to gather enough courage to accept such a most undesirable reality. But as time passes, he eventually has to face the truth and embrace the reality. Our heart can be deceived by its emotions and hopes. Faith and hopes are the most deceptive of human emotions. It will be utterly baffling to a neutral person as to how a Muslim's faith can become stronger when he/she is shown, citing information from their own sacred texts, that Muhammad was a vile criminal? How can that increase pride instead of causing shame? What Muslims assume as 'Imaan' is in fact superstition wrapped in obstinacy and empowered by ignorance and stupidity. Their faith is nothing but a cherished and adored superstition, which they are determined to hold fast and not lose it at any cost.

Whatever Islamic apologists write to defend Islam are nothing but misleading fallacies, irrational arguments, incorrect deductions, erroneous syllogisms and immoral justifications. They present all sorts of delusional and flawed wiles in defense of Islam and Muhammad only to dupe and deceive themselves, but Islam is and will be vulnerable and untenable forever.

Muslims claim that all the wars Muhammad had fought was in self-defense. At the same time, they justify their prophet's looting the non-believers and making their women concubines and their children slaves. One can claim that he has killed someone in self-defense, but cannot also claim that he has robbed him in self-defense after killing him. Islam's own scriptures make it obvious that Muhammad never fought in self-defense; instead, he always attacked first and aggressively, and in every attack, he plundered and pillaged those communities and caravans. Had Muhammad fought proper battles with enemies in the battle-field, there won't be any women and children to enslave them, neither will be wealth for him to plunder as sacred booty other than swords, spears and possibly some horses.

Muslims have distorted and perverted the sense of morality and nobility. The ideas of humanity, enlightenment, and spirituality are

missing in Islam. Their morality is only the commands of the Quran, no matter how corrupt, immoral and even barbaric they are; their nobility is what Muhammad did, no matter how repugnant his deeds were; their humanity is limited to Muslim brotherhood, not based on the golden rule; their enlightenment is the mental entrapment in the spells of the Quran; their salvation or moksh starts from Salah (daily prayers) ending in sexual orgy after death.

In Islam, it is halal to beat one's wife but it is haram for a woman to expose her hair to strangers. It is halal for men to be promiscuous and polygamous, but the same is haram for women. It is halal to own slaves, but it is haram to charge interest on loans. It is halal to deflower a 9-year-old girl but it is haram for girls and boys to mingle. It is halal to rape a boy and have pedophilic relationship with him, but it is haram to have homosexual relationship with another adult. Muhammad and Allah (9:28) claims that non-believers are filthy, but their women's private parts are pure for the lust of Muhammad and his followers. Islamic Sharia is against human ethics. In short, morality in Islam is what Sharia dictates and not what logic or ethics say.

Let me conclude by saying: *“Islam is a sieve of submission which has thousands holes and is woven by the strings of ignorance, stupidity and lies that the fathead and ignorant can't pass through. And Muslims dig their own grave of ignorance and jump into it to go into sinister slumber to rest on superficial and supercilious contentment.”*

Part 4: Conversation with an Educated, Moderate Muslim

"Why should we change our religion, it is full of blessing for us. Muhammad and his followers are merciful among themselves and severe against the disbelievers (Surah Fatah); the Quran is here to strike at the root of evil (Surah Tarikh). The disbelievers are filthy (Surah Taubah). Respect is only for Allah, the prophet and the believers (Surah Saaf). The believers have Allah as their protectors. We are in state of truce where we respect the life and property of the Kafirs, but during war if we are killed we go to Jannah, but if

we are successful their property and wealth is ours, their women are our concubines, their children are our slaves. That is what you call the atrocities of Muhammad (PBUH). He is fully justified of what he did. The polytheist and the atheist live on the earth, breathe the air, drink the water and consume the food—all of which belongs to Allah—should be punished. Muhammad (PBUH) is here to establish religion of Allah not to compromise. He may be oppressor for others. So what... So What???"

I have seen a most moderate and tolerant Muslim in my life who is my uncle in law. He is a very nice and decent person. I had a conversation with him on Islam. He is a science graduate in chemistry and Hafiz-e-Quran, a very religious and devoted Muslim. Since he is very knowledgeable on Islam, I thought at the outset that I would be able to make him understand the true nature of Islam, and hopefully he would liberate himself from Islamic bondage. But as the discussion progressed, I realized that he is the person who will ever be able to realize the damage Islam has caused to him. Here is the first piece of conversation, which is still running for nearly a year but the intensity has subsided now. Let us see the opinion of a moderate and liberal Muslim about non-Muslims? That will help us imagine what would be the opinion of fanatic fundamentalist Muslims. I have spilled almost entire FFI and Islam-watch on him, but to no avail.

