

Episode 38

The Wars of Muhammad

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The wars in Islam

That's a very serious issue and man should discuss it as the wars are the greatest danger facing peoples all over the world, as man in his nature has an inner instinct for fighting but when man belongs to God and gives his life to him and God dominates over his life, He will gain control over those fighting instincts

God within man's life can make that control over the human life with all its instincts, therefore in the Holy Bible when Peter wanted to defend Jesus and tried to kill with the sword, The Christ said:" Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword shall perish by a sword" as the sword makes many fights and wars, but the Christ mission was the mission of peace "Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, love will be among men" and when the Christ ascended to heaven he said: I leave peace to you, my peace I give to you. "

When we come to the Judaism, there were wars , but those wars were before the peace epoch of the Christ , the grace testament , as grace was not there in man's life so there was no control over the instincts, and wars in the old testament were not for propagation of the Judaism as the Judaism is not s religion for propagation, it is confined only to the children of Jacob tribe

When we read the Islamic books , our references, and refer to the history as the history is documented and the references available every where , we can see amazing history , they are trying to hide that history , but in fact wars were present in the depth of the religion

In Sahih Al-Bokhary:" Narrated Ibn Omer: the prophet said:" I was commanded to fight people till they testify that, no God but Allah and Muhammad is the messenger of Allah, perform prayers and pay the alms, by doing that they may rescue their blood and money from me except for the dues for Islam and God will recompense them" (1)

Notice "rescue their blood and money from me" so one should testify that "No God but Allah and Muhammad is the messenger of Allah" or he will be killed by the sword, so that was an existing principle

That converse was mentioned in the following authenticated converse books:

- in Sahih Al-Bokhary it was mentioned 7 times
- in Sahih Muslim it was mentioned 6 times
- in Sonan Abe-Dawûd it was mentioned 4 times
- in Sonan Al-Tormouzy it was mentioned 5 times
- in Sonan Al-Nisa'y it was mentioned 22 times
- in Sonan Ibn Magah it was mentioned 5 times
- in Mosnad Ahmed it was mentioned 21 times
- in Sonan Al-Darquately it was mentioned 6 times
- in Sonan Al-Bayhaquey it was mentioned 25 times

The total will be 102 times in the authenticated converse books, so it is very important converse,

That's an order from God; does God order to kill man to enforce him for embracing the religion?

That is an order for killing for Islam

For those claiming that wars in Islam were defensive wars and not for propagation of the religion, here in that converse there is a clear indication for killing to enforce people to say "No God but Allah and Muhammad is the messenger of Allah" if they say that "they may rescue their blood and money" that is very clear

In the Islamic encyclopedia, under the title "Al-Jihad "it was mentioned literally:" Al-Jihad (The fighting for Islam) is a war for propagation of Islam

I made a research for the number of times the word "Fight, kill, war, Al-Jihad, assassination 'in the quran and converses, the result came as: 35213 times those words were mentioned in the quran and converses (that can be verified by anyone who search of those words on Al-Azhar web site over the internet)

That is very serious and really sad, one of the Islamic historians said: the Islamic history is full of blood

There was a war between Ali Ibn Abe Taleb and Aisha, called the camel battle , in which 3 thousands people were killed in one day , and at the end of the day they gathered to pray for those martyrs, the question is: from which side those killed in the war were considered as martyrs, are those belonging to Aisha or those belonging to Ali Ibn Abe Taleb or both together?. It is a big question mark???

The Islamic books mentioned that during the ten years the prophet stayed in Al-Medina, he made a total of 84 incursions, and military squads (all mentioned in the history and the prophetic life history books)

Islam started peaceful in Makkah, as during the period the prophet stayed in Makkah it was weak so at that time those peaceful verses came:" To you be your religion, and to me my religion, "I am but a plain preacher and a prophet" and "my duty is only to convey plainly the message", but when he migrated to Al-Medina, circumstances were different and he got the power , as those came to Islam in Makkah were only 72 persons , so Islam was weak in Makkah , therefore they had to be peaceful or else they will be exterminated , but later on when they were strengthened by looting of the tribes of Korish and the incursions of Al-Sham , they organized a strong army and started the incursions

