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Human beings have a need to personalize and explain all things. We see this need in the fairy tales and other folklore of all cultures, including our own. When we don't understand something, we make up an explanation, and sometimes give that explanation such emotional power, that it becomes truth for us.

This need to understand makes us anthropomorphize One who is vastly more powerful than we can comprehend. Sometimes, we turn from that One to lesser and more comprehensible beings, like saints and prophets. Tragically we begin praying to them, instead of to the only One who can ever help us. We loose sight of the wondrous glory of that being, and get sidetracked by mundane creatures. As quoted above from the Hindu scripture: "To those men who worship me alone, thinking of no other, to those ever harmonious, I bring full security."

This is exactly what God taught us through Jesus:

"It is not for you to be in search of what you are to eat or drink. Stop worrying. The unbelievers of this world are always running after these things. Your Father knows that you need such things. Seek out instead his kingship over you, and the rest will follow in turn." (Luke 12:29-31)

And how are we to seek God's kingship over us?

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." (Luke 10:27; Deut. 6:4-5; Lev. 19:18)

Isn't this exactly the same message as quoted above? The Torah, the Jewish scripture (which is also the Old Testament of the Christian Bible), contains the same:

For thus says the Lord,

The creator of the heavens, who is God,

The designer and maker of the earth who established it...I am the Lord, and there is no other...

Turn to me and be safe, all you ends of the earth, for I am God; there is no other!

(Isaiah 45:18,22)

Put not your trust in princes, in man, in whom there is no salvation.... Happy is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord, his God.... (Psalm 146:3,5)

Throughout the Torah and the Quran there is mention of prophets and messengers sent by God to renew this all

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important message of worshiping God alone:

He decreed for you the same religion He decreed for Noah, and what we inspired to you (Muhammad), and what we decreed for Abraham, Moses, and Jesus: "You shall uphold this one religion, and do not divide it." (Quran 42:13)

Say, "I have been commanded to worship God, devoting the religion absolutely to Him alone." (Quran 39:11)

The fact of One God, who is in control of all things, is clearly stated in the scriptures of these four major world religions. Why then are we divided? Why do Hindus fight Muslims, Muslims fight Jews and Catholics fight Protestants...? We have forgotten the teachings of the scripture and follow those of human beings instead. We have been hypnotized by the 'truths' of our cultures and forgotten the divine truths.

There is only one religion, that of worshiping God alone, no matter what name you call that religion. There is only One God, and the only religion is submission to the Divine will:

Surely, those who believe, those who are Jewish, the Christians, the converts; anyone who (1) believes in God, and (2) believes in the Hereafter, and (3) leads a righteous life, will receive their recompense from their Lord; they have nothing to fear, nor will they grieve. (Quran 2:62 and 5:69)

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# One Message: ONE GOD

For many people, the signs of God are everywhere. They see these signs in themselves, in nature, and in the laws of science which point clearly to the existence of a creative force. They see unmistakable signs of that same force in the social arena also. There is scarcely a single culture among the tens of thousands of human cultures which does not have a concept of a divine being—one who creates and protects and provides.

Many cultures have a panthcon of divine beings, or gods. Though some religions have developed this multiplicity of gods, when there is a revealed scripture available it gives a different picture. In fact, the Quran tells us that monotheism is "the natural instinct placed into the people by God." (Quran 30:30)

As an example, Hinduism is often viewed in the West as a 'pagan' religion, far from the monotheism we espouse. But it is clear from the following passage of the Bhagavad Gita that the reality of one God is at the root of Hinduism, in spite of the way it is usually practiced:

The Blessed Lord said: "By me all this world is pervaded in my unmanifested aspect; all beings have root in me, I am not rooted in them....

"Hidden in nature, which is mine own, I emanate again and again all this multitude of beings, helpless, by the force of nature. Under me as supervisor nature sends forth the moving and unmoving; because of this...the universe revolves.

"The foolish disregard me, when clad in human semblance, ignorant of my supreme nature, the great Lord of beings; empty of hope, empty of deeds, empty of wisdom, senseless, partaking of the deceitful, brutal and demoniacal nature.

"Others also, sacrificing with the sacrifice of wisdom, worship me as the One and the Manifold everywhere present.... To those men who worship me alone, thinking of no other, to those ever harmonious, I bring full security. They who worship the shining ones go to the shining ones; to the ancestors go the ancestor-worshippers; to the elementals go those who sacrifice to elementals; but my worshippers come unto me...."

