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Are “Muslims” really Muslims?

The majority of those who believe in God do not do so without committing idol worship. (12:106)

This article is based on a general situation in the world today. It is not directed to a specific Muslim community, nor is it meant to condemn or judge the religious beliefs of anyone. Whatever is presented here can be established from the Quran, God’s Final Testament to the world, and readers can verify everything for themselves. God is the Best Judge and He alone knows who is a true Muslim and who isn’t.

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Most people who profess to be Muslims are not really Muslims in the true sense. And when they claim to follow the religion of Islam, most of what they believe or practice is quite different from the religion detailed in their scripture, the Quran.

Understanding the meaning of the words Islam and Muslim

The principal role of all human beings is to seek redemption to God so they may return to Him after their death in

this world. But to be redeemed to Him, they must first develop their souls large enough to withstand His awesome presence in the Hereafter which can only be achieved by worshipping God alone and leading a righteous life that pleases Him.

To ensure that they achieve the required level of soul growth and stay on the right track throughout their lives, God has been sending the humans instructions from Him, telling them exactly what they should do or not do on Earth. These instructions have come to the people in the form of ‘scriptures’ delivered by select ‘messengers,’ called prophets - specially appointed by God for this purpose. Any individual or community that “submits to” or obeys God’s will in His scriptures, is guaranteed a happy life in this world and redemption to God in the Hereafter.

The Quran is God’s Final Testament to the world. Revealed in Arabic to Prophet Muhammad over twenty three years between 610 and 632 AD, it is the only scripture in existence

that is intact and accurately preserved by God down to every letter. It confirms, consummates, and supersedes all previous scriptures from God, giving the world a complete and perfect manual of “how to submit to God,” in one single book. Everything you need from social, economical, political and judicial laws, along with specific worship practices to develop your soul and enjoy God’s grace and protection throughout your life, is contained in the Quran.

This “system” or religion of ‘Submission to God’ is called **Islam**, and the one who practices the religion exactly as per Quran is called a **Muslim**. In English, the words for Islam and Muslim are “Submission” and “Submitter.”

Unfortunately, those who call themselves Muslims often do not really qualify to be Muslims by virtue of the fact that they neither worship God **alone**, nor follow the Quran **alone** as their source of religious guidance.

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What they believe and practice (knowingly or unknowingly), is sometimes significantly different from the clear and precise instructions detailed in the Quran. A few examples below will explain this:

Violation of the First Pillar of Islam

The foundation or first ‘pillar’ of Islam is *La Elaaha Ella Allah* (No god except God), and all Muslims are required to bear witness to this fact. This is highlighted in Quran verse 3:18, where God also bears witness for Himself that “there is no god except He, and so do the angels and those who possess knowledge.”

But the Muslims do not bear witness about God like this. Instead of their *Shahaadah* (proclamation of faith) which should be *Ash-hadu Al La Elaaha Ellaa Allah* (I bear witness that there is no god except God), they proclaim, *Ash-hadu Al La Elaaha Ellaa Allah, wa Ash-hadu An Muhammad Rasool Allah* (I bear witness that there is no god except God and I bear witness that Muhammad is God’s messenger). Adding names or bearing witness about another entity along with God constitutes ‘*Shirk*’ (Idolatry), and a direct violation of the first pillar of Islam, nullifying anyone’s claim to be a Muslim at the most elementary phase.

Additionally, proclaiming that Muhammad is God’s messenger and not doing the same for God’s other messengers such as Abraham, David, Moses, John, Jesus etc, directly violates God’s command not to make distinction among His messengers.

Setting up Muhammad as a partner or ‘god’ besides God

God alone created the universe and He alone is the Lord and Master over all things. He has no partner and none equals Him. While the Muslims may claim to worship God alone, the truth

is that they often have difficulty in just mentioning God without mentioning Prophet Muhammad along with Him. Instead of reverencing God, they idolize Prophet Muhammad against his will and give him superhuman status by claiming that he was infallible with power of intercession and mercy, which God never decreed for him or anyone else.

Reverencing anyone else besides God; mentioning other names along with God; or believing that anything or anyone besides God can help you in this life or in the Hereafter, constitutes setting up of partners or ‘gods’ besides God. This is *Shirk* or Idol Worship by definition, and is an unforgivable offense if maintained till death.

Violation of the other Four Pillars of Islam

Besides the first pillar of Islam, there are four other pillars which comprise the specific practices that must be performed to enable the soul to grow in huge proportions. These are the *Salat* (Contact Prayers), *Zakat* (Obligatory Charity), *Seyam* (Fasting) and *Hajj* (Pilgrimage). Like with everything else, these practices are also grossly violated by the Muslims.

