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Writer's 2015 Note

This work was first written in 2001. It focused in large part on the 9-11 atrocity and incorporated material sent in 1986-1987 to the then Islamic Propagation Centre International on the 1611 Holy Bible versus the Qur'an. This updated and greatly abridged work makes allusion to 9-11 in considerably less detail but still does so in order to help show that Islam is an arm of "the power of darkness" Luke 22:53, Colossians 1:13 to be resisted by Bible believers according to James 4:7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you," as testified by Islam itself, bona fide reporters and by its own document the Qur'an in the Qur'an's essential antagonism to the 1611 Holy Bible. It is hoped that this work will therefore further encourage Bible believers to "have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them" Ephesians 5:11.

This work does not purport to be an updated evaluation of Islam in the UK because that level of contemporary detail is not perceived to be necessary for achieving the work's aim as set out above. See *The KJB*, *Britain and Islam* www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ for a summary study of the current crisis of Islam in the UK and links in the study *Always Treacherous* at the end of Chapter 2.

Current web sites have been inserted into this work where necessary, in blue braces [] as appropriate. Annotated updates including scripture verses have likewise been inserted in blue text in blue braces [] as appropriate.

As indicated, a study entitled *Always Treacherous* has been added to the original work at the conclusion of Chapter 2 and other graphics have been inserted in addition to the 9-11 picture forwarded by Texe Marrs 1. Introduction – Enter the Enemy.

Introduction – Enter the Enemy

The attack of September 11th 2001 on the World Trade Centre shocked the world.

First and foremost, as the graphic indicates, it was a manifestation of "the power of darkness" Luke 22:53 and of "him that had the power of death, that is, the devil" Hebrews 2:14.

See the web site of American Christian broadcaster, Texe Marrs:

www.texemarrs.com/102001/face of devil.htm. Mr. Marrs has this incisive comment.

"Where carnage, bloodshed, and destruction can be found, there you will also find Satan, aka the Devil. This mind-boggling picture is real. Printed on the web sites of The Philadelphia Inquirer newspaper, Cable News Network (CNN.com), and the pages of The Fort Worth Star - Telegram newspaper in Texas, this image was also broadcast over Fox TV News network. It clearly shows the devil's face in the fire and smoke of the explosions at the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City. The Associated Press confirms that this is an unretouched photograph, a digitized close-up of the original.

"In his short story, The Perverse of the Imp, famed horror fiction writer Edgar Allan Poe noted that murderers and other notorious criminals are somehow compelled to confess, even to boast, of their evil deeds. Here, in this bizarre image, we see that Satan is making his own, perverse confession. Just as the Arab terrorists led by the Devil left their own trail of evidence, wanting the world to know their names of infamy, so, too, does the Devil, as proven in this photograph, cackle out loud and boast, "I did it — and I'm proud of what I did!""



Mr. Marrs has expressed the opinion in his comments above that Arab terrorists were humanly responsible for the attack of September 11th. This is certainly the view stated publicly by the leaders of the USA and the UK.

President Bush and Prime Minister Blair immediately vowed to avenge the WTC atrocity. They quickly identified radical Islamic fundamentalist and Saudi dissident Osama Bin Laden* as the main culprit. On October 7th 2001, a little over three weeks after the WTC atrocity, they began a war of retribution against the Taleban regime of Afghanistan, whom they accused of harbouring Bin Laden. See news.bbc.co.uk/, 7 October 2001, US Strikes at *Afghan Targets*. [All such BBC-based reports that this work lists may be accessed directly via Google]

*Bin Laden is now deceased. See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Death_of_Osama_bin_Laden.

Several months later, March 2002, the Taleban had been ousted following an intensive military campaign and a pro-Western alliance installed in Kabul*.

*The Western Allies have largely withdrawn from the war which proved to be costly in life and limb for them and long drawn out, spanning well over a decade. The results of the war have been indecisive although the Western alliance installed in Kabul remains – for now.

See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/War_in_Afghanistan_%282001%E2%80%93present%29.

One readily understands the need [in principle] for prompt and decisive retaliation in the wake of the WTC terrorist outrage. Our national leaders would be failing in their God-given responsibilities if they failed to take such action — whatever their other failings, which have been addressed elsewhere*. The scripture is plain in this respect and in the responsibility that Christians have in these circumstances:

"For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil" Romans 13:4.

"I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come into the knowledge of the truth" 1 Timothy 2:1-4.

*See *Britain Under Siege* and *Biblical Bulwarks – Britain versus the EU* by this author. [e-copies of both works available on request from this writer]

Nevertheless, Messrs. Bush and Blair were quick to exonerate mainstream Islam from any blame for the attacks of September 11th and to reassure Muslims that the atrocity was the work of extremists and entirely contrary to "the peaceful teachings of Islam."* Besides identification of Bin Laden and his al-Qaeda network as the real enemy, this was the main thrust of their public statements.

*See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Religion_of_Peace.

But are their emphases correct? Is there not the slightest doubt about the guilt of Bin Laden and the peaceful, tolerant nature of Islam?

The Lord said "Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgement" John 7:24.

How may one judge righteously, with respect to both September 11th and the true nature of Islam?

The sites

www.jesus-is-savior.com/Evils%20in%20Government/911%20Cover-up/911.htm www.jesus-is-savior.com/Evils%20in%20Government/911%20Cover-up/islam_not_to_blame.htm

address the September 11th 2001 atrocity in detail and insist that Islam was not responsible for 9-11. The sites therefore do not perceive that Bin Laden was the prime mover for 9-11 and with such doubts persisting about Bin Laden's guilt or innocence over 9-11, this work will not take that perplexing issue further.

However, even if those sites are correct with respect to Islam, Bin Laden and 9-11, the issue remains of the true nature of Islam as an arm of "the power of darkness" Luke 22:53, Colossians 1:13 and among "the unfruitful works of darkness" Ephesians 5:11 to be resisted by Bible believers according to James 4:7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

This work therefore addresses that issue, by allusion as necessary to 9-11, witness statements concerning Islam independent of 9-11 and a detailed comparison of the 1611 Holy Bible versus the prophecies of the Holy Qur'an, which this writer believes is in reality the *unholy* Qur'an.

Concerning 9-11 and Islam's apparent non-involvement directly, these initial witness statements are instructive about Islam as an arm of "the power of darkness" Luke 22:53, Colossians 1:13 and among "the unfruitful works of darkness" Ephesians 5:11 to be resisted by Bible believers according to James 4:7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." Whether or not Bin Laden and Islam were directly implicated in 9-11, he and many of his coreligionists were overjoyed at its outcome.

Writing to The Telegraph, September 14th 2001, C. Wilstead of Slough Berks., stated "Sir, sitting in a classroom during a registration period, I saw a class of some 27 students, aged 15, cheering and punching the air in glee at news of the New York tragedy while making fun of the American national anthem. I was filled with horror. These were mostly British-born children whose families watch satellite television from Pakistan, not English television to which they turn solely for Eastenders. I realised that they do not consider themselves to be part of Western culture or society although they are benefiting from British schooling. Who has taught these young people to hate in this way – and why? Never mind worrying about enemies from overseas; we seem to have them growing in our own backyards."

Michael Smith filed another further disturbing report in *The Telegraph* on October 30th 2001, entitled *Britons who join Taliban to face trial*. In part it reads as follows:

"Sunrise, an Asian radio station, canvassed the opinions of 500 Muslims in Greater London, mainly of Pakistani origin and aged between 20 and 45. An overwhelming majority - 91 per cent - believed the war was between the Christian West and Islam, while 98 per cent would not fight for Britain. In marked contrast, 48 per cent said they would fight for bin Laden or for Islam. Another big majority - 79 per cent - said they did not support Britain in its war in Afghanistan. "The results indicate that Tony Blair's message is not getting through and the Government needs to work a lot harder," said Avtar Lit, chairman of Sunrise."

Bin Laden has made statements that have been interpreted as an admission of guilt for the WTC atrocity. See *Daily Telegraph*, November 11th 2001, Bin Laden: *Yes, I Did It*, by David Bamber. Bin Laden's reported statement is "history should be a witness that we are terrorists. Yes, we kill their innocents. The Twin Towers were legitimate targets, they were supporting US economic power. These events were great by all measurement. What was destroyed were not only the towers, but the towers of morale in that country." He has claimed that the hijackers were "blessed by Allah to destroy America's economic and military landmarks" and adds "If avenging the killing of our people is terrorism then history should be a witness that we are terrorists. Yes, we kill their innocents and this is legal religiously and logically." This is Bin Laden's most provocative statement about September 11th yet but it is very carefully worded and still appears as more of an endorsement of the attack than a confession. See:

www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/asia/afghanistan/1362113/Bin-Laden-Yes-I-did-it.html.

The latest [2001] disclosure of alleged proof of Bin Laden's guilt is the discovery of a video by American intelligence agents in a house in Jalalabad in which Bin Laden is said to describe how he planned the attack of September 11th. He is reported as stating: "(...inaudible...) we calculated in advance the number of casualties from the enemy, who would be killed based on the position of the tower. We calculated that the floors that would be hit would be three or four floors. I was the most optimistic of them all. (...inaudible...) due to my experience in this field, I was thinking that the fire from the gas in the plane would melt the iron structure of the building and collapse the area where the plane hit and all the floors above it only. This is all that we had hoped for."

Speaking of one of the alleged hijackers, Bin Laden is reported as stating: "He did not know about the operation. Not everybody knew (...inaudible...). Muhammad (Atta) from the Egyptian family (meaning the al-Qa'eda Egyptian group), was in charge of the group."

Of the operation as a whole, he continues: "The brothers, who conducted the operation, all they knew was that they have a martyrdom operation and we asked each of them to go to America but they didn't know anything about the operation, not even one letter. But they were trained and we did not reveal the operation to them until they are there and just before they boarded the planes." One of Bin Laden's supporters, an unidentified sheik, is quoted as saying: "(Quoting the verse from the Koran) Fight them, Allah will torture them, with your hands, he will torture them. He will deceive them and he will give you victory. Allah will forgive the believers, he is knowledgeable about everything."

See *Transcript of Osama bin Laden Video*, www.thewednesdayreport.com/twr/bin_laden.htm#video scroll down.

See also: news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/world/south asia/newsid 1708000/1708091.stm. This report attributes the following to Bin Laden, with additional commentary: "The news continued and no mention of the attack until the end. At the end of the newscast they reported that a plane just hit the World Trade Center," he said, laughing out loud. Bin Laden says on the tape that he told his followers that there would be more destruction after the first plane hit the World Trade Center. "They were overjoyed when the first plane hit the building, so I said to them: be patient," he said with a smile.

Whether or not Bin Laden and Islam were directly implicated in 9-11, see again the Jesus-is-Savior sites, his declarations to that effect and the other statements given above are nevertheless sufficient to show that Paul in Romans 3:13-18 described Islam exactly centuries in advance.

Note that "God" Romans 3:18 is "the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ" 2 Corinthians 11:31, Ephesians 1:3, 1 Peter 1:3 Whom no Muslim on the face of the earth professes to believe in as such and "the way of peace" Romans 3:17 is "the peace of God, which passeth all understanding" Philippians 4:7 that no Muslim on the face of the earth knows anything about:

"Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps is under their lips:

"Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness:

"Their feet are swift to shed blood:

"Destruction and misery are in their ways:

"And the way of peace have they not known:

"There is no fear of God before their eyes."

It is hoped therefore that this work will, as indicated earlier, further encourage Bible believers to "have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them" Ephesians 5:11 and in addition, through seeing the unholy Qur'an for what it is in comparison with the 1611 Holy Bible further encourage Bible believers, as Paul exhorts, "Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus" 2 Timothy 1:13.

Islamic Sources, Aims and Aspirations

N.B. For a compelling overview of the reality of Islam see the study *Always Treacherous* at the conclusion of this chapter.

What is Islam?

John Ankerberg and John Weldon write (1), p 5 "Apart from Christianity, Islam is arguably the most influential religion one earth. It is the second-largest religion in the world, and the powerful resurgence of Islamic fundamentalism continues to spread the Muslim faith from country to country. What is the difference between the terms "Islam" and "Muslim"? "Islam" is the correct name for the religion of Muhammad. The name is derived from the infinitive of the Arabic verb "to submit" (i.e. to Allah's will). "Muslim" is the correct term for a follower of Islam and comes from the present participle of the same verb."

Ankerberg and Weldon estimate, ibid, p 6, 8 that the number of Muslims, world-wide, will surpass 1 billion, 1000,000,000, by the year 2001 [www.muslimpopulation.com/ now an estimated 2.08 billion]. They state further, ibid, p 7 "the ultimate mission of Islam is to subjugate the world and then rule it according to Islamic law. Islamic law teaches that conversion may be achieved through persuasion or subjugation, but some hold that if these fail, "infidels" or unbelievers may be eliminated if necessary. According to Islamic tradition, the complete military subjugation of the earth is mandated by Allah...In the Hadith, Mohammed said: 'Hear, O Muslims, the meaning of life. Shall I not tell you of the peak of the matter, its pillar and its topmost part? The peak of the matter is Islam itself. The pillar is ritual Rakatin prayer. And the topmost part is Ji'had – holy war.'" According to Islamic law, jihad is, if necessary, to be waged until the Day of Judgment – i.e., until the world is subjugated."

The Hadith consists of several volumes of the teachings of Mohammed, a compilation of traditions passed down from generation to generation. See Moshay (2) p 181-182.

Moshay identifies Allah as "the God of Mohammed" p 20. Ankerberg and Weldon state, p 13 that "Muslims believe there is only one true God and that his name is Allah." These descriptions of Allah would be generally accepted by members of all religions but Morey (3) p 40, 47ff, reveals the true origin of Allah. The name 'Allah' is a pure Arabic word, strictly applicable only as the personal name of the moon god, who was worshipped "at the top of the pantheon of Arab deities" ibid, p 51, long before the Islamic era. Allah was in fact one of 360 idols located in the Kabah, a squat stone temple in Mecca. Allah's identity as the moon god explains the familiar crescent moon symbol for Islam, found on the flags of Islamic nations and atop mosques or their turrets, called minarets.

(The star adjacent to the crescent on the flags would symbolise the sun goddess, with whom Allah the moon god was associated as part of Arab astral religion, Morey, ibid, p 50.) See also www.chick.com/reading/tracts/0042/0042 01.asp Allah Had No Son, Chick Publications, P.O. Box 3500, Ontario, Calif. 91761-1019, USA and for more detail Mystery, Babylon the Great, by Dr. I. A. Sadler, 6 Ashbourne Close, Pangbourne, Reading, RG8 7LG. Dr. Sadler also pinpoints



the important connection between Rome and Islam, p 116ff. [Dr Sadler's book may/may not still be available]

The above references contain many other details about the 'God' of Islam but even those cited demonstrate that he does not share any commonality with the God of the Holy Bible, Who says of Himself:

"For thus saith the Lord that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the Lord; and there is none else" Isaiah 45:18.

Clearly there are certain major features of Islam that do not conform to the assurances given by our leaders.

What is the present [2001] status of Islam in Britain?

The Sunday Telegraph, October 28th 2001, has published a report by Jonathan Petrie entitled Muslims 'will soon outnumber Anglicans.' Petrie states that "since the 1960s, there has been a marked growth of Islamic observance in Britain, with the number of registered mosques rising from 10 to almost 700 and the Muslim population to about 1.5 million." Although Christianity remains the prevailing religion, with 60% of the population referring to themselves as Christian, with only 3% regarding themselves as Muslim, the total picture is more complex because many members of both faiths are essentially nominal. Nevertheless, trends indicate that by the year 2013, the number of Muslims attending mosques on a weekly basis will be approximately 800,000, matching the number of Anglicans attending church on the same basis but increasing more rapidly. [Operation Nehemiah, The Way Ahead by Patrick Sookhdeo, www.barnabasfund.org, pp 7, 34 estimates that 3-5 million Muslims may be here in the UK. See The KJB, Britain and Islam www.timefortruth.co.uk/alanoreilly/p 4 for further detail]

How peaceful and tolerant will Islam be then? One must conclude that it is a force to be reckoned with, especially enjoying governmental patronage as it does. Note the following. Dawah is the invitation/call to Islam islamqa.info/en/12376:

"Say (O Muhammad): 'This is my way; I invite unto Allaah (i.e. to the Oneness of Allaah — Islamic Monotheism) with sure knowledge, I and whosoever follows me (also must invite others to Allaah, i.e. to the Oneness of Allaah — Islamic Monotheism with sure knowledge). And Glorified and Exalted be Allaah (above all that they associate as partners with Him). And I am not of the Mushrikoon (polytheists, pagans, idolaters and disbelievers in the Oneness of Allaah; those who worship others along with Allaah or set up rivals or partners to Allaah)" [Yoosuf 12:108].

This invitation/call to Islam is expanded as follows.

From Islam: Questions and Answers — Calling Non-Muslims to Islam pp 199-200 books.google.co.uk/books?id=WCv_7zcLERMC&pg=PA199&lpg=PA199&dq=The+Religion+in+t he+sight+of+Allah+is+Islam&source=bl&ots=paW2UIxGs0&sig=0s45HZR7gUcxN_f67MRKnUhfvvc&hl=en&sa=X&redir_esc=y#v=onepage&q=The%20Religion%20in%20the%20sight%20of%20Allah%20is%20Islam&f=false

"The Religion in the sight of <u>Allah</u> is <u>Islam</u>." (Qur'an 3:19)

in another verse of the Holy Qur'an, Allah states: "If anyone desires a religion other than Islam (Submission to Allah), Never will it be accepted of him; and in the Hereafter he will be in the ranks of those who have lost (their selves in the hell fire)." (Qur'an 3:85)

In addition, Islam is the only religion prevailing over all other religions. Allah states in the Holy Our'an:

"To thee We sent the Scripture in truth, confirming the scripture that came before it, and guarding it in safety..." (Qur'an 5:48)

Mohammad, the Prophet of Allah (Peace and blessing of Allah be upon him), said:

"The superstructure of Islam is raised on five (pillars): testifying that there is no God (none truly to be worshipped) but Allah, and that Mohammad is the messenger of Allah, performing the prayer, paying the Zakat (poor-due), fasting the month of Ramadan, and performing Hajj."

The <u>Shahada</u> can be declared as follows:

(www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/practices/shahadah.shtml confession of a Muslim)

<u>"ASH-HADU ANLA ELAHA ILLA-ALLAH WA ASH-HADU ANNA MOHAMMADAN RASUL-ALLAH."</u>

The English translation is:

"I bear witness that there is no deity (none truly to be worshipped) but Allah, and I bear witness that Mohammad is the messenger of Allah."

The Qur'an online is available as follows majalla.org/books/quran/.

The 1611 Holy Bible says:

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me" John 14:6.

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" Acts 4:12.

One sees immediately that Biblical Christianity and Islam are clearly *not* compatible with respect to the most fundamental doctrine of individual salvation. See **6. Comments on "The Prophecies Of The Holy Qur'an"** for further discussion on fundamental incompatibilities between Christianity and Islam.

This overview of Islam indicates that it will not countenance rivals if it achieves its aims – and Biblical Christianity would definitely be a rival. Moreover, Islam's extremist elements, which it undoubtedly contains and who were blamed for September 11th, may not in fact be quite so 'extreme' as our leaders would have us believe.

This next article is humanist in both origin and appeal but reveals some penetrating insights into the true nature of Islam in the light of the above disclosures, emphasis in aricle. Note the extensive citations from the Qur'an with respect to this work's thesis that Islam is an arm of "the power of darkness" Luke 22:53, Colossians 1:13 and among "the unfruitful works of darkness" Ephesians 5:11 to be resisted by Bible believers according to James 4:7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

See www.faithfreedom.org/Articles/sina/call_to_muslims.htm.

A Call to the Muslims of the World

from a Group of Freethinkers and Humanists of Muslim Origins

"Dear friends,

"The tragic incidents of September 11 have shocked the world. It is unthinkable that anyone could be so full of hate as to commit such heinous acts and kill so many innocent people. We people of Muslim origin are as much shaken as the rest of the world and yet we find ourselves looked upon with suspicion and distrust by our neighbours and fellow citizens. We want to cry out and tell the world that we are not terrorists, and that those who perpetrate such despicable acts are murderers and not part of us. But, in reality, because of our Muslim origins we just cannot erase the "stigma of Islamic Terrorism" from our identity!

"What most Muslims will say:

"Islam would never support the killing of innocent people. Allah of the Holy Qur'an never advocated killings. This is all the work of a few misguided individuals at the fringes of society. The real Islam is sanctified from violence. We denounce all violence. Islam means peace. Islam means tolerance."

"What knowledgeable Muslims should say in response:

"That is what most Muslims think, but is it true? Does Islam really preach peace, tolerance and non-violence? The Muslims who perpetrate these crimes think differently. They believe that what they do is Jihad (holy war). They say that killing unbelievers is mandatory for every Muslim. They do not kill because they wish to break the laws of Islam but because they think this is what true Muslims should do. Those who blow-up their own bodies to kill more innocent people do so because they think they will be rewarded in Paradise. They hope to be blessed by Allah, eat celestial food, drink pure wine and enjoy the company of divine consorts. Are they completely misguided? Where did they get this distorted idea? How did they come to believe that killing innocent people pleases God? Or is it that we are misguided? Does really Islam preach violence? Does it call upon its believers to kill non-believers? We denounce those who commit acts of violence and call them extremists. But are they really extremists or are they following what the holy book, the Qur'an tells them to do? What does the Qur'an teach? Have we read the Qur'an? Do we know what kind of teachings are there? Let us go through some of them and take a closer look at what Allah says.

"What the Qur'an Teaches Us:

"We have used the most widely available English text of the Qur'an and readers are welcome to verify our quotes from the holy book. Please have an open mind and read through these verses again and again. The following quotes are taken from the most trusted Yusufali's translation of the Qur'an.

"The Qur'an tells us: "not to make friendship with Jews and Christians" (5:51), "kill the disbelievers wherever we find them" (2:191), "murder them and treat them harshly" (9:123), "fight and slay the Pagans, seize them, beleaguer them, and lie in wait for them in every stratagem" (9:5). The Qur'an demands that we fight the unbelievers, and promises "If there are twenty amongst you, you will vanquish two hundred: if a hundred, you will vanquish a thousand of them" (8:65).

"Allah and his messenger want us to fight the Christians and the Jews "until they pay the Jizya [a penalty tax for the non-Muslims living under Islamic rules] with willing submission, and feel themselves subdued" (9:29). Allah and his messenger announce that it is acceptable to go back on our promises (treaties) and obligations with Pagans and make war on them whenever we find ourselves strong enough to do so (9:3). Our God tells us to "fight the unbelievers" and "He will punish them by our hands, cover them with shame and help us (to victory) over them" (9:14).

"The Qur'an takes away the freedom of belief from all humanity and relegates those who disbelieve in Islam to hell (5:10), calls them najis (filthy, untouchable, impure) (9:28), and orders its followers to fight the unbelievers until no other religion except Islam is left (2:193). It says that the "non-believers will go to hell and will drink boiling water" (14:17). It asks the Muslims to "slay or crucify or cut the hands and feet of the unbelievers, that they be expelled from the land with disgrace and that they shall have a great punishment in world hereafter" (5:33). And tells us that "for them (the unbelievers) garments of fire shall be cut and there shall be poured over their heads boiling water whereby whatever is in their bowels and skin shall be dissolved and they will be punished with hooked iron rods" (22:19-22) and that they not only will have "disgrace in this life, but on the Day of Judgment He shall make them taste the Penalty of burning (Fire)" (22:9).

"The Qur'an says that "those who invoke a god other than Allah not only should meet punishment in this world but the Penalty on the Day of Judgment will be doubled to them, and they will dwell therein in ignominy" (25:68). For those who "believe not in Allah and His Messenger, He has prepared, for those who reject Allah, a Blazing Fire!" (48:13).

"Although we are asked to be compassionate amongst each other, we have to be "harsh with unbelievers," our Christian, Jewish and Atheist neighbours and colleagues (48:29). As for him who does not believe in Islam, the Prophet announces with a "stern command": "Seize ye him, and bind ye him, And burn ye him in the Blazing Fire. Further, make him march in a chain, whereof the length is seventy cubits! This was he that would not believe in Allah Most High. And would not encourage the feeding of the indigent! So no friend hath he here this Day. Nor hath he any food except the corruption from the washing of wounds, Which none do eat but those in sin." (69:30-37)

"The Qur'an prohibits a Muslim from befriending a non-believer even if that non-believer is the father or the brother of that Muslim (9:23), (3:28). Our holy book asks us to be disobedient towards the disbelievers and their governments and strive against the unbelievers with great endeavour" (25:52) and be stern with them because they belong to Hell (66:9). The holy Prophet prescribes fighting for us and tells us that "it is good for us even if we dislike it" (2:216). Then he advises us to "strike off the heads of the disbelievers"; and after making a "wide slaughter among them, carefully tie up the remaining captives" (47:4). Our God has promised to "instil terror into the hearts of the unbelievers" and has ordered us to "smite above their necks and smite all their finger-tips off them" (8:12). He also assures us that when we kill in his name "it is not us who slay them but Allah, in order that He might test the Believers by a gracious trial from Himself" (8:17). He orders us "to strike terror into the hearts of the enemies" (8:60). He has made the Jihad mandatory and warns us that "Unless we go forth, (for Jihad) He will punish us with a grievous penalty, and put others in our place" (9:39). Allah speaks to our Holy Prophet and says "O Prophet! Strive hard against the unbelievers and the hypocrites, and be stern against them. Their abode is Hell - an evil refuge indeed" (9:73).

"He promises us that in the fight for His cause whether we slay or are slain we return to the garden of Paradise (9:111). In Paradise he will "wed us with Houris (celestial virgins) pure beautiful ones" (56:54), and unite us with large-eyed beautiful ones while we recline on our thrones set in lines (56:20). There we are promised to eat and drink pleasantly for what we did (56:19). He also promises "boys like hidden pearls" (56:24) and "youth never altering in age like scattered pearls" (for those who have paedophiliac inclinations) (76:19). As you see, Allah has promised all sorts or rewards, gluttony and unlimited sex to Muslim men who kill unbelievers in his name. We will be admitted to Paradise where we shall find "goodly things, beautiful ones, pure ones confined to the pavilions that man has not touched them before nor jinni" (56:67-71).

"In the West we enjoy freedom of belief but we are not supposed to give such freedom to anyone else because it is written "If anyone desires a religion other than Islam (submission to Allah), never will it be accepted of him; and in the Hereafter He will be in the ranks of those who have lost (All spiritual good)" (3:85).

"As for women the book of Allah says that they are inferior to men and their husbands have the right to scourge them if they are found disobedient (4:34). It advises to "take a green branch and beat your wife," because a green branch is more flexible and hurts more (38:44). It teaches that women will go to hell if they are disobedient to their husbands (66:10). It maintains that men have an advantage over the women (2:228). It not only denies the women's equal right to their inheritance (4:11-12), it also regards them as imbeciles and decrees that their witness is not admissible in the courts of law (2:282). This means that a woman who is raped cannot accuse her rapist unless she can produce a male witness. Our Holy Prophet allows us to marry up to four wives and he licensed us to sleep with our slave maids and as many 'captive' women as we may have (4:3) even if those women are already married. He himself did just that. This is why anytime a Muslim army subdues another nation, they call them kafir and allow themselves to rape their women. Pakistani soldiers allegedly raped up to 250,000 Bengali women in 1971 after they massacred 3,000,000 unarmed civilians when their religious leader decreed that Bangladeshis are un-Islamic. This is why the prison guards in Islamic regime of Iran rape the women that in their opinion are apostates prior to killing them, as they believe a virgin will not go to Hell.

"Dear fellow Muslims:

"Is this the Islam you believe in? Is this your Most Merciful, Most Compassionate Allah whom you worship daily? Could Allah incite you to kill other peoples? Please understand that there is no terrorist gene - but there could be a terrorist mindset. That mindset finds its most fertile ground in the tenets of Islam. Denying it, and presenting Islam to the lay public as a religion of peace similar to Buddhism, is to suppress the truth. The history of Islam between the 7th and 14th centuries is riddled with violence, fratricide and wars of aggression, starting right from the death of the Prophet and

during the so-called 'pure' or orthodox caliphate. And Muhammad himself hoisted the standard of killing, looting, massacres and bloodshed. How can we deny the entire history? The behaviour of our Holy Prophet as recorded in authentic Islamic sources is quite questionable from a modern viewpoint. The Prophet was a charismatic man but he had few virtues. Imitating him in all aspects of life (following the Sunnah) is both impossible and dangerous in the 21st century. Why are we so helplessly in denial over this simple issue?

"When the Prophet was in Mecca and he was still not powerful enough he called for tolerance. He said "To you be your religion, and to me my religion" (109:6). This famous quote is often misused to prove that the general principle of Qur'an is tolerance. He advised his followers to speak good to their enemies (2: 83), exhorted them to be patient (20:103) and said that "there is no compulsion in religion" (2:256). But that all changed drastically when he came to power. Then killing and slaying unbelievers with harshness and without mercy was justified in innumerable verses. The verses quoted to prove Islam's tolerance ignore many other verses that bear no trace of tolerance or forgiveness. Where is tolerance in this well-known verse "Alarzu Lillah, Walhukmu Lillah." (The Earth belongs to Allah and thus only Allah's rule should prevail all over the earth.) [e.g. Sura 16:52: "To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and on earth, and to Him is duty due always: then will ye fear other than Allah?"]

