

“**Sharia ‘Thirst’, Christian Persecution, & Islamic Antisemitism**”

Andrew Bostom, M.D., M.S.; Center For Security Policy Presentation; Thursday October 24, 2019

Introductory remarks (1): Relevance of the 9/11 jihad carnage to my study of Islam

The 9/11 attacks were the triggering event which inspired my 18-years of study of Islam with a focus on Islam’s doctrine regarding, and resultant Muslim behavior toward, non-Muslims. A friend of mine, like me also born and raised in Queens, New York City, was fireman and a physical therapist, and we were classmates at the physical therapy program at SUNY-Downstate during 1979-1980. I got his firsthand account of the destroyed World Trade Center charnel house. Equally important motivation for my study of Islam was Muhammad al-Gameia.

For a millennium, Al Azhar University has represented the apogee of Islamic religious education, which evolved into the de facto Vatican of Sunni Islam. Egyptian Sheikh Muhammad Al-Gameia, the Al-Azhar University representative in the U.S., and Imam of the Islamic Cultural Center and Mosque of New York City, **at the time of the 9/11 attacks**, provided a very concrete and disturbing example of the authoritative Al-Azhar Islamic mindset exported to America. Within three days of the 9/11 jihad carnage al-Gameia, “*known for his moderate views*,” sermonized “*in English calling for peace, healing, and love among people of all religions*.” The good Sheikh struck an entirely different chord when he was interviewed for an Al-Azhar University website, on October 4, 2001. Sheikh Gameia returned to Egypt after September 11, 2001 alleging, without any substantiation, that he was being “harassed.” Gameia’s Al-Azhar interview was rife with virulent calumnies against Americans, and threats to the U.S., along with conspiratorial Islamic antisemitism, which riveted upon his invocation of the central Koranic motifs of Jew-hatred, melded to lunatic allegations against Jews. He intoned, for example: **“As President Bush said, this is a crusade against Islam and against Muslims...For this reason, I advise every Arab and every Muslim leader not to offer any aid whatsoever to the oppressing superpower [to help it] attack Muslims, because this is a betrayal of Allah and his Prophet... An American attack on Afghanistan will constitute terrorism, as the U.S. did in Iraq and in Palestine... I think that this war will be the end of America the oppressor.”**... “[I]t was said that 4000 Jews did not come to work at the World Trade Center on the day of the incident.”... Muslims do not feel safe even going to the hospitals, because some Jewish doctors in one of the hospitals poisoned sick Muslim children, who then died... **The Jewish element is as Allah described it when he said: “They disseminate corruption in the land.” [Koran 5:32–33; 5:64] We know that they have always broken agreements [4:155; 5:13], unjustly murdered the prophets [Koran 2:61; 2:87; 2:91; 3:112; 4:155] and betrayed the faith [2:42; 2:75; 2:89].**”

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Introductory remarks (2): Framing the presentation—Islam’s totalitarianism, & hatred of Christians & Jews

Abolitionist James Freeman Clarke, the first, & still arguably most outstanding American scholar of Comparative Religion, wrote in his seminal 1871, **Ten Great Religions**:

“Islam saw the claims of Deity [Allah], but not the rights of humanity; Saw authority, failed to see freedom; Therefore hardened into despotism.”

G.H. Bousquet, renowned 20th century French scholar of Islamic Law, referred to Islam in a 1950 essay, as a “**doubly totalitarian system**,” “because its institution of jihad war sought “**to impose itself on the whole world**”—the 1st totalitarian aspect—and bring society under “Muhammadan Law”, Sharia—the 2nd totalitarian aspect.

Sharia-inspired hatred of non-Muslims, has been espoused continuously for over a millennium by Islam’s most important religious teaching institutions, and clerical authorities. This “sacralized” hatred underpins the inter-related contemporary phenomena of Christian persecution, and Muslim Antisemitism. There will be a decided emphasis on the latter because it remains so thoroughly misconstrued.

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Presentation:

“Sharia is a way of life that suits our culture. Egyptian customs and traditions go in line with Sharia. The Egyptian society does *not* accept Western liberalism”...“People are thirsty for Sharia.”

— *Vox populi* expressions of Egyptians ^a from December, 2012 representing the 74% who want “strict application” ^b of the Sharia ^c, Islamic law

^a Heba Afify. *Egypt Independent* December 2, 2012 <https://bit.ly/2ZPc6QI>

^b Pew Research Center. *The World’s Muslims: Religion, Politics and Society*. April 30, 2013 <https://pewrsr.ch/33nxoGS>

^c Andrew Bostom. *Sharia Versus Freedom*, 2012. <https://amzn.to/2Mbl32e>

Muslim Attack on Small Judea-Samaria Palestinian Christian Majority Village of Jifna

April, 2019

- Reported On Jifna Facebook Page, April 26, 2019 [<https://bit.ly/2ONsVdt>]
- Located 8 kms north of Ramallah & 23 kms north of Jerusalem
- ~1400 inhabitants

Translation/Summary of Report, Via MEMRI:

*The villagers stated in the appeal that armed "rabble" headed by "an influential individual in Ramallah district" had burst into the village, and that gunmen had fired their weapons and thrown rocks and firebombs at their homes, shouting "racist and sectarian" ISIS-like slogans, **including demands that they pay jizya – the poll tax [per Koran 9:29] levied on Christians and Jews living under Muslim rule***

Modern Islamdom's Doctrinal Hatred Of Non-Muslims— The Problem Is In Their “Stars”... And Us

(Apologies to The Bard)



Muhammad Husayn Tabatabai (d. 1981)



Muhammad Sayyid Tantawi (d. 2010)

Koran 9:29: Jihad War, Sharia, & Jew/Infidel-Hatred, Shiite Perspective (1/2)

Koran 9:29: ***“Fight against those who believe not in Allah, nor in the Last Day, nor forbid that which has been forbidden by Allah and His Messenger and those who acknowledge not the religion of truth (i.e. Islam) among the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians), until they pay the Jizyah (Koranic poll-tax*) with willing submission, and feel themselves subdued**.”***

*the tax paid in lieu of being slain by a resumption of the jihad; **traditionally accompanied by humiliating rituals (mock beheadings, blows, etc.)

- Modern cum classical gloss on Koran 9:29 by the most esteemed Shiite theologian of the contemporary era, Muhammad Husayn Tabatabai (d. 1981)
 - Author of al-Mizān fi tafsir al-Qur’ān “The measure of balance/justly held scales in the interpretation of the Quran,” a 21-volume Arabic opus, which is regarded as the most important contemporary Shiite Koranic commentary
 - It is the mainstream Islamic Studies academy—both Western and Iranian—who have designated Tabatabai the leading modern Shiite religious scholar and philosopher, dubbing him a “theosopher.”
 - Allameh Tabatabai University, named in honor of this celebrated Shiite authority and “theosopher,” is the largest specialized state social sciences university in Iran, with 17000 students and 500 full-time faculty members.

Koran 9:29: Jihad War, Sharia, & Jew/Infidel-Hatred. Shiite Perspective (2/2)

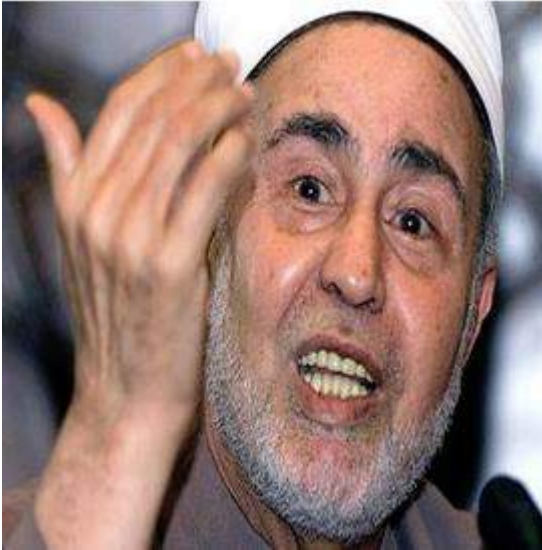


Tabatabai's gloss on Koran 9:29,
from his/ modern Shi'ism's most
authoritative Koranic commentary

The concluding summary of Tabatabai's gloss on Koran 9:29 re-emphasizes this overarching principle: Jews (and Christians, and Zoroastrians—scriptuaries," or "People of the Book") **must be fought, subdued, and humbled because they constitute a chronic danger to an Islamic, Sharia-based society, and its mores.**