My uncle (Let's call him Nafees) wrote to me during a debate:

Abid: Muhammad was not a prophet but a conqueror. He also bore an illegitimate child, named Ibrahim, with Maria the Copt. What kind of prophet is he who is having sexual relationship without marriage? Why he waged so many wars? Did any other prophets like Jesus, Buddha do so to establish peace and harmony, for making people virtuous or for teaching morality or spirituality?

Nafees: First you have to get in your jaundiced mind that blessing and good tidings are for those who believe in Allah and the beloved prophet. Equality and rights are not applicable to

disbelievers. The beloved prophet was sent to enforce Allah's laws not to please the UNO. If the law is not acceptable to the Jews the hypocrite and the Kafirs. Then to hell with them and all Islamic critics. Allah's law is eternal; you cannot judge it by the parameter of human law. War booty is made legal by Allah. What is the problem with that? Those who wage war against Allah and the HOLY PROPHET are cursed and when they are defeated their life and property belongs to Muslims. Maria was the part of the war booty.

Abid: Muhammad's choicest booty was Muslims' mind. Muhammad has perverted your morals, reduced you to a brain-dead zombie, smashed your reasoning faculty and destroyed you humanity and conscience, and converted you to a man of Satan who think that to make people virtuous war is needed, booty is ethical and bearing child without marriage is legitimate. See what Islam has done to you. You will not realize anything until you are killed and your women are made concubines like the way Islam suggests. Maria was not part of war booty but Safiyah was. Maria was a gift to Muhammad from the Egyptian king. Safiyah was a wife of Muhammad but Maria was his concubine.

Nafees: "The literal meaning of Muhammad (pbuh) the one who is worthy of highest possible praise so your allegations are invalid. You cannot say Mr. Good is bad or high is low."

Abid: What happened to Muslims' mind that they come up with such silly arguments that a man must be good just because the literal meaning of his name is 'decent'? There is a person in Jail, who was charged with theft. His name is Sharafat (nobility), please go to the Judge and plead for his release as his name is Sharafat; so he can never do ignoble deeds. Or worship the man whose name is Rahman (one of name of Allah), then he must be Allah, because his name is so. Having a name and deserving what that name means are completely different things, my dear. No parents name their child, which means something bad, ignoble, or unpleasant, although many of them thieves, robbers, murderers, corrupt. Then, why do you expect Muhammad's parents brand him with

something humiliating. Even if they knew that Muhammad is going to be horrendous criminal, they would name him with admiring words. Do you think all criminals in a Jail have awful names? When you could not prove nobility from the deeds of Muhammad, then you tried to prove he is good because his name has such as meaning. Ah! What Islam has done to you! Please stop doing Islamic gymnastic; else more people would leave Islam by your sincere effort. Do I need to explain to you even this that a person is not judged by his name but by his character and deeds?

Nafees: How sad that you have ruined yourself by following your own speculation. The holy prophet will always be praised despite your myopic eyes.

Abid: Tell me why shouldn't I follow my own speculation and reasoning instead of following someone who lived 1400 years ago in an uncivilized land and barbarous culture. Even if I am wrong, I will get credit for using God's greatest gift 'Reason' and I will be happy for choosing my own way and following my own conscience. But If I am right and you are wrong, just imagine what will happen; you will be penalized doubly, one for following a criminal and one for denying God's greatest gift. Isn't Satan always praised by his followers? So what if bigger devil is more praised?

Nafees: I cannot find anything but truth in the personality of the holy prophet (pbuh). Whatever you said about him (pbuh and his progeny) is understandable because no Kafir likes him.