"Is it normal that a book revealed by God should have so many serious contradictions? The Prophet himself set the example of unleashing violence by invading the Jewish settlements, breaking treaties he had signed with them and banishing some of them after confiscating their belongings, massacring others and taking their wives and children as slaves. He inspected the youngsters and massacred all those who had pubic hair along with the men. Those who were younger he kept as slaves. He distributed the women captured in his raids among his soldiers keeping the prettiest for himself (33:50). He made sexual advances on Safiyah, a Jewish girl on the same day he captured her town Kheibar and killed her father, her husband and many of her relatives. Reyhana was another Jewish girl of Bani Quriza whom he used as a sex slave after killing all her male relatives. In the last ten years of his life he accumulated two scores of wives, concubines and sex slaves including the 9 year old Ayesha. These are not stories but records from authentic Islamic history and the Hadiths. It can be argued that this kind of behaviour was not unknown or unusual for the conquerors and leaders of the mediaeval world but these are not the activities befitting of a peaceful saint and certainly not someone who claimed to be the Mercy of God for all creation. There were known assassinations of adversaries during the Prophet's time, which he had knowledge of and had supported. Among them there was a 120 year old man, Abu 'Afak whose only crime was to compose a lyric satirical of the Prophet. (by Ibn Sa'd Kitab al Tabaqat al Kabir, Volume 2, page 32) Then when a poetess, a mother of 5 small children 'Asma' Bint Marwan wrote a poetry cursing the Arabs for letting Muhammad assassinate an old man, our Holy Prophet ordered her to be assassinated too in the middle of the night while her youngest child was suckling from her breast. (Sirat Rasul Allah (A. Guillaume's translation "The Life of Muhammad") page 675, 676).

"The Prophet did develop a 'Robin Hood' image that justified raiding merchant caravans attacking cities and towns, killing people and looting their belongings in the name of social justice. Usama Bin Laden is also trying to create the same image. But Robin Hood didn't claim to be a prophet or a pacifist nor did he care for apologist arguments. He did not massacre innocent people indiscriminately nor did he profit by reducing free people to slaves and then trading them.

"With the known and documented violent legacy of Islam, how can we suddenly rediscover it as a religion of peace in the free world in the 21^{st} century? Isn't this the perpetuation of a lie by a few ambitious leaders in order to gain political control of the huge and ignorant Muslim population? They are creating a polished version of Islam by completely ignoring history. They are propagating the same old dogma for simple believing people in a crisp new modern package. Their aim: to gain political power in today's high-tension world. They want to use the confrontational power of the original Islam to catalyse new conflicts and control new circles of power.

"Dear conscientious Muslims, please question yourselves. Isn't this compulsive following of a man who lived 1400 years ago leading us to doom in a changing world? Do the followers of any other religion follow one man in such an all-encompassing way? Who are we deceiving, them or ourselves? Dear brothers and sisters, see how our Umma (people) has sunk into poverty and how it lags behind the rest of the world. Isn't it because we are following a religion that is outdated and impractical? In this crucial moment of history, when a great catastrophe has befallen us and a much bigger one is lying ahead, should not we wake up from our 1400 years of slumber and see where things have gone wrong?

"Hatred has filled the air and the world is bracing itself for its doomsday. Should we not ask ourselves whether we have contributed, wittingly or unwittingly, to this tragedy and whether we can stop the great disaster from happening?

"Unfortunately the answer to the first question is yes. Yes we have contributed to the rise of fundamentalism by merely claiming Islam is a religion of peace, by simply being a Muslim and by saying our shahada (testimony that Allah is the only God and Muhammad is his messenger). By our shahada we have recognized Muhammad as a true messenger of God and his book as the words of God. But as you saw above those words are anything but from God. They call for killing, they are prescriptions for hate and they foment intolerance. And when the ignorant among us read those hateladen verses, they act on them and the result is the infamous September 11, human bombs in Israel, massacres in East Timor and Bangladesh, kidnappings and killings in the Philippines, slavery in the Sudan, honour killings in Pakistan and Jordan, torture in Iran, stoning and maiming in Afghanistan and Iran, violence in Algeria, terrorism in Palestine and misery and death in every Islamic country. We are responsible because we endorse Islam and hail it as a religion of God. And we are as guilty as those who put into practice what the Qur'an preaches - and ironically we are the main victims too. If we are not terrorists, if we love peace, if we cried with the rest of the word for what happened in New York, then why are we supporting the Qur'an that preaches killing, that advocates holy war, that calls for the murder of non-Muslims? It is not the extremists who have misunderstood Islam. They do literally what the Qur'an asks them to do. It is we who misunderstand Islam. We are the ones who are confused. We are the ones who wrongly assume that Islam is the religion of peace. Islam is not a religion of peace. In its so-called "pure" form it can very well be interpreted as a doctrine of hate. Terrorists are doing just that and we the intellectual apologists of Islam are justifying it. We can stop this madness. Yes, we can avert the disaster that is hovering over our heads. Yes, we can denounce the doctrines that promote hate. Yes, we can embrace the rest of humanity with love. Yes, we can become part of a united world, members of one human family, flowers of one garden. We can dump the claim of infallibility of our Book, and the questionable legacy of our Prophet.

"Dear friends, there is no time to waste. Let us put an end to this lie. Let us not fool ourselves. Islam is not a religion of peace, of tolerance, of equality or of unity of humankind. Let us read the Qur'an. Let us face the truth even if it is painful. As long as we keep this lie alive, as long as we hide our head in the sands of Arabia we are feeding terrorism. As long as you and I keep calling Qur'an the unchangeable book of God, we cannot blame those who follow the teachings therein. As long as we pay our Khums and Zakat our money goes to promote Islamic expansionism and that means terrorism, Jihad and war. Islam divides the world in two. Darul Harb (land of war) and Darul Islam (land of Islam). Darul Harb is the land of the infidels, Muslims are required to infiltrate those lands, proselytise and procreate until their numbers increase and then start the war and fight and kill the people and impose the religion of Islam on them and convert that land into Darul Islam. In all fairness we denounce this betrayal. This is abuse of the trust. How can we make war in the countries that have sheltered us? How can we kill those who have befriended us? Yet willingly or unwillingly we have become pawns in this Islamic Imperialism. Let us see what great Islamic scholars have had to say in this respect.

"Dr. M. Khan the translator of Sahih Bukhari and the Qur'an into English wrote: "Allah revealed in Sura Bara'at (Repentance, IX) the order to discard (all) obligations (covenants, etc), and command-

ed the Muslims to fight against all the Pagans as well as against the people of the Scriptures (Jews and Christians) if they do not embrace Islam, till they pay the Jizia (a tax levied on the Jews and Christians) with willing submission and feel themselves subdued (as it is revealed in 9:29). So the Muslims were not permitted to abandon "the fighting" against them (Pagans, Jews and Christians) and to reconcile with them and to suspend hostilities against them for an unlimited period while they are strong and have the ability to fight against them. So at first "the fighting" was forbidden, then it was permitted, and after that it was made obligatory" [Introduction to English translation of Sahih Bukhari, p. xxiv.]

"Dr. Sobhy as-Saleh, a contemporary Islamic academician quoted Imam Suyuti the author of Itqan Fi 'Ulum al-Qur'an who wrote: "The command to fight the infidels was delayed until the Muslims become strong, but when they were weak they were commanded to endure and be patient." [Sobhy as_Saleh, Mabaheth Fi 'Ulum al-Qur'an, Dar al-'Ilm Lel-Malayeen, Beirut, 1983, p. 269.]

"Dr. Sobhy, in a footnote, commends the opinion of a scholar named Zarkashi who said: "Allah the most high and wise revealed to Mohammad in his weak condition what suited the situation, because of his mercy to him and his followers. For if He gave them the command to fight while they were weak it would have been embarrassing and most difficult, but when the most high made Islam victorious He commanded him with what suited the situation, that is asking the people of the Book to become Muslims or to pay the levied tax, and the infidels to become Muslims or face death. These two options, to fight or to have peace return according to the strength or the weakness of the Muslims." [ibid p. 270]

"Other Islamic scholars (Ibn Hazm al-Andalusi, Ga'far ar-Razi, Rabi' Ibn 'Ons, 'Abil-'Aliyah, Abd ar-Rahman Ibn Zayd Ibn 'Aslam, etc.) agree that the verse "Slay the idolaters wherever you find them" (9:5) cancelled those few earlier verses that called for tolerance in the Qur'an and were revealed when Islam was weak. Can you still say that Islam is the religion of peace?

"We propose a solution.

"We know too well that it is not easy to denounce our faith because it means denouncing a part of ourselves. We are a group of freethinkers and humanists with Islamic roots. Discovering the truth and leaving the religion of our fathers and forefathers was a painful experience. But after learning what Islam stands for we had no choice but to leave it. After becoming familiar with the Qur'an the choice became clear: It is either Islam or humanity. If Islam thrives, then humanity will die. We decided to side with humanity. Culturally we are still Muslims but we no longer believe in Islam as the true religion of God. We are humanists. We love humanity. We work for the unity of humankind. We work for equality between men and women. We strive for the secularisation of Islamic countries, for democracy and freedom of thought, belief and expression. We decided to live no longer in self-deception but to embrace humanity, and to enter into the new millennium hand in hand with people of other cultures and beliefs in amity and in peace.

"We denounce the violence that is eulogized in the Qur'an as holy war (Jihad). We condemn killing in the name of God. We believe in the sanctity of human life, not in the inviolability of beliefs and religions. We invite you to join us and the rest of humanity and become part of the family of human-kind - in love, camaraderie and peace."

Besides non-Muslims, Muslim males, it should be noted, will wantonly inflict savage cruelties on their own womenfolk with whom they are displeased. See this site but note that the images are distressing schnellmann.org/http_blogs.tampabay.com_photo_2009_11_terrorism-thats-personal.pdf.

The lengthy article above in spite of its wholly unrealistic concluding exhortation "hast...plentifully declared the thing as it is" Job 26:3 about Islam. That declaration with respect to Islam will now be explored further. See Dr Gipp's study, with its added insights into why Islam, for all its abominations, is received and sustained in the West, and the chapters following.

Always Treacherous

An American perspective <u>samgipp.com/always-treacherous/</u> that "plentifully declared the thing as it is" Job 26:3. Annotations by this writer are in blue text in blue braces []. Other citations are in green text.

On January 1, 1915, the citizens of Broken Hill, New South Wales, Australia, mounted the ore-cars of the local mining train to head for their yearly New Year's Day picnic. Men watched the scenery, women talked and children frolicked as the excursion slowly made its way toward the picnic site. Three miles out of town the children saw the ice cream wagon of the local Muslim ice cream vendor tied up near a cluster of rocks. They laughed and waved. That's when the bullets started flying! World War I was going on at that time and the fading Ottoman Empire had declared "jihad" (that's Arabic for "Murder children and unarmed civilians.") on all innocent, unarmed whites. Concealed among the rocks were the ice cream vendor and a local butcher...also Muslim, who had chosen these unarmed civilians as the target of their great work for "allah." In minutes four were dead, including a teenaged girl. Four little girls and two boys, ranging in age from 8 to 15 years old, lay wounded.

As the train reversed course, the two murderers moved out to another location, shooting an unarmed 70 year old man in the process. Later, the town's people and members of the Australian Army came out and sent these vile monsters to the Hell they deserved.

Fast-[forward] to 2006. Australia again. The worldwide News Mafia is castigating young white Australians for their "shameful" racism for rioting against Muslims in Sydney. What caused the riots? Oh, they forgot to tell you. As you read this carloads of Muslims young men are cruising the streets of Australia and New Zealand and, if they see a white woman not dressed like a Muslim woman they gang rape her! And for some strange reason this upset young white Australians. One unarmed, older white woman walked outside to see what was going on and a young Muslim man smashed her in the head with a baseball bat. But this is rare, because, usually the whites were armed with rocks and cricket bats, while the Muslims had GUNS! Yes, the Muslims had guns in a nation where the government confiscated "all" the guns of its citizens to "stop crime." As soon as they think they can, Muslim young men in this country will be cruising our streets and raping your wife, your daughter and your granddaughter.

[It is happening here. The DT omitted the M word and opted for the usual weasel-word Asian www.telegraph.co.uk/news/uknews/crime/11057647/Rotherham-sex-abuse-scandal-1400-children-exploited-by-Asian-gangs-while-authorities-turned-a-blind-eye.html]

The merciless defenders of Islam around the world like to repeat the Mantra, "But only the militant Muslims are bad. There are peace-loving Muslims who work throughout the world for peace." Really? You mean "peace-loving" like an ice cream vendor? You mean "peace loving" like that school teacher who was behind the London bombings of innocent civilians?

[See news.bbc.co.uk/1/shared/spl/hi/uk/05/london_blasts/investigation/html/bombers.stm]

Your response to this defense of cold-blooded Muslim murderers should be obvious. Ask the idiot who made the statement, "And how do we recognize the 'militant' Muslims when they're immigrating into our country? Do they have a big red 'M' on their forehead?" The only safe action is to exclude all Muslims from immigrating into our country. [Safe Haven suggests that 0.1% of UK Muslims - 3000 of 3 million en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Islam in the United Kingdom - have become Christians www.safe-haven.org.uk/about/the-need/. By comparison 100,000 Brits, including 56,000 women, have become Moslems. That is, for every one of theirs we get, they get 33 of ours, up to 20 of them females. Evangelism is losing to Islam in the UK. See Surge in Britons converting to Islam www.telegraph.co.uk/news/religion/8238812/Surge-in-Britons-converting-to-Islam.html]

How did all these violence-prone, merciless individuals get into this country? Simple, in the last twenty years the Immigration Department has been infiltrated with America-haters who have throttled back white European immigration and opened the floodgates of all non-white, non-Christian groups. This is designed to change the demographics of America. This invasion has been concealed by the liberal cry, "America is multi-cultural!" Idiot! America was never "multi-cultural." It was

always touted as being a "melting pot" where everyone came here and abandoned their worthless culture and was absorbed into America's (European/Christian) culture [i.e. Biblical King James Bible-based instead of European church-state-based like Catholicism, which was part of the dross that floated to the surface of the melting pot to be skimmed off and disposed of, see the Dedicatory Epistle to the King James Bible declaring the pope to be that man of sin 2 Thessalonians 2:3. No modern version editor dares raise the subject. The US melting pot was intended by the founding fathers as a refining process that would yield one King James Bible-based nation after the manner of Zephaniah 3:9 "For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent"].

But how come no one in this country takes a public stand against Muslims? Because the liberal bullies who have made our "free press" their prisoner are right there to kick anyone in the mouth with charges of "racism" and "intolerance" who dares to resist their anti-American agenda. That's what they did to the white men in Australia for keeping Muslims from raping their wives & daughters.

What about the cries that Islam is a "religion of peace?" It has never been a religion of peace. History does not [bear] this out. Islam has always been spread by the sword. Islam only expands its numbers by conquest and the oppression of other religions. In fact, it has [been], and is, a religion of death. Muslims cannot even escape death in their own religious observances. Last year [2005] 345 people died in Mina, Saudi Arabia, during a "Stone the Devil" religious observance. In 2004 only 244 died. In 1990 the number was 1,426. (I have an idea! Let's encourage Muslims to "Stone the Devil" every day! It won't be long before they eliminate themselves!)

A Pakistani man and some of his male family members abducted his estranged wife and cut off her feet for having what he called, "bad character." (Where were those liberal defenders of women's rights?) In Indonesia four Christian school girls were attacked on their way to school. (See?! It's always women, children and the unarmed.) One was wounded but escaped. The other three were mercilessly murdered and their heads were cut off. (Maybe they mean Islam is a "Religion of Pieces!")

Comparing Muslims to Christians is easy. We are gracious. They are not. We are merciful. They are not. We bend. They don't. We don't murder those who disagree with us. They do. We allow Muslims in our society. They don't allow Christians. Carry a Bible in public in Saudi Arabia and you will be arrested and the Bible destroyed [probably along with you as well]. We haven't codified murder as an evangelistic tool. They have. (The Christianity-haters are ever trying to find some flaw in Christianity to show, "there's no difference between the two." Ignore them.)

Wait! Did you misunderstand the [heading] of this essay, "Always Treacherous"? Did you think I was referring to Muslims? No. Not at all. I was referring to their friends and staunch allies in the News Industry. Those folks who always line up against anything American. Those folks who always defend [sodomites]. Always defend killing helpless babies. Always back forced confiscation of firearms. Always promote any action that is un or anti-American.

Remember! "Our enemy's friend is our enemy." I'll say it again, "Our enemy's friend is our enemy." Muslims are blood enemies of freedom of religion, freedom of speech and all things American. (Just like the News Mafia!) Muslims seek to destroy America as we know it. (Just like the News Mafia!) Muslims will kill you if you stand in their way. (Just like the News Mafia!) And who is always demanding "tolerance" of groups who wish our destruction? The News Mafia! They are "Always Treacherous." "Let favour be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD" Isaiah 26:10.

[The world's most prominent media mogul is <u>en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rupert Murdoch</u> Rupert Murdoch, a papal knight, <u>Knight Commander of the Order of Saint Gregory the Great</u> (KSG). The pro-Islam stance of the news media (mafia) is Catholic (as is the mafia) because Rome is "THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH" Revelation 17:5 e.g. Islam]

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Islam is Not About Peace

From Dr Jaj Maharaj groups.google.com/forum/#!msg/soc.culture.usa/H-50UfDt70A/YOIYlfLVXLkJ

1st Posting:

"Islam is Not About Peace

"Notion that Islam is compatible with American values is bogus

"By Jeff Brewer politicalusa.com Tuesday, October 2, 2001

"Contrary to the efforts by several of our politicians and numerous self-appointed Islamic experts to paint Islam as an enlightened belief system based on pure, genteel precepts, the religion founded by Mohammed during the first three decades of the 7th century AD is not about peace and not about tolerance. This assertion isn't rooted in unfounded rhetoric espoused by the opponents of Islam. Actually, the proof lies in the Moslem holy book, the Qur'an (Koran). Persons professing to know the true edicts of Islam and claim to know with certainty that Islam doesn't authorize or condone slaughter of non-Muslims has simply not read his or her Koran thoroughly enough. It seems they only repeat what Muslim clerics would have them believe without any sort of investigatory perusal of their own.

"The American public has been reassured daily that the terrorists who planned and carried out these September 11th acts of war were operating on the fringes of Mohammad's religion. The Muslim apologetic contends these extremists were peddling a counterfeit Islam, one that takes the Prophet's words out of context, and certainly one that the vast majority of Muslims don't embrace, or so we are told.

"Well what about those passages in the Koran that purport to command the wanton slaughter of the "infidels" or unbelievers? Those sorts of messages are included in the Muslim holy text, as Mohammad was prone to writing about what should be done to those that rejected his claims. It's interesting to note, at this point, that his new faith encountered much opposition in Mohammad's hometown of Mecca. And because of his rejection in Mecca, he and his followers withdrew to the city of Medina or "City of the Prophet," renamed from its original Yathrib. It was in Medina that Mohammad faced even more resistance, this time from inhabiting Christians and Jews. It was also from Medina that Mohammad conveyed many of his views on violence and recruitment of pagans, inspiring many of the more emphatic calls for slaughter contained in the Koran. Indeed, the "Hijira" (flight), as Mohammad's fleeing to Medina and the accompanying time period therein is called, marked the turning point in the history of Islam. During this time, Mohammad rejected Jerusalem, as the center of worship, choosing instead to install Mecca as the place to worship what he contended was the one true God, Allah. Of course, this meant that the Prophet had to conquer the city. And conquer he did, putting to the sword anyone that rejected his claims. As John Noss writes, "by his death in 632 he knew he was well on the way to unifying the Arab tribes under a theocracy governed by the will of God. Between his return to Mecca and his death, Mohammad zealously and militantly propagated Islam.

"And as was alluded to before, the Medina exile inspired Mohammad to pen many of his most explicit calls for the killing of infidels, several of which are in the Koran. Although many Muslim clerics point to these verses as allegoric or analogous to some other purpose, a reading of the text doesn't suggest anything but a literal interpretation. As an editorial in the September 26th Dallas Observer Online Magazine correctly posited, "these excerpts do not clash in any obvious way with the broader message of the book, and even if one were not a literalist, he might be forgiven for thinking that the Prophet meant them to be taken literally.

"So what exactly do these verses recommend for Mohammad's followers? Consider for yourself: Sura II, verse 191 tells the reader that death in battle is the "reward" of those who suppress the faith. Ostensibly, infidels are better off dying in unbelief at the hands of jihadic Muslims then to live on in the religiosity of their choosing; the former will land a pagan in heaven without trying to convert the person here on earth, while dying in unbelief from other causes apart from a good hacking by sword-wielding Muslims ensures eternal condemnation. This should strike us all as highly intolerant, even xenophobic. Sura II, verse 216 says that fighting is good for Muslims. Sura II, verse 217 says that war is to be preferred to oppression, a theme echoed in Sura XXII, verses 39 and 40. Sura IV, verse 74 promises a great reward to one who dies in battle fighting on God's side. Sura VIII, verse 38 admonishes faithful Muslims to kill unbelievers until there are no more of them (see, too, verses 65 and 66 of the same Sura). Sura IX, verse 5 encourages the faithful to use every stratagem of war to slay pagans wherever they are found (one assumes terror is included as a stratagem of war). Sura IX, verse 29 says that even People of the Book -- that is, Jews and Christians -- can be subdued by war. Sura XLVII, verse 4 assures the faithful again that when they kill unbelievers in war they are doing God's will. Mohammad demands that husbands beat their disobedient wives in Sura IV, verse 31.

"A general sentiment of violence serving both a retributive and compassionate purpose is clearly evident after reading through these verses. As the Dallas Observer editorial points out, these teachings are "retributive because they express God's judgment, and compassionate because they warn infidels from worse disasters to follow." And it isn't as if only the most militant Muslims use these words to justify jihad; Arab states like Syria, Jordan and Egypt have waged war against Israel and the West via the instructions spelled out in the Koran. Yassir Arafat*, long fancied a moderate Arab by American liberals, has said as much on a number of occasions. His views once won him a place among the most hated Muslim extremists in the Middle East, but now he enjoys amended status in liberal circles as the voice of peace in contrast to militant Israelis who (unthinkably to liberals) want to retaliate when Palestinians litter the streets of Tel Aviv with the limbs of innocent Israelis.

*deceased en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yasser Arafat

"As a missionary acquaintance of mine told me, moderate Arab states such as Egypt and Saudi Arabia will imprison and even execute those that profess Christ (or any other figure besides Mohammad), proselytize on Jesus' behalf or blaspheme the name of Allah. ...I remind you, that these are supposedly moderate nation states that enforce these strict, intolerant statutes and not the rogues in Iran, Iraq or Afghanistan. Moreover, the continent of Africa is rife with Muslim regimes slaughtering Christians and other sects for the simple purpose that they refuse to call Allah "God." Yet, we haven't heard even one leading Muslim cleric here in the United States or elsewhere express outrage at this murder-with-impunity that ravages the Dark Continent. So I ask, where are the supposed legions of Muslims that seek peace and tranquility, who condemn these terrorist acts both here and in places like Sudan, Sierra Leone and Nigeria? (Cricket chirping)

"The only answer you'll hear are the dubious, equivocal condemnations from Muslims who couch their misgivings in anti-American nonsense, claiming ultimate blame lies at the feet of American foreign policy. Make no mistake about it: The Majority of the Muslim world hates the United States and they hate Christ and His followers and Jews. Read the Koran and you'll understand this."

2nd Posting:

"Everywhere where muslims live the same [things] take place. Pakistan? You know how many millions of Indians have been killed or maimed or injured by Pakistanis in all these wars. These muslim maniacs...

"and the Hindus are not violent people. They don't even kill animals. They don't even eat meat. They're not violent people. Those muslim maniacs have been creating problems and have been going to war and trying to exterminate the Indians for the longest of time...India and Pakistan.

"Nigeria...remember Biafra and Nigeria, those of you from the sixties. What was that all about? The muslim tribes in Nigeria were killing the Christian [and] animist (sp) [specifically] tribes in Nigeria...black muslims...do the same thing..

"Idi Amin in Uganda killed a half million of his fellow Ugandans. He was a muslim...

"In the Sudan, they've killed over a million black Christians and animists. The muslim regime in the Sudan.

"Algeria and Morocco have been waging a war for decades using poison gas against each other. Do I have to mention Bosnia and Albania? By the way, the Albanian terrorists had something to do with the WTC bombing too. Osama Bin Laden is very closely connected to the KLA and the Albanian terrorists...and they had a hand in this... Albanians...who are white people, slavic people...but they're muslim...They're filled with that evil satanic cult religion. The lowest murdering scum. Look what they did to the poor serbs.

"The Bosnian muslims supported Hitler during world war II. The Bosnian muslims formed waffen SS units to murder 90,000 Jewish men, women and children in world war two together with their Croatian nazi collaborators. [See Waffen SS (4) p 17, 23 concerning the 13th and 21st Waffen SS Divisions. Desertion rates were extremely high and the former unit, drawn from Bosnia, was noted for "extreme nervousness in the face of determined opposition, accompanied by sickening cruelty to civilians."] In the Philippines. On the Island of Luzon. You have a muslim minority that's blowing up school buses of Catholic children. Catholic school girls are getting blown up. Priests are having their throats cut. You didn't read the story about all the priests and nuns who are getting their throats cut in the Philippines? Maybe you didn't read it because Christiane Amanpour didn't want to report it.. This is in the Philippines. In Indonesia, three hundred thousand Catholics have been murdered by muslims in Indonesia. In Lebanon, the Lebanese civil war, they killed a quarter of a million Christians. everywhere.. In Egypt, the Christian minority, they burn down Churches. They burn down businesses. They murder men, women and children. They rape the women. They're teaching morals. That's what they said, by the way, when they were raping the Christian women...That's the way they teach morals by raping them. Look at the Turks, another group of muslims. They killed two million Armenian men, women and children committing the first holocaust of the last century in 1915. They occupied Greece for 4 centuries...raped, murdered, tortured the poor Greek people. Greece is a very small country compared to Turkey. The Greeks of course valiantly resisted, because the Greeks are very good fighters. But what they did to the Greeks and the serbs and the Kurds,...the Kurdish minority now...exterminating them...as are the Iranians, the Iraqis and everybody else..they're all exterminating the Kurds. Everywhere where that they live, look what happens. Now they're coming to the United States. We've let them infest this country. There are seven million muslims here. Is it any wonder that the ones living here participated in the suicide bombings and blowing up the twin towers. Islam is a cancer. Islam is a cancer. There are no moderate muslims. If you are a true muslim you must follow what the Koran says. Chapter two, verse 190 from the Koran, quote "Kill them wherever you find them" ("Them" refers to all non muslim infidels). I don't think it could be any clearer than that..." Posted on 10/02/2001 by majordivit.

Note from the above post that even though Islam is one of *Mama's Girls* as an offspring of "MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH" Revelation 17:5 Muslims will murder others of Mama's offspring because as indicated, see 1. Introduction – Enter the Enemy. Muslims are to this day as Paul prophesied of them "Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps is



under their lips: Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness: Their feet are swift to shed blood: Destruction and misery are in their ways: And the way of peace have they not known: There is no fear of God before their eyes" Romans 3:13-18.

See www.chick.com/reading/tracts/1077/1077_01.asp.

Again, whether or not Bin Laden and Islam were directly implicated in 9-11, see again the Jesus-is-Savior sites, one can readily sympathise with these accounts. Muslim protests world-wide were muted, to say the least, when the Taleban regime of Afghanistan arrested 8 Christian relief aid workers on charges of preaching Christianity. Although the 8 Christians have since been released following the Allied offensive against the Taleban, the regime's chief justice Mawlawi Noor Mohammad Saqib said at the time of the arrests. "We will punish them according to the laws they have broken, if they have broken the law and should be hanged, then we will punish them like that." See:

<u>news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/south_asia/1526360.stm</u> September 5th 2001 news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/south_asia/1657441.stm November 15th 2001.

The latter report speaks of "the Taleban's harsh Islamic rule." If it was so harsh, why were there so few protests from Muslims world-wide?

On Sunday October 28th 2001, 16 Pakistani Protestant Christian worshippers were murdered in Saint Dominic's Roman Catholic church in the town of Bahawalpur. They were using the church for their service at the time when, according to the BBC report of October 30th 2001 "Masked gunmen opened fire indiscriminately on the congregation, and also killed a Muslim police guard outside." The gunmen allegedly belong to a "banned Islamic group." Pakistan's President Musharraf has said "My government and the law enforcement agencies will do everything possible so that whoever committed this gruesome act is caught and given exemplary punishment" and 13 suspects have been detained, mostly belonging to "hardline Islamic militant groups."