What then are all the gods of a religion like Hinduism? Again, its own scripture explains. This time from the Upanishads:

Then Vidagdha Sakalya asked him: "How many gods are there, O Yajnavalkya?" He replied... "three and three hundred, three and three thousand."

"Yes," he said, and asked again: "How many gods are there really, O

Yajnavalkya?"

"Thirty-three," he said.

"Yes," he said, and asked again: "How many gods are there really, O Yajnavalkya?"

"Six," he said.

"Yes," he said, and asked again: "How many gods are there really, O Yajnavalkya?"

"Three," he said.

"Yes," he said, and asked again: "How many gods are there really, O Yajnavalkya?"

"Two," he said.

"Yes," he said, and asked again: "How many gods are there really, O Yajnavalkya?"

"One and a half," he said.

"Yes," he said, and asked again: "How many gods are there really, O Yajnavalkya?"

"One," he said.

"Yes," he said, and asked, "Who are these three and three hundred, three and three thousand?"

Yajnavalkya replied: "They are only the various powers."

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# A Voice From the Internet

... I will add several paragraphs about my experience with Dr. Khalifa's fascinating Islamic dedication and written work. The first time I found out about Dr. Khalifa was actually this year - 1995. It did not stop the evil slanderers from calling me "Khalifite," although I have not even seen the man's picture, let alone "followed him" like some idol, or whatever they implied with their foul mouths on the forums.

The marvelous little book of Dr. Khalifa. "Quran, Hadith and Islam" was a complete answer to my questions about the disunity and heresy of Muslims, worldwide. As a war veteran of Bosnia, as a native of Bosnia and a fighter for Bosnian defence, I asked myself: "How is it possible that tens of thousands of Muslim women can be raped in the midst of Europe, right where thousands of journalists came by and hundreds of TV cameras recorded the horror of genocide of Bosnian citizens, Bosnian Muslims?"

I asked myself as a defender and as a person that marvels about the fact... that the entire Muslim mind is brain-washed by evil theologians who accept money from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait,... How can that be?... How can it be that the entire somess...? That is what I wondered, when I interviewed Bosnian Muslim survivors, who were of all ages, and who survived multiple savage beatings, rapes, burning of their skin, near death experiences in the hands of U.N. sponsored thugs, Serbs and Croats, servants of Free-masonic Oligar-

Then it occurred to me that it is the Muslims themselves who have distorted their own religion, introduced the satanic teachings of "Hadith and Sunnah," manmade annex religion, proclaimed Ali, Muhammad to be akin to Christian saints, and made themselves into followers of Muhammad and Ali (Sunni and Shi'a) instead of the will of God, and invented more than a hundred different sects, while brainwashing people into believing that they are "schools of thought."

However, none of that really came together into a perfectly coherent and clear revelation, from the standpoint of Islam, until I discovered Dr. Rashad Khalifa's work! It was like God's ray of light shining through the thick, dark evil cover of clouds! Dr. Khalifa explained it

#### NO WONDER THAT HE GOT KILLED!

When I first read his writings, I said to myself: "This man is so enormously dangerous to the enemies of Islam, he is going to get killed!" I did not know anything about him then, except his writings. That was all. Several weeks later, I found out that he already got killed! Wow! It was clear to me that a mighty, intelligent man like Dr. Khalifa was dangerous to the enemies of Islam. I suspected that all available resources are going to be used to slander him and remove him from a position of influence. It was obvious that they already slandered him, but, it seems that was not enough, so, in order not to take a chance, they have murdered him. To me, it made sense, because that is what enemies of Muslims do: they remove, kill, slander the good minds, and put into their places idiots and fools. Fools are getting millions of dollars to destroy Islam, while called "Muslim world" is such a pathetic good people are slandered and, as in case of Dr. Khalifa, murdered! The same with Bosnia-enemics of Muslims first and most pointedly murdered doctors, scientists, engineers, lawyers, professors. That is their number one target!

> Now there is Dr. Khalifa's work left, and all it takes is to understand it, to apply it and proceed. But, that seems to be very difficult, because evil has a deep root... and it is hard to eradicate it.

> You can find his writings on this following Web page:

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he story of Moses is well known in the world today. Almost everyone knows of the stone tablets upon which God wrote commandments for the children of Israel. In Judeo-Christian cultures, the Ten Commandments are considered a core, a basis for leading a righteous life. Sunday school children learn to recite them and hopefully to live their lives according to them. The Ten Commandments are regarded as supremely important to both the Jewish and the Christian faiths.