Abid: Evil never sees another evil as wrong. A thief never scorns another thief, a smuggler never reprimands another smuggler, and a rapist never scolds another rapist. Islam is a blindfolding black cloth which Muslims have covered their eyes with. Just because darkness of the Islamic dungeon is similar to the colour of the blindfold, you think both are reasonable. If you cannot find anything, then it doesn't mean that the ultimate truth is what you believe while for finding the truth one should always be tentative and open to criticisms, as certitude shuts all doors of learning and truth, with sincere and consistent endeavour to find it. Furthermore, you should be able to prove to others, what you

believe; else all you believe would be no better than a false notion. You think so and praise him because you are spelled and brainwashed by the satanic verses of the Quran. Tell me: Isn't Satan praised by his followers and worshippers? So what if bigger devil is also praised. You people venerate someone who not venerable. If you really want to prove him a good person then give some evidence at least from Hadiths, if not logical evidence. Will you please assert your premises with some evidences, reasonable or at least from your Islamic sources? It is a congenital propensity of Muslims to assert without evidence.

Nafees: Do you think you are more knowledgeable and wiser than proficient and prolific Maulanas like Maududi, Iqbal, Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, Abul Kalam Azad et al., who were great scholars and propagators of Islam and were PROUD Muslims.

Abid: No, I don't think so. But I do think that I am the best person to decide what is right and what is wrong. I can't leave my faith and decision about my life and death on someone else. God does have given me enough intellect and conscience to judge what is right and what is wrong, what is moral and what is immoral, and how should I behave with my co-inhabitants of this earth and how I should not. These names are great but still not greater than those others who also walked on earth, Mother Teresa, Mahatma Gandhi, Buddha, Abraham Lincoln, Vivekananda, Mahavir, Einstein, Isaac Newton, Bertrand Russell, Andrew Carnegie, Gutenberg, Charles Babbage, Bill Gates, Benjamin Franklin, Winston Churchill, Thomas Jefferson, J.F. Kennedy, Marcus Aurelius, Michael Faraday, David Hume, Charles Darwin, Francis Crick, Francis Bacon, Mark Twain, GB Shaw, Leo Tolstoy, William Shakespeare, Roger Bacon et al. They never accepted Islam to be a true religion. Some of them even denounced Islam and Muhammad. Are you wiser than them or you having more credentials than they have/had. It is evident how little wisdom you got from reading the Quran that you put down your faith and knowledge on the knowledge of someone else and the truth for you rest on their judgments. Even if I put truth on the judgments of others, then why it has to be Maududi or Maulana Azad, not on Vivekananda or Bertrand Russell?

Forget about those intellectual giants, those western Islamic scholars who were master of Islamic literatures, like Ignaz Goldziher, Gerd Puin, Thomas Carlyle, William Muir, Montgomery Watt, Karen Armstrong, John Espito (Author of Encyclopedia of Islam), Thomas Patrick Hughes (Author of Dictionary of Islam) et al. never embraced Islam. Why? In spite of knowing all about Islam and Muhammad, in spite of their praising Muhammad and Islam, they never converted to Islam. Doesn't it leave a very deep question mark?

You think Syed Ahmed Khan was a great scholar and intellectual figure. He was a Quranist. Then why aren't you? Why Maududi's views differ from rest of Maulanas? Why views among all great Ulemas differ so widely from each other? Why there are so many sects and schisms among Muslims only? First decide among yourselves and tell me, who is the greatest and truest of all Ulemas, then I will stop criticizing Islam and I will embrace it?

Nafees: ???

Abid: At one end, the Quran says there is no compulsion in religion (Quran 2:256) but at the other, Muhammad wants to burn the houses of those who do not come to pray and commands Muslims to beat their children above a certain age when he does not pray. Isn't it a compulsion in religion?

Nafees: 'No compulsion in religion' for Kafirs, but once you accept Islam as your religion, you have to abide by it.

Abid: Then why there is verse like kill non-believers wherever you find them (2:191, 4:89, 4:91 and 9:5). And what about the law of killing an apostate as per the Quran? Aren't these 'compulsion in religion'?

Nafees: ???

Abid: Why can't you see the evil of your religion and wickedness of your prophet is beyond me. Why don't you follow other decent religion like Buddhism or Hinduism instead of following a rapist, pedophile and killer?

Nafees: Why should we change our religion, it is full of blessing for us. Muhammad and his followers are merciful among themselves and severe against the disbelievers (Surah Fatah); the Quran is here to strike at the root of evil (Surah Tarikh). The disbelievers are filthy (Surah Taubah). Respect is only for Allah, the prophet and the believers (Surah Saaf). The believers have Allah as their protectors. We are in state of truce where we respect the life and property of the Kafirs, but during war if we are killed we go to Jannat, but if we are successful their property and wealth is ours, their women are our concubines, their children are our slaves. That is what you call the atrocities of Muhammad (PBUH). He is fully justified of what he did. The polytheist and the atheist live on the earth, breathe the air, drink the water and consume the food—all of which belongs to Allah—should be punished. Muhammad (PBUH) is here to establish religion of Allah not to compromise. He may be oppressor for others. So what... So What???