*"Regarding their characteristics that necessitate fighting them, as mentioned in the beginning of the verse, followed by them giving the jizya to uphold their protection [i.e., from renewal of the jihad war against them!], it informs [us] that **the purpose of humiliating them is their submission to an Islamic lifestyle and to a righteous religious government within an Islamic society. They shall not be equal to Muslims nor stand out against with them as an independent identity, free to express anything their souls feel like, nor to publicize the doctrines and activities invented by their lunacies that corrupt human societies.** This all relates to them handing over money from their hands out of a contemptible position. So the meaning of the verse (and Allah knows best) is: **Fight the People of the Book who do not [truly] believe in Allah or in the Last Day, with a faith that is acceptable and uncorrupted from being proper, and who do not forbid what is forbidden in Islam** namely those [crimes] that, when committed, corrupt human society, and who do not abide by a religion that conforms with the divine creation. Fight them and persist in fighting them until they are humbled among you, and submit to your rule."*

Koran 9:29: Jihad War, Sharia, & Jew/Infidel-Hatred, Sunni Perspective



Muhammad Sayyid Tantawi (d. 2010), leading modern Sunni scholar of Koranic commentaries, & author of a 15vol. commentary, from his own authoritative opus, on Koran 9:29—

“The reasons for the order to fight them are: they do not believe in Allah and the Last Day, they do not prohibit what Allah and His Messenger [Muhammad] have prohibited, and they do not adopt the religion of truth...The meaning is fight those who have these attributes from among the People of the Scripture until they pay the Jizya willingly and submissively (while) they are humbled, humiliated and subservient to your rule over them... Taking the Jizya from them...is also a way of contributing to the advancement and prosperity of the Islamic state....It is an acknowledgement on their behalf to submit to the instructions of this state...Those who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day, those who do not prohibit what Allah and His Apostle [Muhammad] have prohibited, and who do not adopt the religion of truth [i.e., Islam] as their religion deserve this humiliation and ignominy in this world. As for the afterlife, their torture will be excruciatingly painful and everlasting.”

Central Turkey, Now: Billboards Feature Koran 5:51 (1/4)



Billboards belonging to the traditionalist Muslim Justice and Development Party (AKP) municipality are **currently** (story published 10/21/19) on [public display](#) in **Konya, central Turkey**, featuring the verbatim text of [Koran 5:51](#) (in accurate Turkish translation). Accompanied by the **image of a blood-splattered cross, and star of David**, the text simply re-states [Koran 5:51](#):

O you who believe! Take not the Jews and the Christians as Awliya' (friends, protectors, helpers, etc.), they are but Awliya' to one another. And if any amongst you takes them as Awliya', then surely he is one of them. Verily, Allah guides not those people who are the Zalimun (polytheists and wrongdoers and unjust)

Central Turkey, Now: Billboards Feature Koran 5:51...And Tabatabai's Gloss On 5:51 (2/4)



Tabatabai's authoritative gloss on [Koran 5:51](#), is entirely consistent with the corpus of classical and modern (*next slide*) Sunni exegeses on this verse:

In a nutshell, Allah warns the believers against taking the Jews and Christians for friends, and threatens them most severely; then points in an apocalyptic way where such friendship was to take them and how it would turn into ruins the magnificent structure of (Islamic) religious character...the clause, "do not take the Jews and Christians for awliya" (friends; protectors), clearly forbids loving them or having any affection towards them; because such feelings pull the souls and spirits toward each other and it creates mutual moral effects on both sides; and if Muslims are influenced by un-Islamic behavior, their society will diverge from its religious way –which is based on the felicity of following the truth—to the way of unbelief—which is based on following low desires and of worshipping Satan...

Central Turkey, Now: Billboards Feature Koran 5:51... And Tantawi's Gloss On 5:51 (3/4)



Tantawi's authoritative gloss on [Koran 5:51](#):

"These verses contain various reasons why it is important for the believers not to associate with the Jews and the Christians—Allah's enemies.... This is a call—at all times and everywhere—to all believers in Allah, His books, His angels and the Last Day, not take the Jews and the Christians as allies. They should not be regarded as friends, supporters or allies. They will unite (as one) against you (the believers) wishing you harm and misfortunes, so don't you ever think they can be your allies. They are allies of one another. Evil, malice and hatred towards you lurk in their hearts... Being an ally to the Jews and the Christians is blasphemous and 'Kufr' (unbelief) if it is based on being content with their (Jews/Christians) religion, for it shows that you are just one of them, and no one would do such a thing unless he is content with them and their religion"

- These billboards inculcating "sacralized" Islamic hatred of Jews and Christians in Turkey will likely continue to bear ugly fruit, manifest in Turkey's ongoing brutal Christian persecution, and virulent Antisemitism, which have relegated both communities to their traditional humiliated "dhimmi status", per Koran 9:29

Central Turkey, Now: Billboards Feature Koran 5:51... Update on Their Removal (4/4)



Update on removal

Christian Solidarity Worldwide (CSW), a group that monitors anti-Christian persecution, globally, including within Turkey, reported on 10/23/19, that although the removal of the billboards was “a step in the right direction”:

- The billboard campaign was *“not very unusual, we (CSW) have witnessed similar incidents in other parts of Turkey”*
- Removal *“didn’t indicate a significant improvement”* in the treatment of Christians there
- *“Antisemitic and Anti-Christian and anti-Western narratives are on the increase in Turkey”*
- CSW concluded the problem is not just coming from government leaders, it is a societal problem

Iraqi Jew Moshe Kahtan On What “Golden Ages” For Jews Under Islamic Rule Actually Meant

“At the time of the Ottoman empire the Jews' fate depended on the governor's mood and whim and the amount of corruption that he exercised. So, when there was a lull in the persecution - bless them - they [i.e., the Jews] called it ‘the golden age’. It was not a golden age. It was an age when the Jews were persecuted less.”

—Moshe Kahtan, Iraqi Jew, interviewed in an article published April 16, 2003. “The terror behind Iraq's Jewish exodus”. ***The Telegraph [London]*** <https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/middleeast/iraq/1427687/The-terror-behind-Iraqs-Jewish-exodus.html>

Eyewitness Account of Kurdish Muslim Treatment of Christians and Jews in Mid-19th Century Iraqi Kurdistan

“The Nestorians [Assyrian Christians] of the places which I visited live mostly in friendly relations with the Jews; whilst with the nomadic [Muslim] Kurds they have no transactions. **They are oppressed by the Kurds in the same way as are the Jews...**If they were to show the slightest reluctance to obey orders, they would be punished in the most merciless and cruel manner. I have myself been an eyewitness to the perpetration of many an act of cruelty...If a [Kurd] on horseback meets a Jew or Nestorian on the road, he makes him run before him to the stable door, without even once allowing him stop to take breath. This barbarous custom is practiced almost daily”

“The Jews scattered here and there [in Kurdistan], and forced to remain at the places assigned to them, are in the true sense of the word, surrounded by tribes of savages. **One often finds five, ten, or even twenty Jewish families the property of one Kurd, by whom they are burdened with imposts, and subject to ill treatment.** Heavy taxes are imposed upon them, which for the poorest, amount annually to 500 piastres. Finally, **they are compelled at different periods of the year to perform serf-service, to cultivate their master’s field, without receiving or being entitled to demand the smallest compensation for their labor.** This is really an awful state of affairs and with heart and soul do we sympathize with our distressed coreligionists and we felt deeply grieved that it was not in our power to help them. . . . **The [Kurdish] master has absolute power of life and death over his [Jewish] slaves; at his will he can sell them to another master, either in whole families or individually...** (T)hey [Jews] had not only to bear the whole cruelty of the Kurds, but were even sold like cattle, and **attacked in that which to them is most sacred—their faith. Thus for instance on New Year's day, when the Schofar sounded in the Synagogue the Kurds rushed into the Temple, attacked the women and maltreated them, broke the symbolic trumpet, and compelled the Jews to desist from their ceremony.**”

—Benjamin [Binjamin], I. J. (Israel Joseph), 1818-1864. *Eight years in Asia and Africa from 1846 to 1855*. Hanover [Germany], 1863; pp. 120-21; 125-36

Jewish Dhimmitude Under Shiite & Sunni Rule: The Practical Impact of Koran 9:29 (1/2)

Traveler/Historian Israel Joseph Benjamin (d. 1864) on Some of the Oppressions Suffered by Persian Jews, During the Mid-19th Century

- Throughout Persia the Jews are obliged to live in a part of town separated from the other inhabitants; for they are considered as unclean creatures, who bring contamination with their intercourse and presence.*
- For the same reason they are forbidden to go out when it rains; for it is said the rain would wash dirt off them, which would sully the feet of the Mussulmans.*
- If a Jew is recognized as such in the streets, he is subjected to the greatest of insults. The passers-by spit in his face, and sometimes beat him so unmercifully that he falls to the ground, and is obliged to be carried home.
- If a Persian kills a Jew, and the family of the deceased can bring forward two Mussulmans as witnesses to the fact, the murderer is punished by a fine of 12 tumauns (600 piastres); but if two such witnesses cannot be produced, the crime remains unpunished, even though it has been publicly committed, and is well known.
- Upon the least dispute between a Jew and a Persian, the former is immediately dragged before the Achund [Muslim cleric] and, if the complainant can bring forward two witnesses, the Jew is condemned to pay a heavy fine. If he is too poor to pay this penalty in money, he must pay it in his person. He is stripped to the waist, bound to a stake, and receives forty blows with a stick. Should the sufferer utter the least cry of pain during this proceeding, the blows already given are not counted, and the punishment is begun afresh.
- A Jew who travels in Persia is taxed in every inn and every caravanserai he enters. If he hesitates to satisfy any demands that may happen to be made on him, they fall upon him, and maltreat him until he yields to their terms.
- If a Jew shows himself in the street during the three days of Katel (or “Muharram”, feast of mourning for the death of Ali) he is sure to be murdered.
- Daily and hourly new suspicions are raised against the Jews, in order to obtain excuses for fresh extortion; the desire of gain is always the chief incitement to fanaticism.

