The First and Greatest Commandment

A Universal Message

All the scriptures of God have the same basic and universal message reflecting the first and greatest commandment of all:

“There is only one God. You shall devote your worship absolutely to God alone.”

The verses given below from different scriptures exemplify this fact very clearly:

“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” (Deut. 5:6-7).

One of the scribes came up, and when he heard them arguing he realized how skillfully Jesus answered them. He decided to ask him, “Which is the first of all the commandments?”

Jesus replied: “This is the first ‘Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind,” (Mark 12:28-30. See also Deut. 6:4-5).

We did not send any messenger before you except with the inspiration: “There is no God except Me; you shall worship Me alone” (Quran 21:25).

As far as God is concerned, there is only one true religion which is Submission (Quran 3:19). The word “Submission” implies recognition of God as the Omniscient, Omnipotent, Omnipresent, Creator, absolute Ruler of the Universe, and the only source of religious guidance. Thus, Submission is practiced around the world under many names, and anyone who practices Submission to God alone is called a Submitter.

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

Unfortunately, Satan, the human beings’ most ardent enemy, has succeeded in corrupting the religion, regardless of its source. Consequently, the Jews, the Christians, and the Muslims have been deceived away from the true message brought to them by the prophets Moses, Jesus, and Muhammad. The majority of the Jews today follow such human-made teachings as the Mishnah and the Gemara, instead of upholding the Torah as the only source of religious teachings.

The majority of the Christians follow the human-made instructions of the Nicene Conference that was held more than 300 years after Jesus. As a result of this conference, the blasphemous concept of “Trinity” was formalized.

The majority of the Muslims fell into the same satanic trap that the Jews did. They started following the human-made teachings falsely attributed to
Comments from a Jewish Submitter

Friends,

I ask that you pray for me in my quest to discover God's truth in His word. I am studying the Quran translated by Rashad Khalifa and I continue to read it as a Jew seeking God's true place for me and my people. Being able to step away from what I am comfortable with is difficult and this would mean leaving the ministry I have created and all I have come to believe is true, but as I continue to read and open my eyes I realize that I do not want to be with those who disbelieve, rather I want to be a Jew who submits to God and His absolute authority. I understand that TRUE Judaism is submission to God and that there is but only one religion acceptable to God.

Please pray that I am able to take the final leaps into understanding my true role and my place, even if that means shutting down all I have built and perhaps instead dedicate myself to building a community of submitters and dedicating myself to God's cause here in my community.

As I quoted the Quran before, “We have given Moses the scripture—do not harbor any doubt about meeting Him—and we made it a guide for the Children of Israel. We appointed from among them imams who guided in accordance with our commandments, because they steadfastly persevered and attained certainty about our revelations” (33:23-24). I pray that I can have my eyes open to be a guide for my people to submit to God and His one approved religion.

Blessings to all.

Evan

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Ed. ’s note: This is a testimony that there are submitters in every religion of God (See 3:113).

Greetings/comments from a Submitter

Salam Alaikum,

The peace and the blessings of God be upon you and your family Inshallah (God willing).

Thank you and all of the Brothers and Sisters at Masjid Tucson for continuing to preach and teach the truth. This past Thanksgiving I became extremely thankful for the fact that I am a submitter and a believer, and that I am in fellowship with all submitters worldwide.

Thank you for continuing to send me the newsletters, and the weekly reminders. Remember I am your contact in Tampa Florida anytime you need me for anything, don’t hesitate to contact me. The newsletters have proven to be a blessing to me and something that gives me fellowship even though I don’t live in Tucson Arizona. How are things with you and the others in Tucson? Sometimes we simply don’t know just how extremely fortunate we are to have received the truth from Dr. Rashad Khalifa.

I believe that Dr. Khalifa was a man with the pure message for the worship of God alone, using Quran alone. Last month I had my website shut down because of someone spamming my server. My web host took the site off of the internet, and I couldn’t access it … After almost two weeks I finally got everything fixed, then they put the website back on the internet. I had 5 websites closed down, 4 of which were real article directories, plus the quranaloneslam.org website.

Once again thank you for everything and write back to me whenever you can...Oh by the way, I keep stopping by your website for continuing education in the ONLY true path to God which is the religion of submission.

I have to go for now, so until I hear from you God bless all of you Inshallah...

Sincerely,

Paul D. Ph.D
Charity Water Drive
Results and Appreciation

On July 12, 2011 our worldwide Submitter community embarked on a mission to raise $20,000 through an organization by the name of CharityWater.org. Every $5000 we raised would bring clean drinking water to a community consisting of about 250 people, a community that had no clean water for miles around. God willing, these wells will be completed in about 18 months.

CharityWater.org website:

Most of us have never really been thirsty. We’ve never had to leave our houses and walk 5 miles to fetch water. We simply turn on the tap, and water comes out. Clean. Yet there are a billion people on the planet who don’t have clean water.

It’s hard to imagine what a billion people looks like really, but one in eight might be easier. One in eight people in our world don’t have access to the most basic of human needs. Something we can’t imagine going 12 hours without.