Abid: ??? (This time Abid was left answerless, speechless, dumbfounded)

Part 4: Slandering Other Religions for Advancing Islam

Islam is a cult which stands and prospers only by slandering other faiths. Since tender age, Muslims inculcate in their children the ideas that Christians are infidels and has corrupted the Bible; Jews are pigs and apes and corrupted their holy book even more; Hindus are idol worshippers, a totally false religion, thus they are Kafirs and Mushriks; Buddhists are also idol worshippers, and so on. They keep on finding faults with each and every other religious faith. They label them with various terms and expressions to belittle those religions. At the same time, they exaggerate, embellish and embroider their own cult deceitfully. While most of them do it unwittingly, some do so intentionally in the hope of winning the heart and favors of Allah. They fail to understand such a simple thing that an Omnipotent God would never need any kind of lies or superficial beautification to promote and glorify His religion. Muslims hold an attitude concerning other religions,

which is best summed by the famous proverb: "Give a dog a bad name and hang him".

Islam strictly forbids symbolisms. Muslims never sketch the image of Allah or of Muhammad. They are not even supposed to draw any living animals in picture. Idol worship is symbolism, not equivalent to making partners with God. Hindus do not say that there are two Gods; Christians or Jews never claim that God is multiple. Yet Muslims insult those religions with the false accusation of having multiple Gods. This is a malicious ploy that Islam use to slander and sully the image of every other religion, so that Islam can be advanced.

We humans are completely dependent on symbolism; we can never do without it. Whatever name we utter is a verbal representation of that object which we call with that name. For example, when we say "tree" we are just using the word 'TREE' instead of showing a tree in real. It is, thus, a symbolic representation of a real tree. But Islam outlaws only the pictorial symbolism not the vocal, because Muhammad lacked the sense of differentiating between these two types of imageries people use. Even any concrete object is not possible to denote without the use of verbal representation, then how is it even possible to think of realizing an abstract thing like "love", "intelligence" or "wisdom" without the use of symbolic representation? It is impossible for us to live without using symbolism in perceiving even earthly matter. Then imagine how it is possible to conceive or perceive the idea of a God who is abstract and transcendental.

While God is said to be beyond the reach of human mind, Hindus never really make partners with the Creator of the universe. They are worshippers of Nature and its every manifestation. They make idols of gods and goddesses of and revere various forces and elements of Nature like trees, snakes, cows, the sun, rivers, parents, education, wealth, beauty, honesty and so on. Their worship is a sort of tribute they pay to the powerful and beneficent aspects of Nature and its facets, which again does not mean that they believe in multiple creators of the universe. Hindus

worship Saraswati, but do not believe that Saraswati is the Creator of the universe. They revere and pay devotion to Saraswati only as the manifestation of knowledge and education which is again a faculty of the conscious universe. Can I question Muslims that isn't prostrating towards Kaaba is a symbolism, isn't throwing stones at Satan is emblematic representation or isn't kissing the Black Stone a 'Shirk'? If Satan is detained at **Mecca**, then who has been misleading human through the ages? If Muslims kiss the Black Stone just because Umar saw Muhammad once kissing it, couldn't the second rightly guided Khalifa question and guide his unguided Apostle to stop him from doing 'Shirk'?

Muslims claim that the Bible and the Torah (Jewish scriptures) are corrupted, but when asked to provide some historical or logical evidence to prove when, how and who corrupted it, they would disappear. The fact is that the Quran was codified into a book 2 decades after Muhammad's death under caliph Uthman, when many contradictory copies of the Quran were disregarded and burned to ashes. The Gospels of Jesus were also written down 2-3 decades after the death of Jesus. Then, how can Muslims claim--without producing any evidence--that the Christian Bible is corrupted, but the Quran is not?

Muslims never even hesitate to assert (without evidence) that Buddhists are idol-worshippers. Buddhism, in fact, is a non-God religion? Still, Muslims obdurately claim that they are idol-worshippers. They just need to pick holes into every other faith and ideology in order to elevate Islam. How awful!