The incursion of Bader was a turning point in the Islamic history, as in the incursion of Uhoud they were defeated, but in Bader they gained a great victory , so in Al-Medina Islam started the wars and using the sword

The most serious thing is that there were quran verses inciting for killing as:

the Repentance chapter (Surat At-Taubah) 5:" when the sacred months have passed, then kill the disbelievers wherever you find them, and capture them and besiege them, and prepare for them each and every ambush. "

The Repentance chapter (Surat At-Taubah) 29:"Fight against those who believe not in Allah, nor in the last day, nor forbid that which has been forbidden by Allah and His messenger, and those who acknowledge not the religion of truth (Islam) among the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians), until they pay the tribute with willing submission, and feel themselves subdued"

So after being peaceful with all people in Makkah , they got the strength and started to form the Islamic nation ,therefore 124 of the peaceful Makkian verses had been abrogated and abated by those two Medaian verses of the Repentance chapter (Surat At-Taubah) 5, 29

After being peaceful with the people of the scripture, things had completely changed, that was a very serious transformation of Islam against the Christians and Jewish

- Christianity is the contrary to Islam, as the Christ started his mission by peace, and he concluded it with peace

The Christ, in his birth day, angels came declaring peace on earth, and on the day of his ascension to heaven he said: I am leaving peace with you. I am giving you my own peace. I am not giving it to you as the world gives. So do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid" (John 14:27)

- The Christ is the prince of peace, and he was preaching peace

All the Islamic books mentioned those wars and killing, and that is very serious and awful

It is the Islamic history and it is not our analysis for the history, if that is wrong then why they are not burning those books as Othman did with the qurans

It is my suggestion to burn those books and make new decent and nice history

There is a great concealing and hiding of those facts, and there is a more serious thing, some people, read those verses and history and they are proud of the power of Islam and its defeating of the Rome and Fours, they are proud that Islam conquered those nations and defeated them

Where is the spiritual concept? Where is the relation with God?

Is the religion wars and fighting?

Should man spend his life in wars?

The religion is a loving and peaceful relation between man and God

The Holy Bible said:" There is no peace, says the lord to the wicked, as they are like the driven sea, which cannot be quiet, and its waves cast up mire and dirt. (Isaiah 57:20, 21)

God wants to give peace

There were three Jewish tribes that had been exterminated from the Arabic peninsula:

They were the tribes of Bane Koriza, Bane Al-Nodaier and the Jewish of Khaiber they were completely exterminated , they were bringing them, slaughtering them, and capturing their women and children , selling them and buying weapons by their money

Whoever says: “No God but Allah and Muhammad is the messenger of Allah” was saved, but if he refused, he was murdered regardless of his religion, Christian, Jewish, polytheist or disbeliever whatever he was

Some say that the terrorist group is an extrinsic group, but if you ask the terrorist he will say that he is following the footsteps of the messenger and the commandments of the quran, and he will answer you with many quran verses supporting his situation

In the court the attorneys for the terrorists are telling those quran verses, propheticall converses, and the propheticall life history, that’s Islam!! , that’s Islam!!

So that was exploited by the terrorist groups and they made the wars and mess every where

There are reasonable groups of Muslims following the wisdom and politics and abandoning the sword, but there are others using the sword and telling that’s the real Islam

The example for that is the Muslim brothers groups , they started by fighting and using the sword , then when they faced attacks , and they were jailed , they started to learn how to use politics ,and the Islamic terrorist groups had split out of them , they believed that they are still in power to fight

One should read the history carefully, and think: Do wars, killing and destruction now are suitable for the societies?? While there are human rights, respect for the others and other opinions, or the same attitude will continue?

That’s a very serious issue that must be thoroughly discussed

I admire sheikh Abdul-Moaaz Abdul Satar who asked for judging the holy books, let us in stead evaluate the holy books and their doctrines to follow the best of them

Man who knows the way of the Christ is enjoying the peace of the Christ internally and he is spreading it externally

**The Christ said:” Blessed are the peacemakers! For they shall be called sons of God”
(Matthew 5:9)**

“The peace of God which surpasses all understanding will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:7)

O lord , give your peace into the hearts and souls , give peace for the nations ,communities and governments , peace to the whole world everywhere, for people to know you , you are the price of peace , so they will live always in peace , amen