Here, we’d like to introduce you to a few of those billion people. They are very real, and they need our help. They didn’t choose to be born into a village where the only source of water is a polluted swamp. And we didn’t choose to be born in a country where even the homeless have access to clean water and a toilet.

We invite you to put yourself in their shoes. Follow them on their daily journey. Carry 80 pounds of water in yellow fuel cans. Dig with their children in sand for water. Line up at a well and wait 8 hours for a turn.

Now, make a decision to help. We’re not offering grand solutions and billion dollar schemes, but instead, simple things that work. Things like freshwater wells, rainwater catchments and sand filters.

And so we did...by God’s infinite Mercy and Grace, our community was able to raise almost DOUBLE the $20,000 goal. On October 12, 2011 our campaign ended with a total raised amount of $38,205, God be Glorified! You reached deep into your souls and were so incredibly charitable and we thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for making this campaign a success.

[57:18] Surely, the charitable men and women, have loaned GOD a loan of goodness. They will receive their reward multiplied manifold; they have deserved a generous recompense.

[2:254] O you who believe, you shall give to charity from the provisions we have given to you, before a day comes where there is no trade, no nepotism, and no intercession. The unbelievers are the unjust.

[2:267] O you who believe, you shall give to charity from the good things you earn, and from what we have produced for you from the earth. Do not pick out the bad therein to give away, when you yourselves do not accept it unless your eyes are closed. You should know that GOD is Rich, Praiseworthy.

[3:92] You cannot attain righteousness until you give to charity from the possessions you love. Whatever you give to charity, GOD is fully aware thereof.

So, what does $38,205 really mean, what does it do? It brings clean drinking water to 1910 people or 7 communities! God allowed us each to be a part of bringing pure drinking water, a very basic human need, to many people for many years to come, God willing. All Praises belong to GOD, Lord of the Universe.

[28:77] "Use the provisions bestowed upon you by GOD to seek the abode of the Hereafter, without neglecting your share in this world. Be charitable, as GOD has been charitable towards you. Do not keep on corrupting the earth. GOD does not love the corruptors."

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This project had so many benefits, MashaAllah. First, we showed our love for GOD and our desire to please Him in striving in His cause, may He accept from all of us. We were all able to overcome our natural stinginess and provide to those who don’t have such a basic need. Through this great project, our global community, our global family, came together for a great cause.

Finally, God willing, we are able to put a plaque on every single one of the wells built by our funds which states: ‘Drink in the name of GOD’ by masjidtucson.org. Imagine the reach of such a great message for all the years it lasts! We thank God Almighty for allowing us to participate in such a great endeavor and ask Him to allow us to continue to strive in his cause united as ONE family:

[61:4] GOD loves those who fight in His cause united in one column, like the bricks in one wall.

[3:200] O you who believe, you shall be steadfast, you shall persevere, you shall be united, you shall observe GOD, that you may succeed.

God, in His infinite Mercy, has supported this project and He allowed it to be successful.

[3:150] GOD alone is your Lord and Master, and He is the best supporter.

[3:160] If GOD supports you, none can defeat you. And if He abandons you, who else can support you? In GOD the believers shall trust.

The Miracle:

[2:118] Those who possess no knowledge say, "If only GOD could speak to us, or some miracle could come to us!" Others before them have uttered similar utterances; their minds are similar. We do manifest the miracles for those who have attained certainty.

In this campaign we have God’s signature of approval...Praise God! God is running EVERYTHING!

The number of donations in this campaign was: 121 (this means 121 people went online and made a donation)

The number of people served with pure drinking water will be: 1910 (God willing)

The total amount raised is: $38,205

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FOUR YEARS OF FOUR MINUTES

It’s so hard to believe that it’s been four years since I wrote a little article about leap year in 2008. It happens every four years, and here we are in 2012, expecting a February 29th once again.

Leap year happens because our time calculation of days, hours and minutes isn’t exactly the same as the earth’s rotation around the sun. The time between vernal equinoxes (the time when the sun is directly above the earth’s equator) is about 365.2422 days. Our year is 365 days long, which means that after 100 years, the calendar would be more than 24 days ahead of the seasons. To minimize the difference between seasons and dates, it was decided to add a day to the calendar every four years.

So what we have is a bonus twenty-four hours. Twenty-four hours is 1440 minutes. We have 1440 extra minutes to enjoy this year. If you spread 1440 minutes out over the whole year, it amounts to a little less than four minutes a day. So, some of us decided to use those four minutes in commemoration of God, and the devotion of God.

I wasn’t perfect, remembering each day to set aside those four minutes, but I did it most days. And many times we expanded that four minutes to twenty minutes or more. It just became a phrase to remind us to remember God—“Let’s do four minutes.”

So here we are about to experience another leap year. God willing, I will continue with the four minutes so that at the end of the year, I have devoted one whole day to the remembrance of God. I challenge every submitter to commit to some form of “four minutes.” Whatever you want to do that brings you closer to God.

[73:8-9] You shall commemorate the name of your Lord, to come ever closer and closer to Him. Lord of the east and the west; there is no other god besides Him. You should choose Him as your advocate.


[76:25-6] And commemorate the name of your Lord day and night. During the night, fall prostrate before Him, and glorify Him many a long night.

Lydia