*application of “najis” regulations

Jewish Dhimmitude Under Shiite & Sunni Rule: The Practical Impact of Koran 9:29 (2/2)

Traveler/Historian Israel Joseph Benjamin (d. 1864) on the Basic Oppressions Suffered by Palestinian Jews, During the Mid-19th Century

Deep misery and continual oppression are the right words to describe the condition of the Children of Israel in the land of their fathers.

- 1) **They are entirely destitute of every legal protection and every means of safety...** It is only the European Consuls who frequently take care of the oppressed, and afford them some protection.
- 2) **With unheard of rapacity tax upon tax is levied on them,** and with the exception of Jerusalem, the taxes demanded are arbitrary. Whole communities have been impoverished by the exorbitant claims of the Sheiks, who, under the most trifling pretenses and without being, subject to any control, oppress the 'Jews with fresh burthens.
- 3) **In the strict sense of the word the Jews are not even masters of their own property.** They do not even venture to complain when they are robbed und plundered
- 4) **Their lives are taken into as little consideration as their property;** they are-exposed to the caprice of anyone; even the smallest pretext, even a harmless discussion, a word dropped in conversation, is enough to cause bloody reprisals. **Violence of every kind is of daily occurrence.**
- 5) **The chief evidence of their miserable condition is the universal poverty which we remarked in Palestine, and which is here truly astounding...** It even causes leprosy among the Jews of Palestine, as in former times. Robbed of their means of subsistence from the cultivation of the soil and the pursuit of trade, they exist upon the charity of their brethren in the faith in foreign part... **The Arab** tramples this sacred soil beneath his feet, and **considers the Jew a disinherited and accursed being**

In stark contrast, Benjamin also traveled throughout the U.S, then still a devoutly Christian society, in 1859-62, & wrote of American Jews/Judaism: *“the magnificent institutions it has called into life, the great congregations...the variety of religious viewpoints that are expressed with neighborly patience...and the greatest freedom,”* adding *“Every office was open to all without distinction of religion or birth,”* so that “the Israelites were represented in all the municipal & state offices,” & “[were] members of Congress”

The Striking Concordance Between:

- **Desire For Strict Application of the Sharia (Islamic Law)**
- **Christian Persecution**
- **Extreme Antisemitism**

Striking Concordance Between Desire For Strict Application of the Sharia Christian Persecution, and Extreme Antisemitism

Open Doors Christian Persecution Index (Yearly)

- Quantified various expressions of persecution, including violent persecution, in 5 areas of a Christian's life: Private, Family, Community, National, & Church life

ADL Global 100 & Regional Studies (2014-2017)

- Determined prevalence of agreement with at least 6/11 Antisemitic stereotypes

Pew Global Data on Desire For “**Strict Application**” of The Sharia (2008-2012)

- 40 countries, ~ 39,000 face to face interviews with Muslims from Europe, Asia, the Middle East, & Africa between 2008-2012

Striking Concordance Between Christian Persecution, Extreme Antisemitism, and Desire For Strict Application of the Sharia (2/2)

Muslim Nation	Christian Persecution (Top 50 Rank/Severity)	Extreme Antisemitism (% Prevalence)	Want Strict Application of Sharia (% Prevalence)
Iran	9/Extreme	56%	83%
Iraq	13/Very High	92%	91%
Egypt	16/Very High	75%	74%
Turkey	26/Very High	69%	12%
Indonesia	30/Very High	48%	72%
Jordan	31/Very High	81%	71%
Morocco	35/Very High	80%	83%
Tunisia	37/Very High	86%	56%
Malaysia	42/ High	61%	86%
Gaza/West Bank	49/High	93%	89%

*Open Doors [Christian Persecution Index](#); [ADL Global Antisemitism](#) Survey; Pew Sharia Data ([Global](#); [Iran only](#))

Christian Persecution But Missing Data on Extreme Antisemitism and/or Desire For Strict Application of Sharia

Muslim Nation	Christian Persecution (Top 50 Rank/Severity)	Extreme Antisemitism (% Prevalence)	Want Strict Application of Sharia (% Prevalence)
Afghanistan	2/Extreme	Missing	99%
Somalia	3/Extreme	Missing	Missing
Libya	4/Extreme	87%	Missing
Pakistan	5/Extreme	Missing	84%
Sudan	6/Extreme	Missing	Missing
Eritrea	7/Extreme	Missing	Missing
Yemen	8/Extreme	88%	Missing
Syria	11/Extreme	Missing	Missing
Nigeria	12/ Very High	Missing	71%
Maldives	14/Very High	Missing	Missing

*Open Doors [Christian Persecution Index](#); [ADL Global Antisemitism](#) Survey; Pew Sharia Data ([Global](#); [Iran only](#))

ISLAM'S CORE ANTI-CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY IN THE KORAN & HADITH (1/2)

Muslims repeat 17X/day Koran 1:7 which insists they should follow the straight path, i.e., Islam, not the path of those who incurred Allah's wrath, the Jews (linked to Koran 5:60), or those who have gone astray, the Christians (linked to Koran 5:77).

13 centuries of glosses on this verse by the most authoritative Sunni & Shiite Koranic commentators have established this Muslim understanding.

(Here is why the Christians, to put it mildly, in the Koranic context, are deemed “astray”, summarized by linguist & Islamic scholar Dr. Mark Durie, from his “Isa, The Muslim Jesus”):

‘Isa, the Muslim “Jesus”, did not die on a cross

- Christians (& Jews) have corrupted their scriptures. ([3:78](#))
- **Although Christians believe ‘Isa died on a cross, & Jews claim they killed him, in reality he was not killed or crucified, & those who said he was crucified lied ([4:157](#)).**
- ‘Isa did not die, but ascended to Allah. ([4:158](#))
- On the day of Resurrection ‘Isa himself will be a witness against Jews & Christians for believing in his death. ([4:159](#))

Koranic criticism of other core Christian beliefs

- Islam demands Christians must not believe that ‘Isa is the son of God ([4:171](#); [25:2](#))
- ‘Isa was simply a created human being, & a slave of Allah. ([4:172](#); [3:59](#))
- Christians are claimed by the Koran to believe in a family of gods — Father God, mother Mary & ‘Isa the son — but ‘Isa rejected this teaching. ([5:116](#))
- **The doctrine of the Trinity is disbelief & a painful doom awaits those who believe it. ([5:73](#))**

ISLAM'S CORE ANTI-CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY IN THE KORAN & HADITH (2/2)

Christians should accept Islam, and all true Christians will

- Abraham was neither a Jew nor a Christian, but a Muslim ([3:67](#))
- Christians (& Jews) could not be freed from their ignorance until Muhammad came bringing the Koran as clear evidence ([98:1-4](#)).
- Muhammad was Allah's gift to Christians to correct misunderstandings. They should accept Muhammad as Allah's Messenger, & the Koran as his final revelation. ([5:15](#); [57:28](#); [4:47](#))
- Some Christians (& Jews) are faithful & believe truly, i.e., in Islam. ([3:113-114](#))
- Any such true believers will submit to Allah by accepting Muhammad as the prophet of Islam, i.e. they will become Muslims. ([3:198-199](#))

Christians who accept Islam, or refuse it: The latter are to be fought and subdued, and not befriended

- Some Jews & Christians are true believers, accepting Islam: most are transgressors. ([3:110](#))
- Many monks & rabbis are greedy for wealth & prevent people from coming to Allah. ([9:34](#), [9:35](#))
- Christians & Jews who disbelieve in Muhammad will go to hell. ([98:6](#))
- *Muslims must fight against Christians & Jews who refuse Islam until they surrender, pay the jizya, & are humiliated. ([9:29](#))
- Muslims should not take Christians or Jews for friends. ([5:51](#); [60:13](#))