When I was a Muslim, I found no errors in the Quran. But when I started reading the scriptures and materials of other religions and tried to compare those with the Quran, I started finding moral and ethical problems and scientific errors in the Quran. Obviously I never read the Quran with critical intentions when I was a devout Muslim. When I started reading it with an open mind and tried to find wisdom and noble teachings, all I found were those Islam-specified virtues like Salah, Fasting and Zakat and Hajj--hardly anything of value for the welfare of

mankind. Since my childhood, I received advice from Muslims not to study non-Islamic religious books or materials, because they were supposed to be filled with sinful teachings. No religion despises other religions as does Islam. When I eventually read books of Hindu pundits, I found no concept like the damnation of the followers of other religions into hellfire, or God's wrath upon those, who do not become Hindu or can't be enlightened to embrace Hinduism. Unlike in Islam, I also found that other religions don't demand that one must change one's name, attire, physical appearances or faith for Salvation, Moksh, and Enlightenment or for Heaven.

Now I understand why Muslims demands that their children do not read, hear, or gaze upon anything that is critical or derogatory to Islamic ideologies. If someone realizes how vile Islam is, Muslims start belittling him with disparaging terms and names, like disbeliever, cursed, hellish, blind, prone, kafir, murtad (apostate), munafiq (hypocrite), filthy, misguided, ill-advised, ill-bred, unilluminated etc., which Muhammad himself used and recommended for those who criticize or leave Islam. Though few jargons like Murtad and Munafiq are not so offensive literally for non-Muslims or ex-ones, but they are used by Muslims in a very contemptuous way.

There are many faculties and attributes of the human mind, like perceiving, observing, realizing, looking, believing, knowing, empathizing, memorizing, recognizing, comprehending, feeling, being aware, being conscious and unconscious etc. Among these faculties of the mind, one can be used to deceive or manipulate others, which is 'believing'. I can't deceive you if you observe me; I can't deceive you if you perceive me; I can't deceive you if you realize me; I can't deceive you if you understand me; I can't deceive you if you know me. But I can deceive you if you BELIEVE me and very easily if you believe me blindly. In the Quran, immense emphasis has been put on 'believing' unconditionally with the promise of Allah's infinite blessings and happiness as a reward. Concurrently, lot of curses and insolence have been showered along with ominous intimidation upon those, who doubt instead of

blindly believing the Quran. In Surah 2 (Baqra-Cows), the word 'Believe' has been used 48 times, with total number of verses on 'Believe', 'Believing' and 'Believers' are 34 and the total number of verses on the evil of 'Doubt' is 5. Now just imagine how desperate is the Creator of the universe to make us believe in Him, in Muhammad and in the life after death. Out of so many faculties, only 'Believing' is very dear to Allah and reward for that simple task is great and infinite. Allah has nothing to do with more prized faculties, such as realizing, perceiving, comprehending, empathizing, feeling, being aware or being conscious. Allah needs only 'Believing' blindly.

Albert Einstein said the important thing is not to stop questioning; Galileo called doubt the father of inventions; Oliver Holmes Jr said to have doubted one's own first principle as the mark of civilized man; Wilson Mizner maintained that he respected faith but doubt is what gets you an education.

The Muslim sense of wisdom is limited to the 'Uniqueness of Allah'. Whenever one desires to talk to Muslims, they reply: 'The greatest wisdom is the exclusivity of Allah'. No matter what philosophy you wish to discuss, their answer is shrunken to oneness of Allah. Whether you talk about Epistemology, Metaphysics, Aesthetics, Existentialism or Transcendental philosophy or something other, their answer is consistent, 'Allah is One'. Such responses are too sickening for those, who are not diseased by Quranic verses. They reply in such an exaggerated and over-emphasized way that the whole world is conspiring against Allah to create and worship many other gods, when in truth no well-established religion says that there are multiple Gods. Muhammad was not the first to profess monotheism. He just exploited the well-established concept of monotheism in an over-exaggerated manner for declaring himself a prophet of Allah in Mecca, then the metropolis of idol-worship in Arabia. And his intention was to rule, subjugate and dominate other peoples, groups and lands. Every ruler, dictator or monarch needs some basis to manipulate and maneuver the masses, just like Hitler chose nationalism and restoring the German pride as such a basis, Stalin

chose proletariat and class struggle, while Jim Jones chose social justice. In the Quran (4:48), Allah says:

“Allah forgiveth not that partners should be set up with Him; but He forgiveth anything else, to whom He pleaseth; to set up partners with Allah is to devise a sin Most heinous indeed.”

