

Allah's Message to the Muslim World

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There has always been a great deal of misunderstanding and mistrust between nations and religions. This situation will not change unless mankind learns the way to peace. This has proven to be elusive as individuals, religious groups, and nations do not recognize a universal means to peace. There is however, one true way to peace that the Most High God of the universe has revealed in His Holy Scriptures. That way is found only through obedience to His divine law. Unfortunately, the majority of mankind does not love the law of Allah, which says,

Great peace have those who love Your law, and nothing causes them to stumble (Ps. 119:165; *NKJV used throughout unless otherwise noted*).

Therefore, unless mankind embraces and follows the law of Allah, there will be no lasting peace on this earth.

This law was observed by Ibrahim and passed on to his children and their descendants,

For I have known him (Ibrahim), in order that he may command his children and his household after him, **that they keep the way of the Lord (Allah), to do righteousness and justice**, that the Lord (Allah) may bring to Abraham (Ibrahim) what He has spoken to him (Gen. 18:19; *notes in parenthesis added throughout document*).

When Allah said that Ibrahim would keep the way of Allah, to do righteousness and justice, we are told plainly what this involves,

...For all Your (Allah's) commandments are righteousness (Ps.119:172).

The entirety of Your (Allah's) word is truth, and every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever (Ps.119:160).

One of Ibrahim's children was Ishmael, who was born by his Egyptian wife, Hagar, and consequently Ishmael would have been instructed by Ibrahim in Allah's law,

Then Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar her maid, the Egyptian, and gave her to her husband Abram (Ibram) to be his wife, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan (Gen. 16:3).

And the Angel of the Lord (Allah) said to her (Hagar): "Behold, you are with child, and you shall bear a son. You shall call his name Ishmael (Allah hears) because Allah has heard your affliction (Gen. 16:11).

Ishmael was with his father Ibrahim until he was a teenager (Gen. 16:16; cf. 17:1 and Gen. 21:5, 8) and therefore was taught the law of Allah, which at that time included circumcision,

And Ishmael his (Ibrahim's) son was thirteen years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.²⁶ That very same day Abraham (Ibrahim) was circumcised, and his son Ishmael (Gen. 17:25-26).

Today, the circumcision of the flesh has been superseded by the circumcision of the heart. This circumcision of the heart occurs when an individual repents of sin, which by definition is the transgression of the law of Allah (1Jn. 3:4).

...if their uncircumcised hearts are humbled, and they accept their guilt – then I will remember My (Allah's) covenant with Jacob, and My covenant with Isaac and My covenant with Abraham (Ibrahim) (Lev. 26:41-42).

Ishmael later married an Egyptian woman,

He (Ishmael) dwelt in the Wilderness of Paran; and his mother took a wife for him from the land of Egypt (Gen. 21:21).

Ishmael and his descendants were given a number of promises from Allah,

Then the Angel of the Lord (Allah) said to her (Hagar), "I will multiply your descendants exceedingly, so that they shall not be counted for multitude (Gen. 16:10).

And he (Ishmael) shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren (Ibrahim's other children) (Gen. 16:12)

And as for Ishmael, I have heard you. Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly. He shall beget twelve princes, and I will make him a great nation (Gen. 17:20).

After Ishmael's departure from his father Ibrahim, the Angel of Allah continued to care for him (Gen. 21:17-20).

Allah's promise of twelve princes being born to him was fulfilled, and he died at the age of one hundred and thirty-seven,

The firstborn of Ishmael, Neboajoth; then Kedar, Adbeel,¹⁴ Mibsam, Mishma, Dumah, Massa,¹⁵ Hadad, Tema, Jetur, Naphish and Kedmah (Gen. 25:13-15).

As Ishmael was instructed in the law of Allah, he would have understood that there is only one true Creator and Sustainer. This Everlasting Creator is the only one to be worshipped. Many of Ishmael's descendants can be identified today because they still recognize only one true Creator, who they call Allah.

Unfortunately other religions, including Christianity, worship multiple beings in various forms such as the triune godhead adopted by the Roman Catholic system. The doctrine of the Trinity was syncretized from aspects of the

Babylonian mystery religion, Eastern Sun worshipping systems, and ancient Egyptian and Hindu deities into Romanized Christian theology. Even the worship of Jesus Christ is contrary to the law of Allah,

You shall have no other gods before (in place of) Me (Allah) (Ex.20:3).