In spite of the obviously strong government response to the massacre, the only condemnation of note appears to have come from the Archbishop of Canterbury. Where are the condemnations from 'moderate' Muslims? Surely the BBC, of all news outlets, would have made much of them. Yet the report concludes in a noticeably muted tone. "Christians make up about 1% of Pakistan's 120 million population. In 1997, Muslim rioters in southern Punjab burned and looted hundreds of Christians' homes and ransacked 13 churches and a school, accusing some Christians of committing blasphemy against the Prophet Mohammed." No response appears to have been forthcoming from Pakistan's President Musharraf.

See news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/south_asia/1628365.stm.

The following chapter addresses the testimonies of Christians with respect to the nature of Islam.

Christians Answer Islam – and Terror

The following articles provide valuable insights into the true nature of Islam from Christian perspectives.

www.chick.com/bc/2001/muslim.asp

Muslim Countries Becoming Bolder in Persecuting Christians

Issue Date: September/October 2001

"Islam's hostility to Christians is beginning to get some attention from the media. The Associated Press reports that a German Christian relief agency was raided in early August by police from the Afghan Ministry for the Promotion of Virtue and Prevention of Vice. Nearly 100 were arrested including 2 American, 4 German and 2 Australian aid workers. They were charged with preaching Christianity in this Muslim nation.

"Bibles, videos, and records with Christian radio frequencies were confiscated as evidence. Also arrested were 16 Afghan workers and 64 young boys whom the police said were being taught Christianity. Officials said the boys would be re-educated in Islam and released later.

"The fate of the others was not yet clear. In January this year, the Afghan government warned that conversion to Christianity was punishable by death. Given the harsh and sometimes fatal treatment of Christians in other Islamic countries, there is grave concern, particularly for the Afghan workers. Hopefully the world will be watching.

"A little investigating on the internet turns up reports of Muslim persecution of Christians from many other countries dominated by Islam. In Indonesia, reports date back into last year of Muslim "holy war fighters" aided in some cases by government troops using sophisticated weaponry on a campaign to eradicate Christians from whole regions of the country.

"In March, a report came out of Pakistan that young Christian girls were being kidnapped and raped by Muslims. One girl was kidnapped after sharing Christ with a schoolmate. Her parents were told that she had converted to Islam and wished to leave her Christian home.

"Local police refused to investigate her parents' complaint and her whereabouts was not known. Another Pakistani Christian faces death by hanging for blasphemy against "the sacred name of the Holy Prophet (Mohammed)." [No response appears to have been forthcoming from Pakistan's President Musharraf]

"A Turkish Christian was arrested in February and charged with insulting Islam and Mohammed. Proselytism is not illegal in Turkey, but their criminal laws prohibit "insulting the books, prophets, or values of another religion." This makes it all but impossible to obey the great commission, so any soul-winning activity could be construed as violating the law.

"An obscure war is going on in the southern Philippines where Muslims are using terror to try and establish a separate Islamic state. Christians and Roman Catholics are frequently kidnapped and some have been beheaded.

"In Africa, several countries have become dominated by Islam and anyone who does not convert comes under extreme persecution, displacement or death.

"Few Americans are aware that Saudi Arabia, the home of Islam, is one of the most oppressive countries for Christians. There are no churches in the whole country. Foreign workers make up one-third of the population, many of whom are Christians.

"For their entire stay, which may be years, they are forbidden to display any Christian symbols or Bibles, or even meet together publicly to worship and pray. Some have watched their personal Bibles put through a shredder when they entered the country.

"In the past, foreign Christians caught practising their faith have been deported. Recently there has been an increase of midnight raids with Christians dragged off to prison and computers, Bibles, books, tapes and family photos confiscated.

"Much of this news is ignored by the rest of the world but Bible believers should be aware and pray for the fellow believers in the Muslim countries. Over one billion people are bound by this false religion. They need to be freed by the truth of the gospel.

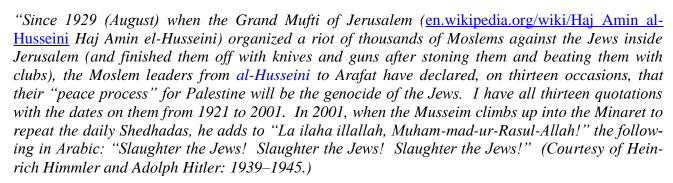
"We should study carefully the books that have been written on witnessing to Muslims. There are an estimated 5 million Muslims living in the U.S. Many have strong ties to their homelands. If we win one of them to Christ, we can influence family members both here and on the other side of the world.

"For more information on the Islamic invasion of the western world, see The Islamic Invasion (3)." See:

www.amazon.com/Islamic-Invasion-Robert-A-Morey/dp/1931230072.

The following articles are from the *Bible Believers' Bulletin* (5).

The Middle East Moslem War Against Allah (extract only) Dr. Peter S. Ruckman



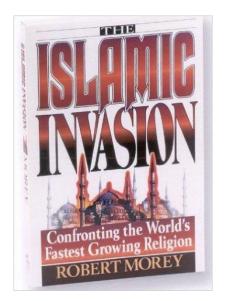
"The same thing was broadcast on radio stations in Jordan, Morocco, Algiers, Tunis, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Iran, Lebanon, and Syria, DAILY, between 1950 and 1980. Yasser Arafat, an Egyptian — not a "Palestinian" — was the nephew of Haj Amin el-Hussein, although being a rotten Muslim, Arafat married a Roman Catholic — one of the "Christians" that Muhammad (on his death bed) prayed that God would kill. As a good Catholic (although he was a Muslim), ole' Haj al-Husseini defected, literally, to the Third Reich in World War II and went to Germany where Hitler gave him a mansion on Goethe-strasse street; from there he directed spy and sabotage operations against England while they fought Rommel in North Africa. Hitler, Hoess, Stangl, Kramer, Koch, Himmler, Goebbels, and Goering were CATHOLICS.

"P.S! All of this information is forbidden on CBS, NBC, ABC, CNN, BBC, and in Time and Life magazines, plus USA Today, U.S. News and World Report, and Newsweek."

Dr. Ruckman continues with this startling revelation, obtained from a study of both the Old Testament and the Koran, which explains the intriguing title of his article:

"But the "key Moslem" in the twenty-first century, who rejects what Allah revealed to Mohammed, is an apostate hypocrite who married a Roman Catholic and then pretended to be a "Palestinian" when he was an Egyptian: Yasser Arafat. You see, a LIAR has to have a good memory.

"Arafat lost his memory back in the 1950s. He forgot that Allah had assigned the land of Palestine to the nation of Israel and recorded that that nation was His people: "MY people" in the Koran (Surah 5:21). In the Koran, neither Allah nor God Almighty ever assigned one foot of the land of Pales-



tine to any Moslem on the face of this earth. He took it from Canaan after calling it "the land of CANAAN" two dozen times in the Torah (which the Koran claims came from "Allah"), and gave it to Israel: the matter is mentioned SEVEN times in the first book of the Torah (Genesis). Mohammed claimed Ishmael as his ancestor: Ishmael's wife (like Yasser Arafat's) was an Egyptian (Gen. 16, 21) from HAM (Gen. 9:25; Psa. 105:23). That is where Canaan was from (Gen. 9–10).

"No Lebanese, Jordanian, Paki-stani, Turk, Iraquian, Iranian, Egyptian, Moroccan, or Syrian was ever assigned ONE INCH of the land of Canaan by any "God." Surah 7:161 says Allah gave Jerusalem to the Jews as well as the land of Canaan (Surah 17:104; 5:21). Mohammed dictated Surah 17:104, Surah 7:161, and Surah 5:21. No real "Palestinian" (a Canaanite in the "land of Canaan") will be allowed in the Temple in Jerusalem on "the Dome of the Rock" when Jesus Christ returns (see Psa. 2; Isaiah 2; Zech. 14). I am speaking of history; no "religious" faith or "religious" belief is required. I am speaking of past, present, and future history, dealing with geography on a planet. Now, poor, ole, 'half-Catholic, half-Moslem Yasser suddenly decided he would challenge Allah to a duel in order to get himself set up as a dictator over the land of Canaan. He did this after reading in his "holy" (don't you know!) Koran that if ANYONE dared to contradict what Allah said in the Koran, as recorded by Mohammed (verbally to writers), he would burn in Hell forever (Surah 22:57; 25:22; 40:70

The Noble Qur'an (Koran) vs. the Holy Scriptures (Rom. 1:2) (extract only) Dr. Peter S. Ruckman

"The Noble Koran (Qur'an) is the designation for a book which all atheist, humanistic, and Moslem writers refer to as the "Holy" Qur'an. Such books (others like them: the Mahabharata, Ramayana, Tripitaka, Zendavesta, and so forth) are called the sacred "scriptures" of non-Christian religions. They all have five things in common.

- 1. No writer has any guarantee of eternal life nor can he guarantee it to any of his readers.
- 2. No writer believes that any God who created the universe (any "god" by any name) had enough interest in sinners to come down to earth and die for them.
- 3. No author in any writing can produce any eyewitnesses that any "god" with whom he is dealing ever performed one real miracle at any time in history.
- 4. No writer, at any time, dares to prophesy ANY historical events that will take place in history after he is dead.
- 5. No writer's work could offer redemption or salvation to any man, woman, or child apart from either works or mental gymnastics (yoga, meditation, nirvana, prajna, etc.) or both.

"The final authority for "all matters of faith and practise" for a Moslem (Arafat, Sadat, Nasar, Saladin, et al.) is The Koran; their second most "holy" writing is The Hadith. The Koran was dictated by an illiterate Arab through a period of about twenty-three years. He was a fleshy, sensual epileptic who often went into frenzies and "foamed at the mouth like a camel" (Schaff, History of the Christian Church, Vol. IV, p.164). At fifty-two he married a nine-year-old and added her to his thirteen-wife harem; he left nine widows at his death and went to a Paradise where he could get a score of beautiful, black-eyed virgins added to his fourteen "legit" wives (The Koran: Surahs 36:56, 37:48,43:70, 44:54, 55:54–56, 55:70-76, 56:22:24, 56:35-37).

"I have overstated nothing and "slandered" no one. This demoniac "raghead" encouraged killing all Christians and Jews; in obedience, his followers practised mutilation and torture of prisoners, the killing of the males, the concubinage of their wives, and the enslavement of their children. They practice these things in Indonesia and the Sudan in A.D. 2001. They originated the slave traffic that served New England shippers in America (A.D. 1600–1850). Sources: The Qur'an (Surahs 3:151, 4:3, 4:47, 2:191, 2:192) and the Hadith (Vol. 4, No. 660) and Sprenger, Das Leben and die Lehre des Mohammed (Berlin, 1861, Vols. I–III).

"The Holy Scriptures were written by more than forty Jews on three different continents through a span of more than 1,500 years (1490 B.C. to A.D. 90). No Christian is encouraged to kill anyone; not even an Old Testament Jew was allowed to steal a man and sell him (Exod. 21:16). Since Mohammed was primarily interested in sex and violence (a TV setup) he threw the New Testament out of the tent flap as soon as he saw it, for it did not recommend polygamy and even advised against it (1 Tim. 3; Eph. 5; Titus 2; Matt. 19; 1 Cor. 7) and made it clear that no "godly" man who was obsessed with working his way to Paradise would even think of killing anyone who didn't believe or accept his religion; that is what the Jews did to the Christians in the book of Acts (Acts 9; Gal. 1; Phil. 3; Acts 1–7). No "holy wars" were to be fought by anyone for ANY reason, no matter how "holy" matters got (see 1 Tim. 1:13; Matt. 5:44; Luke 23:34). "Mary" (the Catholic Church) and Mohammed simply threw all the New Testament verses into the dumpster.

"Catholics* spent more than 1,000 years killing Jews and Moslems*, as well as Bible-believing Christians. In the New Testament, "unbelievers" are to be talked to (Titus 3:10–11), not killed; they are to be rebuked (Titus 1:13), not attacked. In the case of Mohammed's greatest enemy (the Jews), they are to be forgiven and loved (Rom. 11), although they are "enemies of the gospel" (Rom. 11:28). Mohammed had no more use for the apostolic New Testament Scripture (Peter, James, Paul, John, et al.) than he had for a dead camel. There is no concord between the New Testament (A.D. 90) and the Noble Qur'an (A.D. 609–632) at any place where the texts deal with marriage, divorce, fornication, holy days, pilgrimages, the new birth, world history, soulwinning, life after death, prayer life, eternity, baptism, or the treatment of hypocrites, heretics, and "unbelievers.""

*Mama's offspring readily kill each other. See *Mama's Girls* **3. Islam is Not About Peace**.

Independently confirming Dr Ruckman's articles "In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established" 2 Corinthians 13:1:

- P. J. Johnstone (6) p 149 writes that the Government of Saudi Arabia is "utterly dedicated to the preservation of traditional Islam. All other religions are denied the right to hold meetings or to propagate their faith. Any convert to Christ would probably be killed immediately." Is Saudi Arabia 'extremist'?
- G. J. O. Moshay (2) p 27-28 writes "As for many Westerners who are bothered about Islamic terrorism in the world today, it is because they are so engrossed with technology that they forget history. Dr. Jane Smith of Harvard University has clearly shown in a dissertation that even the term "Islam" did not originally mean "submission." Also in The Spiritual Background of Islam, Middle East scholar Dr. M. Bravmann reveals that the term 'Islam' did not originally mean Mohammed's religion or that of any Jewish patriarchal religion as claimed by Muslims. According to Dr. Bravmann, the word "Islam" was "a secular concept denoting a sublime virtue in the eyes of the primitive Arab; defiance of death, heroism; to die in battle." The term denoted bravery in battle. It did not mean peace or submission." Moshay adds, p 38 concerning Islamic strategy of conquest by stealth.

"Migrate to Christian areas because they are tolerant. Pretend to be peaceful, friendly and hospitable; begin to clamour for religious political and social rights and privileges that you will not allow to Christians in an Islamic country; breed fast there and settle down; there should be no Christian activities in your community; you may speak or write to discredit their religion, but they must not talk about Islam; begin to expand your community; Christian activities should be restricted in all the places you expand to; the moment you have enough military might against these 'disbelievers,' these trinitarian kaferis, go ahead and eliminate them or suppress them as much as you can, and be in control." Moshay concludes "Where immediate invasion is not possible, that has always been the policy."

Moshay also addresses the contention, p 21, upheld by many Western leaders, that "'Islam has a full-fledged philosophy of religious tolerance and peaceful co-existence,"" quoting General Ibrahim Babangida, speaking at the National Association for Religious and Ethnic Tolerance (NARETO) Conference in Lagos in August 1992. Having studied the Qur'an and Hadiths extensively, Moshay concludes "we have not yet seen such a philosophy." He does cite Surah 2:256, "which says in part

"Let there be no compulsion in religion" but is at pains to point out that this surah was written only just after Mohammed had arrived in Medina. Militarily he was weak and therefore sought to avoid confrontation with the Christian and Jewish communities already established in Medina. As soon as he was strong enough to wage war, "he began to launch out against those he suspected did not believe in his religion" and his campaign strategy was encapsulated in Surah 5:33:

"The punishment of those who wage war against Allah and His Messenger, and strive with might and main for mischief through the land is: execution, or crucifixion, or the cutting off of hands and feet from opposite sides, or exile from the land: that is their disgrace in this world, and a heavy punishment is theirs in the Hereafter;"

The above items show that Mohammed and his Qur'an-believing co-religionists were and indeed are all latter-day Joabs, the present generation of whom will likewise suffer a violent end at the Lord's Return, especially those that strive against Israel and Jerusalem.

"Moreover thou knowest also what Joab the son of Zeruiah did to me, and what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Israel, unto Abner the son of Ner, and unto Amasa the son of Jether, whom he slew, and shed the blood of war in peace, and put the blood of war upon his girdle that was about his loins, and in his shoes that were on his feet. Do therefore according to thy wisdom, and let not his hoar head go down to the grave in peace" 1 Kings 2:5-6.

"But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend...Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish" Isaiah 41:8, 11.

"And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth" Zechariah 14:12.

This writer therefore concludes from the material in the last four chapters that this work's thesis is correct, namely that Islam is an arm of "the power of darkness" Luke 22:53, Colossians 1:13 and among "the unfruitful works of darkness" Ephesians 5:11 to be resisted by Bible believers according to James 4:7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

The comparison between the 1611 Holy Bible and the Qur'an now follows, to test which of them may genuinely be termed "the word of God" 1 Samuel 9:27, 1 Kings 12:22, 1 Chronicles 17:3, Mark 7:13, Luke 3:2, 5:1, 8:11, 21, 11:28, John 10:35, Acts 4:31, 6:2, 7, 8:14, 11:1, 12:24, 13:5, 7, 44, 46, 17:13, 18:11, 19:20, Romans 9:6, 10:17, 1 Corinthians 14:36, 2 Corinthians 2:17, 4:2, Ephesians 6:17, Colossians 1:25, 1 Thessalonians 2:13, 1 Timothy 4:5, 2 Timothy 2:9, Titus 2:5, Hebrews 4:12, 11:3, 13:7, 1 Peter 1:23, 2 Peter 3:5, 1 John 2:14, Revelation 1:2, 9, 6:9, 20:4, 45 occurrences in all.

The Holy Bible AV1611 versus The Qu'ran

Are either, both or neither of the above documents the word of God?

The simplest way to answer this question is to subject both documents to the test of prophecy. The Holy Bible challenges any reader seeking "to discern both good and evil" Hebrews 5:14, to distinguish between the "many false prophets" Matthew 24:11 and one "established to be a prophet of the Lord" through whom "the Lord revealed himself…by the word of the Lord" 1 Samuel 3:20, 21:

"And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him" Deuteronomy 18:21, 22.

In other words, which author has spoken presumptuously, the author of the AV1611 or the author of the Qur'an? To be vindicated as "the scripture of truth" Daniel 10:21, the Holy Bible AV1611 would have to demonstrate that all its prophetical statements which could be checked against history had come to pass. According to the Bible's own standards, the penalty for even one false prophecy was death, Deuteronomy 18:20 ["But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die"].

To be likewise vindicated, the Qur'an would have to demonstrate that all its prophetical statements had similarly come to pass, *apart from any that it has replicated from the Old Testament*.

The result of this test of prophecy must be that at least one of the above documents is to be discarded as unscriptural false prophecy and its followers disqualified from any acknowledgement as genuine believers in the true God.

The test has been carried out as follows:

Some years ago I engaged in correspondence with Mr. Tahir Mahmood, of the U.K. Islamic Propagation Centre, now the [UK Islamic Mission www.ukim.org/]. I initiated this correspondence after reading the overview of the Qur'an by Dr. Peter S. Ruckman (8) p 244-245.

I believe Dr. Ruckman's overview to be correct. The statement that I drew to the attention of the centre was this,

"[The Koran] carefully avoids making any prophecies on anything that is not already found in the Old Testament"

contained in the following letter:

14th June 1986

Islamic Propagation Centre International 20 Green Lane Small Heath, Birmingham B9 5DB Dear Sir

I draw to your attention the following quotation from "The History of the New Testament Church" by Dr. Peter S. Ruckman, Bible Baptist Bookstore, P.O. Box 7135, Pensacola, FL 32504, Volume 1, p 244. "(The Koran) carefully avoids making any prophecies on anything that is not already found in the Old Testament. That is, the writer, though calling himself "the prophet" and "no prophet but him" (see the Shehada: "And Mohammed is his prophet, etc.," was unable to predict one single word concerning one single historical event beyond his time not mentioned in Daniel, Isaiah and the Old Testament prophets."

I would be interested to receive from you any quotations from the Koran which you feel would refute the above statement. Some months ago I put this request to the Islamic Students Society at Middlesbrough Polytechnic [now University of Teesside], where I am a lecturer [until 2006], through one of the society's members, Mr. M. -. Thus far I have received no reply*.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

*no reply was ever received

Mr. Mahmood very courteously replied to me as follows:

"Date: 30th June, 1986.

"Dear brother in Humanity

"Thank you very much for your letter and also please accept my apologies for the delay in replying."

"With concern to your enquiry since it is difficult for me to make a effective reply in writing, I am therefore sending you a book entitled "The Prophecies of the Holy Qur'an" which is a very clear refutation of the statement that you quoted in your letter (e.g. The Qur'an carefully avoids making any prophecies on anything that is not already found in the old testament). Are all the prophecies mention[ed] in the Holy Qur'an contained in the old testament?

"As you may well know that we muslims believe that the authorship of the Holy Qur'an does not belong to prophet Muhammed, but to God, the supreme, the all knowing.

"Hence the prophecies mentioned in the enclosed book were not made by Muhammad (S.A.W.) but by God. But prophet Muhammad (S.A.W.) also made many prophecies which are contained in the traditions of the Holy Prophet (hadith) which are entirely separate from the Holy Qur'an (e.g. Bukhari, Muslim, Abu Dawud etc.)

"I hope my reply meets your requirement and please do not be hesitant in contacting us again and letting us know as to what are your impressions concerning the contents of the book.

"I look forward to hearing from you soon.

"Yours in the service of Islam,

"Tahir Mahmood"

I acknowledged receipt of Mr. Mahmood's letter and the book that he sent me, *The Prophecies of the Holy Qur'an*, compiled and edited by Q. I. Hingora, Sh. Muhammed Ashraf, Kashmiri Bazar, Lahore, 1976. I then undertook to compare the Qur'anic prophecies with the scriptures and forwarded copies of the study to Mr. Mahmood, according to the following correspondence. No replies were ever received.

16th December 1986

Tahir Mahmood Islamic Propagation Centre International 20 Green Lane Small Heath, Birmingham B9 5DB

Dear Mr Mahmood

As promised in my letter of 27th July last, I enclose the first instalment of comments on the book "The Prophecies of the Holy Qur'an" which you kindly sent me.

Whilst it may appear that the enclosed comments are at times rather critical, I would assure you that professing Christians merit far greater criticism. Many have abandoned their Book, the AV King James Bible, to an extent that I am sure would astound a genuine Muslim. This was forcibly brought home to me as I undertook this study. There appears to have been very little effort in this country on the part of Christians to [apprise] Muslims of what their book, the Bible, actually SAYS in regard to future events. I sincerely believe that both Christians and Muslims are the worse for this but it is the fault of we CHRISTIANS for not having fulfilled our responsibility.

I trust you find the enclosed interesting. I will forward comments on the remainder of the book over the next few months.

Yours sincerely

1st January 1987

Tahir Mahmood Islamic Propagation Centre International 20 Green Lane Small Heath, Birmingham B9 5DB

Dear Mr Mahmood,

As promised in my letter of December 16th, I enclose a copy of comments on Sections 22-29 of Mr. Hingora's book "The Prophecies of the Holy Qur'an."

Once again, in reviewing the Qur'anic statements, I was struck by the evident signal failure of Christians in this country to [apprise] Muslims of the words of the Holy Bible (AV 1611 – any edition).

Yours sincerely

13th January 1987

Tahir Mahmood Islamic Propagation Centre International 20 Green Lane Small Heath, Birmingham B9 5DB

Dear Mr Mahmood,

Further to my letter of January 1st, I enclose a copy of comments on the remaining sections (40-79) of Mr. Hingora's book "The Prophecies of the Holy Qur'an."

I could not help thinking again how not only have Christians failed to [apprise] Muslims of the words of the AV Bible but they have also failed to teach them to each other! This is something I made mention of in my letter of 16th December. You would be amazed to find how infrequently the passages of scripture mentioned in relation to sections 70-79 of Mr. Hingora's book, are referred to even in "Christian" churches.

What Muslim would ever elevate his own opinion above the Qur'an? Yet I have seen Christians do this to the AV Bible! What an age of apostasy we live in! [Things are worse in 2015]

In conclusion, I would seek to reassure you that where I have been incisive in my comments, it is because I feel I have the same entitlement to state the case FOR the Bible, as Mr. Deedat evidently feels he has to state the case against it.

Thank you once again for forwarding the copies of these books* to me.

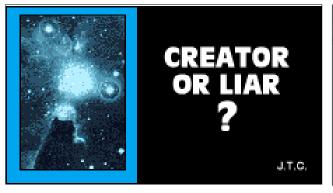
Yours sincerely

*Among the several pieces of literature forwarded to me by the U.K. Islamic Propagation Centre, were two books by the Muslim commentator Ahmed Deedat, *Is The Bible God's Word* and *What the Bible says about Muhummed (Peace be upon him)*.

The reader should note that the passages which follow are as they were sent to Mr. Mahmood in 1986-1987, apart from changes in formatting and spelling corrections. Readers should also note the following statement from Mr. Hingora, which he wrote in the Preface to his book:

"For the information of readers it may be mentioned here that most of the Qur'anic quotations in this book have been taken from the English translation of the Holy Qur'an by 'Allāmah 'Abdullah Yūsuf 'Alī, published by Sh. Muhammad Ashraf, the leading publisher of literature on Islam. Quotations have been partly copied exactly as they are, and partly paraphrased."

Before considering the passages which follow in detail, note that the 1611 Holy Bible prophesies details of the Lord Jesus Christ at the 1st Advent that all come to pass. The Qur'an is a complete blank. See www.chick.com/reading/tracts/0005/0005 01.asp.



	prop	Jesus, the Creator, fulfilled over 30 prophecies when He allowed Himself to be murdered by man. (John 18-21)		
PROPHECY	FULFILLMENT	PROPHECY	FULFILLMENT	
Genesis 3:15	John 19:18	Psalm 69:21	Matthew 27:34	
Exodus 12:46	John 19:36	Psalm 109:25	Matthew 27:39	
Psalm 2:2	Mark 15:1	Isaiah 50:6	Matthew 26:67	
Psalm 22:1	Matthew 27:46	Isaiah 53:3	John 1:11	
Psalm 22:6	Matthew 27:39-44	Isaiah 53:5,6,10	Romans 5:6.8	
Psalm 22:7-8	Matthew 27:39-44	Isaiah 53:7	Matthew 27:13-14	
Psalm 22:16	John 19:18	Isaiah 53:7	Matthew 26:62-63	
Psalm 22:17	Matthew 27:36	Isaiah 53:8	Mark 15:1-25	
Psalm 22:18	Matthew 27:35	Isaiah 53:9	Matthew 27:57-60	
Psalm 31:5	Luke 23:46	Isaiah 53:12	Mark 15:27-28	
Psalm 34:20	John 19:32-33 & 36	Daniel 9:26	Matthew 26:24	
Psalm 35:11	Mark 14:56	Amos 8:9	Matthew 27:45	
Psalm 38:11	Luke 23:49	Zechariah 11:13	Matthew 27:9	
Psalm 41:9	John 13:18	Zechariah 12:10	John 19:34	
Psalm 69:19	Matthew 27:28-29	Zechariah 13:7	Mark 14:27,50	

Comments on "The Prophecies Of The Holy Qur'an"

Introduction

The discussion which follows is a review of the book of the above title by Q. I. Hingora. The aim of carrying out this review is to examine in detail a statement made by Dr. Peter S. Ruckman in Volume 1 of *The History of the New Testament Church*, p 244, as follows:

"(The Koran) carefully avoids making any prophecies on anything that is not already found in the Old Testament. That is, the writer, though calling himself "the prophet"...was unable to predict one single word concerning one single historical event beyond his time not mentioned in Daniel, Isaiah and the Old Testament prophets."

The aim is further to show that as indicated and according to its own book Islam is an arm of "the power of darkness" Luke 22:53, Colossians 1:13 and among "the unfruitful works of darkness" Ephesians 5:11 to be resisted by Bible believers according to James 4:7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

The approach to the discussion has been to set out the Qur'anic statements quoted by Mr. Hingora as prophecy* and then to compare them with the relevant portions of the Holy Bible, AV1611, 'Textus Receptus,' or 'Received Text.' Bible believing Christians, who today form a small minority – possibly less than 10% - of all professing 'Christians,' take the AV Bible – any edition, since the text is unchanged since it was first published in 1611 [see <a href="www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/"www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/"www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/"james-white-dr-divietro-and-dawaite.php Seven Stage Purification Process – Oil Refinery for necessary edits to successive AV1611 Editions that did not change the intended sense of the text] – as Holy Scripture, given by inspiration of God [2 Timothy 3:16] and preserved by Him without error, as the Final Authority in all matters of faith and conduct. Inerrancy applies not only to the actual wording of the text but also to the punctuation, order of books in both testaments, chapter, verse and paragraph divisions**. The AV Bible is, for all Bible believing Christians, the Book by which ALL other books are judged, in ALL fields of learning, not only that of world religions. Supporting scriptures are 2 Timothy 3:15-17; Psalm 12:6, 7, 138:2.

Where necessary, reference is made to other sources in the context of the discussion, together with appropriate comment.

It should be kept in mind that only those Qur'anic statements which deal with events outside Mohammed's time are really of relevance to this discussion, in accordance with Dr. Ruckman's thesis as set out above. However, consideration has been given to all 79 sections of Mr. Hingora's book, for the sake of completeness.