Which means Allah can forgive murder, genocide, rape, robbery, pedophilia or any grave crime, but cannot forgive the making partners of Allah. Why Allah is so jealous of other Gods and goddesses, which, Allah knows full well, does not exist?

Once an educated Muslim told me that God is not ONE but Allah is. He meant to say God is not the universal God but Allah is. I told him that yes, Allah is ONE, and He is the SINGLE supreme evil supernatural Being, who was worshipped by Pagans and ancestors of Muhammad and even Pagan Muhammad himself. Allah is ONE but cannot be the creator of the Universe.

Islamic scholars and writers are so corrupt minded that they don't feel any shame for stealing the wisdom and insightful ideas from the books and resources of freethinking educationists, agnostics, atheist intellectuals and philosophers, and ascribe them to their Islamic literature. Once I read a book of vigorous and prolific Maulana of the Indian subcontinent, who wrote profound ideas about education and importance of education along with the problems and solutions of educating a child in a true sense. The author basically spilled over the major part of book the thoughts and ideas of great educationists like John Dewey, Bertrand Russell, A. N. Whitehead and others, and then tried to show that all these great ideas were oozing out of the Quran and Hadiths by stating a few dubious Quranic verses, like Surah 96:1:

“Proclaim! [Iqra or read!] in the name of thy Lord and Cherisher, Who created...”

The shameless Maulana wrote that the very first command of Allah was to educate and get educated, and the Quran emphasizes on the importance of education and learning. The word 'Iqra' in this verse, which means 'to read', was intended for Muhammad to

recite the Quranic verses that Gabriel brought to him at the time of the very first revelation. It was never intended for promoting education in a general sense. Indeed, it was actually not even meant for “reading”, but for reciting to memorize something, just like the little children learn ghost stories from grandmas.

Another similarly mendacious Islamic scholar wrote a book about the philosophy of transcendental God. This author spent all his ink in writing the philosophies of Aristotle, Plato and other great thinkers, culled from and combined together, and then attributed it to Allah and Muhammad with a few simple verses from the Quran, like from Surah Ikhlas (112:1/4):

“Say: He is Allah, the One and Only; Allah, the Eternal, Absolute; He begetteth not, nor is He begotten; And there is none like unto Him”.

Even a child can say this sort of simple attributes of the Almighty, but here the malicious Ulemas do their part to deceive the simple-minded and gullible readers consciously and some with unconscious folly. Besides this, their deriving profound and intricate theories from such mundane verses through forcible mental acrobatics is nothing less than miraculous to say the least.

A theory, scripture or belief cannot be true just because they suit our preconceived opinions, emotions, or temperament. It has to be universally true and acceptable. Muslims take the Quran to be divine, because it says what he consciously or subconsciously believes from the depth of his heart. Many a times we conclude wrongly after going over something difficult to comprehend, but when we read again after some period of time, we infer differently to correct the meaning, which we had made out wrongly. But still, the Quran is written vaguely and incoherently, that is the reason why there are hundreds of commentaries, interpretations, and explanations. The Quran does not imply what a Muslim reader understands but the reader infers what he wants to imbibe as per his understanding and temperament at the moment. If the Quran would be clear, it would not offer differing meanings to different readers or if one reads it after a period of time. It would be constant

in its meaning and implications. Muslims even take this inconsistency of sense and connotation to be a miracle. But there is no such miracle in Science. A scientific theory has no contradiction and controversy about any scientific laws, neither one interprets or infers differently. Whatever the meaning of a scientific theory is understood by an Indian student, the same would be understood by anyone anywhere in the world.

Islamic scholars hide the Quran's ambiguity by calling it eloquent. It seems that they don't even know the meaning of eloquence. Eloquence is the fine use of vocabulary where exact meaning is conveyed what one wants to say, instead of multiple meanings could be inferred out of it. Then the question arises: Why Allah would like to give his message in such an ambiguous language, which majority would not be able to understand, or they interpret it in different ways when the purpose is to convey the message to all?

Muslims boast and flaunt their confidence and certitude enormously about their faith and ideology, but when critics vanquished them thoroughly leaving them speechless, they run off by quoting a Quranic verse from Surah 109:6: "*To you be your Way, and to me mine.*" This is probably the very last stupid stunt played by them.