Allah created many other beings, but none of them are to be worshipped,

Where were you when I (Allah) laid the foundations of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding. ⁵ Who determined its measurements? Surely you know! Or who stretched the measuring line upon it? ⁶ To what were its foundations fastened? Or who laid its cornerstone, ⁷ when “the morning stars” (archangels – Jude 9) sang together, and all the sons of God (angels of Allah) shouted for joy? (Job 38:4-7)

In this scripture we are given insight into activities that took place in the spirit realm at the time of creation. Here we see Allah, along with those spirit beings He had created, and they shouted with joy at the creation of the earth.

Later, one of these “morning stars” became known as the Angel of Allah, and he proved completely loyal and obedient to the law of Allah. As a consequence, Allah commanded that this Angel act in the name and authority of Allah, and there would be serious consequences if anyone (either physical or spiritual) disobeyed,

Behold, I send an Angel before you to keep you in the way and to bring you into the place which I have prepared. Beware of him (the Angel of Allah) and obey his voice; do not provoke him, for he will not pardon your transgressions; for My (Allah's) name is in him (Ex. 23:20; cf. Isa. 9:6).

Even though this angel carries Allah's names and titles, it does not mean that this angel is to be worshipped. Allah said that this angel is to be obeyed as His representative. This is the same angel that looked after Ishmael and his descendants, many of whom make up the Muslim world today. It is the same angel that ate a meal with Ibrahim (Gen. 18). It is the same angel that led Israel out of Egypt (Ex. 14:19). It is the same angel that read the law to Israel from Mt. Sinai, and met with Moses (Ex. 33:11). It is the same angel that will re-establish Allah's law worldwide at a future date, but not before there is a great deal of upheaval,

And it will be for a sign and for a witness to the Lord (Allah) of hosts in the land of Egypt; for they will cry to the Lord (Allah) because of the oppressors, and He will send them a Savior and a Mighty One (Angel of Allah), and He will deliver them. ²¹ Then the Lord will be known in Egypt, and the Egyptians will make a sacrifice and offering; yes, they will make a vow to the Lord and perform it. ²² And the Lord will strike Egypt, He will strike it and heal it; they will return to the Lord, and He will be entreated by them and heal them. ²³ In that day there will be a highway from Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian will come into Egypt and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians will serve (Allah) with the Assyrians. ²⁴ In that day Israel will be one of three with Egypt and Assyria, even a blessing in the midst of the land, ²⁵ whom the Lord of hosts (Allah) shall bless saying,

"Blessed is Egypt My people, and Assyria the work of My hands, and Israel my inheritance" (Isa. 19:20-25).

In the meantime, it is the duty of mankind to seek to obey the law of Allah and worship only Allah no matter what religious or ethnic background we come from. Failure to do so will eventually lead to the destruction of this planet.

To view the law of Allah as being Christian, Jewish, or Muslim misses the mark completely. Allah does not respect one ethnic group over another. All are equal in His sight, and all are to obey His law,

For the Lord your God (Allah) is God (Allah) of gods (angels) and the Lord (Allah) of lords (physical leaders), the great God (Allah), mighty and awesome, **who shows no partiality** nor takes a bribe (De. 10:17).

One of the wisest men who ever lived said the following about the duty of all mankind,

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God (Allah) and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man (Ecc. 12:13).

People from all ethnic and religious groups will eventually work together and learn to obey the law of Allah. This is unlikely to happen without intervention from Allah because there are so many different opinions and beliefs regarding Allah and His law, and they all have errors that need to be repented of. One of the biggest obstacles to a correct understanding of the law of Allah stems from the control exercised by the leadership in all three major world religions. Allah speaks strongly about abuses of His people at the hands of religious leaders, and the following scripture needs to be applied to all those who are in positions of power and authority,

"Woe to the shepherds (religious leaders) of Israel who feed themselves! Should not the shepherds feed the flocks?"³ "You eat the fat and clothe yourselves with the wool; you slaughter the fatlings, but you do not feed the flock."⁴ "The weak (spiritually speaking) you have not strengthened, nor have you healed those who were sick (because of wrong instruction), nor bound up the broken (those needing comfort during distress), nor brought back what was driven away, nor sought what was lost (no concern, or personal responsibility on the part of the shepherd to take restorative action); but with force and cruelty you have ruled them (added burdens that were never intended by Allah)."⁵ "So they were scattered (flock ended up with many different beliefs) because there was no shepherd; and they became food for all the beasts of the field when they were scattered (now others could take advantage of them and abuse them)."⁶ "My (Allah's) sheep wandered through all the mountains, and on every high hill; yes, My flock was scattered over the whole face of the earth, and no one was seeking or searching for them."⁷ "Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the Lord (Allah):"⁸ "As I live," says the Lord God (Allah), "surely because My flock became a prey, and My flock became food for every beast of the field, because there was no shepherd, nor did My shepherds search for My flock, but the shepherds fed themselves and did not feed (correctly) My flock"—⁹ "therefore, O shepherds (religious leaders), hear the word of the Lord (Allah)!"¹⁰ "Thus says the Lord God (Allah): "Behold, I am against the shepherds, and I will require My flock at their hand (judgment of all religious leaders that purport to represent Allah); I will