Hadith: Isa is the pious Muslim destroyer of Christianity, according to Islam's prophet Muhammad

Sunan Abu Dawud [Book 37, Hadith 4310](#); [4324](#) , includes this statement by Muhammad himself:

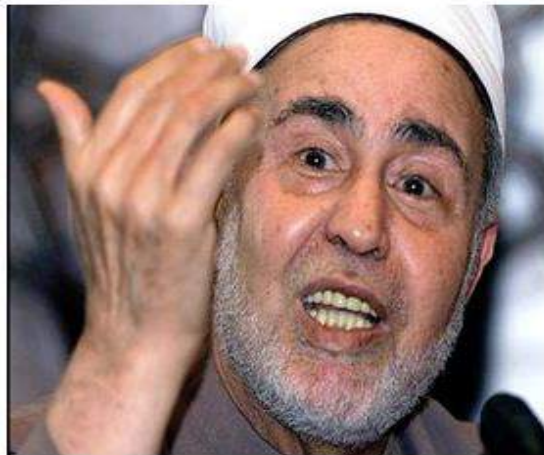
“He [Isa] will fight the people for the cause of Islam. He will break the cross, kill swine, & abolish jizyah. Allah will perish all religions except Islam. He will destroy the Dajjal [Islam's Antichrist figure, often identified as a Jew, but always with Jewish minions] & will live on the earth for forty years & then he will die. The Muslims will pray over him.”

Mort Klein & His Landmark 4/9/19 Congressional Testimony



Mort Klein at the House Judiciary Committee Hearings 4/9/19 Holding Up Global ADL Survey Data Showing A 2 to 3-Fold Excess Prevalence of Extreme Antisemitism Amongst Muslims

Late Al-Azhar Grand Imam Tantawi
(d. 2010), Author of Modern Sunni
Islam's Koranic Kampf on the Jews



SHEIK OF AL-AZHAR AHMAD AL-TAYEB JUSTIFIES ANTISEMITISM ON
THE BASIS OF THE KORAN

October 25, 2013



ADL Global & Regional Studies of Antisemitism

- Determined the prevalence of “*extreme Antisemitism*”, defined as agreement with at least 6/11 Antisemitic stereotypes

ANTI-SEMITIC STEREOTYPES

- 1) Jews are more loyal to Israel than to [this country/the countries they live in].
- 2) Jews have too much power in the business world.
- 3) Jews have too much power in international financial markets.
- 4) Jews don't care about what happens to anyone but their own kind.
- 5) Jews have too much control over global affairs.
- 6) People hate Jews because of the way Jews behave.
- 7) Jews think they are better than other people.
- 8) Jews have too much control over the United States government.
- 9) Jews have too much control over the global media.
- 10) Jews still talk too much about what happened to them in the Holocaust.
- 11) Jews are responsible for most of the world's wars.

ADL Data Highlight The Striking Excess Prevalence Of Extreme Antisemitism Amongst Muslims, vs. Non-Muslims, Globally & Regionally

There was a 2 to 4.5-fold excess of Muslim Jew-hatred, relative to any other major religious affiliation, or atheism, and this association with Islam persisted within the Muslim diaspora populations of Western Europe, and the United States.

- *The world's 16 most Antisemitic countries were all in the Muslim Middle East, where 74% to 93% exhibited extreme Antisemitism*
- *The prevalence of extreme Antisemitism, globally, by religious affiliation was Muslims, 49%; Christians, 24%; No religion, 21%; Hindus, 19%; Buddhists, 17%*
- *In Western Europe, the overall prevalence of extreme Antisemitism within the Muslim communities was between 49% to 68%, vs. 12% to 29% amongst non-Muslims, with 2 to 4.5-fold excesses in individual countries*
- *In the United States, the prevalence of extreme Antisemitism was 34% within the Muslim community, vs. 14% of the general population, a 2.4-fold excess*

The ADL Global 100 Ranked by Index Score

The 16 countries with the highest Index Scores of anti-Semitic views are all in MENA.

1. West Bank and Gaza (93%)
2. Iraq (92%)
3. Yemen (88%)
T 4. Algeria (87%)
T4. Libya (87%)
6. Tunisia (86%)
7. Kuwait (82%)
T8. Bahrain (81%)
T8. Jordan (81%)
T10. Morocco (80%)
T10. Qatar (80%)
T10. United Arab Emirates (80%)
13. Lebanon (78%)
14. Oman (76%)
15. Egypt (75%)
16. Saudi Arabia (74%)

Earlier (2006) Multivariable-Adjusted ADL European Data: Islam Conferred *EIGHTFOLD* Increased Risk For Antisemitism, vs. Christianity

Table 3: Multifactor logistic model predicting the probability a respondent reports an antisemitic index exceeding 5 from the anti-Israel index, controlling for country of residence, age, religion, income, gender, contact with Jews, commonality with other races/religions, and attitudes toward immigrants

		95% Confidence Interval	
Predictor	Odds Ratio	Lower	Upper
Religion (Relative to Christianity)			
Islam	7.80	4.69	12.98
Judaism	1.84	0.58	5.84
None	0.97	0.79	1.20
Other	1.39	0.94	2.05
Refuse	2.88	1.52	5.47

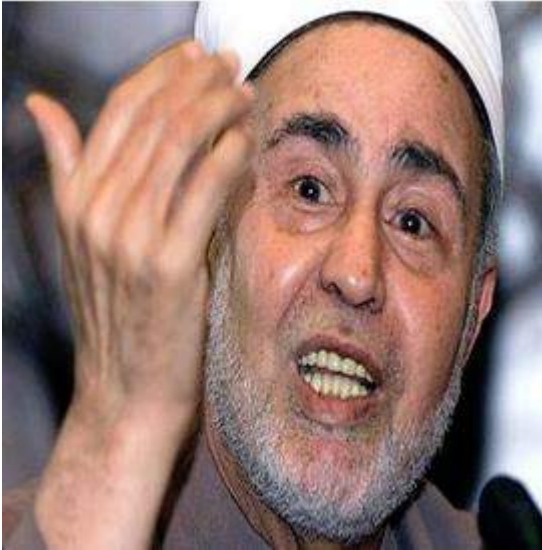
Table 1: Statements comprising the antisemitic index with corresponding response frequency in agreement (of n = 5,004)

Statements	Response frequency
Jews don't care what happens to anyone but their own kind.	1,052
Jews are more willing than others to use shady practices to get what they want.	784
Jews are more loyal to Israel than to this country.	2,200
Jews have too much power in the business world.	1,309
Jews have lots of irritating faults.	545
Jews stick together more than other (citizens of respondent's country of residence).	2,942
Jews always like to be at the head of things.	1,150
Jews have too much power in international financial markets.	1,460
Jews have too much power in our country today.	500
Jewish business people are so shrewd that others don't have a fair chance to compete.	884
Jews are just as honest as other business people.	485 ^a

a. Frequency of respondents that disagreed with this statement.

From: Edward H Kaplan and Charles A. Small. "Anti-Israel Sentiment Predicts Antisemitism in Europe" *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, Vol. 50 (No.4), August 2006, pp. 548-561.

Muhammad Sayyid Tantawi (d. 2010) & His Authoritative Modern Koranic Kampf on the Jews (1/2)



- **Al-Azhar University Grand Imam (i.e., Sunni Islam's Pope), 1996-2010**
- **Leading modern Sunni Koranic commentator who:**
 - edited a full 15 vol. Koran commentary;
 - helped establish the largest online resource for Koranic interpretation, ALTAFSIR.COM, which has published ~100 full-text, verse by verse searchable classical & modern commentaries on the Koran, incl his own;
 - earlier, wrote a 700pp. treatise *Banū Isrā'īl fī al-Qur'ān wa-al-Sunnah* [*"Jews in The Koran and Traditions"*]

Key summary extracts from "*Jews in The Koran and Traditions*":

"[The] Koran describes the Jews with their own particular degenerate characteristics*, i.e. killing the prophets of Allah [Koran 2:61/ 3:112], corrupting His words by putting them in the wrong places [4:46], consuming the people's wealth frivolously [4:161], refusal to distance themselves from the evil they do [3:120; 5:79], and other ugly characteristics caused by their deep-rooted (lascivious) envy [2:109]...only a minority of the Jews keep their word...[A]ll Jews are not the same. The good ones become Muslims [Koran 3:113], the bad ones do not.... [T]he Jews always remain maleficent deniers....they should desist from their negative denial...some Jews went way overboard in their denying hostility, so gentle persuasion can do no good with them, so use force with them and treat them in the way you see as effective in ridding them of their evil. One may go so far as to ban their religion, their persons, their wealth, and their villages."