*Author's note, November 2001 [with 2015 update]. I have reproduced the Qur'anic statements from the web [The Qur'an online is available as follows majalla.org/books/quran/]. Readers should note that this source often uses "Allah" in places where Mr. Hingora's Qur'anic quotations and the edition available from Tahrike Tarsile Qur'an, Inc. have "God," e.g. Surah ii. 23. Other differences, e.g. the spelling of Qur'an as Quran [all updated to Qur'an for this work], or Surah, i.e. verse as Sura are minor. Otherwise, the statements from the various sources appear to be identical. Where author's notes, such as this one, have been inserted into the text, they are contained within a single paragraph, unless placed at the end of a section under discussion.

**Author's note, November 2001. These matters have been addressed in a companion work by the same author, O Biblios – The Book [www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/ 'O Biblios' – The Book]. The AV1611 Bible may also be obtained from the web, according to the following address that this writer regularly uses via downloads www.e-sword.net/.

Section 1 – "Revelation Of The Entire Book Prophesied"

- a) "Soon shall We send down to thee (Muhammed) a weighty Message" (lxxiii. 5 Mecca)
- b) "By degrees shall We teach thee (Muhammed) to declare (the message), so thou shalt not forget" (lxxxvii. 6 Mecca)

We note first that these statements do not refer to anything outside of Mohammed's time and therefore cannot be considered true prophecies in that sense. Further, they do NOT refer to any BOOK but only to a "weighty message." Therefore, they cannot be said to be prophecies of scriptural revelation. The vagueness of the above quotations is in complete contrast to the specific commandments God gives His true prophets:

"Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever" Isaiah 30:8.

"Thus speaketh the Lord God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book" Jeremiah 30:2.

Section 2 – "Challenge Of The Qur'an Remains Unbeaten"

- a) "This Qur'an is not such as can be produced by other than Allah" (x. 37 Mecca)
- b) "Say: "If the whole of mankind and Jinns were to gather together to produce the like of this Qur'an, they could not produce the like thereof, even if they backed up each other with help and support"" (xvii. 88 Mecca)
- c) "And if ye are in doubt as to what We have revealed from time to time to Our servant, then produce a Sura like thereunto; and call your witnesses or helpers (If there are any) besides Allah, if your (doubts) are true"
- d) "But if ye cannot and of a surety ye cannot then fear the Fire whose fuel is men and stones, which is prepared for those who reject Faith" (ii. 23-24 Medina)
- e) "Or do they say, "He forged it"? say: "Bring then a Sura like unto it, and call (to your aid) anyone you can besides Allah, if it be ye speak the truth!"
- f) "Nay, they charge with falsehood that whose knowledge they cannot compass, even before the elucidation thereof hath reached them: thus did those before them make charges of falsehood: but see what was the end of those who did wrong!" (x. 38-39 Mecca)

Again, we note that none of these 'proof texts' refer to the foretelling of any particular EVENT. (The passing reference to "the Fire whose fuel is men and stones" could easily have been derived from 2 Peter 3:7*, in circulation 500 years before Mohammed's birth.) Moreover, the "Challenge of the Qur'an" was not only met but far surpassed by the prophecies of the Old Testament dealing, for instance, with the Lord Jesus Christ:

- 1. His birthplace Bethlehem is prophesied in Micah 5:2
- 2. The NATURE of His birth is prophesied in Isaiah 7:14
- 3. His entry into Jerusalem is prophesied in Zechariah 9:9
- 4. The time of His death is prophesied in Daniel 9:26
- 5. The manner of His suffering and death is prophesied in Psalm 22:14-18.

*Author's note, November 2001. "But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgement and perdition of ungodly men."

These are but a few examples. There are at least 48 prophecies in the Old Testament which deal with the Lord's first coming and ALL of them came to pass in every detail, having been made 400-1000 years IN ADVANCE. The mathematical probability of these 48 prophecies coming to pass in the manner in which they did, as calculated some years ago by a statistician named Peter Stoner, is one in ten, raised to the 157th power*.

*Author's note, November 2001. See Blanchard (9) p 409, 562.

No computer of earth could handle this number*. If we invert it, we find that there are not that many electrons in two known galaxies the size of our own.

In other words, the "Challenge of the Qur'an" was eliminated 500 years before it was issued.

*The limit is about 10⁻⁹⁹.

To continue, we find, p 3 of Mr. Hingora's book, that "beauty, grandeur and power of expression" are asserted as proof that the Qur'an is "God-made." In fact, "beauty, grandeur and power of expression" have nothing to do with proof that ANY piece of writing is "God-made." The Holy Bible sets out the real proof specifically and unmistakably:

"And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him" Deuteronomy 18:21, 22.

Note especially that the text above deals with FALSE prophets.

On p 4, it is stated that "it is quite impossible for an unlettered man to produce a work of the standard of the Qur'an." This statement is intended to provide further proof that the Qur'an is "Godmade." However, we find in Acts 4:13 of the New Testament the following: "Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus." Both Peter and John were true apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ and both made prophetic statements under the inspiration of the Spirit of God, which have been vindicated in Church History centuries after their deaths. See 2 Peter 2, Revelation 2, 3. These facts have obviously not been lost on those seeking to present the Our'an as "God-made."

On p 5, candour is cited as proof for the "God-made" nature of the Qur'an. Again, this tactic could easily have been 'borrowed' from the Holy Bible. See 2 Samuel 11, 12, on David's adultery and murder. Other references, dealing with the innate sinfulness of various prominent Bible characters, could also be cited. The only exception was the Lord Jesus Christ, according to His closest associates, "Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth" 1 Peter 2:22 and Whose challenge to His enemies "Which of you convinceth me of sin?" John 8:46 remains unanswered – and unanswerable – to this day.

On p 5-6, another attempt to demonstrate the "God-made" nature of the Qur'an centres upon certain of Mohammed's misjudgements:

"Thou seekest to please thy consorts..." (lxvi. 1 – Medina)

"...thou didst fear the people, but it is more fitting that thou shouldest fear God..." (xxxiii. 37 – Medina)

The implication is that only a "God-made" book would administer a rebuke to "The Prophet." Again, this reasoning could easily have been adapted from the Holy Bible, in circulation 500 years before Mohammed's birth. Observe the rebuke issued by the Apostle Paul to none other than the Apostle Peter – like Paul a writer of true scripture, under the inspiration of the Spirit of God:

"But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed" Galatians 2:11. See also verses 12-14.

Similar remarks apply to the quotations on p 7, e.g. "And had We not given thee strength thou wouldest nearly have inclined to them a little..." (xvii. 74-75 – Mecca). Here the implication is that Mohammed needed Divine mercy to carry out his mission. He is also warned of punishment through failure to avail himself of this provision. Obviously, the implication is that only a "God-made" book could contain such dire admonitions but again, the ideas could easily have been culled from the Holy Bible, in circulation 500 years before Mohammed's birth:

- "For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me if I preach not the gospel!" 1 Corinthians 9:16.
- "...we despaired even of life. But we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead" 2 Corinthians 1:8b, 9.
- "For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, But a certain fearful looking for of judgement and fiery indignation which shall devour the adversaries" Hebrews 10:26, 27.
- "Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him" Hebrews 10:38.

Section 3 – "The Qur'an Made Easy"

This section contains nothing of a prophetic nature and therefore requires little comment. One notes in passing that the number 6666, with respect to the number of verses in the Qur'an, bears an uncanny resemblance to '666,' the number of the Beast, in Revelation 13:18. In Biblical numerology, the number 6 is always – though not exclusively – associated with MAN and it is one short of SEVEN, which is the number signifying completeness and is in the Bible always associated with GOD. [See *Bible Numerics* by Dr Ruckman] Hence '6' and multiples of 6, indicate MAN and INCOMPLETENESS. As the Psalmist puts it "...verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity" Psalm 39:5.

Section 4 – "Guarantee Of The Qur'an's Purity Prophesied"

- a) "No falsehood can approach it from before or behind it: it is sent down by One, Full of Wisdom, Worthy of all Praise" (xli. 42 Mecca)
- b) "Nay, this is a Glorious Qur'an, (Inscribed) in a Tablet Preserved!" (lxxxv. 21, 22 Mecca)
- c) "We have, without doubt, sent down the Message; and We will assuredly guard it (from corruption)" (xv. 9 Mecca)

The principle of an uncorrupted "message" – not words – in the references cited could easily have been extracted from the Holy Bible – indicating that such a principle is by no means either uniquely or even originally stated in the Qur'an. Consider the following:

- "The words of the Lord are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep them, O Lord, thou shalt preserve them from this generation forever" Psalm 12:6, 7.
- "For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven. Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever" Psalm 119:89, 160.
- "I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name" Psalm 138:2.
- "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away" Matthew 24:35.

See also Mark 13:31, Luke 21:33. Note also John 3:34a, "For he whom God hath sent (i.e. Jesus Christ) speaketh the words of God..."

These texts indicate that God has in the Bible pledged Himself to preserving His word, which is itself the Holy Bible – AV1611 in English, any edition. Note that the emphasis of the above texts is on preservation of the actual WORDS, not just a "Message," a stronger guarantee than appears in the Qur'an. However, the same principle could easily have been adapted from the Bible to the Qur'an, since both Testaments were available at the time of the Qur'an's composition. (Of course Mr. Ahmed Deedat has done his utmost to prove errors in the Bible – AV Text. However, his propositions can easily be refuted by anyone with a working knowledge of manuscript evidence and sufficient insight to see that what appear to be discrepancies to the superficial student of scripture are in reality complementary, not contradictory texts.)

One final point of interest in this section is with respect to the term "One, Full of wisdom, Worthy of all Praise." Similar wording is found in the Old Testament, in Ezekiel 28:12, as follows: "...Thou sealest up the sum, FULL OF WISDOM, and perfect in beauty" (my emphasis). The expression "full of wisdom" is in the Bible unique to the one being addressed in Ezekiel 28:12, who is the king of Tyrus and none other than Lucifer, son of the morning, Isaiah 14:13, 14, or Satan the Devil, who desires worship, i.e. considers himself "Worthy of all Praise." See Matthew 4:9, Luke 4:7, where Satan even tempts the Lord Jesus Christ to worship him. See Revelation 13:4 – where the whole world is worshipping the "dragon" – or Satan.

Could the Bible be providing a clue to the REAL author of the Qur'an? I would urge all Muslims to give this matter serious consideration, in view of the gravity of its implications.

Section 5 – "Success Of Muhammad's Mission Prophesied"

- a) "O thou wrapped up (in the mantle)! Arise and deliver thy warning!" (lxxiv. 1, 2 Mecca)
- b) "And We will make it easy for thee (to follow) the simple (Path)" (lxxxvii. 8 Mecca)

These statements could easily have been adapted from the Bible:

"The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain" Isaiah 40:3, 4.

"The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field: The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever" Isaiah 40:6, 8.

These Old Testament statements were fulfilled 700 years later, long after Isaiah's death. See Luke 3:5-6. They are thus examples of TRUE scriptural prophesies.

Section 6 – "Victory And High Status Promised To Muhammad"

- a) "And soon will thy Guardian-Lord give thee (that wherewith) thou shalt be well-pleased" (xciii. 5 Mecca)
- b) "And pray in the small watches of the morning: (it would be) an additional prayer (or spiritual profit) for thee: soon will thy Lord raise thee to a Station of Praise and Glory!" (xvii. 79 Mecca)
- c) "If any think that Allah will not help him (His Messenger) in this world and the Hereafter, let him stretch out a rope to the ceiling and cut (himself) off: then let him see whether his plan will remove that which enrages (him)!" (xxii. 15 Medina)

Again, the above gives nothing specific. With respect to parts a) and b), compare the detailed, historically exact prophecies given concerning the Lord Jesus Christ 700 years before His birth:

"He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors" Isaiah 53:11, 12.

Note the specific fulfilment of this prophecy when the Lord was crucified: Psalm 22:14, 15, John 19:28 – with respect to the "pouring out" Mark 15:28, with respect to His being "numbered with the transgressors" Mark 10:45 and Luke 23:34, with respect to bearing the sin of many and making intercession for the transgressors. (I understand that Mr. Deedat has gone to some lengths to prove that it was NOT the Lord Jesus Christ on the cross at Calvary*. To do so of course, he would have to make liars out of the eye-witnesses who bore faithful testimony, e.g. John 19:35 ["And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe"]. This would constitute a flagrant violation of any legitimate system of jurisprudence.)

*Author's Note, December 2001. See, for example, Crucifixion or Cruci-Fiction? from the UK Islamic Mission Dawah Centre, Birmingham.

Note that the "dividing of the spoil" is yet future but previewed by Isaiah 9:3-7. Other interesting references for a genuine study of Biblical prophecy OUTSIDE of the prophet's time – i.e. unable to be influenced directly by him or any of his followers – are 1 Kings 13:2, 2 Kings 23:15-17, 2 Chronicles 36:22, 23, Isaiah 45:1-2. Of course, God CAN fulfil prophecy WITHIN the prophet's time, Jeremiah 1, 39, 52 but He does so always through circumstances beyond the prophet's control.

Part c) is really too vague to merit detailed comment, although one notes that the threatened punishment could easily have been 'borrowed' from the New Testament: Matthew 27:3-5, Luke 17:1, 2, Acts 1:16-18, or indeed the Old, Deuteronomy 21:23, 2 Samuel 17:23, 18:9 – see also Galatians 3:13 ["Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree"]. Note that the number 13 is frequently associated with THE DEVIL in scripture – see Revelation 13, John 13, Ezekiel 28:13 and others too numerous to mention except as a separate study. [See *The Bible Babel* by Dr Ruckman pp 90-92] It is interesting that 13 is [was] Mr. Deedat's "lucky number"*!

*Author's Note, December 2001. See What the Bible says about Muhummed, UK Islamic Mission Dawah Centre, Birmingham, p 3.

The Bible believing Christian does not, of course, have to trust to luck. He trusts in the Lord, Proverbs 3:5, 6 ["Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths"]

Section 7 – "Muhammad Promised Of His Safe Arrival At Medina"

"Verily He Who ordained the Qur'an for thee, will bring thee back to the Place of Return. Say: "My Lord knows best who it is that brings true guidance, and who is in manifest error" (xxviii. 85 – Mecca)

This statement is unsatisfactory as a prophetical promise of safe conduct to a particular place for the following reasons:

- 1. The particular place (Medina) is not mentioned. Hence the speaker is 'hedging his bets' to preserve his credibility, if Muhammad had NOT made it to his destination.
- 2. The speaker does not inform Muhammad whether he will return ALIVE OR DEAD, only that he will return. Thus, Muhammad's safety is NOT assured.

When God promises safe conduct, He is EXPLICIT:

"And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of" Genesis 28:15 to Jacob.

"For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve, Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee. Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me. Howbeit we must be cast upon a certain island" Acts 27:23-26, the Apostle Paul – see also Acts 23:11, 26:32.

The events described in this section* concerning the Lord Jesus Christ are without Biblical foundation and a slur on the Lord's character. Jesus' heart was never troubled over His own safety. See John 11, especially verses 8-11. Moreover, promises made TO the Lord Jesus Christ were made by His Father in Heaven, no one else. See, for example, Psalm 16:8-11 and Acts 2:25-33. I might add that his refusal to acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ as his son, demonstrates that the one called "Allah" is certainly NOT the LORD GOD JEHOVAH. See Psalm 2:7, Matthew 3:16, 17, John 12:28. [See also "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" John 14:27]

*Author's Note, January 2002. Mr. Hingora states on p 15 "In this connection it is worthy to note that a similar promise of safety was given to Jesus when he was in the house surrounded by the enemy. His heart too was troubled like the heart of our Prophet, and on that occasion Allah promised Jesus, "O Jesus! I will take thee and raise thee to Myself and I will cleanse thee of those who disbelieve; I will make those who follow thee superior to those who reject faith to the Day of Resurrection."

Section 8 - "Muhammad Promised Protection"

- a) "Now await in patience the command of thy Lord: for verily thou art in Our eyes: and celebrate the praises of thy Lord the while thou standest forth" (lii. 48 Mecca)
- b) "O Messenger! proclaim the (message) which hath been sent to thee from thy Lord. If thou didst not, thou wouldst not have fulfilled and proclaimed His mission. And Allah will defend thee from men (who mean mischief). For Allah guideth not those who reject Faith" (v. 67 Medina)
- c) "As for them, they are but plotting a scheme, And I am planning a scheme" (lxxxvi. 15, 16)
- d) "If ye two turn in repentance to Him, your hearts are indeed so inclined; But if ye back up each other against him, truly Allah is his Protector, and Gabriel, and (every) righteous one among those who believe, and furthermore, the angels will back (him) up" (lxvi. 4 Medina)

This section implies that because Muhammad survived numerous attempts on his life, therefore the Qur'anic statements given above are vindicated as Divine prophecy. This is in itself insufficient proof. Although God's true prophets SOMETIMES enjoy protection, Jeremiah 26:24, 36:26, often the reverse is true. See Jeremiah 26:20-23 and especially Hebrews 11:32-39. In fact, Psalm 73 is partly a treatise on the (apparent) Divine protection afforded to THE WICKED – e.g. verse 5. "They are not in trouble as other men..." See also Job 21:7-15.

The reckoning of course, comes when (Job 21:13) "They...in a moment go down to the grave" – after a life of trouble-free existence.

Where would Muhammad be now, therefore? "absent from the body, and...present with the Lord" 2 Corinthians 5:8? or did he go "down to the bottom of the mountains" where the earth closed about him forever, to the place of "outer darkness" where the Lord said there would be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth and a furnace of fire – in the place where the light is as darkness? Job 10:21, 22, Jonah 2:4, Matthew 8:12, 13:42. Where would Muhammad's followers be therefore and are they sure and could they prove it in writing?

Similar remarks apply to Section 9.

Section 10 - "God Fulfills Muhammad's Vision"

"Truly did Allah fulfil the vision for His Messenger: ye shall enter the Sacred Mosque, if Allah wills, with minds secure, heads shaved, hair cut short, and without fear. For He knew what ye knew not, and He granted, besides this, a speedy victory" (xlviii. 27 – Medina)

In the first place, we note that the speaker is 'hedging his bets again,' see comments on **Section 7**, by means of the statement "if God wills" or in other words 'if the prediction falls through, we can always 'save face' by insisting that God never willed it anyway!' This is not the spirit of true prophecy. God's will may be undisclosed where specific movements of individuals are concerned – see Romans 16:7 – but NEVER with respect to PROPHECY, which is by definition God's REVEALED will:

"Surely the Lord will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets, The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy?" Amos 3:7, 8.

Obviously Muhammad and his immediate followers had ample opportunity to influence the complete fulfilment of "the vision" themselves, without any miraculous intervention. The time element mentioned in the commentary on this section, "seventh year of the Hirjah" is of no significance since timings were not mentioned in "the vision" which left that option open, so to speak. Moreover, the 'prophecy' is rather inexact in that ONE speedy victory is promised, whereas the Muslims appeared to have obtained "MANY speedy victories" (present author's emphasis), according to the commentary on this section. These other victories – commendable military operations though they may have been – would not have taken place had the vision been genuinely of God. See 2 Kings 13:14-19. (In other words you won't whip the opposition any more times than God says you will!)

A further comment concerns the use of the word "Apostle" in the sura as quoted by Hingora to describe Muhammad. See also **Section 6**, **11**. Muhammad could never have been an "Apostle" because he did not possess the Apostolic SIGNS, Mark 16:17, 2 Corinthians 12:12. The last Book in the Bible recognises only twelve Apostles of the Lamb and the last of these died 5 centuries before Muhammad was born. After him (John) there were no more. See Revelation 21:14.

Section 11 – "Muhammad Is The Last Prophet"

"Muhammad is not the father of any of your men, but (he is) the Messenger of Allah, and the Seal of the Prophets: and Allah has full knowledge of all things" (xxxiii. 40 – Medina)

Both this statement and the corollary in the commentary "the Qur'an is the last PERFECT message etc.," (one wonders what the FIRST was?) are demonstrably false when one examines the scriptures:

EVERY Bible believing Christian is a true prophet with respect to knowing:

- 1. Where he or she is going when he or she dies, 2 Corinthians 5:1-8.
- 2. Where he or she is going if the Lord returns before then for His church, 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17, 1 Corinthians 15:51-53. The Lord has not revealed the EXACT day or hour when this happens but the MONTH and the latest possible YEAR* can be ascertained from a careful though separate study of scripture, Mark 13:35.

*Author's Note, February 2002. The estimation also depends on the assumption that our calendar is correct, with respect to the number of years that have elapsed since the Lord's birth in Bethlehem. The passage of time since this study was first compiled has shown that the calendar is not correct.

- 3. The state of their glorified bodies which they will receive when the Lord returns for His church, Philippians 3:20, 21.
- 4. Where every person is going who REJECTS the gospel of Christ, Romans 1:16, 1 Corinthians 15:1-5 and the FACT that SALVATION IS OF THE JEWS. See Matthew 13:36-50, 25:41-46, Mark 9:43-48, Luke 16:19-21, John 4:22, 8:24, 2 Thessalonians 1:8, 9, Revelation 20:11-15.

- 5. How this world is going to end up. See Revelation 11:15-18.
- 6. The fact that the three biggest wars are yet to be fought. World Wars 3 and 4 will take place next decade* and between them will carry off over two billion of the world's inhabitants including the bulk of the Muslim armies on the mountains of Israel. See Ezekiel 38, 39, Revelation 6, 8, 9, 14, 19. World War 5 will take place about the year 3000 just prior to the Great White Throne judgement. See Revelation 20. (What about all these 'Peace proposals' and 'prayers for peace' etc.? Forget it. They haven't got a snowball's chance in the Sahara Desert.)

*Author's Note, February 2002. This statement assumed that our calendar is correct. Clearly it is not but "wars and rumours of wars" Matthew 24:6 have continued since the 1980's and the major conflicts foretold in Ezekiel and Revelation cannot be long delayed.

Other prophets who will prophesy AFTER Muhammad's time include the two witnesses of Revelation 11, who are Moses and Elijah and the young men and women of Joel 2:28 and Acts 2:17, 18. These events are yet future but 'coming up' in the next decade*. (These comments can be amplified by a more in-depth Bible study for which there is insufficient time and space here.)

*Author's Note, February 2002. See note above, with respect to the uncertainty of our calendar.

Note that prophecy does not 'officially' end until AFTER the visible return of the Lord Jesus Christ to earth [after] 2000 A.D. according to a careful though separate study of the scriptures. See Zechariah 13:2, 3, 14:9.

See comments on **Section 10** on the use of the word "Apostle" with respect to Muhammad. Our study so far has demonstrated that neither does Muhammad merit the title of "Prophet."

Section 12 – "Death Of The Prophet Prophesied"

- a) "We granted not to any man before thee permanent life (here): if then thou shouldst die, would they live permanently?" (xxi. 34 Mecca)
- b) "Whether We shall show thee (within thy life-time) part of what we promised them or take to ourselves thy soul (before it is all accomplished), thy duty is to make (the Message) reach them: it is our part to call them to account" (xiii. 40 Mecca)
- c) "Truly thou wilt die (one day), and truly they (too) will die (one day)" (xxxix. 30 Mecca)
- d) "Say: "O my Lord! if Thou wilt show me (in my lifetime) that which they are warned against"" (xxiii. 93 Mecca)
- e) "Muhammad is no more than a messenger (Apostle): many were the messenger that passed away before him. If he died or were slain, will ye then turn back on your heels? If any did turn back on his heels, not the least harm will he do to Allah; but Allah (on the other hand) will swiftly reward those who (serve Him) with gratitude" (iii. 144 Medina)
- f) "Even if We take thee away, We shall be sure to exact retribution from them" (xliii. 41 Mecca)
- g) "Or We shall show thee that (accomplished) which We have promised them: for verily We shall prevail over them" (xliii. 42 Mecca)
- h) "O ye who believe! Enter not the Prophet's houses, until leave is given you, for a meal, (and then) not (so early as) to wait for its preparation: but when ye are invited, enter; and when ye have taken your meal, disperse, without seeking familiar talk. Such (behaviour) annoys the Prophet: he is ashamed to dismiss you, but Allah is not ashamed (to tell you) the truth. And when ye ask (his ladies) for anything ye want, ask them from before a screen: that makes for greater purity for your hearts and for theirs. Nor is it right for you that ye should annoy Allah's Messenger, or that ye should marry his widows after him at any time. Truly such a thing is in Allah's sight an enormity" (xxxiii. 53 Medina)

Surely there can be nothing remarkable about the prediction of one man's death or the deaths of many men. See (a)-(c). The Bible states the principle:

"For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away" 1 Peter 1:24.

The Qur'an adds nothing to this truth, found also in Isaiah 40:6. What is lacking in the Qur'anic statements which are intended to apply specifically to Muhammad is any definitive statement about the TIME of his demise. When God intends that one of His servants is going to die, He is explicit about the time, whether the death be sudden, Ezekiel 24:16-18, or predicted 600 years in advance, Daniel 9:25, 26. Part (d) tends to underline what our study has indicate so far, that Qur'anic 'prophecy' falls short of true prophecy, in that events truly prophesied should have their fulfilment AFTER the prophet's life-time, so that he cannot influence their outcome.

Part (e) is too vague to be in any way prophetic and lacks precision with respect to the number of true apostles, which is twelve, Revelation 21:14*.

*Author's Note, February 2002. The reference in Revelation 21:14 is to "the twelve apostles of the Lamb" so that this number is fixed. However, during the Apostolic ministry, after Matthias had replaced Judas, Acts 1:26, eight more men were designated Apostles in order to launch the ministry of the early church. They were Barnabas and Paul Acts 14:14, Andronicus and Junia Romans 16:7, Apollos 1 Corinthians 4:6, 9, Sosthenes 1 Corinthians 1:1, 4:9, Silas and Timothy 1 Thessalonians 1:1, 2:6 (10) p 48.

Parts (f) and (g) are examples of 'bet hedging' again, since taken together, they allow for every conceivable situation, which Muhammad COULD influence – by his "awe inspiring personality" etc. according to the commentary – WITHIN HIS OWN LIFETIME. Refer again to the **Introduction** and note that the nature and timing of the "retribution" are not mentioned in (f). A careful separate study of Daniel 9 with Matthew 24 and Revelation 6 will show the detailed precision of true (i.e. Biblical) prophecy, in matters of Divine "retribution."

If it be objected that the Qur'anic statements were "duly fulfilled" according to the commentary, with the victory of Badr, we note that God CAN use even a heathen king to fulfil His purposes, by arranging the result of his own "divination" Ezekiel 21:20-23.

I suggest that the Lord God of Israel has ALLOWED the survival of Islam so that His children will study more diligently to "prove all things" 1 Thessalonians 5:21, including the alleged validity of Qur'anic 'prophecies.'

Even by itself statement (h) refutes ANY claim Muhammad has to Divinely appointed apostleship. 1 Corinthians 9:5 is explicit with respect to an apostle having ONE wife, not wives, plural, who would then be "widows," plural, on his demise.

Section 13 – "Muslims: The Chosen People of God"

- a) "Ye are the best of peoples, evolved for mankind, enjoining what is right, forbidding what is wrong, and believing in Allah. If only the People of the Book had faith, it were best for them: among them are some who have faith, but most of them are perverted transgressors" (iii. 110 Medina)
- b) "And strive in His cause as ye ought to strive, (with sincerity and under discipline). He has chosen you, and has imposed no difficulties on you in religion; it is the cult of your father Abraham. It is He Who has named you Muslims, both before and in this (Revelation); that the Messenger may be a witness for you, and ye be witnesses for mankind! So establish regular Prayer, give regular Charity, and hold fast to Allah! He is your Protector the Best to protect and the Best to help!" (xxii. 76 Medina)
- c) "Those who have faith and do righteous deeds, they are the best of creatures" (xcviii. 7 Medina)

Since the religion of Islam seems to attach great significance to victory in battle, see preceding sections, the thrashing inflicted on MUSLIM armies by "the cursed Jews," according to the commentary, in 1948, 1956, 1967 and 1973 makes the above statements rather indefensible. Sufficient to say that "God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew" Romans 11:2, that "all Israel shall be saved" Romans 11:26 and "Thus shall they know that I the Lord their God am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are my people, saith the Lord God" Ezekiel 34:20. Jeremiah 31:35-37 and 33:19-26 are also excellent passages for study in this context, together with all of Romans 9-11.

"Thus saith the Lord, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar: The Lord of hosts is his name: If the those ordinances depart from before me, saith the Lord, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever. Thus saith the Lord; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off the all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the Lord" Jeremiah 31:35-37.

"And the word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah, saying, Thus saith the Lord; If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, that there should not be day and night in their season; Then may also my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne; and with the Levites the priests my ministers" Jeremiah 33:20, 21.

"Moreover, the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, saying, Considerest thou not what this people have spoken, saying The two families which the Lord hath chosen, he hath even cast them off? thus they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them. Thus saith the Lord; If my covenant be not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth; Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob, and David my servant, so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy upon them" Jeremiah 33:23-26.

Section 14 – "God's Mercy Promised To Muslims Who Protect Other Muslims"

"The Believers, men and women, are protectors one of another: they enjoin what is just, and forbid what is evil: they observe regular prayers, practise regular charity, and obey Allah and His Messenger. On them will Allah pour His mercy: for Allah is Exalted in power, Wise" (ix. 71 – Medina)

Note that this statement depends for its fulfilment on the obedience of "the Believers." Thus it is not true prophecy, nor does it contain any reference to anything specific happening beyond Muhammad's time. See **Introduction**.

