

The Constitution vs. Sharia

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Part 1:

Our Constitution is not a suicide pact, nor are the unalienable rights referred to in the Declaration of Independence unconditional. The right of free speech, for example, is not a license to lie, cheat or slander. The right of assembly is not a permit to form a mob and loot personal property. The right to a free press is not a license to libel.

Is the right to practice one's religion unconditional? Not if it denies others their unalienable rights. The best example is human sacrifice. No religion has a constitutional or human right to take another's life for personal gain.

What about Islam? It rests on five religious pillars:

1. There is no god except Allah, and Mohammed is his Messenger
2. Engage in ritual prayer five times a day
3. Give 2.5% of one's wealth to the poor and needy
4. Fast and exercise self-restraint during the holy month of Ramadan
5. Make a pilgrimage to Mecca at least once in a lifetime, if one is able

None of these standards challenges America's freedom of religion, for these are personal practices that do not inherently infringe on anyone else's rights.

Theology, however, makes up only about 14% of Islamic doctrine. The rest, 86 percent, is political. Islam, therefore, is much more than a religion. It's a theocracy. It's staunchest defenders and apologists insist Islam is a religion of peace, which is true if you understand the context. Peace will come to the world when everyone in it is Muslim. Until then, all Muslims are commanded by Allah through his prophet, to eliminate all infidels. Converting them is one option. Killing them is another.

Political democracy and religious freedom are totally incompatible with the values of Islam. For Muslims there is one religion, Islam, and one law—Sharia. Sharia must eventually replace all other legal systems. Consequently, whether

declared or not, a permanent state of war exists between Islam and every non-Islamic government in the world.

There is no Golden Rule in Islam. There is no toleration or compromise—except in the furtherance of Islam. In that regard, Mohammed gave his blessing to lying, torture, incest, pedophilia and murder. Sharia mandates cutting off hands and feet for stealing, stoning to death for homosexuality and fornication by women, and beheading for apostasy. A woman's testimony is worth only half that of a man's, and she must have four male witnesses to her rape to prove the charge. Even then, if she is married, she is stoned to death for having sexual intercourse with a man who is not her husband. Under Sharia, a man may beat his wife for any reason or for no reason at all. Men and women are both required to be circumcised. For a woman that amounts to genital mutilation to destroy her ability to take pleasure in sexual intercourse.

Not only are these provisions of Sharia barbaric and completely incompatible with our Constitution, they are totally out of step with the civilized world and in direct violation of the most fundamental human rights.

Don't look for a reformation within Islam, however. For the followers of Mohammed, the clock stopped with his death in 632. Since then there have been no new revelations, no new insights into the will of Allah, no rethinking of man's role in society. God is great, and Mohammed was perfect, therefore change is unnecessary and unacceptable. For Muslims there can be only one way, Sharia. Democracy, having a different opinion or an independent thought, amounts to heresy—and is punishable by death. Toleration, whether of infidels or other-minded Muslims, is considered a sign of weakness—unless it's being used as a tool to ensnare, for the end justifies the means, any means, toward the absolute triumph of Islam.

Having established that Islam is a threat to civilization as we know it, and that it is not capable of change, the natural question is: "What can we do to protect ourselves?" The jihadists for the "religion of peace" have made it clear that their goal is to kill us.

Here's what we have to do to fight and win against Islam:

First, identify political Islam as the enemy of human rights. Declare it incompatible with democracy and our Constitution. We can't fight an enemy we're afraid of or unwilling to name. Note, I'm not opposing religious Islam. The five pillars are personal practices that endanger no one and require no social accommodations. It is the political component of Islam, Sharia, that is hostile to our way of life.

Second, pass ALAC, American Laws for American Courts. We can have only one legal system in this country, and it must apply to everyone. No Sharia courts, voluntary or otherwise. No exclusion areas. No sanctuary cities or no-go

zones. All Americans are entitled to the same rights, the same liberties, and the same legal protections. No religious or political system can exempt itself from our rule of law.

Third, respond to Islamist violence with quick, effective, overwhelming force. Tepid responses not only don't succeed, they breed contempt on the part of our enemies. Make it absolutely clear that we will not tolerate violence against our people. To further our effectiveness, we should strengthen our alliances with countries that are also fighting radical Islam, especially Israel, and be willing to participate in joint operations against groups like ISIS. This includes denying Iran nuclear weapons by whatever means.

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