Salat (Contact Prayers): There are five ‘Contact Prayers’ which must be performed daily at particular times during the day. These prayers are a mathematically coded set of specific sound and body movements that create a mystical harmony in the universe and establish ‘direct’ contact with God. Any deviation from the format prescribed by God nullifies the prayers, which is just what the Muslims world over are doing. For example:

- The Muslims add some extra prayers/units of their own which break the mathematical connection of the specified five prayer set. The ablution to prepare for prayer has only four simple steps but they do upwards of eight

steps. In Islam, the premise that “more is better” does not apply in the case of specified religious practices. What counts is that God’s instructions are carried out exactly as prescribed by Him – which is what submission to God is all about.

- They perform some parts of the *Salat* prayer silently, while God commands the Contact Prayer to be uttered in a moderate tone.
- Some Muslims do not do the Dawn and the other *Salat* prayers at their scheduled times. They practice an innovation called *Kazaa* or ‘make up’ prayer which allows them to do the prayers at a later time convenient to them. This completely defeats the purpose of performing a specific practice when God wants you to.
- Many Muslim women do not observe the *Salat* Prayer during their period, denying themselves a few days of vital soul growth every month. Menstruation is a natural body function like mucous in the nose, wax in the ear or continuous discard/replenishment of skin and hair. Deeming it to be a spiritual impurity or curse from God is a condemnation of God’s perfect design of the human body. In Islam, God treats men and women as absolute equals and nowhere in the Quran does He prohibit women from worshipping Him during their period.

- The objective of the *Salat* Prayer is to remember and commemorate God. By taking the name of Prophet Muhammad or mentioning any other name besides God in the prayer, the prayer is nullified as it is no longer devoted absolutely to God alone.

Zakat (Obligatory Charity): The *Zakat* charity is an efficient economic system which guarantees regular provisions for the needy and ensures constant circulation of wealth. It is

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calculated at 2.5% of net income and given away on the 'day of harvest' (like when you receive a paycheck) to parents, relatives, orphans, poor and the traveling alien, in that order. It is such an important practice that God specifies His mercy for those who give it, but the Muslims insist on doing it all wrong. They calculate their *Zakat* only on gross assets, once a year during the month of Ramadan, and do not distribute it in the specified order of recipients. Their corrupted practice is not practical because:

- Calculation on gross assets instead of net income causes inaccurate and unnecessary deliberation on arriving at the *Zakat* amount to be distributed. If the gross assets have appreciated greatly, it may encourage cheating in the accounting basis, or force the giver to sell assets to fund the high amount. On the other hand, smaller amounts calculated only when net income is received, place no burden on the giver. Islam is an extremely practical religion and God wants His servants to have convenience, not hardship, in practicing it.
- A large amount given only once a year may cause overspending by the recipient and not leave enough reserve for the rest of the year. Additionally, if the *Zakat* is lost, stolen or destroyed, the needy recipient will have to wait one whole year to get relief again!

Seyam (Fasting): Fasting throughout the month of Ramadan is a great opportunity to develop the soul by practicing self discipline, besides its scientifically proven health benefits by giving the digestive system some rest. But the Muslims have innovated so many complex rules around it that it appears difficult and takes away from the significance of the practice. Some of their illogical rules include; not swallowing saliva when fasting, not watching TV for the whole month, starting and ending

the month only after physically sighting the moon, ending the fast only with date fruit or salt.

Hajj (Pilgrimage): The pilgrimage to Mecca is decreed once in a lifetime only for those who can afford it. It cannot be performed by one person for another person who is alive or dead. Yet many poor Muslims sell off their assets or go into lifetime debt to make it, because they believe that performing *Hajj* wipes out all past and future sins. God has decreed four months in which to do *Hajj* but local Governments restrict it to a few days for their convenience. The consequent overcrowding results in constant dealing with crowds rather than spending those precious few days in concerted worship of God alone.

Besides a variety of complicated rules never decreed by God, most pilgrims also visit Medina to pray at Prophet Muhammad's tomb. The Prophet, like every true Submitter (Muslim), dedicated his worship practices absolutely to God alone and preached that everyone should do the same. He never visited his own tomb (obviously), and never asked or expected anyone to reverence him before or after his death. He could not help people when he was alive so how will it help to commemorate him after his death?