Section 15 – "Good Rewards Promised To Muslims In Both The Worlds"

- a) "Behold! verily on the friends of Allah there is no fear, nor shall they grieve; Those who believe and (constantly) guard against evil; For them are glad tidings, in the life of the present and in the Hereafter; no change can there be in the words of Allah. This is indeed the supreme felicity" (x. 62-64)
- b) "For those who believe and work righteousness, is (every) blessedness, and a beautiful place of (final) return" (xiii. 29 Mecca)

Like that of **Section 14**, these statements are NOT prophetical because their outworking depends on the active participation of "the Believers." The fulfilment of true prophecy depends on no-one but God: "I have declared the former things from the beginning; and they went forth out of my mouth, and I shewed them; I did them suddenly, and they came to pass" Isaiah 48:3, i.e. with no-body doing anything but GOD.

Section 16 - "Protection And Aid Promised To Muslims"

- a) "As to those who turn (for friendship) to Allah, His Messenger, and the (fellowship of) believers, it is the fellowship of Allah that must certainly triumph" (v. 59 Medina)
- b) "(They are) those who have been expelled from their homes in defiance of right, (for no cause) except that they say, "our Lord is Allah." Did not Allah check one set of people by means of another, there would surely have been pulled down monasteries, churches, synagogues, and mosques, in which the name of Allah is commemorated in abundant measure. Allah will certainly aid those who aid his (cause); for verily Allah is full of Strength, Exalted in Might, (able to enforce His Will)" (xxii. 40 Medina)
- c) "Verily Allah will defend (from ill) those who believe: verily, Allah loveth not any that is a traitor to faith, or show ingratitude" (xxii. 38 Medina)
- d) "We are your protectors in this life and in the Hereafter: therein shall ye have all that your souls shall desire; therein shall ye have all that ye ask for!" (xli. 31 Mecca)
- e) "And another (favour will He bestow,) which ye do love, help from Allah and a speedy victory. So give the Glad Tidings to the Believers" (lxi. 13 Medina)
- f) "Yea, if ye remain firm, and act aright, even if the enemy should rush here on you in hot haste, your Lord would help you with five thousand angels making a terrific onslaught" (iii. 125 Medina)
- g) "In the end We deliver Our messengers and those who believe: Thus is it fitting on Our part that We should deliver those who believe!" (x. 103 Medina)
- h) "Allah is the Protector of those who have faith: from the depths of darkness He will lead them forth into light. Of those who reject faith the patrons are the evil ones: from light they will lead them forth into the depths of darkness. They will be companions of the fire, to dwell therein (For ever)" (ii. 257 Medina)

Save for part (d), which says nothing about the EFFECTIVENESS of the protection, these statements, like those of the two preceding sections, cannot be deemed prophetical, for the reason already given. They involve participation of "the Believers" for their fulfilment, whereas true prophecy does not: "Yea, before the day was I am he; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall let it?" Isaiah 43:13. Note that even Mr. Hingora tacitly acknowledges this when he states "Protection, aid and victory are...the promises given to the Muslims in the above verses...the offer of these promises is still there...but in order to deserve it we must still act according to the commands."

In other words, even Mr. Hingora acknowledges we are dealing with fulfilment of CONDITIONAL PROMISES, NOT fulfilment of PROPHECY.

Section 17 - "Promise Of Help To The Muslim Refugees"

"To those who leave their homes in the cause of Allah, after suffering oppression, - We will assuredly give a goodly home in this world; but truly the reward of the Hereafter will be greater. If they only realised (this)!" (xvi. 41 - Mecca)

Aside from the remarks on the above three sections, which also apply here, we note that the key phrase is "If they only realised (this)!" This is the condition for a PROMISE, NOT a PROPHECY. It is the 'fine print' in the 'contract' or the 'let out clause' in the 'insurance policy' if the thing fails to come to pass. With true prophecy, there is NO 'let out clause': "Thus saith the Lord...That saith of Cyrus, He is my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid" [Isaiah 44:28].

This prophecy is remarkable in that it refers by name to a man whose birth was 100 years in the FUTURE, as was the DESTRUCTION of Jerusalem, which necessitated its RE-BUILDING. Read the last chapter of 2 Chronicles and the first chapter of Ezra for the fulfilment of this SPECIFIC PROPHECY, over a century after the prophet's DEATH.

Similar remarks apply with equal validity to **Section 18** "Criterion To Judge Between Right And Wrong Promised To Muslims."

Section 19 - "Gains Promised To Muslims"

- a) "And many gains will they acquire (besides): and Allah is Exalted in Power, Full of Wisdom.
- b) "Allah has promised you many gains that ye shall acquire, and He has given you these beforehand; and He has restrained the hands of men from you; that it may be a Sign for the Believers, and that He may guide you to a Straight Path;
- c) "And other gains (there are), which are not within your power, but which Allah has compassed: and Allah has power over all things" (xlviii. 19-21 Medina)

We note that the one "Full of Wisdom" is referred to again, identified in the Old Testament as Lucifer, the Anointed Cherub, Ezekiel 28:12-16, Isaiah 14:12 and also designated "king of Tyrus." See remarks on Section 4. Lucifer is also "god of this world" 2 Corinthians 4:4, not GOD Himself, Who is "the only wise God" 1 Timothy 1:17. In other words, Lucifer is only a created being who received his fullness of wisdom from the true God, Who is the source of true wisdom, Daniel 2:19. We note that there is FALSE wisdom which is DEVILISH – i.e. of the DEVIL – and also [falsely] called SCIENCE 1 Timothy 6:20, James 3:15.

Only part (a) deals explicitly with future events and these "gains" are neither specified nor timetabled. As we have seen, this is not consistent with true prophecy. For example, see Jeremiah 25:11, 12 and Daniel 9:1, 2 for the detailed account of the Jews' expulsion from Palestine to Babylon and their duration in exile – something the prophet could not in any way have influenced himself.

If it be argued that the Muslims DID get gains etc., we need only note that it can pay to serve the devil, who is "the prince of this world" Matthew 4:8, 9, Luke 4:5, 6, John 12:31, 14:30, 16:11.

Section 20 – "Better Economic Conditions Promised To Muslims"

- a) "O My servants who believe! truly, spacious is My Earth: therefore serve ye Me (and Me alone)!" (xxix. 56 Mecca)
- b) "But those who believe and work deeds of righteousness, and believe in the (Revelation) sent down to Muhammad for it is the Truth from their Lord, He will remove from them their ills and improve their condition" (xlvii. 2 Medina)
- c) "O ye who believe! Truly the Pagans are unclean; so let them not, after this year of theirs, approach the Sacred Mosque. And if ye fear poverty, soon will Allah enrich you, if He wills, out of His bounty, for Allah is All-knowing, All-wise" (ix. 28 Medina)
- d) "Allah will establish in strength those who believe, with the word that stands firm, in this world and in the Hereafter; but Allah will leave, to stray, those who do wrong: Allah doeth what He willeth" (xiv. 27 Mecca)
- e) "Say: "O ye my servants who believe! Fear your Lord, good is (the reward) for those who do good in this world. Spacious is Allah's earth! those who patiently persevere will truly receive a reward without measure!" (xxxix. 10 Mecca)

We observe that, as in preceding sections, we are dealing with conditional promises, not actual prophecy. The statement in part (c) "if He wills" obviously makes allowance for every possible contingency — and is thus another example of 'bet hedging' as in **Section 12** et seq. This would not be necessary for a "God" who was truly "all-knowing" and "all-wise." See comments in association with Isaiah 43:12, 13, 48:3 in **Section 15**, 16 and Isaiah 46:10 "Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure."

This section also illustrates that Muslims are very interested in MATERIAL PROSPERITY and POLITICAL SUPREMACY. This brings us back to the statement made by the god of this world to the Lord Jesus Christ in the wilderness: "And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine" Luke 4:5-7. This is a prophecy about TELECASTING – which is not listed in Mr. Hingora's book. Compare these statements with those listed for Section 20.

As was noted earlier, it can pay to serve the devil.

Finally, we observe that Muslims appear very reluctant to accept anything but material good from the hand of God. This is not so for a true servant of His, such as Job: "What? Shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips" Job 10b.

Section 21 – "Persecutors Of The Muslims Punished"

"Those who persecute (or draw into temptation) the Believers, men and women, and do not turn in repentance, will have the Penalty of Hell: They will have the Penalty of the Burning Fire" (lxxxv. 10 – Mecca)

In spite of Mr. Hingora's rhetorical question in his commentary on this passage "In addition to the promise of punishment in the Hereafter, are such persecutors not punished in this world?" the above statement carefully avoids any mention of anything happening in THIS world which could be CHECKED. This is in complete contrast to the promise FOR THIS WORLD given to the descendants Abraham, through Isaac: "And I will...curse him that curseth thee" Genesis 12:3, with Genesis 27:29, 33 and Numbers 23:8. These scriptures are vindicated by the history of the world from Ancient Egypt – see Genesis 15:13, 14, Exodus 1-12 – to Nazi Germany.

Those who persecute Israel in the last days will "fall upon the mountains of Israel" Ezekiel 39:4 and in TRUE PROPHECY they are NAMED. See Ezekiel 38, 39 and the discussion in Section 11.

Section 22 – "Rome's Victory Over Persia And That Of Muslims Over Pagans"

"The Roman Empire has been defeated - In a land close by; but they, (even) after (this) defeat of theirs, will soon be victorious - Within a few years. With Allah is the Decision, in the past and in the Future: on that Day shall the Believers rejoice - With the help of Allah. He helps whom He will, and He is exalted in might, most merciful. (It is) the promise of Allah. Never does Allah depart from His promise: but most men understand not" (xxx. 2-6 – Mecca)

Mr Hingora writes in his comments on these statements "the above verses (prophesy) the defeat of the Persians by the Romans and that of the Quraish by the Muslims within ten years." The verses prophesy nothing of the kind. They simply say that "They [The Roman Empire] will...be victorious within a few years." Neither the Muslims, the Persians, the Quraish, nor the time element are mentioned. A prophecy from God, which relates to the downfall of a particular people, is explicit with respect to WHO the people are, the circumstances under which they will fall and even WHEN they will fall. For example, consider what the Lord said through His prophet Isaiah concerning judgement on the rebellious people of Ephraim, the Northern Kingdom of Israel, during the period of the divided monarchy, about 900-700 B.C. The judgement is referring to an alliance between Ephraim and Syria against Judah.

"Thus saith the Lord God, It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass, For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin; and within threescore and five years shall Ephraim be broken, that it be not a people" Isaiah 7:7, 8.

"For before the child shall have knowledge to cry, My father, and my mother, the riches of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria shall be taken away before the king of Assyria" Isaiah 8:4.

See 2 Kings 17 for the details of how these prophecies were fulfilled explicitly and note the specific details in these God-given prophecies, compared to the vague Qur'anic statements above.

Author's Note, February 2002. For a concise statement of the accuracy of the Old Testament as it preserved without proven error in the Authorised King James Bible, there is probably none better than that of Professor R. D. Wilson, 1856-1930, of Princeton Theological Seminary. Professor Wilson was arguably the most learned scholar of Old Testament historicity of all time. His statement is drawn from Which Bible? (11) p 42:

"For forty-five years continuously, since I left college, I have devoted myself to the one great study of the Old Testament, in all its languages, in all its archaeology, in all its translations, and as far as possible in everything bearing upon its text and history. I tell you this so that you may see why I can and do speak as an expert. I may add that the result of my forty-five years of study of the Bible has led me all the time to a firmer faith that in the Old Testament we have a true historical account of the history of the Israelite people; and I have a right to commend this to some of those bright men and women who think that they can laugh at the old-time Christian and believer in the Word of God."

Section 23 – "Muslims To Succeed Romans And Persians Prophesied"

- a) "Allah has promised, to those among you who believe and work righteous deeds, that He will, of a surety, grant them in the land, inheritance (of power), as He granted it to those before them; that He will establish in authority their religion the one which He has chosen for them; and that He will change (their state), after the fear in which they (lived), to one of security and peace: "They will worship Me (alone) and not associate aught with Me. If any do reject Faith after this, they are rebellious and wicked" (xxiv. 55 Medina)
- b) "Or think ye that ye shall be abandoned, as though Allah did not know those among you who strive with might and main, and take none for friends and protectors except Allah, His Messenger, and the (community of) Believers? But Allah is well-acquainted with (all) that ye do" (ix. 16 Medina)
- c) "Allah has decreed: "It is I and My messengers who must prevail": For Allah is One full of strength, able to enforce His Will. Thou wilt not find any people who believe in Allah and the Last Day, loving those who resist Allah and His Messenger, even though they were their fathers or their sons, or their brothers, or their kindred. For such He has written Faith in their hearts, and strengthened them with a spirit from Himself. And He will admit them to Gardens beneath which Rivers flow, to dwell therein (for ever). Allah will be well pleased with them, and they with Him. They are the Party of Allah. Truly it is the Party of Allah that will achieve Felicity" (lviii. 21-22 Medina)
- d) "O ye who believe! If ye will aid (the cause of) Allah, He will aid you, and plant your feet firm-ly" (xlvii. 7 Medina)

Again we are dealing with no particular EVENTS, so that the title of this section is an INTERPRE-TATION, not the SUBSTANCE of statements (a)-(e). Moreover, these statements are NOT prophetical in form but rather in the nature of CONDITIONAL PROMISES, to be fulfilled on behalf of "...you who believe and work righteous deeds" etc. Again, one is reminded of the 'promise' given by the devil to the Lord Jesus Christ in Matthew 4:8, 9: "Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me."

The devil is looking for people who will worship him and he will reward them handsomely if they do so. However, he ALWAYS seeks to destroy his followers: "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" 1 Peter 5:8.

Section 24 – "Victory Over The Quraish Prophesied"

"Verily We have granted thee a manifest Victory:" (xlviii. 1 – Medina)

Clearly this statement does NOT prophesy a victory over ANYBODY, in spite of the title given to this section by the author. See comments on previous section.

Section 25 – "Christians Can Be Friends Of Muslims But Not The Jews"

"Strongest among men in enmity to the believers wilt thou find the Jews and Pagans; and nearest among them in love to the believers wilt thou find those who say, "We are Christians": because amongst these are men devoted to learning and men who have renounced the world, and they are not arrogant" (v. 82 – Medina)

This statement is not a prophecy but an admonition to Muslims to maintain their hostility to the Jews. Muslims would therefore do well to consider the admonition given to the nation of Edom for their sustained hatred of Israel. See also comments on **Section 13**.

"Because thou hast had a perpetual hatred, and hast shed the blood of the children of Israel by the force of the sword in the time of their calamity, in the time that their iniquity had an end: Therefore, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will prepare thee unto blood, and blood shall pursue thee: sith thou hast not hated blood, even blood shall pursue thee" Ezekiel 35:5, 6.

Author's Note, February 2002. The above Qur'anic indicates that no man-made 'peace process' will be effective in the Middle East because the Qur'an itself urges Muslims to maintain enmity against Israel.

Section 26 – "Remember Me (Allah), I Will Remember You"

"If anyone withdraws himself from remembrance of (Allah) Most Gracious, We appoint for him an evil one, to be an intimate companion to him. Such (evil ones) really hinder them from the Path, but they think that they are being guided aright!" (xliii. 36-37 – Mecca)

This section, like the preceding section, is not a prophecy but an admonition. One wonders if it was adapted from the warning given in 2 Thessalonians 2:9-12: "Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness."

Section 27 – "Muslims Can Still Restore The Glory That Was Islam"

- a) "Because Allah will never change the grace which He hath bestowed on a people until they change what is in their (own) souls: and verily Allah is He Who heareth and knoweth (all things)" (viii. 53 Medina)
- b) "For each (such person) there are (angels) in succession, before and behind him: They guard him by command of Allah. Allah does not change a people's lot unless they change what is in their hearts. But when (once) Allah willeth a people's punishment, there can be no turning it back, nor will they find, besides Him, any to protect" (xiii. 11 Medina)

Again, we are dealing with conditional promises, not prophecy of particular events. With respect to statement (b), the Bible believing Christian can say:

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast" Ephesians 2:8, 9

Section 28 - "Grave Warnings To Muslims Too"

- a) "Unless ye go forth, He will punish you with a grievous penalty, and put others in your place; but Him ye would not harm in the least. For Allah hath power over all things" (ix. 39 Medina)
- b) "And hold fast, all together, by the rope which Allah (stretches out for you), and be not divided among yourselves; and remember with gratitude Allah's favour on you; for ye were enemies and He joined your hearts in love, so that by His Grace, ye became brethren; and ye were on the brink of the pit of Fire, and He saved you from it. Thus doth Allah make His Signs clear to you: That ye may be guided" (iii. 103 Medina)
- c) "Behold, ye are those invited to spend (of your substance) in the Way of Allah: But among you are some that are niggardly. But any who are niggardly are so at the expense of their own souls. But Allah is free of all wants, and it is ye that are needy. If ye turn back (from the Path), He will substitute in your stead another people; then they would not be like you!" (xlvii. 38 Medina)

Here the Qur'an reveals nothing of a prophetical nature but simply reiterates what the Lord Jesus Christ observed 550 years before the Qur'an came into existence:

"And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand" Matthew 12:25.

Mr. Hingora's own comment on these suras — "the Mighty Brotherhood of Islam…was divided into small nations and principalities…Thus naturally each fell an easy prey to the invading Western powers" obviously bears out the accuracy of the Lord's observation.

Section 29 – "Those Who Ignore The Qur'an Are Punished""

- a) "Those who fulfil the covenant of Allah and fail not in their plighted word; Those who join together those things which Allah hath commanded to be joined, hold their Lord in awe, and fear the terrible reckoning" (xiii. 20-21 Mecca)
- b) "But those who break the Covenant of Allah, after having plighted their word thereto, and cut asunder those things which Allah has commanded to be joined, and work mischief in the land; on them is the curse; for them is the terrible home!" (xiii. 25 Mecca)
- c) "It is not fitting for a Believer, man or woman, when a matter has been decided by Allah and His Messenger to have any option about their decision: if any one disobeys Allah and His Messenger, he is indeed on a clearly wrong Path" (xxxiii. 36 Mecca)
- d) "This because they contended against Allah and His Messenger: If any contend against Allah and His Messenger, Allah is strict in punishment" (viii. 13 Mecca)
- e) "O ye who believe! Enter into Islam whole-heartedly; and follow not the footsteps of the evil one; for he is to you an avowed enemy. If ye backslide after the clear (Signs) have come to you, then know that Allah is Exalted in Power, Wise" (ii. 208-209 Medina)
- f) "Ask the Children of Israel how many clear (Signs) We have sent them. But if any one, after Allah's favour has come to him, substitutes (something else), Allah is strict in punishment" (ii. 211 Medina)
- g) "The Prophet is closer to the Believers than their own selves, and his wives are their mothers. Blood-relations among each other have closer personal ties, in the Decree of Allah. Than (the Brotherhood of) Believers and Muhajirs: nevertheless do ye what is just to your closest friends: such is the writing in the Decree (of Allah)" (xxxiii. 6 Medina)
- h) "Ye have indeed in the Messenger of Allah a beautiful pattern (of conduct) for any one whose hope is in Allah and the Final Day, and who engages much in the Praise of Allah" (xxxiii. 21 Medina)
- i) "Those who follow the messenger, the unlettered Prophet, whom they find mentioned in their own (scriptures), in the law and the Gospel; for he commands them what is just and forbids them what is evil; he allows them as lawful what is good (and pure) and prohibits them from what is bad (and impure); He releases them from their heavy burdens and from the yokes that are upon them. So it is those who believe in him, honour him, help him, and follow the light which is sent down with him, it is they who will prosper" (vii. 157 Mecca)
- j) "So from whencesoever Thou startest forth, turn Thy face in the direction of the sacred Mosque; and wheresoever ye are, Turn your face thither: that there be no ground of dispute against you among the people, except those of them that are bent on wickedness; so fear them not, but fear Me; and that I may complete My favours on you, and ye May (consent to) be guided" (ii. 150 Medina)
- *k)* "For every message is a limit of time, and soon shall ye know it" (vi. 67 Mecca)

Mr. Hingora follows these statements with several conclusions, which elaborate, on the title of this section. We observe, however, that nowhere in any of these statements is there any specific reference to the Qur'an itself, or to keeping the actual WORDS of the Qur'an. Neither is there any specific reference to any punishment taking place on this EARTH, which could therefore be CHECKED against the actual words – not "message" – of the Qur'an. Specific reference IS made to "the Book," "the Words" and the "Word" in the Qur'anic statements quoted by Mr. Hingora on p 66-67 of his book but NO reference occurs in them of any punishment of disobedience.

Author's Note, February 2002. These suras are in turn xxii. 78 – Medina, vi. 70 – Mecca, vi. 114 – Mecca, vi. 115 – Mecca, iv. 64 – Medina, vi. 155 – Mecca, vi. 34 – Mecca, lvii. 16 – Medina, lxxxvi. 13 – Mecca.

It would appear that whilst the Qur'an seeks to assert itself as "The Word of Thy Lord" vi. 115 – Medina, it does not wish to be too closely accountable for SPECIFIC violations resulting in SPECIFIC punishments.

This is NOT SO when GOD issues warnings on disobedience. He is EXPLICIT with respect to the nature of the disobedience AND its punishment:

"Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen" Deuteronomy 27:26.

"But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: Cursed shalt thou be in the city, and cursed shalt thou be in the field. Cursed shall be thy basket and thy store. Cursed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. Cursed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and cursed shalt thou be when thou goest out" Deuteronomy 28:15-19. See also the rest of the chapter and the earlier chapters of Deuteronomy for an explicit statement of the commandments Israel had to keep. See also Leviticus 26:14-46 and Amos 4, for a record of when these curses actually came to pass, as a result of Israel's disobedience, as promised in the Law of Moses.

Note also the explicit warning given to CHRISTIANS in the New Testament, for living according to "the flesh" i.e. in disobedience and immorality:

"For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die" (i.e. drop DEAD – see Acts 5 for an example of what can happen to LIARS) Romans 8:13a. This verse may come as a surprise to any Muslim who reads this who has been exposed to the lop-sided preaching of Christians on 'love, love, love, all you need is love, love, love is all you need.' The 'Bible' of these dear brethren seems to almost exclusively of the words "God is love" found in two places in the New Testament, 1 John 4:8, 16. Many of these preachers seem to be of the view that God is as emotionally unbalanced as they are.

Let me conclude the discussion on this section by voicing whole-hearted approval of the sentiments expressed by Mr. Hingora on p 64-66, concerning material progress versus moral progress, e.g. "The achievement of scientific progress without moral progress is bound to meet with disaster." The Biblical encapsulation of these sentiments is found in Proverbs 14:34: "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people" no matter how prosperous materially.

Section 30 – "The Pagans Warned"

- a) "Are your Unbelievers, (O Quraish), better than they? Or have ye an immunity in the Sacred Books? Or do they say: "We acting together can defend ourselves"? Soon will their multitude be put to flight, and they will show their backs" (liv. 43-45 Mecca)
- b) "But (now that the Qur'an has come), they reject it: But soon will they know! Already has Our Word been passed before (this) to our Servants sent (by Us), That they would certainly be assisted, And that Our forces, they surely must conquer. So turn thou away from them for a little while, And watch them (how they fare), and they soon shall see (how thou farest)! Do they wish (indeed) to hurry on our Punishment? But when it descends into the open space before them, evil will be the morning for those who were warned (and heeded not)" (xxxvii. 170-177 Mecca)
- c) "And verily, for those who do wrong, there is another punishment besides this: But most of them understand not" (lii. 47 Mecca)
- d) "But there will be put to flight even a host of confederates" (xxxviii. 11 Mecca)
- e) "Then leave Me alone with such as reject this Message: by degrees shall We punish them from directions they perceive not" (lxviii. 44 Mecca)

- f) "Nay, We gave the good things of this life to these men and their fathers until the period grew long for them; See they not that We gradually reduce the land (in their control) from its outlying borders? Is it then they who will win?" (xxi. 44 Mecca)
- g) "And say: "Praise be to Allah, Who will soon show you His Signs, so that ye shall know them"; and thy Lord is not unmindful of all that ye do" (xxvii. 93 Mecca)
- h) "Do they think that because We have granted them abundance of wealth and sons, We would hasten them on in every good? Nay, they do not understand" (xxiii. 55-56 Mecca)
- i) "Soon will We show them our Signs in the (furthest) regions (of the earth), and in their own souls, until it becomes manifest to them that this is the Truth. Is it not enough that thy Lord doth witness all things?" (xli. 53 Mecca)
- j) "Except those who believe, work righteousness, engage much in the remembrance of Allah, and defend themselves only after they are unjustly attacked. And soon will the unjust assailants know what vicissitudes their affairs will take!" (xxvi. 227 Mecca)
- k) "Say: "It may be that some of the events which ye wish to hasten on may be (close) in your pursuit!"" (xxvii. 72 Mecca)
- l) "One day We shall seize you with a mighty onslaught: We will indeed (then) exact Retribution!" (xliv. 16 Mecca). Mr. Hingora adds "Friday, 17 Ramadan 2."

These statements describe in general terms the defeat of the Muslim's foes. Nothing specific is said about the timing or nature of this defeat – see **Section 22**. In spite of Mr. Hingora's conclusion about GOD helping the Muslims, p 71-72 "the truth, "How oft, by God's Will, has a small force vanquished a big one" was once more confirmed," God is not explicitly described in any of these statements as helping ANYONE. "Signs" and "portents" (the latter term found in statement (g) of Mr. Hingora's book, instead of "signs" as in Sura 27:93) are mentioned but nothing specific is said about what they are or how they are fulfilled. Although a specific date is mentioned – statement (l) – it appears from the text to have been inserted AFTER the event. Moreover, the outcome of these statements is something which the Muslims THEMSELVES were able to influence – e.g. by ferocity in battle – and for this reason alone these statements cannot be said to be true prophecy – see comments under **Section 10**. That the Muslims were able to achieve victory with relatively small forces merely underlines the principle stated under **Sections 19** and **20**, namely that it can pay to serve the devil. As "the prince of this world" John 16:11, he can give power and glory to WHOMSOEVER he will Luke 4:5, 6.

It is rather interesting that in the prophecy of Daniel, dealing with "the latter days" Daniel 10:14, Daniel 11:23 tells us that a DECEITFUL WORKER shall become STRONG with a SMALL PEO-PLE – indicating that God is not necessarily always with the 'underdog' – and that this person, Daniel 11:38, will honour the God of FORCES. Although I do not believe this prophecy to be dealing explicitly with Muslims, it is nevertheless interesting that Mr. Hingora attributes great importance to "a Force" that helped the Muslims, p 71. "There was a Force at work against them – such a Force which could outdo all their combined forces. However, being devoid of faith, they (the pagans) failed to perceive such a Force and as such the Qur'anic warnings then appeared to them ridiculous."

When God helps His people in battle, the Bible unfailingly attributes the victory to HIM, not to a neuter "force." See Joshua 10:42 "the Lord God of Israel fought for Israel."

Sections 31 - "Pagans Warned Again"

- a) "There has already been for you a Sign in the two armies that met (in combat): One was fighting in the cause of Allah, the other resisting Allah; these saw with their own eyes Twice their number. But Allah doth support with His aid whom He pleaseth. In this is a warning for such as have eyes to see" (iii. 13 Medina)
- b) "(O Unbelievers!) if ye prayed for victory and judgment, now hath the judgment come to you: if ye desist (from wrong), it will be best for you: if ye return (to the attack), so shall We. Not the least good will your forces be to you even if they were multiplied: for verily Allah is with those who believe!" (viii. 19—Medina)
- c) "The Unbelievers spend their wealth to hinder (man) from the path of Allah, and so will they continue to spend; but in the end they will have (only) regrets and sighs; at length they will be overcome: and the Unbelievers will be gathered together to Hell" (viii. 36 Medina)
- d) "Say to the Unbelievers, if (now) they desist (from Unbelief), their past would be forgiven them; but if they persist, the punishment of those before them is already (a matter of warning for them)" (viii. 38 Medina)
- e) "If they refuse, be sure that Allah is your Protector the best to protect and the best to help" (viii. 40 Medina)
- f) "Let not the unbelievers think that they can get the better (of the godly): they will never frustrate (them)" (viii. 59 Medina)
- g) "Never think thou that the Unbelievers are going to frustrate (Allah's Plan) on earth: their abode is the Fire, and it is indeed an evil refuge!" (xxiv. 57 Medina)

Section 32 – "Pagans Warned Yet Again"

- a) "Soon shall We cast terror into the hearts of the Unbelievers, for that they joined companions with Allah, for which He had sent no authority: their abode will be the Fire: And evil is the home of the wrong-doers!" (iii. 151 Medina)
- b) "See they not that We gradually reduce the land (in their control) from its outlying borders? (Where) Allah commands, there is none to put back His Command: and He is swift in calling to account" (xiii. 41 Medina)
- c) "Their intention is to extinguish Allah's Light (by blowing) with their mouths: But Allah will complete (the revelation of) His Light, even though the Unbelievers may detest (it)" (lxi. 8 Medina)
- d) "Fain would they extinguish Allah's light with their mouths, but Allah will not allow but that His light should be perfected, even though the Unbelievers may detest (it)" (ix. 32 Medina)
- e) "Those who resist Allah and His Messenger will be humbled to dust, as were those before them: for We have already sent down Clear Signs. And the Unbelievers (will have) a humiliating Penalty" (lviii. 5 Medina)

These sections have been taken together as similar remarks apply to both. We note that in these sections, unlike **Section 30** "God" does indeed get into the act.