****[see a fuller 2004 litany with Koranic citations by Tantawi's Al-Azhar colleague, and head of the religious edict, or "fatwa" committee, Sheikh Saqr: "Jews' 20 Bad Traits As Described in the Qur'an"]***

Muhammad Sayyid Tantawi (d. 2010) & His Authoritative Modern Koranic Kampf on the Jews (2/2)

- Tantawi's mature, esteemed, 15 vol. full Koranic commentary includes a gloss on **Koran 5:60**—the Jews as apes & pigs verse—which condemns, in broad terms, ***“the corrupt thinking and false assumptions and claims of the Jews,”*** and further maintains, generally, ***“what you [the Jews] claim is even more evil as shown in the penalty that has befallen you as you have been cursed and become estranged from Allah’s mercy and compassion, and what has befallen your ancestors of whom some were transformed into apes, others into pigs.”***

As Grand Imam of Al-Azhar:

- Tantawi issued a hostile statement on “interfaith dialogue” shortly after he met with Israel’s Chief Rabbi, Israel Meir Lau, in Cairo, on Dec. 15, 1997, which also included a re-affirmation of the views he expressed in his dissertation, i.e., **Jews in The Koran and The Traditions:**

*“The Prophet’s stance, which is my own stance as well, was that anyone who avoids meeting with **the enemies** in order **to counter their dubious claims and stick fingers into their eyes**, is a coward. **My stance stems from Allah’s book [the Koran], more than 1/3 of which deals with the Jews...**[I] wrote a dissertation dealing with them [the Jews], all their false claims and their punishment by Allah. **I still believe in everything written in that dissertation.**”*

- Apparently unmoved, **even after** the Netanya homicide bombing Passover massacre of Jews on March 27, 2002, Tantawi, in April, 2002, proclaimed the legitimacy of homicide bombing of Jews, & condemned (again) the Jews as “enemies of Allah, descendants of apes and pigs” (per Koran 5:60), making his personal, religiously sanctioned Muslim Jew-hatred eminently clear.

Ahmed al-Tayeb, Sunni Islam's Current Jew-Hating Papal Equivalent, In His Own Words

Grand Imam of Al-Azhar University, Ahmed al-Tayeb, **was the number 1 ranked Muslim figure for 2017** in "The Muslim 500". His "The Muslim 500" profile states,

Influence: Highest scholarly authority for the majority of Sunni Muslims, runs the foremost and largest Sunni Islamic university.

School of Thought: Traditional Sunni

During an interview with Al-Tayeb, which aired on Channel 1, Egyptian TV, October 25, 2013, he gave a brief explanation of the ongoing relevance of the Koranic verse 5:82 which has been invoked to inspire violent Muslim hatred of Jews since the advent of Islam. **Notice also the open equivalence of "Jews/Zionists" & "Judaism/Zionism".**

SHEIK OF AL-AZHAR AHMAD AL-TAYEB JUSTIFIES ANTISEMITISM ON THE BASIS OF THE KORAN

October 25, 2013



A verse in the Koran [5:82] explains the Muslims relations with Jews... This is an historical perspective, which has not changed to this day. See how we suffer today from global **Zionism and Judaism**... Since the inception of Islam 1400 years ago, we have been suffering from **Jews and Zionist** interference in Muslim affairs. This is a cause of great distress for the Muslims. The Koran said it, and history has proven it: "You shall find the strongest among men in enmity to the believers [Muslims] to be the Jews..."

- **Dutch PVV leader Geert Wilders was the only politician, indeed the lone public figure of stature, to condemn Al-Tayeb's 2013 remarks**

- Twice (2014 & 2015), al-Tayeb blamed "global Zionism" & its machinations for the proliferation of jihad terror in the Middle East
- In Jan. 2018 al-Tayeb claimed "***the Zionist entity***" was plotting to march on the Meccan Kaaba & the mosque of Islam's prophet in Medina
- During June, 2018 he declared, "***the issue of antisemitism is a lie that continues to deceive nations to this day.***"

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Boston Herald,
Friday 10/4/19

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DISTURBING FACTS ABOUT ISLAMIC ANTISEMITISM

Council Against Islamic Religious Hatred (CAIRH), www.cairh.org

—Extreme Antisemitism, defined as agreement with at least 6/11 Antisemitic stereotypes, is 2X to 4.5X more common among Muslims, relative to non-Muslims, worldwide

- *The world's 16 most Antisemitic countries are all in the Muslim Middle East, where 74% to 93% exhibit extreme Antisemitism*—Judea-Samaria/Gaza 93%; Iraq 92%; Yemen 88%; Algeria 87%; Libya 87%; Tunisia 86%; Kuwait 82%; Bahrain 81%; Jordan 81%; Morocco 80%; Qatar 80%; United Arab Emirates 80%; Lebanon 78%; Oman 76%; Egypt 75%; Saudi Arabia 74% <http://global100.adl.org/public/ADL-Global-100-Executive-Summary.pdf>
- *There is a 2 to 3-fold excess occurrence of extreme Muslim Antisemitism, globally, by religious affiliation*—Muslim, 49%; Christian, 24%; No religion, 21%; Hindu, 19%; Buddhist, 17% <http://global100.adl.org/public/ADL-Global-100-Executive-Summary.pdf>
- *There is 2 to 4.5-fold excess occurrence of extreme Muslim Antisemitism in Western Europe*—Belgium, 68% of Muslims vs. 21% of non-Muslims; Spain, 62% of Muslims vs. 29% of non-Muslims; Germany, 56% of Muslims vs. 16% of non-Muslims; Italy, 56% of Muslims vs. 29% of non-Muslims; United Kingdom, 54% of Muslims vs. 12% of non-Muslims; France, 49% of Muslims vs. 17% of non-Muslims <https://www.adl.org/news/press-releases/new-poll-anti-semitic-attitudes-19-countries#.Vn8RAMtOnqA>
- *There is a 2.4-fold excess occurrence of extreme Muslim Antisemitism in the U.S.*, 34% of Muslims vs. 14% of the general population <https://www.adl.org/news/press-releases/in-first-new-adl-poll-finds-majority-of-americans-concerned-about-violence>

—Islam's Vatican, Al-Azhar University, promotes this Muslim Antisemitism <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KElidy8Luk4&t=567s>

“GRAND IMAM OF AL-AZHAR AHMAD AL-TAYEB JUSTIFIES ANTISEMITISM ON THE BASIS OF THE KORAN”



“Since the inception of Islam 1400 years ago, we have been suffering from Jews, and Zionist interference in Muslim affairs...The Koran (5:82) said it, and history has proven it: ‘You shall find the strongest in enmity to the Muslims to be the Jews’ ”

<https://www.memri.org/tv/sheik-al-azhar-ahmad-al-tayeb-justifies-antisemitism-basis-koran;>
<http://corpus.quran.com/translation.jsp?chapter=5&verse=82>

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Ex-Mufti of Jerusalem Hajj Amin El-Husseini's (d. 1974) Jihadism & Islamic Jew-Hatred



El-Husseini's 1937 "fatwa", "*Islam and the Jews*"

- **Rivets upon Koran 5:82** & concludes with Muhammad's apocalyptic hadith (Sahih Muslim Bk41, #6985) as part of invocation to destroy Palestinian Jewry [at minimum] by *jihad*
 - This same hadith was incorporated into the Hamas charter, art. 7. in 1988
 - 2011 face-to-face Arabic interview polling data of 1,010 Muslims from Gaza & Judea-Samaria by Clinton pollster Greenberg indicated 73% abided this hadith, & 80% wanted Israel destroyed by jihad war (art. 15 of Hamas Charter)
- Contains **ZERO** refs to Nazism or any other non-Islamic sources of Jew-hatred
 - Note: In 1918 el-Husseini declared: "*[T]he Zionists will be massacred to the last man.*"
- Contains 10 specific Koranic refs; 2 explicit citations of sira; & 2 major, explicit refs to hadith (apocalyptic; Jewish conspiratorial poisoning of Muhammad)
- Distributed by Nazis, verbatim, to Muslim S.S. units in the Balkans & Soviet Russia

Lingering Questions

- My 2013 monograph was the 1st fully annotated English translation. Why?
- Declassified (in 2006) U.S. intel files provide further confirmation that el-Husseini was a jihadist who sought the re-establishment of a global Caliphate. Why hasn't this been emphasized?

Identical 1940 Conclusions From A Great Jewish Scholar Of Islam's Canonical Antisemitism

Moshe Perlmann (d. 2001) was a scholar par excellence of Islam's Medieval Anti-Jewish polemic, especially within mythically "tolerant" Muslim Spain.