And are they part of Islam? It might surprise many Jews and Christians to learn that the same commandments are repeated throughout the Quran; that they form a core for leading a righteous life for the Muslims as well.

The Ten Commandments appear in the Old Testament in Exodus 20:1-17.

The first commandment states "I, the Lord, am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me."

This commandment is also the first pillar of Islam. You shall know that: 'There is no other god beside God.' (Quran 47:19)

The second commandment is similar: "You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything in the sky above or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth; you shall not bow down before them or worship them."

The Quran, of course, is full of admonitions against idol worship. Say, "Consider the idols you have set up beside God. Show me what on earth did they create. Do they own part of the heavens? Show me any other scripture before this one or any piece of established knowledge that supports your idolatry, if you are truthful." Who is farther astray than those who idolize beside God idols that can never respond to them until the Day of Resurrection, and are totally unaware of their worship? (46:4-5)

And Abraham, as a youth, argued with his father and his whole community because they worshiped statues. "How can vou worship what you carve?" (37:95) "Can they hear you when you implore? Can they benefit you or harm you?" They said, "No; but we found our parents doing this." (26:72-4) "What are these statues to which you are devoting yourselves?... Indeed you and your parents have gone totally astray." (21:52,54)

God does not forgive idolotry, but He forgives lesser offenses for whomever He wills.

Anyone who sets up idols beside God, has forged a horrendous offense. (4:48)

The third commandment states: "You shall not take the name of the Lord, your God, in vain."

In the Quran: Do not subject God's name to your casual swearing, that you may appear righteous, pious, or to attain credibility among the people. God is Hearer, Knower. (2:224) You shall disregard those who take their religion in vain, as if it is a social function, and are totally absorbed in this worldly life.... (6:70)

The fourth commandment states: "Remember to keep holy the sabbath day...." While we know that God did not rest on the seventh day, that God is never in need of rest, still He did decree the sabbath for the Jews and Christians.



The Sabbath was decreed only for those who ended up disputing it. Your Lord is the One who will judge them on the Day of Resurrection regarding their disputes. (16:124) ...And we said to them, "Do not desecrate the Sabbath." Indeed, we took from them a solemn covenant. (4:154) You have known about those among you who desecrated the Sabbath. We said to them, "Be you as despicable as apes." (2:65)

The fifth commandment states: "Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the Lord, your God, is giving you."

This is a very important commandment throughout the Quran. Your Lord has decreed that you shall not worship except Him, and your parents shall be honored. As long as one or both of them live, you shall never say to them, "Uff" (the slightest gesture of annoyance), nor shall you shout at them; you shall treat them amicably. (17:23) We enjoined the human being to honor his parents. His mother bore him, and the load got heavier and heavier. It takes two years (of intensive care) until weaning. You shall be appreciative of Me,

and of your parents. To Me is the ultimate destiny. (31:14; also 29:8, 46:15, 2:83)

The sixth commandment is: "You shall not kill." In the Ouran, we are told: You shall not kill any person-for God has made life sacred-except in the course of justice.... (17:33: also 6:151)

The seventh commandment is: "You shall not commit adultery." In the Quran, God says exactly the same thing. You shall not commit adultery; it is a gross sin, and an evil behavior. (17:32)

The eighth commandment says: "You shall not steal." In the Ouran, we are commanded to be honest in all our business dealings:

You shall give full measure when you trade; do not cheat. (26:181; also 7:85, 11:84-5, 83:1-3) O you who believe, do not consume each others' properties illicitly-only mutually acceptable transactions are permitted.... (4:29)

And we are specifically directed to be careful not to steal from orphans. Those who consume the orphans' properties unjustly, eat fire into their bellies, and will suffer in Hell. (4:10; also 4:6)

The ninth commandment states: "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor."

The Quran is equally clear: O you who believe, you shall be absolutely equitable, and observe God when you serve as witnesses, even against vourselves, or your parents, or your relatives. Whether the accused is rich or poor, God takes care of both. Therefore, do not be biased by your personal wishes. If you deviate or disregard (this commandment), then God is fully Cognizant of everything you do. (4:135; also 5:8, 6:152, 22:30, 25:72)

The tenth commandment says: "You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."

Simply stated in the Quran: And do not covet what we bestowed upon any other people. Such are temporary ornaments of this life, whereby we put them to the test. What your Lord provides for you is far better, and everlasting. (20:131)

If all people of all religions truly followed just those Ten Commandments, the world would be a much healthier and happier place.

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