The general theme of defeat for the enemies of Islam continues in these statements. We observe that, although GOD is mentioned, there is NO statement of ANYTHING SPECIFIC that GOD is going to DO BEYOND Muhammad's time or of any SPECIFIC set of circumstances the outcome of which could NOT have been affected by the Muslims themselves – see p 78. Neither is there ANY mention of ANY SPECIFIC fulfilment of "signs" – Section 32, statement (e). Thus these statements are NOT prophetic in the true sense of the word – see Introduction. The victories gained by the Muslims despite inferiority in numbers does NOT in itself demonstrate that the true God gave them "light" or that Muhammad was God's "Apostle." See remarks under Sections 6, 10, 11. The Old

Testament indicates that God can give victory to ENEMIES of His people, if they have forsaken Him:

"For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men, and the Lord delivered a very great host into their hand, because they had forsaken the God of their fathers" 2 Chronicles 24:24.

Referring again to Luke 4:5, 6 and "the prince of this world" John 16:11, as the likely source of Islam's success – seeing that "Allah gives the promise of gains to the Muslims and these gains…are all worldly gains" p 50, which have to do with territory, p 44-45, e.g. "all earth belongs to the Muslims" - it is interesting that the "prince" or "god of this world" 2 Corinthians 4:4, is also "the prince of the power of the air" Ephesians 2:2. Mr. Hingora refers – p 77 – to a violent WIND that helped the Muslims. Now THAT reminds one of the WIND that sprung up on the Sea of Galilee in Mark 4:37-39. When JESUS CHRIST said "Peace, be still" we read "And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm." First hand observers said "even the wind and the sea obey him" Mark 4:41.

Was there anyone on hand during the wind to which Mr. Hingora refers who could have said to it "Peace, be still" and cause it to cease after it had done its job??

Since JESUS CHRIST COULD HAVE AND DID – see above – who could He be but the TRUE GOD, manifest as a MAN? ["And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory" 1 Timothy 3:16]

Does anyone suppose, therefore, that someone like JESUS CHRIST who said "*Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away*" Matthew 24:35, would need to send an "*angel*" – any "*angel*" – to a mortal like Muhammad to CORRECT what He had said 600 years earlier? See **Section 8**, part (d).

If anyone were to answer 'yes' to that question then I would readily concede that it takes as much faith to be a Muslim as it does to be an ATHEIST.

Section 33 – "Defeat Of The Pagans Prophesied"

- a) "O Prophet! Rouse the Believers to the fight. If there are twenty amongst you, patient and persevering, they will vanquish two hundred: if a hundred, they will vanquish a thousand of the Unbelievers: for these are a people without understanding" (viii. 65 Medina)
- b) "Fight them, and Allah will punish them by your hands, cover them with shame, help you (to victory) over them, heal the breasts of Believers" (ix. 14 Medina)
- c) "They will do you no harm, barring a trifling annoyance; if they come out to fight you, they will show you their backs, and no help shall they get" (iii. 111 Medina)

These statements describing in general terms only the ultimate defeat of "the Unbelievers" serve as an interesting illustration of Dr. Ruckman's thesis as stated in the **Introduction**: "(The Koran) carefully avoids making prophecies on anything that is not already found in the Old Testament." Given that Muhammad is supposed to be the 70th descendent of Ishmael, all Muslims should pay close attention to the prophecies concerning Ishmael which are given in the Book of Genesis. The Lord is speaking to Hagar the Egyptian, Ishmael's mother.

"And the angel of the LORD said unto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude. And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou art with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction. And he will be a wild man; his hand will be against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren" Genesis 16:10-12.

Ishmael's "brethren" are the other descendants of HAM – see later – and also, as it turns out, the descendants of his HALF brother, Isaac, i.e. the JEWS – see Nehemiah 4:7. God is speaking to Abraham, Ishmael's father, in the following passage.

"And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation" Genesis 17:20.

See Genesis 25:12-18 for the precise fulfilment of the first part of this prophecy, contrasting with the generally vague Qur'anic statements which we have encountered so far in our study. According to Genesis 25:18, Ishmael even DIED "in the presence of all his brethren" Genesis 16:12. The Angel of God is speaking to Hagar in the following passage.

"And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is. Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation. And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink. And God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer. And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt" Genesis 21:17-21.

Ishmael's prowess as an ARCHER and his relationship via his mother to EGYPT and hence HAM, whose name means "black" or "burnt one" immediately identifies him with NIMROD, the MIGHTY HUNTER before the LORD, Genesis 10:6. "Mizraim" is "Egypt," Genesis 50:11 (12), (13) p 25. The latter reference is the definitive work on Nimrod and is available through B. McCall Barbour, 28 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh. Suffice to say that Nimrod – the ARCHER, as Hislop demonstrates from ancient carvings – was the leader of a 'United Nations' set-up called "Babel" – or ancient Babylon, which was successful for a while until God scattered them. See Genesis 11:1-9.

It is interesting that for Mr. Hingora, p 45, "the vital question (is) UNITY" (Mr. Hingora's emphasis). Unity also appears to be the vital question for the Islamic Propagation Centre INTERNATIONAL (now the UK Islamic Mission Dawah Centre) which insists that only ONE question ("Is Jesus God?" – debate in the Royal Albert Hall, December 15th, 1985) separates Muslims and "Christians." See also Section 25. See also 1 Timothy 3:16 above.

God in His permissive will blessed Ishmael and granted that he – in answer to his father's prayer – would become a great NATION, singular. Does one not suppose that "One full of wisdom" Section 4, would not seize the opportunity to repeat with one of Ishmael's descendants, the same performance of NIMROD and BABEL – and be allowed to get away with it for a time? Is it not reasonable to suppose that since this "One full of wisdom" is "god of this world" [2 Corinthians 4:4] – see previous section – that he would be permitted to give victory and TERRITORY – for a time – to this one of Ishmael's descendants, who followed him? In the light of Luke 4:5, 6, it is entirely within reason that the Lord God Almighty would have DELEGATED the job of making Ishmael a great NATION to his subordinate – "the prince of this world" [John 12:31, 14:30, 16:11]. God in the meantime was occupied with "the apple of his eye" Zechariah 2:8, Israel and also with the church, "the body of Christ" 1 Corinthians 12:27.

Thus the Qur'anic statements of this section turn out to be cautious – see the "if's" in part (a) – and vague paraphrases of the specific prophecies in Genesis given to Ishmael by the grace of God in answer to the prayer of Ishmael's father. This section thus supports the thesis cited in the **Introduction** – see above. The warning to Ishmael's descendants today is that if they wish to receive God's favour today, they must turn to worship "God...manifest in the flesh" 1 Timothy 3:16, the Lord Jesus Christ, John 1:14, "the image of the invisible God" Colossians 1:15. He is "I am" – "the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob...not the God of the dead, but of the living" Matthew 22:32.

One last comment on this section concerns the ratio of opposing sides in battle, given in the commentary as 1:10 in favour of "Unbelievers." God works with longer odds than these: "And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword" Leviticus 26:8. Sounds a bit like the Six Day War of June 1967, does it not?

Section 34 – "Will Man Reach The Moon?"

- a) "It is We Who have set out the zodiacal signs in the heavens, and made them fair-seeming to (all) beholders; And (moreover) We have guarded them from every cursed devil: But any that gains a hearing by stealth, is pursued by a flaming fire, bright (to see)" (xv. 16-18 Mecca)
- b) "(Allah) said: "Get ye down. With enmity between yourselves. On earth will be your dwellingplace and your means of livelihood, - for a time." He said: "Therein shall ye live, and therein shall ye die; but from it shall ye be taken out (at last)"" (vii. 24-25 – Mecca)
- c) "From the (earth) did We create you, and into it shall We return you, and from it shall We bring you out once again" (xx. 55 Mecca)
- d) "It is He Who hath made you (His) agents, inheritors of the earth: He hath raised you in ranks, some above others: that He may try you in the gifts He hath given you: for thy Lord is quick in punishment: yet He is indeed Oft-forgiving, Most Merciful" (vi. 165 Mecca)
- e) "O ye assembly of Jinns and men! If it be ye can pass beyond the zones of the heavens and the earth, pass ye! Not without authority shall ye be able to pass! Then which of the favours of your Lord will ye deny? On you will be sent (O ye evil ones twain!) a flame of fire (to burn) and a smoke (to choke): no defence will ye have" (lv. 33 35 Medina)
- f) "And He hath made subject to you the sun and the moon, both diligently pursuing their courses; and the night and the day hath he (also) made subject to you" (xiv. 33 Mecca)
- g) "Behold, thy Lord said to the angels: "I will create a vicegerent on earth." They said: "Wilt Thou place therein one who will make mischief therein and shed blood?- whilst we do celebrate Thy praises and glorify Thy holy (name)?" He said: "I know what ye know not"" (ii. 30 Medina)
- h) "Those who avoid great sins and shameful deeds, only (falling into) small faults, verily thy Lord is ample in forgiveness. He knows you well when He brings you out of the earth, And when ye are hidden in your mothers' wombs. Therefore justify not yourselves: He knows best who it is that guards against evil" (liii. 32 Medina)
- i) "And we pried into the secrets of heaven; but we found it filled with stern guards and flaming fires. We used, indeed, to sit there in (hidden) stations, to (steal) a hearing; but any who listen now will find a flaming fire watching him in ambush" (lxxii. 8-9 Mecca)
- j) "And we have, (from of old), adorned the lowest heaven with Lamps, and We have made such (Lamps) (as) missiles to drive away the Evil Ones, and have prepared for them the Penalty of the Blazing Fire" (lxvii. 5 Mecca)
- k) "Or have they the dominion of the heavens and the earth and all between? If so, let them mount up with the ropes and means (to reach that end)!" (xxxviii. 11 Mecca)
- l) "So He completed them as seven firmaments in two Days, and He assigned to each heaven its duty and command. And We adorned the lower heaven with lights, and (provided it) with guard. Such is the Decree of (Him) the Exalted in Might, Full of Knowledge" (xli. 12 Mecca)
- m) "Or have they a ladder, by which they can (climb up to heaven and) listen (to its secrets)? Then let (such a) listener of theirs produce a manifest proof" (lii. 38 Mecca)
- n) "It is We Who have placed you with authority on earth, and provided you therein with means for the fulfilment of your life: small are the thanks that ye give!" (vii. 10 Mecca)
- o) "He it is Who created the heavens and the earth in Six Days, and is moreover firmly established on the Throne (of Authority). He knows what enters within the earth and what comes forth out of it, what comes down from heaven and what mounts up to it. And He is with you wheresoever ye may be. And Allah sees well all that ye do" (lvii. 4 Medina)

- p) "Have We not made the earth (as a place) to draw together. The living and the dead" (lxxvii. 25-26 Medina)
- q) "Or, Who has made the earth firm to live in; made rivers in its midst; set thereon mountains immovable; and made a separating bar between the two bodies of flowing water? (can there be another) god besides Allah? Nay, most of them know not" (xxvii. 61 Mecca)

Given the abundance of Qur'anic quotation and subsequent comment in this section p 83ff, Mr. Hingora obviously considers the question an important one. However, apart from his somewhat evasive statement in conclusion 4, p 85 – "suppose that man succeeded in reaching the moon" - he never actually ANSWERS the question!

Apart from the fact that man DID reach the moon, 1969, the BIBLICAL answer to the question "Will man reach the moon?" is easy: NO REASON WHY NOT, in the light of Genesis 11:1-6. See previous section. Note especially verse 6: "And the Lord said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do." Note that the AIM of this project was to REACH UNTO HEAV-EN, by means of a TOWER.

Isn't it interesting that ROCKETS look like TOWERS?

Note that three principles are involved:

- 1. UNITY "the people is one"
- 2. COMMUNICATION "they have all one language"
- 3. WORK "they begin to do"

Weren't these the principles by which the Muslims carried all before them – **Sections 20**, 33 – and wasn't it the relaxation of these principles that "wasted away" – p 45 – Muslims' strength?

"A Muslim of one country is considered as an alien in another country, though both the countries profess to belong to the same Brotherhood of Islam. One Muslim country, under the pretext of "upholding" Islam, uses the hard-earned influence and resources against another Muslim country rather than using it to strengthen it, though it is morally bound to do so. It is a pity that so much vital strength is being wasted away, which strength we need more than anything else."

And does not Mr. Hingora's very commentary indicate that genuine Muslims are STILL interested in UNITY – see previous section – and reaching HEAVEN by WORKING, in accordance with the Qur'an? See **Section 29**, p 62, especially, points 1-6 on practising the entire MESSAGE, "to achieve the successful objectives in this world and the hereafter."

Moreover, all Muslims should take careful note that despite the obvious similarity between the principles underlying the success of Babel, forecast by none other than God Himself and those underlying the initial success of Islam, God was not involved in the Babel operation! Note too, that a TOWER is like a PILLAR – and I understand that Muslims have a sacred stone at Mecca, which they KISS and which is BLACK – see discussion on Ham, Nimrod and Ishmael [Section 33 – "Defeat Of The Pagans Prophesied"]. Note too, Acts 19:35, that the worshippers of Diana, otherwise known as MARY to Catholics AND Muslims, also worshipped "the image which fell down from Jupiter" Acts 19:35.

Clearly, Muslims are not the only ones interested in the connection between SPACE TRAVEL and RELIGIOUS WORSHIP.

I conclude discussion on this section by quoting Psalm 115:16: "The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men." Mr. Hingora's assertion – p 86 – that "[Man's] attempts to take control of any other planet would mean transgression on his part" is therefore entirely correct. So is his comment, note 7 p 86 "By no means can [man] gain mastery over the planets and cause confusion by carrying out nuclear tests on them as he has been doing on earth under the pretext of "peaceful research.""

Author's Note, February 2002. See Hislop (13) p 29-30, 74ff, 85, showing that the Catholic 'Mary' is in fact "Diana of the Ephesians" Acts 19:34. The Muslim black stone in Mecca is called "The Hajera el-Assouad" (14) p 185. Muslim pilgrims kiss this stone according to Morey (3) p 41-42, which he states is most likely "an asteroid...fallen out of the sky"! Woodrow (15) makes reference to "the numerous towers, called minarets, at Mecca" p 45-46 and on p 78, he shows a photo of the black image of Peter, the foot of which is kissed by pilgrims. Islam is therefore essentially a revival of the ancient religion of Babylon, like Catholicism, with its emphasis on reaching heaven by works – not intermediate planets - and its accompanying imagery, as shown in Genesis 11 and Acts 19. See also Sadler (7) p 116ff, for a comprehensive treatment of this subject.

Sections 35-39 – "Hypocrites Cursed, Hypocrites Exposed, Hypocrites Separated from Muslims, Hypocrites Failed The Jews, Abu Amir's Complicity Exposed"

These sections have been combined because they each deal with the subject of hypocrites, or pretenders.

- a) "The Hypocrites they think they are over-reaching Allah, but He will over-reach them: When they stand up to prayer, they stand without earnestness, to be seen of men, but little do they hold Allah in remembrance" (iv. 142 Medina)
- b) "The Hypocrites will be in the lowest depths of the Fire: no helper wilt thou find for them" (iv. 145 Medina)
- c) "Let not their wealth nor their (following in) sons dazzle thee: in reality Allah's plan is to punish them with these things in this life, and that their souls may perish in their (very) denial of Allah" (ix. 55 Medina)
- d) "Among them are men who molest the Prophet and say, "He is (all) ear." Say, "He listens to what is best for you: he believes in Allah, has faith in the Believers, and is a Mercy to those of you who believe." But those who molest the Messenger will have a grievous penalty" (ix. 61 Medina)
- e) "The Hypocrites are afraid lest a Sura should be sent down about them, showing them what is (really passing) in their hearts. Say: "Mock ye! But verily Allah will bring to light all that ye fear (should be revealed)" (ix. 64 Medina)
- f) "If thou dost question them, they declare (with emphasis): "We were only talking idly and in play." Say: "Was it at Allah, and His Signs, and His Messenger, that ye were mocking?"" (ix. 65 Medina)
- g) "They swear by Allah that they said nothing (evil), but indeed they uttered blasphemy, and they did it after accepting Islam; and they meditated a plot which they were unable to carry out: this revenge of theirs was (their) only return for the bounty with which Allah and His Messenger had enriched them! If they repent, it will be best for them; but if they turn back (to their evil ways), Allah will punish them with a grievous penalty in this life and in the Hereafter: They shall have none on earth to protect or help them" (ix. 74 Medina)
- h) "Certain of the desert Arabs round about you are hypocrites, as well as (desert Arabs) among the Medina folk: they are obstinate in hypocrisy: thou knowest them not: We know them: twice shall We punish them: and in addition shall they be sent to a grievous penalty" (ix. 101 Medina)
- i) "They shall have a curse on them: whenever they are found, they shall be seized and slain (without mercy)" (xxxiii. 61 Medina)
- j) "It is equal to them whether thou pray for their forgiveness or not. Allah will not forgive them. Truly Allah guides not rebellious transgressors" (lxiii. 6 Medina)

Section 36

- a) "They will present their excuses to you when ye return to them. Say thou: "Present no excuses: we shall not believe you: Allah hath already informed us of the true state of matters concerning you: It is your actions that Allah and His Messenger will observe: in the end will ye be brought back to Him Who knoweth what is hidden and what is open: then will He show you the truth of all that ye did.
- b) "They will swear to you by Allah, when ye return to them, that ye may leave them alone. So leave them alone: For they are an abomination, and Hell is their dwelling-place, a fitting recompense for the (evil) that they did
- c) "They will swear unto you, that ye may be pleased with them but if ye are pleased with them, Allah is not pleased with those who disobey" (ix. 94-96 Medina)

Section 37

"Allah will not leave the believers in the state in which ye are now, until He separates what is evil from what is good nor will He disclose to you the secrets of the Unseen. But He chooses of His Messengers (For the purpose) whom He pleases. So believe in Allah. And His messengers: And if ye believe and do right, ye have a reward without measure" (iii. 179 – Medina)

Section 38

- a) "Hast thou not observed the Hypocrites say to their misbelieving brethren among the People of the Book? "If ye are expelled, we too will go out with you, and we will never hearken to any one in your affair; and if ye are attacked (in fight) we will help you." But Allah is witness that they are indeed liars.
- b) "If they are expelled, never will they go out with them; and if they are attacked (in fight), they will never help them; and if they do help them, they will turn their backs; so they will receive no help" (iix. 11-12 Medina)

Section 39

"And there are those who put up a mosque by way of mischief and infidelity - to disunite the Believers - and in preparation for one who warred against Allah and His Messenger aforetime. They will indeed swear that their intention is nothing but good; But Allah doth declare that they are certainly liars" (ix. 107 – Medina)

The above statements speak of the downfall of hypocrites. Since the 'original' is found in Job 8:13, written about 2500 years before Muhammad's birth, lengthy comment is unnecessary: "So are the paths of all that forget God; and the hypocrite's hope shall perish."

Section 40-45 – "The Jews Are Cursed: Israel Will Disappear, Expulsion Of The Jews From Medina Prophesied, "The Hebrew Greed Exposed, The Cowardice Of The Jews, Enmity Among The Jews, Squabbles Between The Jews And The Christians"

These sections deal primarily with the nation of Israel and thus comments may be applied to them as a whole.

Section 40

- a) "After this it is ye, the same people, who slay among yourselves, and banish a party of you from their homes; assist (Their enemies) against them, in guilt and rancour; and if they come to you as captives, ye ransom them, though it was not lawful for you to banish them. Then is it only a part of the Book that ye believe in, and do ye reject the rest? But what is the reward for those among you who behave like this but disgrace in this life? and on the Day of Judgment they shall be consigned to the most grievous penalty. For Allah is not unmindful of what ye do" (ii. 85 Medina)
- b) "O Messenger! let not those grieve thee, who race each other into unbelief: (whether it be) among those who say "We believe" with their lips but whose hearts have no faith; or it be among the Jews, men who will listen to any lie, will listen even to others who have never so much as come to thee. They change the words from their (right) times and places: they say, "If ye are given this, take it, but if not, beware!" If any one's trial is intended by Allah, thou hast no authority in the least for him against Allah. For such it is not Allah's will to purify their hearts. For them there is disgrace in this world, and in the Hereafter a heavy punishment" (v. 44 Medina)
- c) "Before this We wrote in the Psalms, after the Message (given to Moses): "My servants the righteous, shall inherit the earth" (xxi. 105 Mecca)

Section 41

"Truly, if the Hypocrites, and those in whose hearts is a disease, and those who stir up sedition in the City, desist not, We shall certainly stir thee up against them: Then will they not be able to stay in it as thy neighbours for any length of time" (xxxiii. 60 – Medina)

Section 42

- a) "Thou wilt indeed find them, of all people, most greedy of life, even more than the idolaters: Each one of them wishes He could be given a life of a thousand years: But the grant of such life will not save him from (due) punishment. For Allah sees well all that they do" (ii. 96 Medina)
- b) "The Jews say: "Allah's hand is tied up." Be their hands tied up and be they accursed for the (blasphemy) they utter. Nay, both His hands are widely outstretched: He giveth and spendeth (of His bounty) as He pleaseth. But the revelation that cometh to thee from Allah increaseth in most of them their obstinate rebellion and blasphemy. Amongst them we have placed enmity and hatred till the Day of Judgment. Every time they kindle the fire of war, Allah doth extinguish it; but they (ever) strive to do mischief on earth. And Allah loveth not those who do mischief" (v. 64 Medina)

Section 43

"They will not fight you (even) together, except in fortified townships, or from behind walls. Strong is their fighting (spirit) amongst themselves: thou wouldst think they were united, but their hearts are divided: that is because they are a people devoid of wisdom" (lix. 14 – Medina)

Section 44

- a) "Then woe to those who write the Book with their own hands, and then say: "This is from Allah," to traffic with it for miserable price! Woe to them for what their hands do write, and for the gain they make thereby" (ii. 79 Medina)
- b) "But because of their breach of their covenant, We cursed them, and made their hearts grow hard; they change the words from their (right) places and forget a good part of the message that was sent them, nor wilt thou cease to find them barring a few ever bent on (new) deceits: but forgive them, and overlook (their misdeeds): for Allah loveth those who are kind" (v. 13 Medina)

c) "Say: "O People of the Book! ye have no ground to stand upon unless ye stand fast by the Law, the Gospel, and all the revelation that has come to you from your Lord." It is the revelation that cometh to thee from thy Lord, that increaseth in most of them their obstinate rebellion and blasphemy. But sorrow thou not over (these) people without Faith" (v. 68 – Medina)

Section 45

"The Jews say: "The Christians have naught (to stand) upon; and the Christians say: "The Jews have naught (To stand) upon." Yet they (Profess to) study the (same) Book. Like unto their word is what those say who know not; but Allah will judge between them in their quarrel on the Day of Judgment" (ii. 113 – Medina)

Section 41 can easily be disposed of because the statement does not actually mention the Jew and is in the form of a threat, not a prophecy. Neither can **Section 42** be considered prophecy, because it consists rather of a tirade of abuse. With respect to part (b), every Muslim would do well to consider the words of Numbers 24:9, where Balaam is speaking, verse 2, by the spirit of God: "Blessed is he that blesseth thee, and cursed is he that curseth thee."

Section 43 would appropriately be described as an intelligence report, which, however accurate in the circumstances, obviously applies only locally to a particular localised situation and has no long-term PROPHETICAL significance.

Section 44 contains no specific reference to the Jews and is therefore open to interpretation as a prophecy against them [part (c) could be inferred as a valid rebuke to the Jews i.e. the "People of the Book" but therefore not a prophecy as such and could easily have been taken from Nehemiah 9:16-17, which is an historical, not prophetical passage, more detailed than part (c) and includes God's mercy that part (c) does not. "But they and our fathers dealt proudly, and hardened their necks, and hearkened not to thy commandments, And refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them; but hardened their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage: but thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest them not"]. Neither is there reference to any particular EVENT outside Muhammad's time. The imprecations against those who tamper with scripture could easily have been 'adapted' from the Bible:

"Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you" Deuteronomy 4:2.

"Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar" Proverbs 30:6.

"For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book" Revelation 22:18, 19. See also Author's Note, below.

Section 45 is a comment of historical significance only, accurate or otherwise and mentions no future EVENT which could be CHECKED on Earth.

This leaves **Section 40**, which does NOT actually SAY that Israel will disappear but in part (c) rather affirms the reverse! The disappearance of Israel – "Sooner or later the State of Israel must disappear!" p 105 – is nothing but Mr. Hingora's "private interpretation" 2 Peter 1:20, which has NOT been borne out by the events of 1948, 1956, 1967 and 1973 and so on until the present. An interesting study on this subject is *Battle For Israel*, by Lance Lambert, Christian Literature Crusade, 51 Stephenson Street, Birmingham B2 4DH. Other interesting studies include *The Restoration of Israel* – booklet – and *Russia and Palestine* – tape – both by Dr. Ruckman, available from the Bible Baptist Bookstore, P.O. Box 7135, Pensacola, FL 32514 store.kjv1611.org/.

In truth, it is ISLAM which will disappear. See Ezekiel 38, 39 and the following:

"Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power" 1 Corinthians 15:24.

Author's Note, February 2002. Suras 2 and 5, from which **Section 44** is drawn, each contain several references to the Jews in verses other than those cited.

"Those who believe (in the Qur'an), and those who follow the Jewish (scriptures), and the Christians and the Sabians, - any who believe in Allah and the Last Day, and work righteousness, shall have their reward with their Lord; on them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve" (ii. 62 – Medina)

"And they say: "None shall enter Paradise unless he be a Jew or a Christian." Those are their (vain) desires. Say: "Produce your proof if ye are truthful"" (ii. 110 – Medina)

"(Both) the Jews and the Christians say: "We are sons of Allah, and his beloved." Say: "Why then doth He punish you for your sins? Nay, ye are but men, - of the men he hath created: He forgiveth whom He pleaseth, and He punisheth whom He pleaseth: and to Allah belongeth the dominion of the heavens and the earth, and all that is between: and unto Him is the final goal (of all)"" (v. 18 Medina)

"O Messenger! let not those grieve thee, who race each other into unbelief: (whether it be) among those who say "We believe" with their lips but whose hearts have no faith; or it be among the Jews, - men who will listen to any lie, - will listen even to others who have never so much as come to thee. They change the words from their (right) times and places: they say, "If ye are given this, take it, but if not, beware!" If any one's trial is intended by Allah, thou hast no authority in the least for him against Allah. For such - it is not Allah's will to purify their hearts. For them there is disgrace in this world, and in the Hereafter a heavy punishment" (v. 41 Medina)

One would infer from these additional references that Suras ii. 79, v. 13 and 68 are aimed at the Jews. However, like them, these additional verses do not contain any prophetic material against the Jews but merely augment the denunciation of them as hypocrites and unbelievers. By contrast, when God prophesies against His own people, He gives explicit details of the future that no prophet, such as Abraham, Genesis 20:7, could influence:

"And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance" Genesis 15:13, 14.

The prophecy was fulfilled to the letter because the AV1611 Text includes the time that Abraham spent in Egypt, Genesis 12, according to Biblical chroniclers such as Larkin, Bullinger and others. See Dr. Ruckman's commentary *The Book of Genesis*, p 375ff.

"And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians" Exodus 12:36.

"Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years. And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt" Exodus 12:40, 41.

Despite the Qur'anic exhortations to "stand fast by the Law, the Gospel" in Sura v. 68, it is clear from Suras ii. 62, 110, v. 18, 41 that the Qur'an is in conflict with the Gospel with respect to the essential doctrine of Salvation:

"But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God" John 1:12, 13.

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" John 14:6.

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus" Acts 4:12, 13.

Moreover, the Qur'an is in serious conflict with the Bible over the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ. Compare the following:

"O People of the Book! Commit no excesses in your religion: Nor say of Allah aught but the truth. Christ Jesus the son of Mary was (no more than) a messenger of Allah, and His Word, which He bestowed on Mary, and a spirit proceeding from Him: so believe in Allah and His messengers. Say not "Trinity": desist: it will be better for you: for Allah is one Allah: Glory be to Him: (far exalted is He) above having a son. To Him belong all things in the heavens and on earth. And enough is Allah as a Disposer of affairs" (iv. 171 – Medina)

"In blasphemy indeed are those that say that Allah is Christ the son of Mary. Say: "Who then hath the least power against Allah, if His will were to destroy Christ the son of Mary, his mother, and all every - one that is on the earth? For to Allah belongeth the dominion of the heavens and the earth, and all that is between. He createth what He pleaseth. For Allah hath power over all things" (v. 17 – Medina)

"They say: "Allah hath begotten a son!" - Glory be to Him! He is self-sufficient! His are all things in the heavens and on earth! No warrant have ye for this! say ye about Allah what ye know not?" (x. 68 – Mecca)

"He to whom belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth: no son has He begotten, nor has He a partner in His dominion: it is He who created all things, and ordered them in due proportions" (xxv. 2-Mecca)

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth" John 1:14.