Perlmann's 1940 PhD thesis, **A Study of Muslim Polemics Directed Against Jews**, contained a chapter "The Jews in the Koran and the Traditions", with these observations:

Jews in the Koran

Forgetting the Divine Dispensation, the Jews transgressed God's commandments and flouted the prophets, and even slew them (3:181). Therefore many punishments fell upon them (2:61); e.g., some of them were turned into apes for desecrating the sabbath (2:65; 7:166). Muhammad came to confirm their scriptures (3:3; 4:51), but they did not accept him. They concealed the revelation (2:42; 3:71), or did not understand it (2:78); they tried to mislead people (3:69; 3:99), having no compunction about deceiving the pagan Arabs (3:69). Therefore, although they knew from their books all about Muhammad "as they knew their own children," (2:146), they made false statements about the scriptures (4:51; 5:49) distorting the texts.

*In contradiction to them, the Prophet declares that Ibrahim [Abraham] and Ismail [Ishmael] were Muslim prophets (2:124; 3:67; 3:68), who built the Meccan temple (2:125; 3:97) before the revelation of Musa [Moses], to which the Jews refer. **Thus, Islam is the original revelation.** This cuts the ground from under the feet of the unbelievers. They make blasphemous statements: That God's hand is chained up (5:64); that Uzair [Ezra] is the son of God (9:30). At the same time, they are stubborn in their opposition to the true prophet. They must be regarded as enemies (3:28; 5:51; 5:57). **The believers will find that they are their fiercest enemies**, the Christians being much more friendly (5:82). Therefore, after they had rejected many friendly overtures (2:59; 5:81), **it was decided that they must be fought against, made tributaries, and compelled to pay [the] poll-tax, as a mark of their humiliation (9:29).***

*In the Fatiha [i.e., 1:7], the words **al-maghdub alayhim** ["those who incurred Allah's anger"] are supposed to refer to the Jews.*

Jews in the Traditions

***Persisting in their obduracy, they did not shrink from plotting, practicing sorcery and poisoning, until they were finally crushed and driven out of Arabia. The Jews extended their hatred of the Prophet [Muhammad] to all Muslims.** They mispronounced the usual "Peace be unto you", so that it came to mean: "Poison be upon you"; for which reason it is wiser and safer to reply with a mere: "The same to you"... They always try to trick the unsuspecting Muslim. To imitate them is positively forbidden... **They became, in a way, the incarnation of evil.** No wonder that, when the world comes to an end, and when Dajjal threatens to destroy those of the true faith, the Jews will be betrayed in their hiding-places even by the crying of the rock: "Here is a Jew behind me. Kill him."*

Rejecting Old Dogmatics For Older Truths, With No Tricks

(Apologies to the Nobel Laureates Brown & Goldstein & Their 1987 Paper in *Nature*,
“Teaching Old Dogmas New Tricks”)

We must REJECT *bowdlerizing characterizations* such as “tolerated subordination” & “non-theological”, & replace them with doctrinally & historically accurate terms: canonical Islamic antisemitism & dhimmitude

Bernard Lewis (d. 2018) made these oracular (if vacuous, and counterfactual) summary pronouncements, across three decades:

[1974] *The dhimma on the whole worked well. The non-Muslims managed to thrive under Muslim rule, and even to make significant contributions to Islamic civilization. The restrictions were not onerous, and were usually less severe in practice than in theory. As long as the non-Muslim communities accepted and conformed to the status of tolerated subordination assigned to them, they were not troubled.*

[1984] *In Islamic society hostility to the Jew is **non-theological**. It is not related to any specific Islamic doctrine, nor to any specific circumstance in Islamic history. For Muslims it is not part of the birth-pangs of their religion, as it is for Christians.*

[2006] *“dhimmi”-tude [derisively hyphenated] subservience and persecution and ill treatment of Jews... [is a] **myth**.*

Shlomo Dov Goitein: Correcting A Doyen's Tragic Negation of Islamic Jew-Hatred & Jewish Dhimmitude (1/3)

Shlomo Dov Goitein (d. 1985), unlike Lewis, was a historian, who specialized in the study of Muslim, non-Muslim relations. Goitein, whose seminal research findings were widely published, most notably in the monumental five-volume work *A Mediterranean Society: The Jewish Communities of the Arab World as Portrayed in the Documents of the Cairo Geniza* (1967–1993), was Professor Emeritus of the Hebrew University, and a Lewis colleague while at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton.

Goitein on indigenous Muslim Jew-hatred, “sinuth”

In *A Mediterranean Society*, he observed that the Jews “coined in the Geniza period,” [i.e., 950-1250 CE] the word “sinuth” to “differentiate animosity against Jews from the discrimination practiced by Islam against non-Muslims in general.”

- Incidents of such specific Muslim Jew-hatred documented by Goitein in the Geniza record* come from N. Syria, Morocco [Fez], & Egypt [Alexandria], with refs to the latter being esp. frequent

* “geniza” = synagogue store-room documents, primarily religious, but also secular writings, incl. letters

Goitein on the subject of non-Muslim *dhimmis* under Muslim rule, that is, “the dhimma covenant,” or “dhimmitude,” circa 1970:

An Islamic state was part of or coincided with dar al-Islam, the House of Islam [i.e., lands conquered by jihad]. Its treasury was mal al-muslimin, the money of the Muslims. Christians and Jews were not citizens of the state, not even second class citizens. They were outsiders under the protection of the Muslim state, a status characterized by the term dhimma, for which protection [i.e., from the resumption of the jihad against them] they had to pay a poll tax specific to them. They were also exposed to a great number of discriminatory and humiliating laws.... As it lies in the very nature of such restrictions, soon additional humiliations were added, and before the second century of Islam was out, a complete body of legislation in this matter was in existence.... In times and places in which they became too oppressive they lead to the dwindling or even complete extinction of the minorities

Ann Lambton: Correcting A Doyen's Tragic Negation of Islamic Jew-Hatred & Jewish Dhimmitude (2/3)

From 1972 until 1978, the late Ann Lambton (d. 2008) headed the famous **School of Oriental and Asiatic Studies** [SOAS] Near and Middle East Department while contributing articles and analyses for *The Cambridge History of Islam*, which she coedited with Bernard Lewis. **Professor Lambton and Bernard Lewis were also both protégés of the SOAS Islamologist Sir Hamilton Gibb.**

Lambton's obituarist, Burzine K. Waghmar, a current historian at SOAS, noted (on August 1, 2008),

Lambton was unrivalled in the breadth of her scholarship, covering Persian grammar and dialectology; medieval and early modern Islamic political thought; Seljuq, Mongol, Safavid, Qajar and Pahlavi administration; tribal and local history; and land tenure and agriculture. Her association with SOAS (School of Oriental and Asiatic Studies) in London, which lasted from her time as an undergraduate in 1930 until her death as Professor Emerita, aged 96, was one of the longest and most illustrious, and Lambton became acknowledged as the dean of Persian studies in the West. Without hyperbole, an era has passed in Middle Eastern studies

Ann Lambton: Correcting A Doyen's Tragic Negation of Islamic Jew-Hatred & Jewish Dhimmitude (3/3)

Ann Lambton wrote the following on the *dhimmis*, published in 1981 (Ann Lambton. *State and Government in Medieval Islam*, Oxford, 1981, pp. 206-208.):

As individuals, the dhimmis possessed no rights. Citizenship was limited to Muslims; and because of the superior status of the Muslim, certain juristic restrictions were imposed on the dhimmi. The evidence of a dhimmi was not accepted in a law court; a Muslim could not inherit from a dhimmi nor a dhimmi from a Muslim; a Muslim could marry a dhimmi woman, but a dhimmi could not marry a Muslim woman; at the frontier a dhimmi merchant paid double the rate of duty on merchandise paid by a Muslim, but only half the rate paid by a harbi; and the blood-wit paid for a dhimmi was, except according to the Hanafis, only half or two-thirds that paid for a Muslim's. No dhimmi was permitted to change his faith except for Islam. . . . ***Various social restrictions were imposed upon the dhimmis such as restrictions of dress. . . . Dhimmis were also forbidden to ride horses . . . and, according to Abu Hanifa, valuable mules. The reason for this prohibition was connected with the fact that dhimmis were forbidden to bear arms: the horse was regarded as a "fighter for the faith," and received two shares in the booty if it were of Arab stock whereas its rider received one. Dhimmis were to yield the way to Muslims. They were also forbidden to mark their houses by distinctive signs or to build them higher than those of Muslims. They were not to build new churches, synagogues, or hermitages and not to scandalize Muslims by openly performing their worship or following their distinctive customs such as drinking wine. . . . The humiliating regulations to which [dhimmis] were subject as regards their dress and conduct in public were not, however, nearly so serious as their moral subjection, the imposition of the poll tax, and their legal disabilities. They were, in general, made to feel that they were beyond the pale. Partly as a result of this, the Christian communities dwindled in number, vitality, and morality. . . . The degradation and demoralization of the [dhimmis] had dire consequences for the Islamic community and reacted unfavorably on Islamic political and social life.***

Removing Antisemitism From The Minbar: Non-Muslims Must Demand Vatican II *Mea Culpa*-Based Reforms of Canonical Islam (1/3)



Minbar of the Muḥammad Ali Mosque,
Cairo, Egypt.