Abandonment of Quran

The Quran is a perfect, easy-to-follow manual of religious guidance for every generation, if only people would just kill their egos and follow it for their happiness and salvation. In it, God has outlined a comprehensive system that deals with and provides a solution for every aspect of a human's life from birth to death. Besides the prescribed religious practices, there are also specific laws and guidelines for people to establish a free, fair, and progressive society to live in. But the Muslims have abandoned the Glorious Quran in favor of conjecture, per-

sonal opinions (mostly for their convenience), and sources not authorized by God, such as the Hadith and Sunna, which they believe are needed to explain the Quran.

In reality, the Hadith (narrations) and Sunna (actions) are gross falsehoods attributed to Prophet Muhammad which appeared about two hundred years after his death. In Quran, God mentions the word Hadith by name several times and commands Muslims to study and follow no other Hadith except His Hadith – the Quran. The Quran is totally free from any nonsense or contradictions, unlike what is found in the many books of Hadith. It is also an acknowledged fact that the Hadith compilers abandoned over 90% of their own collections because they could not confirm them to be accurate or authentic. Strangely, when the Muslims insist that the Hadith books are needed to explain the Quran, the Hadith passages never tell you which verses of the Quran they are supposed to be explaining!

Because they do not study the Quran, the Muslims do not realize that the prophet's role was only to deliver the Quran, not explain it. Even the religious practices of *Salat, Zakat, Seyam and Hajj* were not taught to him as commonly believed. These practices were taught to Prophet Abraham many centuries earlier and were already in existence when the Quran was revealed. However, as a religious and political leader, the prophet was authorized by God to issue certain instructions for the proper functioning of the society and responsible dissemination of God's message. Whenever he issued such instructions, the people were required to obey him and carry out those instructions.

So in Quran, when God says, 'obey the messenger,' it is with reference to those specific instructions when he was alive, not after his death. But the

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Muslims have taken this completely out of context and created a false parallel religion based on what Prophet Muhammad “apparently” said or did. This covers things like what clothes he wore, how he walked, combed his hair, ate his food and what not which, even if true have nothing to do with the religion. Whatever we need to do—even our personal actions—is already made clear in the Quran. Ironically, when they claim that they must ‘do as the prophet did,’ the Muslims never seem to copy the prophet’s excellent example of devoting his life and worship absolutely to God alone and following nothing but the Quran for his guidance.

“Muslims” need to become True Muslims

At this time, God has put in motion the process of restoring His great religion of Islam to its pristine purity. The list of religious violations committed by those who call themselves "Muslims" is really huge and they must change themselves soon in their own interest. If they do not abandon their falsehood and become true Muslims as defined in the Quran, they will never exit the miserable and disrupted existence most of them are experiencing all over the

world. Additionally, by upholding their blind practices and setting the wrong examples, they will carry the burden of misleading or repelling millions of people from the truth.

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COMMENTS FROM DOWN UNDER

"In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful."

To whom this may concern,

G'day, my name is Lee and I'm an Aussie submitter who has just recently made some discoveries about the Quran and the number 19. But first of all I think I'd better tell you guy's a bit about myself...

It all started back about 6 years ago when I was in my bedroom, watching the "box" real late at night. Little did I realise was that on this particular night, my life would change in a very major way.

For a start, it was my 19th birthday- yay for me! "So what?" You must be thinking. Ok I'll continue to explain that my birthday falls on a very well-known date of the year and that this particular date has only become well-known for the last 6 years!

To cut a long story short, I regret to say that I had witnessed live on TV that some planes were somehow hijacked in

America and that 2 of those planes had been flown into 2 individual buildings- yeah you know the story!

Up till that moment and me being a hater of "man-made religion," I would have never given a rat's arse about God and His Bible nonsense. But as those towers fell to the ground one after the other and I heard all those screaming people and I was shocked and in disbelief, I just had to know why... Why would someone do such a horrid thing to another person? Who were these "Muslim" terrorists and what did they believe in to make them kill their fellow-human-beings like that?

Eventually I discovered the Quran, downloaded the digital version from Submission.org and began to read. For the first time, the world finally started to make some sense to me and words cannot describe what has happened to me since. Even now as I'm typing this email, I have only realised how far I've come from where I was at that miserable and at the same time, miraculous moment!...

Allahu Akbar!

Kind regards,

Lee F. / Australia

[Ed.'s note: Brother Lee has "been very busy in the learning and understanding of the number 19 as Allah's miraculous signature." He describes his research as "unraveling a very minute part of Allah's infinite puzzle."]