"No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him" John 1:18.

"And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory" 1 Timothy 3:16.

"For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one" 1 John 5:7.

On this basis alone, there is no way therefore that the two documents can be compatible.

Section 46 – "Enmity Among The Christians Prophesied"

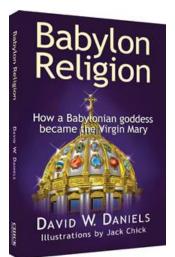
"From those, too, who call themselves Christians, We did take a covenant, but they forgot a good part of the message that was sent them: so we estranged them, with enmity and hatred between the one and the other, to the day of judgment. And soon will Allah show them what it is they have done" (v. 14. – Medina)

This statement is another example of the Qur'an 'borrowing' from the Bible – see Section 33. The source of this Qur'anic 'prophecy' is to be found in Genesis 3:15, where the Lord God is speaking: "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." The enmity is between the DEVIL and his 'church' – Revelation 17, 18 and Eve's 'seed,' the Lord Jesus Christ and HIS church. Present day Muslims make the grave mistake of assuming that all who PROFESS to be Christians are in fact genuine. Many 'professors,' however, would fail the New Testament EXAMINATION of a TRUE Christian, according to 2 Corinthians 13:5 "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be rep-

robates?" Amongst history's most signal failures are the 'professors' of the Roman catholic Church, many of whom have persecuted true believers from the inception of their 'church' in the 4th Century A.D. until the present day. Well did the Apostle John describe the activities of this 'church' in Revelation 18:24: "And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth."

Even the doctrines of Islam can be traced back to this "great whore" Revelation 17:1. See the enclosed booklet.

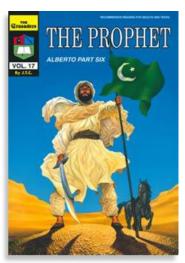
See also Babylon Religion by David W. Daniels www.chick.com/catalog/books/0187.asp.



Author's Note, February 2002. Britain's throne has entered more "perilous times" 2 Timothy 3:1, than could have been envisaged in 1987. See Britain Under Siege and Biblical Bulwarks by this author, available from Christian Watch and Dorchester House Publications, P.O. Box 67, Rickmansworth, Herts., WD3 5SJ [those sources may not stock those books but e-copies available from this writer on request].

The enclosed booklet mentioned above was *The Storyteller*, by Chick Publications, who have since produced a more detailed publication covering the same issues, entitled *The Prophet*. It is available from B McCall Barbour, 28 George IV Bridge Edinburgh, EH1 1ES.





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Section 47 – "Claims Of The Jews And Christians"

- a) "Never will the Jews or the Christians be satisfied with thee unless thou follow their form of religion. Say: "The Guidance of Allah, -that is the (only) Guidance." Wert thou to follow their desires after the knowledge which hath reached thee, then wouldst thou find neither Protector nor helper against Allah" (ii. 120 Medina)
- b) "They say: "Become Jews or Christians if ye would be guided (To salvation)." Say thou: "Nay! (I would rather) the Religion of Abraham the True, and he joined not gods with Allah" (ii. 135 Medina)
- c) "(Both) the Jews and the Christians say: "We are sons of Allah, and his beloved." Say: "Why then doth He punish you for your sins? Nay, ye are but men, of the men he hath created: He forgiveth whom He pleaseth, and He punisheth whom He pleaseth: and to Allah belongeth the dominion of the heavens and the earth, and all that is between: and unto Him is the final goal (of all)" (v. 18 Medina)

We note we are dealing with CLAIMS, not PROPHECY and therefore little comment is required. The statements really take the form of advice to Muslims on how to reply to the claims of Jews and Christians. The answer to the question posed in statement (c) is found in Hebrews 12:6, 7: "For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?"

Author's Note, February 2002. Sections 40-47 reveal nothing original of prophetical significance although the Qur'an contains exhortations to "follow the Jewish (scriptures)" (ii. 62), "stand fast by

the Law, the Gospel" (v. 68) and refers to Jews as the "People of the Book" ibid. Whilst these statements accord with scripture, the above sections reveal other Qur'anic statements that are replete with the antagonism of Islam towards Jews, Christians, the true nature of New Testament salvation and the true identity of the Lord Jesus Christ. One must also bear in mind Mr. Hingora's confident assertion on p 105 of his commentary, namely that "Sooner or later the State of Israel must disappear!." It follows therefore that the Lord will have placed Islam amongst the same group of nations as Amalek:

"And the LORD said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it Jehovah-nissi: For he said, Because the LORD hath sworn that the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation" Exodus 17:14-16.

Section 48 - "Acceptance Of Islam By The Quraish Chiefs Prophesied"

"It may be that Allah will grant love (and friendship) between you and those whom ye (now) hold as enemies. For Allah has power (over all things); And Allah is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful" (lx. 7 – Medina)

The "may be" in the statement immediately disqualifies it as true prophecy. Where God is speaking in prophecy, there is NO "may be." See comments on **Sections 17** and **20**. Mr. Hingora seems to regard as prophetically significant the fulfilment of the above "within the lifetime of the Holy Prophet" p 118. Christian writer Jim McKeever stated in his newsletter End Times News Digest, November 1985 that "In past centuries, Islam has been spread by the sword. Hordes of Muslims would ride into a village and if a person would repeat (the) creed he would live, and if he refused to repeat that creed, he had his head cut off." It would appear therefore that during Muhammad's lifetime, Muslims had ample opportunity to HELP the fulfilment of the above statement. See comments in **Section 6**.

Section 49 – "Wars With Persia And Rome Prophesied"

"Say to the desert Arabs who lagged behind: "Ye shall be summoned (to fight) against a people given to vehement war: then shall ye fight, or they shall submit. Then if ye show obedience, Allah will grant you a goodly reward, but if ye turn back as ye did before, He will punish you with a grievous Penalty" (xlviii. 16 – Medina)

This statement is clearly not a prophecy but a call to arms, with attendant warnings about 'dereliction of duty.' Certainly it deals with no specific event beyond Muhammad's time.

Author's Note, February 2002. Mr. Hingora states, p 121, under this section that "The conquering Muslims never imposed Islam upon the conquered as Charlemagne imposed Christianity upon Saxony, Bohemia and Lombady. Even as victors they never forgot to obey the Qur'anic commandment: "There is no compulsion in religion: truth stands out clear from error." He appears to be referring to the time of the Crusades, between 1098 and 1291 A.D. or possibly up to an including the fall of Constantinople to the forces of Islam in 1453 A.D.

The 'Christianity' of Charlemagne was Roman Catholicism and he was a Roman Catholic dictator like Hitler, Mussolini, Franco and Napoleon. He enforced 'Christian' Catholicism at sword-point and exhibited none of the characteristics of Biblical Christianity in evangelistic matters:

"And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will" 2 Timothy 2: 24-26.

See Ruckman (8) p 219ff.

Sura 2:256, which contains the Qur'anic commandment to which Mr. Hingora refers, states "Let there be no compulsion in religion: Truth stands out clear from Error: whoever rejects evil and believes in Allah hath grasped the most trustworthy hand-hold, that never breaks. And Allah heareth and knoweth all things." Yet Muslims appear to have 'preferred' these commandments down through the centuries to the present day:

"Fight in the cause of Allah those who fight you, but do not transgress limits; for Allah loveth not transgressors. And slay them wherever ye catch them, and turn them out from where they have Turned you out; for tumult and oppression are worse than slaughter; but fight them not at the Sacred Mosque, unless they (first) fight you there; but if they fight you, slay them. Such is the reward of those who suppress faith" (ii. 190-191 – Medina). The first verse indicates that self-defence only is intended but the second shows that this admonition is limited to "the Sacred Mosque." Elsewhere Muslims could attack unbelievers as and where they chose, as the following verses show, even promising special rewards for those who do so.

"Those who believe fight in the cause of Allah, and those who reject Faith Fight in the cause of Evil: So fight ye against the friends of Satan: feeble indeed is the cunning of Satan" (iv. 76 – Medina)

"Not equal are those believers who sit (at home) and receive no hurt, and those who strive and fight in the cause of Allah with their goods and their persons. Allah hath granted a grade higher to those who strive and fight with their goods and persons than to those who sit (at home). Unto all (in Faith) Hath Allah promised good: But those who strive and fight Hath He distinguished above those who sit (at home) by a special reward" (iv. 95 - Medina)

"The punishment of those who wage war against Allah and His Messenger, and strive with might and main for mischief through the land is: execution, or crucifixion, or the cutting off of hands and feet from opposite sides, or exile from the land: that is their disgrace in this world, and a heavy punishment is theirs in the Hereafter" (v. 33 – Medina)

Compare the Old Testament admonition from a prophet of God, long before the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ:

"And it came to pass, when they were come into Samaria, that Elisha said, LORD, open the eyes of these men, that they may see. And the LORD opened their eyes, and they saw; and, behold, they were in the midst of Samaria. And the king of Israel said unto Elisha, when he saw them, My father, shall I smite them? shall I smite them? And he answered, Thou shalt not smite them: wouldest thou smite those whom thou hast taken captive with thy sword and with thy bow? set bread and water before them, that they may eat and drink, and go to their master. And he prepared great provision for them: and when they had eaten and drunk, he sent them away, and they went to their master. So the bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel" 2 Kings 6:20-23.

"Remember thy Lord inspired the angels (with the message): "I am with you: give firmness to the Believers: I will instil terror into the hearts of the Unbelievers: smite ye above their necks and smite all their finger-tips off them" (viii. 12 – Medina)

"Against them make ready your strength to the utmost of your power, including steeds of war, to strike terror into (the hearts of) the enemies, of Allah and your enemies, and others besides, whom ye may not know, but whom Allah doth know. Whatever ye shall spend in the cause of Allah, shall be repaid unto you, and ye shall not be treated unjustly" (viii. 60 - Medina)

"But when the forbidden months are past, then fight and slay the Pagans wherever ye find them, an seize them, beleaguer them, and lie in wait for them in every stratagem (of war); but if they repent, and establish regular prayers and practise regular charity, then open the way for them: for Allah is Oft-forgiving, Most Merciful" (ix. 5 - Medina)

"But if they violate their oaths after their covenant, and taunt you for your Faith, - fight ye the chiefs of Unfaith: for their oaths are nothing to them: that thus they may be restrained" (ix. 12 – Medina)

"Allah hath purchased of the believers their persons and their goods; for theirs (in return) is the garden (of Paradise): they fight in His cause, and slay and are slain: a promise binding on Him in truth, through the Law, the Gospel, and the Qur'an: and who is more faithful to his covenant than Allah? then rejoice in the bargain which ye have concluded: that is the achievement supreme" (ix. 111 - Medina)

"O ye who believe! fight the unbelievers who gird you about, and let them find firmness in you: and know that Allah is with those who fear Him" (ix. 123)

"Therefore, when ye meet the Unbelievers (in fight), smite at their necks; At length, when ye have thoroughly subdued them, bind a bond firmly (on them): thereafter (is the time for) either generosity or ransom: Until the war lays down its burdens. Thus (are ye commanded): but if it had been Allah's Will, He could certainly have exacted retribution from them (Himself); but (He lets you fight) in order to test you, some with others. But those who are slain in the Way of Allah, - He will never let their deeds be lost" (xlvii. 4 – Medina)

"Muhammad is the messenger of Allah; and those who are with him are strong against Unbelievers, (but) compassionate amongst each other. Thou wilt see them bow and prostrate themselves (in prayer), seeking Grace from Allah and (His) Good Pleasure. On their faces are their marks, (being) the traces of their prostration. This is their similitude in the Taurat; and their similitude in the Gospel is: like a seed which sends forth its blade, then makes it strong; it then becomes thick, and it stands on its own stem, (filling) the sowers with wonder and delight. As a result, it fills the Unbelievers with rage at them. Allah has promised those among them who believe and do righteous deeds forgiveness, and a great Reward" (xlviii. 29 – Medina)

These Qur'anic passages contain more than a suggestion of compulsion in religion! Their incitement to violence against "unbelievers" stands in stark contrast to the admonitions of both Biblical Testaments, with respect to the opponents of Bible belief. See also comments under **Section 56**.

Note that the following Biblical passages delineate carefully between compassion towards individual foes on the part of the Bible believer and God's responsibility to inflict vengeance upon those who have ill-treated His followers:

"If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink: For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee" Proverbs 25:21, 22.

"Rejoice, O ye nations, with his people: for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and will be merciful unto his land, and to his people" Deuteronomy 32:43. The fulfilment of this passage will take place when the Lord Jesus Christ returns to earth, literally, physically and visibly, at the time of the Second Advent.

"And he said, The LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of saints: from his right hand went a fiery law for them. Yea, he loved the people; all his saints are in thy hand: and they sat down at thy feet; every one shall receive of thy words" Deuteronomy 33:2, 3.

This passage is very specific with respect to location, which shows clearly that it does *not* refer to the giving of the Mosaic Law at Sinai because at that time the Lord neither "rose up from Seir" nor "shined forth from mount Paran."

The Lord Jesus Christ and the Apostles Paul and Peter gave further exhortation with respect to "them that obey not the gospel of God."

"Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. For if ye love them which love you, what

reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same? And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so? Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect" Matthew 5:43-48.

"Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good" Romans 12:17-21. See also 2 Timothy 2:24-26 above.

"Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters. Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf. For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator" 1 Peter 4:12-19.

Such exhortations that can only obeyed through the strength of the Lord Jesus Christ in the believer, Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Further Qur'anic passages reveal the exclusivity of Islam, which is repeatedly associated with the most vehement demands for subservience to Allah. These demands contain no suggestion of peaceful tolerance.

"To Allah belongeth the dominion of the heavens and the earth; and Allah hath power over all things" (iii. 189 – Medina)

"But to Allah belong all things in the heavens and on earth: And He it is that Encompasseth all things" (iv. 126 – Medina)

"Knowest thou not that to Allah (alone) belongeth the dominion of the heavens and the earth? He punisheth whom He pleaseth, and He forgiveth whom He pleaseth: and Allah hath power over all things" (v. 40, 120 – Medina)

Say: ""O men! I am sent unto you all, as the Messenger of Allah, to Whom belongeth the dominion of the heavens and the earth: there is no god but He: it is He That giveth both life and death. So believe in Allah and His Messenger, the Unlettered Prophet, who believeth in Allah and His words: follow him that (so) ye may be guided"" (vii. 158 – Mecca))

"Unto Allah belongeth the dominion of the heavens and the earth. He giveth life and He taketh it. Except for Him ye have no protector nor helper" (ix. 116 – Medina)

"Verily your Lord is Allah, who created the heavens and the earth in six days, and is firmly established on the throne (of authority), regulating and governing all things. No intercessor (can plead with Him) except after His leave (hath been obtained). This is Allah your Lord; Him therefore serve ye: will ye not receive admonition?" (x. 3 – Mecca)

"Of Allah, to Whom do belong all things in the heavens and on earth! But alas for the Unbelievers for a terrible penalty (their Unfaith will bring them)!" (xiv. 2 - Mecca)

"To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and on earth, and to Him is duty due always: then will ye fear other than Allah?" (xvi. 52 - Mecca)

"To Him belongs what is in the heavens and on earth, and all between them, and all beneath the soil" (xx. 6 - Mecca)

"Seest thou not that to Allah bow down in worship all things that are in the heavens and on earth, - the sun, the moon, the stars; the hills, the trees, the animals; and a great number among mankind? But a great number are (also) such as are fit for Punishment: and such as Allah shall disgrace, - None can raise to honour: for Allah carries out all that He wills" (xxii. 18 – Medina)

"Yea, to Allah belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth; and to Allah is the final goal (of all)" (xxiv. 42 – Medina)

"And call not, besides Allah, on another god. There is no god but He. Everything (that exists) will perish except His own Face. To Him belongs the Command, and to Him will ye (all) be brought back" (xxviii. 88 – Mecca)

"O My servants who believe! truly, spacious is My Earth: therefore serve ye Me - (and Me alone)!" (xxix. 56 – Mecca)

"It is Allah Who has created the heavens and the earth, and all between them, in six Days, and is firmly established on the Throne (of Authority): ye have none, besides Him, to protect or intercede (for you): will ye not then receive admonition?" (xxxii. 4 - Mecca)

"Say: "To Allah belongs exclusively (the right to grant) intercession: to Him belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth: In the End, it is to Him that ye shall be brought back"" (xxxix. 44 – Mecca)

"To Allah belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth, and the Day that the Hour of Judgement is established, - that Day will the dealers in Falsehood perish!" (xlv. 27 – Mecca)

"To Allah belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth: He forgives whom He wills, and He punishes whom He wills: but Allah is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful" (xlviii. 14 – Medina)

"To Him belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth: It is He Who gives Life and Death; and He has Power over all things" (lvii. 2 - Medina)

"Whatever is in the heavens and on earth, doth declare the Praises and Glory of Allah: to Him belongs dominion, and to Him belongs praise: and He has power over all things" (lxiv. 1 - Mecca)

"Those who reject Allah, and hinder (men) from the Path of Allah, then die rejecting Allah, - Allah will not forgive them" (xlvii. 34 – Medina)

"And if any believe not in Allah and His Messenger, We have prepared, for those who reject Allah, a Blazing Fire!" (xlviii. 13 – Medina)

In sum, according to the Qur'an, Allah's power is absolute and all are at his mercy, which is exercised randomly – see Sura xlviii. 14 – unless one submits to Islam.

It is true, of course, that New Testament salvation is exclusive to those who voluntarily receive the Lord Jesus Christ, John 1:12, 14:6, Acts 4:12. However, the Lord Jesus Christ seeks reconciliation with unbelievers, not subservience. Thus His servants are enjoined to beseech unbelievers, not threaten them. Moreover, as "God...manifest in the flesh" 1 Timothy 3:16, the Lord Jesus Christ "died for all" whereas neither Allah nor his 'prophet' died for any, although they caused the unnecessary deaths of multitudes and continue to do so – see the earlier parts of this work.

"And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more. Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath

committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him" 2 Corinthians 5:15-21.

For additional comment on Sura 2:256, see *A Call to the Muslims of the World* in **2. Islamic Sources, Aims and Aspirations** and the analysis by G. J. O. Moshay in **4. Christians Answer Islam – and Terror**.

Section 50 – "Disbelievers Punished In This World Too"

- a) "Those who reject Our signs, We shall gradually visit with punishment, in ways they perceive not;
- b) "Respite will I grant unto them: for My scheme is strong (and unfailing)" (vii. 182-183 Mecca)
- c) "If there were a Qur'an with which mountains were moved, or the earth were cloven asunder, or the dead were made to speak, (this would be the one!) But, truly, the command is with Allah in all things! Do not the Believers know, that, had Allah (so) willed, He could have guided all mankind (to the right)? But the Unbelievers, never will disaster cease to seize them for their (ill) deeds, or to settle close to their homes, until the promise of Allah come to pass, for, verily, Allah will not fail in His promise" (xiii. 31 Mecca)
- d) "Those who reject Faith will not cease to be in doubt concerning (Revelation) until the Hour (of Judgment) comes suddenly upon them, or there comes to them the Penalty of a Day of Disaster" (xxii. 55 Medina)
- e) "On account of their arrogance in the land and their plotting of Evil, but the plotting of Evil will hem in only the authors thereof. Now are they but looking for the way the ancients were dealt with? But no change wilt thou find in Allah's way (of dealing): no turning off wilt thou find in Allah's way (of dealing)" (xxxv. 43 Mecca)
- f) "Do they not travel through the earth, and see what was the End of those before them (who did evil)? Allah brought utter destruction on them, and similar (fates await) those who reject Allah" (xlvii. 10 Medina)
- g) "Those who resist Allah and His Messenger will be among those most humiliated" (lviii. 20 Medina)

Again these words are not prophecy but warnings and admonitions, all of which are VAGUE.

Statement (a) gives no details concerning punishment. Maybe NOBODY could have perceived what it was! See comments under **Section 29**.

Statement (b) appears only as a 'Divine reassurance' and refers to no specific EVENT.

Statement (c) could easily have been implemented during the lifetime of Muhammad, by 'jihad' – see comments on **Section 48**.

Statement (d) reminds one of Proverbs 26:2 "As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come." I, for one, have never believed the Qur'an to be a revelation from God and I never will. Yet I am in NO DOUBT about the Revelation of God, which is the AV1611 HOLY BIBLE and I have NO fear concerning judgement.

"Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him" Proverbs 30:5.

When I received the LORD JESUS CHRIST into my life on 19th July 1967, I entered into the absolute certainty of eternal life with GOD, my Father, according to the promise of the Lord Jesus Christ in John 5:24. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

That was nearly twenty years ago. Today I can say with the hymn writer:

"Blessed assurance, Jesus is MINE,

"O what a foretaste of glory divine!

"Heir of salvation, purchase of God,

"Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood"

I suppose no Muslim would really understand a testimony like that but let me ask the reader this:

How many hymns have been written dedicated to MUHAMMAD or his 'God'?

Author's Note, February 2002. I still stand by the above, fifteen years later [2001], except that when I received the Lord Jesus Christ, He entered my physical BODY and cut my soul loose from my flesh "through the faith of the operation of God" Colossians 2:12. This is an important distinction because the Lord could be said to be in the devil's life – and the devil doesn't appreciate it at all: "Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble" James 2:19. See Sura iv. 171 under Author's Note for Section 40.

Statement (e) could easily have been 'borrowed' from James 1:17 "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."

Statement (f) could easily have been adapted from Jeremiah 18:7-10. "At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy it; If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them. And at what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant it; If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them."

By 600 A.D. or by Muhammad's time, there was abundant historical evidence in support of this admonition – Assyria, for example, if one compares the prophecies of Jonah and Nahum.

Statement (g) could easily have been adapted from Proverbs 3:34 "Surely he scorneth the scorners: but he giveth grace unto the lowly."

Section 51 – "The Insulters Are Insulted"

"For sufficient are We unto thee against those who scoff" (xv. 95 – Mecca)

This statement is not a prophecy but merely a vague form of reassurance. It deals with no specific event outside of Muhammad's time.

Section 52 – "Slanderers of A'Yeshah Punished"

"Those who brought forward the lie are a body among yourselves: think it not to be an evil to you; On the contrary it is good for you: to every man among them (will come the punishment) of the sin that he earned, and to him who took on himself the lead among them, will be a penalty grievous" (xxiv. 11 - Medina)

When "a stubborn hypocrite" p 128 is identified in ANY [honest] group, retribution follows. Even the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ is not exempt. Read Acts 5:1-5 and 1 Corinthians 5:13: "But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person."

This statement, however, is not prophecy of future events and neither is the Qur'anic one above.

Section 53 – "Walid Bin Mughirah's Fall"

- "When to him are rehearsed Our Signs, "Tales of the ancients," he cries! Soon shall We brand (the beast) on the snout!" (lxviii. 15-16)
- "Leave Me alone, (to deal) with the (creature) whom I created (bare and) alone! -
- "To whom I granted resources in abundance, And sons to be by his side! -
- "To whom I made (life) smooth and comfortable!
- "Yet is he greedy-that I should add (yet more); -
- "By no means! For to Our Signs he has been refractory!
- "Soon will I visit him with a mount of calamities!
- "For he thought and he plotted; -
- "And woe to him! How he plotted! -
- "Then he looked round;
- "Then he frowned and he scowled;
- "Then he turned back and was haughty;
- "Then said he: "This is nothing but magic, derived from of old;
- ""This is nothing but the word of a mortal!"" (lxxiv. 11-25 Mecca)

Obviously there is nothing in the above statements that could not have been fulfilled by Muhammad and his followers. The statements above amount to a 'contract' in the modern idiom, not a prophecy.

Section 54 - "Fall of Abu Lahab And His Wife, Umm Jamil"

"Perish the hands of the Father of Flame! Perish he! No profit to him from all his wealth, and all his gains! Burnt soon will he be in a Fire of Blazing Flame! His wife shall carry the (crackling) wood - As fuel! - A twisted rope of palm-leaf fibre round her (own) neck!" (cxi. 1-5 – Mecca)

This statement also could easily have had its fulfilment at the hands of Muhammad's followers. It amounts to what I believe in British law would be called incitement to violence.

Section 55 - "As Bin Wa'il Is Cursed"

"Hast thou then seen the (sort of) man who rejects Our Signs, yet says: "I shall certainly be given wealth and children?" Has he penetrated to the Unseen, or has he taken a contract with (Allah) Most Gracious? Nay! We shall record what he says, and We shall add and add to his punishment. To Us shall return all that he talks of and he shall appear before Us bare and alone" (xix. 77-80 - Mecca)

Again, there is nothing here that is prophetic beyond Muhammad's time. Scriptural prophecy is typically set far beyond the prophet's time and is explicit with respect to God's final punishment of evildoers. "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death" Revelation 21:8.

Section 56 – "Fall Of Abu Jahl"

- a) "So he gave nothing in charity, nor did he pray! But on the contrary, he rejected Truth and turned away! Woe to thee, (O men!), yea, woe! Again, Woe to thee, (O men!), yea, woe!" (lxxv. 31-32, 34-35 Mecca)
- b) "Seest thou one who forbids A votary when he (turns) to pray?" (xcvi. 9-10 Mecca)
- c) "Let him beware! If he desist not, We will drag him by the forelock, A lying, sinful forelock!" (xcvi. 15-16 Mecca)

Once again, we are dealing with 'incitement to violence,' not prophecy. One notes, in passing, that in this and in the other preceding **Sections 51-55**, Muslims seem to know very little of the meaning of the word 'Islam,' which evidently signifies 'surrender' 'or submission.' Observe the contrast with the above in the commands given by the Lord Jesus Christ and His Apostles:

"But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you" Matthew 5:44.

"Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not" Romans 12:14.

"Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf...Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator" 1 Peter 4:16, 19.

Author's Note, March 2002. See **4. Christians Answer Islam – and Terror** for G. J. O. Moshay's explanation of the word 'Islam.' It would appear that the violence threatened against Abu Jahl was entirely in keeping with the *true* meaning of the word 'Islam.'

Section 57 – "The Calumniators Of Chaste Muslim Women Are Cursed"

"Those who slander chaste women, indiscreet but believing, are cursed in this life and in the Hereafter: for them is a grievous Penalty" (xxiv. 23 – Medina)

As the title to the section states, we are dealing with a curse, not prophecy about particular future events.

Section 58 – "Sorcery Cursed"

- a) "They followed what the evil ones gave out (falsely) against the power of Solomon: the blasphemers Were, not Solomon, but the evil ones, teaching men Magic, and such things as came down at babylon to the angels Harut and Marut. But neither of these taught anyone (Such things) without saying: "We are only for trial; so do not blaspheme." They learned from them the means to sow discord between man and wife. But they could not thus harm anyone except by Allah's permission. And they learned what harmed them, not what profited them. And they knew that the buyers of (magic) would have no share in the happiness of the Hereafter. And vile was the price for which they did sell their souls, if they but knew!" (ii. 102 Medina)
- b) "Said Moses: "Say ye (this) about the truth when it hath (actually) reached you? Is sorcery (like) this? But sorcerers will not prosper" (x. 77 Mecca)

Given the following:

"Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail. Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the astrologers, the stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save thee from these things that shall come upon thee. Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame: there shall not be a coal to warm at, nor fire to sit before it" Isaiah 47:12-14.

There is no room for the Qur'an to say other than what is above.

Section 59 - "Usury Condemned"

"Those who devour usury will not stand except as stand one whom the Evil one by his touch Hath driven to madness. That is because they say: "Trade is like usury," but Allah hath permitted trade and forbidden usury. Those who after receiving direction from their Lord, desist, shall be pardoned for the past; their case is for Allah (to judge); but those who repeat (The offence) are companions of the Fire: They will abide therein (for ever). Allah will deprive usury of all blessing, but will give increase for deeds of charity: For He loveth not creatures ungrateful and wicked" (ii. 275-276 – Medina)

These statements are not prophecy but, as the title indicates, condemnations of usury and avarice. They could easily have been taken from the Old Testament.

"If thou lend money to any of my people that is poor by thee, thou shalt not be to him as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him usury" Exodus 22:25.

See also Leviticus 25:36, Deuteronomy 23:19, Nehemiah 5:7, noting that God DOES allow usury with respect to "a stranger," thus discriminating between Israel and the rest of humanity. However, God does condemn greed, which accounts for the statement in Sura ii. 276.

"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty" Proverbs 11:24.

"He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him: but blessing shall be upon the head of him that selleth it" Proverbs 11:26.

Section 60 – "Opportunists Condemned"

"There are among men some who serve Allah, as it were, on the verge: if good befalls them, they are, therewith, well content; but if a trial comes to them, they turn on their faces: they lose both this world and the Hereafter: that is loss for all to see!" (xxii. 11 – Medina)

This is not a prophecy of future events but an observation from life, which is entirely correct. The Lord Jesus Christ stated it thus:

"Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men" Matthew 5:13.