From Jules Isaac's 1946-48 "Jesus and Israel", and The 1947 Seelisberg Conference, to Vatican II/*Nostre Aetate* 1965

The 1947 Seelisberg, Switzerland *International Emergency Conference on Antisemitism* took place in the aftermath of WWII, and The Holocaust. Its aim was to combat the roots of the Antisemitism still rampant in many countries despite the fall of National Socialist (Nazi) rule. Its objective, within this context, was also to address Christian anti-Judaism and help establish a new relationship between Christianity and Judaism.

At Seelisberg, Jewish historian Jules Isaac, admonished his contemporaries to confront Christianity's Antisemitic theology, circulating his book manuscript *Jésus et Israël* ("Jesus and Israel"). The eighteen points around which Isaac had organized his book directly inspired the Ten Points of Seelisberg (1947). This statement adjured Christians to recall that Jesus and his first disciples were Jewish, and that Christ's directive to love one's neighbor applied to all peoples, including Jews. Christians must therefore refrain from speaking of Jews collectively as "enemies of Christ," killers of Christ, or accursed by God as punishment for deicide.

Isaac, working with willing Christian colleagues, thus helped catalyze a movement culminating in the Second Vatican Council, whose deliberations begot the declaration *Nostra Aetate* (1965), an unprecedented, mea-culpa-based document text that would entirely alter Christian-Jewish relations

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Synagoga & Ecclesia, 2015



Ecclesia & Synagoga, esp. 13th-14th C

Pope Francis made an unscheduled visit to the campus of St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, September 27, 2015, to view the sculpture by artist Joshua Koffman commemorating the 50th anniversary of Nostre-Aetate, the Second Vatican Council Declaration on the Relationship of the Church to Non-Christian Religions, in particular Judaism.

Koffman's bronze work "***Synagoga and Ecclesia in Our Time***," depicts a female figure representing the Church sitting next to another female figure representing the Synagogue, each holding their holy scriptures, which they appear to be discussing. It is meant to oppose centuries of art in which the triumphal Christian "Ecclesia" stood wearing a crown, while a woman representing "Synagoga," stood blindfolded and drooping, cradling a broken lance in one arm (likely an allusion to the lance that pierced Jesus), while tablets of the Torah appeared to be slipping from her opposite hand.

Removing Antisemitism From The Minbar: Non-Muslims Must Demand Vatican II *Mea Culpa*-Based Reforms of Canonical Islam (3/3)

- Vatican II/Nostre Aetate, as illustrated by a sentence from the pronouncement issued October 28, 1965, unambiguously condemned Antisemitism, from The Church's perspective:
"Moreover, mindful of her common patrimony with the Jews, and motivated by the gospel's spiritual love and by no political considerations, she deplores the hatred, persecution, and displays of Antisemitism directed against the Jews at any time, and from any source."
- Catholic Theologian John T. Pawlikowski, observed in 1996 (from the essay collection, appositely entitled, **Removing Anti-Judaism from the Pulpit**), that the noble ideals articulated in the 10/28/1965 pronouncement were only advanced when The Vatican Council,
"...formally launched the process of uprooting the classic theology of Jewish displacement from the covenant in light of the Christ event and replaced it with a theological work based on the notion of the ongoing validity of the Jewish covenant to which Christians have been joined."
- The "**Phase I cleansing**" stage in this overall process, as Dr. Pawlikowski characterized it, involved
"...the removal from mainline Christian educational texts of the charge that Jews collectively were responsible for the death of Jesus, that the Pharisees were the arch enemies of Jesus and spiritually soulless, that Jews had been displaced by Christians in the covenantal relationship with God as a result of refusal to accept Jesus as the Messiah, that the "Old Testament" was totally inferior to the New and that Jewish faith was rooted in legalism while the Christian religion was based on grace."
- Indeed by 1995, current St. Joseph's University Professor Philip Cunningham's study **Education for Shalom: Religion Textbooks and the Enhancement of the Catholic-Jewish Relationship**, noted that
"...the elements of the patristic anti-Judaic theological system had pretty much been eliminated from the textbooks."

Discussion 1: *The Quranic Arabic Corpus* & *ALTAFSIR.COM* As Tools To Provide Authoritative Koranic Verse Translations, & Interpretations (1/2)

<http://corpus.quran.com/>

The Quranic corpus is part of a PhD research project into Arabic language computing at the University of Leeds. The English translations in the full verse, & word by word searchable sections of the website are not new translations of the text.

Corresponding English words are based on seven [standard and accepted sources](#) of English translation of the Quran, six by pious Muslims, & the seventh, a universally respected non-Muslim academic translation:

[**Sahih Intl**] *The Quran: Arabic Text with Corresponding English Meanings (Sahih International)* Almunatada Alislami, Abul Qasim Publishing House (1997).

[**Pickthall**] *The Meaning of the Glorious Koran (Mohammed Marmaduke Pickthall)* Reprinted by Plume (1997). First published 1930.

[**Yusuf Ali**] *The Holy Quran: Translation and Commentary (Yusuf Ali)* Reprinted by Islamic Vision (2001). First published 1934.

[**Shakir**] *The Holy Quran Translated (M. H. Shakir)* Published by Tahrike Tarsile Quran (1999).

[**Sarwar**] *The Holy Quran: Arabic Text and English Translation (Muhammad Sarwar)* Published by Elmhurst (1981).

[**Mohsin Khan**] *The Noble Quran in the English Language (Mohsin Khan)* King Fahd Printing Complex, Madinah, Saudi Arabia (1996).

[**Arberry**] *The Koran Interpreted: A Translation (Arthur John Arberry)* Reprinted by Touchstone (1996). First published 1955.

NOTE: Each Koranic verse cited can be permanently hyperlinked for reference

Discussion 2: *The Quranic Arabic Corpus* & *ALTAFSIR.COM* As Tools To Provide Authoritative Koranic Verse Translations, & Interpretations (2/2)

<https://www.altafsir.com/>

Altafsir.com was created in 2001 by the *Royal Aal al-Bayt Institute for Islamic Thought*, Jordan (note: The same Institute which produces the yearly “Muslim 500”). The entire project was overseen by Muhammad Sayyid Tantawi (d. 2010), late Grand Imam of Al-Azhar University (from 1996-2010), and seminal modern Koranic commentator.

The website includes 100 of the greatest tafsirs (or Koranic Commentaries) in Arabic, spanning over a millennium and including authoritative modern commentators—such as Tabatabai (d. 1981) and Tantawi (d. 2010)—and several others still alive today. The user can evaluate each commentary verse, by Koranic verse. “Through an enormous scholarly labor, each of the Koranic Commentaries (*tafsir* or *tafseer*) has been typed in, word by word, individually, and at least triple checked by different teams of scholars—none have been scanned in—in order to make it possible, through the use of the latest technology, to search and cross-reference for single words or groups of words, anywhere in the database.” AlTafsir.com has also made available full English translations of Suyuti and Mahalli’s *Tafsir al-Jalalayn*—arguably the most important single volume Koranic commentary ever written—as well as the *Tafsir* of Ibn Abbas, a very early commentary by the “Father of Koranic exegesis”. Finally, AlTafsir.com notes, regarding the English translations, “the translated Koranic Commentaries are unabridged, and totally unchanged apart from corrections in spelling or editing mistakes. AlTafsir.com never adjusts or changes original works.”