cause them to cease feeding the sheep, and the shepherds shall feed themselves no more; for I will deliver My flock from their mouths, that they may no longer be food for them." ¹¹ 'For thus says the Lord God (Allah): "Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out. ¹² "As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them from all the places (various religious systems) where they were scattered (ended up) on a cloudy and dark day (Eze. 34:2-12).

The time setting of this prophecy is very important because the language indicates that Allah's action to recover His people from the religious shepherds takes place "on a cloudy and dark day." This is not a positive picture at all, and similar language is used to describe the end of man's rebellious rulership of this planet.

Consequently, there is no leadership of any religious system that can claim they have the correct and complete understanding of what is required to serve and obey Allah. They all have errors that are harmful to the flock, and Allah is going to deal with these religious leaders when He sends His Mighty One to restore His law to this planet.

Allah has only one law, and each of this world's major religions has added or subtracted from it. They have also regarded some of their traditions as being more important than obedience to Allah's law. A great prophet commented on the proclivity of religious leaders to make their traditions of greater importance,

Then the scribes and Pharisees who were from Jerusalem came to Jesus, saying, ² "Why do Your disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? For they do not wash their hands when they eat bread." ³ He (Christ) answered and said to them, "Why do you also transgress the commandment of God (Allah) because of your tradition? ⁴ "For God (Allah) commanded, saying, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.' ⁵ "But you say (through your tradition), 'Whoever says to his father or mother, "Whatever profit you might have received from me (your child) is a gift to God (Allah)"— ⁶ then he need not (or is released from Allah's law commanding to) honor his father or mother.' Thus you have made the commandment of God (Allah) of no effect by your tradition. ⁷ "Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying: ⁸ 'These people draw near to Me (Allah) with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. ⁹ And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men" (Mt. 15:1-9).

Any religious or secular authority that claims to know Allah and His way and minimizes the importance of faithfully examining the law of Allah, with the intent of teaching and following it, is regarded as having no light (truth) in them,

To the law (of Allah) and to the testimony (witness)! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no light in them (Isa. 8:20).

Ibrahim was righteous, and therefore he and his household observed the law of Allah. Ibrahim knew that Allah taught by His personal example. Therefore, Allah rested on the seventh day of creation, but not because He was tired. Ibrahim followed Allah's example,

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God (Allah), the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth neither faints nor is weary... (Isa. 40:28).

It has been said by some in Islam, "Allah did not rest after creating the world." It has also been said, "The Sabbath was a test on the people before us, but He (Allah) has lightened the load for Muslims as a divine favor."

To the contrary, it is because Allah is loving and kind that He created a period of rest and refreshing for all of mankind,

And he (Christ) said to them (religious leaders), "The Sabbath was made for man(kind), and not man(kind) for the Sabbath (Mk. 2:27).

Not one of the major religions today correctly understands how and why the seventh day Sabbath is to be obeyed, nor do they teach it to their flock, not to mention the many other laws and commandments of Allah that will one day be observed worldwide. The world to come will not be Christian, Jewish, or Muslim because each is in error in many ways,

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus (Angel of Allah).²⁹ And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's (Ibrahim's) seed, and heirs (of Allah) according to the promise (made to Ibrahim) (Gal. 3:28-29; cf. Col. 3:11).

As Allah is everlasting and could never cease to exist, for this reason He could not become a flesh and blood sacrifice and die for the purpose of covering the sins of mankind. Consequently, another created being who proved loyal and obedient to Allah had to volunteer for this great task. The Angel of Allah loved Allah and Allah's creation enough to become that volunteer and give up his life as a sacrifice for all who have sinned, in order to restore everyone to Allah. This being is called Jesus Christ by Christians even though most who claim to be Christian do not know, or believe, that Christ was previously the Angel of Allah.

This Angel of Allah will establish the law of Allah worldwide when he returns at some point in the future. Until then, hopefully more people will come to the understanding that Allah has a plan which covers all the sins that have ever been committed, and everyone will have an opportunity to be corrected and reconciled to Allah regardless of their previous religious, ethnic, scientific, or philosophical background,

...For when Your (Allah's) judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world (i.e. everyone) will learn righteousness (because they don't understand right now) (Isa. 25:9).

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