"But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth" Matthew 8:12.

"But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it; Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended" Matthew 13:20, 21.

Section 61 – "Natural Calamities And Wars Are A Punishment"

"Say: "He hath power to send calamities on you, from above and below, or to cover you with confusion in party strife, giving you a taste of mutual vengeance - each from the other." See how We explain the signs by various (symbols); that they may understand" (vi. 65 - Medina)

Precisely. See comments on **Section 29**. Again, the Qur'an is revealing noting which had not already been known for 2400 years before Muhammad put pen to paper. See the Book of Job.

Section 62 – "Materialists Rewarded In This World Only"

- a) "Those who desire the life of the present and its glitter, to them we shall pay (the price of) their deeds therein, without diminution. They are those for whom there is nothing in the Hereafter but the Fire: vain are the designs they frame therein, and of no effect and the deeds that they do!" (xi. 15-16 Mecca)
- b) "There is nothing but our life in this world! We shall die and we live! But we shall never be raised up again!" (xxiii. 37 Mecca)
- c) "And they say: "What is there but our life in this world? We shall die and we live, and nothing but time can destroy us." But of that they have no knowledge: they merely conjecture" (xlv. 24 Mecca)

Aside from the evidence that Muslims [themselves] seem very interested in material gains – see **Sections 19**, **20** – there is no truth here that was not already in circulation 2400 years before the Qur'an came into existence.

"Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped, And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD. In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly" Job 1:20-22.

Section 63 – "Restorationism Condemned"

- a) "And they say: "The Fire shall not touch us but for a few numbered days:" Say: "Have ye taken a promise from Allah, for He never breaks His promise? or is it that ye say of Allah what ye do not know?"" (ii. 80 Medina)
- b) "This because they say: "The Fire shall not touch us but for a few numbered days": For their forgeries deceive them as to their own religion" (iii. 24 Medina)
- c) "Verily Allah has cursed the Unbelievers and prepared for them a Blazing Fire, To dwell therein for ever: no protector will they find, nor helper" (xxxiii. 64-65)

As in many of the preceding sections, the statements quoted deal with no future EVENT, which could be checked by subsequent historical records. As an admonition to 'easy believers,' these statements could easily have been adapted from Deuteronomy 29:19, 20. "And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst: The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD shall blot out his name from under heaven."

Section 64 – "The Qur'an Revealed That The Earth Was Round"

- a) "One day the earth will be changed to a different earth, and so will be the heavens, and (men) will be marshalled forth, before Allah, the One, the Irresistible" (xiv. 48 Medina)
- b) "And when the earth is flattened out, And casts forth what is within it and becomes (clean) empty" (lxxxiv. 3-4 Mecca)

Once again we are dealing with Mr. Hingora's "private interpretation" 2 Peter 1:20 – see Section 40 – because nowhere in these statements are we told WHAT shape the earth is! For the definitive scientific information on this point, we turn, as usual, to the AV1611 HOLY BIBLE (any edition is fine).

"To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him?... It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in" Isaiah 40:18, 22.

With regard to statement (a), Psalm 102: 25, 26 state "Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands. They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed."

Section 65 – "The Science Of Medicine Cannot Do This"

"Say: "Think ye, if Allah took away your hearing and your sight, and sealed up your hearts, who - a god other than Allah - could restore them to you?" See how We explain the signs by various (symbols); yet they turn aside" (vi. 46 – Mecca)

Again, this statement is not prophecy but an accurate observation from life, see **Section 60**, stated originally as follows:

"And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD?" Exodus 4:11.

"If he set his heart upon man, if he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath; All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turn again unto dust" Job 34:14, 15.

Section 66 – "Man's Power Is Limited"

"Verily the knowledge of the Hour is with Allah (alone). It is He Who sends down rain, and He Who knows what is in the wombs. Nor does any one know what it is that he will earn on the morrow: Nor does any one know in what land he is to die. Verily with Allah is full knowledge and He is acquainted (with all things)" (xxxi. 34 – Mecca)

The above statement is certainly true but NOT in any way PROPHETICAL. Moreover, nothing is revealed that was not in circulation 500 years before Muhammad's birth:

"For he saith to the snow, Be thou on the earth; likewise to the small rain, and to the great rain of his strength" Job 37:6.

"For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether" Psalm 139:4.

"Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations" Jeremiah 1:4, 5.

Compare Galatians 1:15 "But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace" – did MUHAMMAD have this qualification?

"Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away" James 4:13, 14.

The statement "Nor does any one know in what land he is to die" is not strictly true. Jeremiah states with respect to Jehoahaz, also called Shallum, son of King Josiah of Judah, who died in Egypt, 2 Kings 23:31-33.

"Weep ye not for the dead, neither bemoan him: but weep sore for him that goeth away: for he shall return no more, nor see his native country. For thus saith the LORD touching Shallum the son of Josiah king of Judah, which reigned instead of Josiah his father, which went forth out of this place; He shall not return thither any more: But he shall die in the place whither they have led him captive, and shall see this land no more" Jeremiah 22:10-12.

As usual, the EXACT truth is given in the AV1611 HOLY BIBLE.

"For truly my words shall not be false: he that is perfect in knowledge is with thee" Job 36:4.

"Then Job answered the LORD, and said, I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee" Job 42:1, 2.

"There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death: and there is no discharge in that war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it" Ecclesiastes 8:8.

As a final comment, it is interesting that this section of Mr. Hingora's book should be numbered '66'! See Section 3.

Section 67 - "God Protects A Small Nation From A Big Nation"

"By Allah's will they routed them; and David slew Goliath; and Allah gave him power and wisdom and taught him whatever (else) He willed. And did not Allah Check one set of people by means of another, the earth would indeed be full of mischief: But Allah is full of bounty to all the worlds" (ii. 251 – Medina)

Again, the title is misleading because nothing is said about the SIZE of ANY nation. Moreover, the statement is NOT a prophecy but a general comment on history. For specific detail, one must again consult the Holy Bible to show that, when necessary, God DOES protect a 'small' nation, i.e. Israel.

"When they were but a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it. When they went from one nation to another, from one kingdom to another people; He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproved kings for their sakes" Psalm 105:12-14.

However, God can use a big nation to PUNISH a small nation – see the Book of Jeremiah – or a small nation to punish a big one, or the equivalent. See the Books of Exodus and Joshua.

Section 68 - "Evolutions Of The Earth And Life"

"Do not the Unbelievers see that the heavens and the earth were joined together (as one unit of creation), before we clove them asunder? We made from water every living thing. Will they not then believe?" (xxi. 30 – Mecca)

The answer is NO, I will not! The above statement – which is not prophecy by any stretch of the imagination – appears to have been derived from a misreading of Genesis 1. The 'cleaving asunder,' which is rendered more clearly as "dividing" in Genesis 1:4, 5, 7, resulted not from the ORIGINAL creation of Genesis 1:1 but from the RE-creation after verse 2, wherein we read as follows. "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." To state that every living thing came from WATER is nonsense, like the entire evolutionary THEORY which remains TO THIS DAY [2015] a THEORY, UNSUPPORTED by ANY SOUND SCIENTIFIC DATA. For an in-depth treatment, see The Christian's Handbook of Science and Philosophy by Dr. Ruckman, Bible Baptist Bookstore, P.O. Box 7135, Pensacola, FL 32534 store.kjv1611.org/. Life appears FIRST in WATER, Genesis 1:20 but man is made out of GROUND, which had been WATERED, Genesis 2:6, 7. Thus every human has a WATER birth [though he needs a Spirit birth as well]. See John 3:5 ["Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God"].

Section 69 – "Communism Will Be Vanquished"

- a) "Thou causest the night to gain on the day, and thou causest the day to gain on the night; Thou bringest the Living out of the dead, and Thou bringest the dead out of the Living; and Thou givest sustenance to whom Thou pleasest, without measure" (iii. 27 Medina)
- b) "And in no wise covet those things in which Allah Hath bestowed His gifts More freely on some of you than on others: To men is allotted what they earn, and to women what they earn: But ask Allah of His bounty. For Allah hath full knowledge of all things" (iv. 32 Medina)
- c) "The Unbelievers spend their wealth to hinder (man) from the path of Allah, and so will they continue to spend; but in the end they will have (only) regrets and sighs; at length they will be overcome: and the Unbelievers will be gathered together to Hell" (viii. 36 Medina)
- d) ""Those whose efforts have been wasted in this life, while they thought that they were acquiring good by their works?" They are those who deny the Signs of their Lord and the fact of their having to meet Him (in the Hereafter): vain will be their works, nor shall We, on the Day of Judgment, give them any weight" (xviii. 104-105 Mecca)
- e) "Know they not that Allah enlarges the provision or restricts it, for any He pleases? Verily, in this are Signs for those who believe!" (xxxix. 52 Mecca)

The above is not a prophecy against communism but a general condemnation of non-Muslims (such as myself) which Mr. Hingora has APPLIED to communists. The essence of the condemnation could have easily have been obtained from many scriptures.

"Truly God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean heart. But as for me, my feet were almost gone; my steps had well nigh slipped. For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked" Psalm 73:1-3.

"Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end. Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction" Psalm 73:17, 18.

It is of course pleasing to see statement (b) that the Qur'an upholds the principle of WORKING for a living, 2 Thessalonians 3:8-10 ["For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat" 2 Thessalonians 3:10].

Section 70 – "Regarding The Advent Of Jesus To The Earth"

- a) "And there is none of the People of the Book but must believe in him before his death; and on the Day of Judgment he will be a witness against them" (iv. 159 Medina)
- b) "And (Jesus) shall be a Sign (for the coming of) the Hour (of Judgment): therefore have no doubt about the (Hour), but follow ye Me: this is a Straight Way" (xliii. 61 Mecca)

Statement (a) has already been discussed in **Section 2**, with respect to the TRUE death of the Lord Jesus Christ. His coming for Judgement was prophesied as follows:

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this" Isaiah 9:6, 7.

Author's Note, March 2002. "The great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure" Daniel 2:45b.

Section 71 – "The Gog And Magog Will Be Let Loose"

"But there is a ban on any population which We have destroyed: that they shall not return, Until the Gog and Magog (people) are let through (their barrier), and they swiftly swarm from every hill" (xxi. 95-96 – Mecca)

Gog and Magog are the armies of the Soviet bloc who invade Israel, together with the Muslim armies, at the outbreak of World War 3, about 1994 (a variation of four years either side of that date is possible but SOONER is more likely than later!). See discussion in **Section 11** and refer Ezekiel 38, 39.

Author's Note, March 2002. See note following **Section 11**. The timing stated above is not correct but Israel against Islam is still centre stage in the world's media attention and the former Soviet Union still has a vast number of men under arms. The exact fulfilment of Ezekiel 38, 39 cannot be long delayed. That statement was based on the current calendar. By 2015, these events are yet to happen.

Section 72 – "Appearance Of The Strange Beast"

"And when the Word is fulfilled against them (the unjust), we shall produce from the earth a beast to (face) them: He will speak to them, for that mankind did not believe with assurance in Our Signs" (xxvii. 82 – Mecca)

This statement could easily have been adapted from the following:

"After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns. I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things" Daniel 7:7, 8.

This beast actually comes from the SEA, verse 2 but beasts of the EARTH are mentioned frequently in both Testaments. See Deuteronomy 28:26, 1 Samuel 17:46, Job 5:22, 35:11, Psalm 79:2, as bases for adaptation to the Qur'anic statement. The "beast" is explained in more detail in Revelation 13 but in line with the thesis stated in the **Introduction**, the emphasis of this study is the OLD TESTAMENT, with respect to any Qur'anic statement dealing with future events.

Section 73 – "The Sun Shall Rise From The West Before The Day Of Resurrection"

"Are they waiting to see if the angels come to them, or thy Lord (Himself), or certain of the signs of thy Lord! the day that certain of the signs of thy Lord do come, no good will it do to a soul to believe in them then if it believed not before nor earned righteousness through its faith. Say: "Wait ye: we too are waiting."" (vi. 158 – Mecca)

Despite the portentous title given to this section, no prophecy of any sort appears in the accompanying statement but only another warning about unbelief, with a reference to unspecified signs. The idea MIGHT have been obtained from Matthew 12:39, where the Lord Jesus Christ speaks concerning "the sign of the prophet Jonas." We observe that the Lord Jesus Christ is the "Sun of Righteousness," Malachi 4:2 and at His return is as the sun that rises in the MORNING.

Author's Note, March 2002. The sun is RED when it comes up in the morning:

"Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save. Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat? I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come" Isaiah 63:1-4.

Section 74 – "Mountains Shall Vanish"

- a) "Thou seest the mountains and thinkest them firmly fixed: but they shall pass away as the clouds pass away: (such is) the artistry of Allah, who disposes of all things in perfect order: for he is well acquainted with all that ye do" (xxvii. 88 Mecca)
- *b)* "And the mountains will fly hither and thither" (lii. 10 Mecca)
- *c)* "And the mountains will be like wool" (lxx. 9 Mecca)
- *d)* "When the mountains vanish (like a mirage)" (lxxxi. 3 Mecca)

Here the Qur'an ads nothing to Isaiah 54:10 "For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee."

Section 75 – "Seas Shall Be Seized With Commotion"

- *a)* "When the oceans boil over with a swell" (lxxxi. 6 Mecca)
- *b)* "When the Oceans are suffered to burst forth" (lxxxii. 3 Mecca)

The Qur'an adds nothing to Psalm 46:1-3. "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah."

Of course, what the Qur'an OVERLOOKS is the work of GOD in all this calamity, sustaining the lives of His people.

Section 76 – "Heavenly Bodies Will Disappear"

- a) "The Day the heaven shall be rent asunder with clouds, and angels shall be sent down, descending (in ranks)" (xxv. 25 Mecca)
- *b)* "On the Day when the firmament will be in dreadful commotion" (lii. 9 Mecca)
- c) "The Day that the sky will be like molten brass" (lxx. 8 Mecca)
- d) "And the moon is buried in darkness. And the sun and moon are joined together" (lxxv. 8-9 Mecca)
- e) "And the heavens shall be opened as if there were doors" (lxxviii. 19 Mecca)
- f) "When the sun (with its spacious light) is folded up; When the stars fall, losing their lustre" (lxxxi. 1-2 Mecca)
- g) "When the Sky is cleft asunder; When the Stars are scattered" (lxxxii. 1-2 Mecca)

These statements have already been commented upon in **Section 64**, with respect to Psalm 102:25, 26. Further specific comment may be made as follows.

Statement (a) adds nothing to Psalm 68:17: "The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels: the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place." It also adds nothing to Joel 2:2, 5, 11. "A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations. Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array. And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?"

Statement (c) adds nothing to Job 37:18. "Hast thou with him spread out the sky, which is strong, and as a molten looking glass?"

Statement (d) adds nothing to Joel 2:10. "The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining." Compare statement (f), noting Daniel 8:10: "And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them."

Statement (e) adds nothing to Psalm 78:23. "Though he had commanded the clouds from above, and opened the doors of heaven."

This leaves statements (b) and (g).

Neither adds anything to Isaiah 34:4. "And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree."

Neither adds anything to Isaiah 51:6. "Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but my salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished." Compare also with statement (f) and note that Psalm 78:23 also explains how the sky could be "cleft asunder" in statement (g).

See also Isaiah 64:1. "Oh that thou wouldest rend the heavens, that thou wouldest come down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence."

The "old hymn" to which Mr. Hingora refers on p 166 of his commentary is in reality Psalm 90:4. "For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night."

Section 77 – "The Dead Shall Come To Life Again"

- a) "They say: "What! when we are reduced to bones and dust, should we really be raised up (to be) a new creation?" Say: "(Nay!) be ye stones or iron, "Or created matter which, in your minds, is hardest (to be raised up), (Yet shall ye be raised up)!" then will they say: "Who will cause us to return?" Say: "He who created you first!" Then will they wag their heads towards thee, and say, "When will that be?" Say, "May be it will be quite soon!" (xvii. 49-51)
- b) "One Day We shall remove the mountains, and thou wilt see the earth as a level stretch, and We shall gather them, all together, nor shall We leave out any one of them" (xviii. 47 Mecca)
- c) "On that day We shall leave them to surge like waves on one another: the trumpet will be blown, and We shall collect them all together" (xviii. 99 Mecca)
- d) "The Day that We roll up the heavens like a scroll rolled up for books (completed), even as We produced the first creation, so shall We produce a new one: a promise We have undertaken: truly shall We fulfil it" (xxi. 104 Mecca)
- e) "It is He Who begins (the process of) creation; then repeats it; and for Him it is most easy. To Him belongs the loftiest similitude (we can think of) in the heavens and the earth: for He is Exalted in Might, full of wisdom" (xxx. 27 Mecca)
- f) "It is Allah Who has created you: further, He has provided for your sustenance; then He will cause you to die; and again He will give you life. Are there any of your (false) "Partners" who can do any single one of these things? Glory to Him! and high is He above the partners they attribute (to him)!" (xxx. 40 Mecca)
- g) "Verily We shall give life to the dead, and We record that which they send before and that which they leave behind, and of all things have We taken account in a clear Book (of evidence)" (xxxvi. 12 Mecca)
- h) "The trumpet shall be sounded, when behold! from the sepulchres (men) will rush forth to their Lord!" (xxxvi. 51 Mecca)
- i) "The Trumpet will (just) be sounded, when all that are in the heavens and on earth will swoon, except such as it will please Allah (to exempt). Then will a second one be sounded, when, behold, they will be standing and looking on!" (xxxix. 68 Mecca)
- *j)* "Does man think that We cannot assemble his bones? Nay, We are able to put together in perfect order the very tips of his fingers" (lxxv. 3-4 Mecca)
- k) "Was he not a drop of sperm emitted (in lowly form)? Then did he become a leech-like clot; then did (Allah) make and fashion (him) in due proportion. And of him He made two sexes, male and female. Has not He, (the same), the power to give life to the dead?" (lxxv. 3-4 Mecca)
- l) "What! Are ye the more difficult to create or the heaven (above)? (Allah) hath constructed it" (lxxix. 27 Mecca)

As in the previous section, we will deal with each statement either individually or in suitable combinations.

Statements (a), (j) and (k) add nothing to Ezekiel 37:1-10. "The hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones, And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry. And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord GOD, thou knowest. Again he said unto me, Prophesy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the LORD. So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone. And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them. Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live. So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army."

Neither do these statements add anything to Genesis 1:27 "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them" nor to Job 25:5, 6. "Behold even to the moon, and it shineth not; yea, the stars are not pure in his sight. How much less man, that is a worm? and the son of man, which is a worm?"

Statements (e) and (l) add nothing to Genesis 1:1, 2. "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters."

Neither do these statements add anything to Jeremiah 32:17. "Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee."

See also Isaiah 65:17. "For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind." This text, with Isaiah 34:4, also pre-empts statement (d) – see Section 76.

Statement (g) adds nothing to Psalm 139:16. "Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them." It also adds nothing to Psalm 40:7, 8 (a prophetic reference to the life of the Lord Jesus Christ – Hebrews 10:5-7). "Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me, I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart." See also Exodus 32:32-34, concerning God's BOOK.

This leaves (b), (c), (h) and (i). These are pre-empted by:

"And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice. And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up. And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through unto the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish. And let the priests also, which come near to the LORD, sanctify themselves, lest the LORD break forth upon them. And Moses said unto the LORD, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou chargedst us, saying, Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it. And the LORD said unto him, Away, get thee down, and thou shalt come up, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto the LORD, lest he break forth upon them. So Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them" Exodus 19:19-25.

"And all the people saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they removed, and stood afar off" Exodus 20:18.

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea. And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth" Isaiah 11:11, 12.

"All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on the earth, see ye, when he lifteth up an ensign on the mountains; and when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye" Isaiah 18:3.

"The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall punish the host of the high ones that are on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth. And they shall be gathered together, as prisoners are gathered in the pit, and shall be shut up in the prison, and after many days shall they be visited" Isaiah 24:20-22.

"Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead" Isaiah 26:19.

"Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west; I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth; Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him" Isaiah 43:5-7.

"How long shall I see the standard, and hear the sound of the trumpet? I beheld the earth, and, lo, it was without form, and void; and the heavens, and they had no light. I beheld, and, lo, there was no man, and all the birds of the heavens were fled. For thus hath the LORD said, The whole land shall be desolate; yet will I not make a full end. For this shall the earth mourn, and the heavens above be black: because I have spoken it, I have purposed it, and will not repent, neither will I turn back from it" Jeremiah 4:21, 23, 25, 27-28.

"And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever. But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased" Daniel 12:1-4.

"For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem, I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land" Joel 3:1, 2. See also Section 76.

"And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the Lord GOD shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south" Zechariah 9:14.

For more on TRUMPETS, statements (h), (i), see 1 Corinthians 15:52, 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17 and Revelation 8:2ff. These are of course, New Testament passages, which do not bear directly on the thesis as stated in the **Introduction** but nevertheless would have been available to the composers of the Qur'an for use in their adaptation of the Old Testament passages quoted. Naturally the Qur'anic statements do not match the Old Testament passages exactly but more than sufficient prophetic material is there in the Old Testament for the Qur'anic counterparts to be formulated. It will be appreciated once again that the Qur'an reveals nothing new and in fact omits many details of the future found in the Old Testament – particularly those concerning the restoration of Israel and the judgement on nations which have persecuted Israel.

Section 78 – "The Earth Shall Speak"

- a) "Verily what is on earth we shall make but as dust and dry soil (without growth or herbage)" (xviii. 8 Mecca)
- b) "And the Earth will shine with the Glory of its Lord: the Record (of Deeds) will be placed (open); the prophets and the witnesses will be brought forward and a just decision pronounced between them; and they will not be wronged (in the least)" (xxxix. 69 Mecca)
- c) "Nay! When the earth is pounded to powder, And thy Lord cometh, and His angels, rank upon rank" (lxxxix. 21-22 Mecca)
- d) "When the earth is shaken to her (utmost) convulsion, And the earth throws up her burdens (from within), And man cries (distressed): "What is the matter with her?" On that Day will she declare her tidings: For that thy Lord will have given her inspiration" (xcix. 1-5 Mecca)

Statement (a) adds nothing to Malachi 4:3 and is rather less explicit. "And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts."

Statement (b) adds nothing to Isaiah 2:4. "And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

It adds nothing to Isaiah 60:19. "The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory."

See also comments in **Section 77** concerning Daniel 12 and in **Section 70** under Isaiah 9:6, 7.

Statement (c) has been commented upon under **Section 76**.

See Section 77 concerning Isaiah 24 and 26 for comments on the first part of statement (d). For the truth about the earth's 'declaration,' see Isaiah 44:23. "Sing, O ye heavens; for the LORD hath done it: shout, ye lower parts of the earth: break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: for the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel."

Section 79 – "This Shall Happen To Every Human Being One Day"

- a) "(It will be said to him:) "Read thine (own) record: Sufficient is thy soul this day to make out an account against thee" (xvii. 14 Mecca)
- b) "The Day ye shall see it, every mother giving suck shall forget her suckling-babe, and every pregnant female shall drop her load (unformed): thou shalt see mankind as in a drunken riot, yet not drunk: but dreadful will be the Wrath of Allah" (xxii. 2 Medina)
- c) "On the Day when their tongues, their hands, and their feet will bear witness against them as to their actions. On that Day Allah will pay them back (all) their just dues, and they will realise that Allah is the (very) Truth, that makes all things manifest" (xxiv. 24-25 Medina)
- d) "O mankind! do your duty to your Lord, and fear (the coming of) a Day when no father can avail aught for his son, nor a son avail aught for his father. Verily, the promise of Allah is true: let not then this present life deceive you, nor let the chief Deceiver deceive you about Allah" (xxxi. 33 Mecca)
- e) "On that Day will men proceed in companies sorted out, to be shown the deeds that they (had done). Then shall anyone who has done an atom's weight of good, see it! And anyone who has done an atom's weight of evil, shall see it" (xcix. 6-8 Mecca)
- f) "(It is) a Day whereon men will be like moths scattered about" (ci. 4 Mecca)

Statement (a) adds nothing to Psalm 96:10-13. "Say among the heathen that the LORD reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof. Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth."

Statement (b) adds nothing to Deuteronomy 28:28, 34, 53, 56-58. "The LORD shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart: So that thou shalt be mad for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see. And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee: The tender and delicate woman among you, which would not adventure to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward the husband of her bosom, and toward her son, and toward her daughter, And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all things secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates. If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD."

Note the historical fulfilment of these verses in 2 Kings 6:28, 29 and Lamentations 2:20, 4:10. The prophetical fulfilment, concerning "the day of the Lord" Amos 5:18-20, see preceding sections, is yet future. Again, the Old Testament supplies many more details than the rather vague statements of the Our'an.

Statement (c) adds nothing to Ecclesiastes 12:14. "For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil."

It adds nothing to Isaiah 13:7-11. "Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every man's heart shall melt: And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces shall be as flames. Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it. For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine. And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for

their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible." See these passages also in the context of Section 76.

It adds nothing to Jeremiah 30:6. Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?

It adds nothing to Nahum 2:5. "He shall recount his worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the defence shall be prepared."

Note that we are still in the context of "the day of the Lord" [Amos 5:18, 20 and 25 additional references] when He pours out His wrath on a sinful world. See Isaiah 13 and remarks on Section 78, statement (a) above. See also Zephaniah 1:14-17. "The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly. That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers. And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung."

The Bible here spells out details which the Qur'an only hints at. The passages from Deuteronomy also account for statement (d) where "son" and "father" are mentioned and Genesis 3:1 provides us with the 'original' warning about "the chief Deceiver." "Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?"

Statement (e) adds nothing to Ecclesiastes 12:14 – see above – and Psalm 46:8. "Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth." This verse deals with the AF-TERMATH of the events described in the prophetical passages cited above.

Statement (f) is surely pre-empted by Psalm 39:11. "When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man is vanity. Selah."

Conclusion

We have reached the end of our study on *The Prophecies Of The Holy Qur'an* by Q. I. Hingora. As a reviewer, I cannot claim to have been neutral but I believe I have been THOROUGH. By means of a careful comparison of Qur'anic and Biblical passages, we have seen that every statement cited by Mr. Hingora as "prophecy" has been matched by equivalent BIBLICAL statements, with far greater clarity, depth and detailed revelation. This has been especially true of Old Testament prophecies concerning the yet future judgement of God on this earth, the Qur'anic treatment of which is extremely sketchy and lacking in accurate detail.

We must conclude, therefore, that Dr. Ruckman's thesis, as stated in the **Introduction**, has been vindicated.

Conclusion, March 2002

Fifteen years have elapsed since the compilation of the above work. Apart from the observation that our calendar is clearly incorrect with respect to the timing of the fulfilment of certain prophetic events, none of the above work needs to be changed. The first part of this work reveals how Islam has repeatedly shown itself to be a ruthless and coercive force during the intervening years and the many other detailed works cited in this study will support that conclusion. The many citations of the Qur'an show that however it was compiled, it is in the main but an aberration of "the scripture of truth" Daniel 10:21 and an aspiration towards the shrewd exercise of power, when the time is opportune.

Moreover, contrary to the assertions of Messrs. Bush and Blair [1. Introduction – Enter the Enemy], the Qur'an's teachings are not those of peace and tolerance. Whoever must ultimately bear responsibility for the attack of September 11th, as the devil's understudy, there was nothing about that attack that contradicted the Qur'an with respect to retribution for 'unbelievers.' It was not surprising therefore that many Muslims, including young Muslim school children, greeted the WTC atrocity with exuberance. The question of who is teaching these young adherents to Islam still demands an answer.

As the title page to this work indicates therefore, the Lord Jesus Christ summed up for the Qur'an and its devotees the "thoughts and intents of the heart" Hebrews 4:12, centuries in advance. The enemies of the Lord knew better than to "go out in haste" Isaiah 52:12. According to Matthew 26:3-5, they chose their time carefully, as the Lord said:

"When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness" Luke 22:53.

Conclusion, August 2015

The above conclusions are still valid. Concerning the 1611 Holy Bible versus the Unholy Qur'an the main thesis of this work has been vindicated by a comparison of the two documents on the basis of prophecy. That comparison shows that the 1611 Holy Bible is "the book of the LORD" Isaiah 34:16 and the Qur'an is "words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers" 2 Timothy 2:14.

Islam is indeed an arm of "the power of darkness" Luke 22:53, Colossians 1:13 and among "the unfruitful works of darkness" Ephesians 5:11 to be resisted by Bible believers according to James 4:7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." Muslims will therefore confess about the Qur'an to the Lord Jesus Christ at the Second Advent as Jeremiah prophesied "the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit" Jeremiah 16:19. It is hoped that this work will therefore further encourage Bible believers to "have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them" Ephesians 5:11.

Isaiah's prophecy and the Lord's invitation remain, though. "But his hand is stretched out still" Isaiah 5:25, 9:12, 17, 21, 10:4. "Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life" John 8:12.

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