NOTE: Each Koranic commentary for any specific verse cited can be permanently hyperlinked for reference

Discussion 3: The Muslim 500—Those Mainstream Islamdom Designates Yearly As Its Most Influential & Praiseworthy Muslim Politicians, Theologians, & Activists

By Islamic consensus, The Royal Aal al-Bayt Institute For Islamic Thought / The Royal Islamic Strategic Studies Centre, Amman, Jordan has defined, and epitomizes, “mainstream Islam.” Each year, this authoritative, mainstream international Islamic organization puts out the “The Muslim 500—The World’s 500 Most Influential Muslims.” The major aims of this mainstream Islamic organization, per its 2007 Charter, are:

- *“to protect, **preserve and propagate traditional, orthodox, ‘moderate’ Islam as defined by the international Islamic Consensus on the ‘Three Points of the Amman [Interfaith Dialogue] Message’ arrived at over the years 2005-2006.**”*
- *“to spread knowledge of the ‘Amman Message’ of November 2004 and the principles it contains in so far as **these best represent traditional, orthodox, ‘moderate’ Islam.**”*
- *“to establish, propagate and publicize the religious and legal positions **of traditional, orthodox, ‘moderate’ Islam** on key issues relevant to life in the modern world.”*

Res Ipsa Loquitur Examples of Recent Awardees

2017 Most Influential Muslim: Ahmad al-Tayeb, Al-Azhar Grand Imam

2019 Most Influential Muslim: Recep Tayyip Erdogan, President of Turkey

2020 Woman of the Year: Rashida Tlaib, U.S. Congresswoman

Discussion 4: ADL's "Interpretation" Of Their Own Data In Response To Mort Klein's Landmark 4/9/19 Congressional Testimony, At The Same Hearing

The ADL Global 100 Ranked by Index Score

The 16 countries with the highest Index Scores of anti-Semitic views are all in MENA.

1. West Bank and Gaza
(93%)
2. Iraq (92%)
3. Yemen (88%)
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6. Tunisia (86%)
7. Kuwait (82%)
T8. Bahrain (81%)
T8. Jordan (81%)
T10. Morocco (80%)
T10. Qatar (80%)
T10. United Arab Emirates
(80%)
13. Lebanon (78%)
14. Oman (76%)
15. Egypt (75%)
16. Saudi Arabia (74%)

In "response" to Mort Klein's presentation of ADL data such as those (at left) illustrating the 16 countries with the highest prevalence of extreme Antisemitism—**all of them**, Arab Muslim societies whose populations are 90-100% Muslims (with the exception of 60% Muslim majority, Lebanon)—**ADL's Eileen Hershenov, Sr. VP for Policy (below), had the temerity to portray, the virulently Antisemitic Muslim denizens of these countries, as follows! :**



“One of the witnesses (Klein) talked about global attitudes that we look at...and the ADL does track that...[V]ulnerable, marginalized communities have bigotry within them”

Discussion 5: U.S. Congressional Invocation Imam Explained Timeless Validity Of Koranic Epithet (5:60) For Jews, “Apes and Pigs” (1/3)

Imam Omar Suleiman was granted the privilege of giving an [invocational prayer](#) to the U.S. House of Representatives on Thursday, May 9, 2019 under rather [ordinary](#) circumstances:

Suleiman’s congresswoman, Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson, D-Texas, invited him to deliver the prayer through a standard form on the webpage of the Office of the Chaplain of the House, according to a congressional official.

Despite tepid complaints about his “anti-Israel” rhetoric by some Republican Congressmen, they ignored all of the following:

Suleiman’s [canonical Islamic Jew-hatred](#) was previously elaborated in copious, ugly detail during a 5-part, nearly 6-hour 2012 lecture series, “[Lost Chronicles of Bani Israel](#),” **still available online, as of the date of this video posting**

Referencing the Koranic narrative from sura 7 [[7:163-7:166](#)] about the Jews deceitfully laying out nets to avoid “Allah’s” prohibition against actually fishing on the Sabbath, and also citing Koran 5:60, Suleiman [provides](#) these details:

Allah says, ‘We told them to become apes,’ [[7:166](#)] Allah transformed them, this group of people that took that action into apes and pigs [[5:60](#)]...which means their external appearance became apes and pigs, and the idea here was that the people were trying to make Allah out to be a fool, but Allah instead transformed them into animals...The prophet [Muhammad] tells us that these people, which were a village, not the entire Bani Israel, this was a group of Bani Israel, that Allah, after he transformed them, they lived three days as an example to all other people. The older ones were transformed into apes.

Discussion 6: U.S. Congressional Invocation Imam Explained Timeless Validity Of Koranic Epithet (5:60) For Jews, “Apes and Pigs” (2/3)

Following a brief excursus on why it is inaccurate to refer to contemporary Jews as “**sons** of apes and pigs,” Suleiman [references](#) a hadith which illustrates yet another example of Jewish deceit, and the **appropriate** response of Muhammad’s youngest wife Aisha, who condemned her Jewish interlocutors as **brethren** of apes and pigs.

She [Aisha] called them brothers of apes and pigs—she didn’t call them the sons.

This usage, “**brothers** of apes and pigs,” Suleiman [maintains](#), is appropriate for most Jews, given their inveterate Koranic predilection for deceit, endeavoring “to take Allah for a fool.” Indeed, according to the earliest sacralized, pious Muslim [biographies](#) of Muhammad (by [Ibn Ishaq](#) and [Ibn Saad](#)), just before subduing the Medinan Jewish tribe Banu Qurayza, Islam’s prophet invoked this striking Koranic motif for the Jews debasement, addressing these Jews, with hateful disparagement, as “*You brothers of apes (per [Ibn Ishaq](#)),” or “Brothers of apes and pigs. Fear me, fear me.” (per [Ibn Saad](#)).* Ibn Ishaq’s account further maintains that, upon their surrender, Muhammad himself beheaded between 600 to 900 of the adult Jewish males of the Banu Qurayza, and enslaved their wives and children.

Recall, moreover that Suleiman’s understanding of this Koranic epithet was validated by late Al-Azhar Grand Imam Tantawi’s authoritative exegesis, which “*condemns, in broad terms, ‘the corrupt thinking and false assumptions and claims of the Jews,’ and further maintains, generally, ‘what you [the Jews] claim is even more evil as shown in the penalty that has befallen you as you have been cursed and become estranged from Allah’s mercy and compassion, and what has befallen your ancestors of whom some were transformed into apes, others into pigs.’ ”*

Discussion 7: U.S. Congressional Invocation Imam Explained Timeless Validity Of Koranic Epithet (5:60) For Jews, “Apes and Pigs” (3/3)

The [historical treatment](#) of Jews in Muslim societies, since the advent of Islam—chronic oppression, punctuated by outbursts of mass anti-Jewish violence, forced conversion to Islam, or expulsion—has resulted from this sacralized religious bigotry. **Thus the dehumanizing Koranic references to Jews as apes (or apes and pigs) were used explicitly for polemical [incitement](#) to large scale, annihilationist pogroms against dhimmi Jewish communities in Granada (within mythically “tolerant” Muslim Spain) during 1066, Baghdad and its environs, proliferating into Iran, at the end of the 13th century, and southern Morocco at the close of the 15th century.** Echoing [Muhammad](#)—and [Omar Suleiman](#)—present era ad nauseum [repetition](#) of these Koranic epithets for incitement of Muslim Jew-hatred by three year-old Muslim [children](#), to Sunni Islam’s late Papal equivalent [Al-Azhar Grand Imam](#) Tantawi, has also included then Sudanese dictator Omar al-Bashir’s [vitriolic call](#) for an annihilationist jihad against Israel during a speech delivered at the headquarters of the ruling Islamic party in Khartoum, broadcast live by Radio Monte Carlo on April 5, 2002:

Let us prepare ourselves for the decisive battle against the Jews, those apes, pigs, and worshippers of calves. This should be a decisive battle...There will be no peace with the Jews...This battle is the battle, and this jihad is the jihad.

Ultimately, Omar Suleiman’s 2012 [discourse](#) on the Jews is open and unabashed in directing his canonical Islamic Jew-hatred, especially the requisite “humiliation,” at the state of Israel, and all Jews who support its right to exist.

We ask Allah to humiliate this Israel, the way that Allah humiliated Bani Israel...We ask Allah to humiliate those who occupy the ‘land of Filastin [‘Palestine’]’

Discussion 8: A Concluding Warning From Yigal Carmon To American Jewry

During an interview in Israel which aired Feb, 2019 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-qgR1K1KVds> MEMRI Director Yigal Carmon referred bluntly to the “ihadist conversations of the antisemitic Islam,” taking root, unopposed, in the U.S., and its Islamic textual basis:

*A lot of the hatred against the Jews has turned into really violent threats, **based on Islamic texts***

Carmon concluded that violent acts of Jew-hatred perpetrated by Muslims in the U.S. could reach a Western European scale, “*If there isn’t an awakening, and resistance against this.*” He also condemned the feckless inaction of a Jewish community unwilling to identify, and combat, the Islamic religious origins of this Jew-hatred, because it is paralyzed by fears of being labeled “Islamophobic.”

*The Jewish community, which are direct victims and direct targets of **these [Islamic religious] incitements** are **afraid to do something [i.e., about the religious incitement, specifically]. Not a protest, no public activity, nothing at all. They are afraid to be thought of as Islamophobic.***