40 Questions to Mohamadians

I know, I know. Curiosity killed the cat and didn’t do much for the Muslim Yenta, either. But, given the vastness of God’s creation, it stands to reason that a proportionately inquisitive nature is in order, right? Besides, there are just some things that must be asked; whether anyone can actually answer them is another story...

And I, for one, want to know—
1) How do you know that TV is so evil if you never watch it?
2) Why are there so many descendents of Prophet Muhammad, who had no surviv ing sons?
3) Didn’t Abu Jahl have any children?
4) Didn’t the Qur'an say anything about concealing ugliness?
5) Speaking of which, does the Qur'an say anything about condemning ugliness?
6) Why do you never watch it?
7) Why do you imagine Muslims are so evil if you hardly ever hear of one?
8) How do you know that TV is so evil if you hardly ever hear of one?
9) Why is it less proper for Muslim men to interact in society than non-Muslims?
10) Why are you compelled to compel for one, want to know—
11) How can you run an Islamic society when you can’t even agree on a moon-sighting?
12) Would Prophet Muhammad say ‘may God’s peace ond blessings be upon me’?
13) If physical strength makes men superior to women, are mules superior to men?
14) Why are “unity” gatherings usually ethnocentric homogeneous?
15) How do you know that TV is so evil if you never watch it?
16) Why were women fresh out of hijab afforded more respect than those who had 14 centuries of respect for women at work or school suddenly too shy to speak to a Muslimah?
17) Are women ‘awrah?
18) Why do you issue your loudest invitations to those who are already at God’s party?
19) Why do you gain weight during a month of fasting?
20) Why is it less proper for Muslim men to interact in society than non-Muslims?
21) Why was interaction between the sexes good enough for the Prophets but not for us?
22) Would Prophet Muhammad have been able to afford the admission fees of the conferences we hold to discuss his life?
23) Why is fluency in Arabic a prerequisite for du’wah work amongst people who think a ‘hijra’ is an Italian sports car?
24) Why is it less proper for Muslim women to interact in society than non-Muslim ones?
25) Why do you import scholars from half the world to speak on issues they’ve only seen in reruns of ‘Three’s Company’?
26) Why do so many north Africans call themselves ‘Arabs’?
27) If you’re supposed to set yourselves apart from non-Muslims, why do some Muslim women look like nuns?
28) How can you forget to remember God when you remember so well to forget Him?
29) Shouldn’t God’s students cut class distractions?
30) If women outnumber men, why are women’s sections in mosques so small?
31) Why do you only say “masha’Allah” when something pleasant happens?
32) K’Mussulman countries are so wonderful, why are the majority of their citizens over here?
33) Why does the verse enjoining modesty come before the one directed to the fair sex?
34) Why do Islamic organizations tend to be neither?
35) Why do some convert insist on dropping Christian names for the pagan ones of the Sahabah?
36) Why are “unity” gatherings usually ethnocentric homogeneous?
37) If this country is so wicked, what are Islamic gatherings usually ethnocentric homogeneous?
38) Why do you import scholars from half the world to speak on issues they’ve only seen in reruns of ‘Three’s Company’?
39) Why do you import scholars from half the world to speak on issues they’ve never heard of in a land they’ve only seen in reruns of ‘Three’s Company’?
40) Why do so many north Africans call themselves ‘Arabs’?

Editor’s note: Virginia Marton, known as Karima Omar in her Mohamadian days, is a writer with wonderful wit and sharp analysis. She shared some of her articles in the April and May, 1988 issues of the Perspective. We are delighted to have her back in this issue.

In the name of God, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

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They want to put our God’s light with their mouths, but God insists upon perfecting His light, in spite of the dull-witted.” (9:32)

In the October 8, 1990 issue of Time Magazine, an interesting article, shown at left, appeared about the infamous writer Salman Rushdie whose book entitled Satanic Verses created a commotion among the so-called Muslim ulama (religious scholars). As you may remember, a two million dollar price for Rushdie’s head, offered by Ayatullah Khomeini early in 1989 before he passed away, made the book an instant seller. The article, shown on the left, is about Rushdie’s new book for children, Haroun and the Sea of Stories. It is very interesting that he chose the name Rashid Khalifa for the storyteller in his book. Like his first book, Satanic Verses, this book also has some connection with the messenger of God. Is this just coincidence or is he now trying to appease the Mohamadians? Whatever the case, Rushdie is involved in it. It seems that Satan wants the people to confuse Rashid Khalifa with the character in this book. Of course, Satan knows very well that Rashid was a messenger of God, that sooner or later many people will believe in the message he represented. Therefore, this may be his attempt to fill people’s minds with a fictional character called Khalifa as much as possible, before they even hear about Rashid Khalifa, the messenger of God. This way, when these people hear about Rashid and his message, Satan hopes that they will disregard it and they will not consider that you equate him to the character in Rushdie’s book.

Rashid and his followers can scheme and plot all they want. God knows their plans and He always has a counter-plan that will turn their scheme into something that benefits His message and the believers. It is possible that the more this Rashid Khalifa character is portrayed, the more iniquitous people may get about Rashid Khalifa and the message he was killed for.

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EDITORIAL

This is the first time in modern history that the Arab world has had such a big

problem. They are practicing the verse 6:65. The Middle East is pregnant for a

big disaster. I will not analyze the political, economical and military aspects of

the recent invasion of Iraq. I want to call your attention to some numbers in this

incident.

Iraq invaded Kuwait just after the 19th Islamic Conference which the presi-
dents and foreign ministers of all "Muslim" countries attended.

If you follow the news about this subject, you will see numerous other 10's

everywhere: the number of diplomats in Baghdad and in Washington, the num-

ber of minutes of Saddam's speech to the American people, and so on. Let's watch

God's punishment of those who are described in Quran in verse 9:97:

"The Arabs are the worst in disbelief and hypocrisy, and the most likely to ignore the

laws that God has revealed to His messenger. God is Omnipotent, Most Wise."

In the last issue of S.P., the lead article was titled "Arabs vs. Arabs." The cartoon below

is a perfect fit for that article. It is taken from the weekly newspaper Asbap Al-Arwaq, published in

Baghdad, Iraq. It gives you a good example how the Arabs themselves view the

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Say, "He is able to pour upon you retribution from above you, and from beneath your feet, or He can divide you into factions and have you taste each others' tyranny and persecution.

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