

Response to Ben Carson's remarks on an Islamic president

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It seems that the Republican Party has decided that demonizing Islam and Muslims is good politics. Never mind that American Muslims are some of the most successful Americans around. Never mind that American Muslims are just the sort of people who would be good allies of the Republican Party. Never mind that American Muslims are an important part of America and marginalizing them—as with any other minority—can only hurt the country going forward.

Ben Carson is a black Republican Party candidate running for President in 2016 elections. The man is willing to say almost anything to climb the ladder of success. In order to climb the career ladder of politics he does not mind offending American Muslims (6.9 million), and wound the feelings of 1.5 billion Muslims living in the six continents of the world. What a tactful diplomacy from a man that is supposed to be the President of the United States of America!

"I would not advocate that we put a Muslim in charge of this nation. I absolutely would not agree with that," Carson told NBC's "Meet the Press."

Speaking on Meet the Press, Carson said Islam is not consistent with the U.S. Constitution. He also said he would not vote for a Muslim for President. Even after it was pointed out that Article VI of the Constitution prohibits such religious tests for public

office, Carson refused to alter his stand and later added that the next president should be sworn in on a stack of Bibles, not a Koran.

During a CNN interview, Carson added, "I would have problems with somebody who embraced all the doctrines associated with Islam. If they are not willing to reject sharia and all the portions of it that are talked about in the Koran."

Carson further added: "I do not believe Sharia is consistent with the Constitution of this country".

Carson said that the only exception he would make would be if the Muslim running for office "publicly rejected all the tenants of Sharia and lived a life consistent with that."

Carson also mentioned "Taqiyya", a practice in Islam in which a Muslim can mislead nonbelievers about the nature of their faith to avoid religious persecution. "Taqiyya allows, and even encourages you to lie to achieve your goals," Carson said.

By announcing such statements, Carson wants to frame himself as one of the few candidates running for president willing to tell hard truths. The devil incarnate and the despicable anti-Muslim hate monger Robert Spencer sent him a big "Bravo".

In response to Carson's comments, the Council on American Islamic Relations [CAIR] announced that Carson clearly does not understand or care about the Constitution, which clearly states that 'no religious test shall ever be required as a

qualification to any office', and asked Carson to withdraw from the presidential race.

Carson demanded in return that the IRS crack down on the Council on American-Islamic Relations for violating regulations that restrict the political involvement by groups that claim non-profit status.

Ben Carson has never run a political campaign, and has never run for office, yet currently he ranks in the top five of a very crowded GOP presidential primary field, on par with actual GOP politicians such as former Gov. Jeb Bush, Sen. Ted Cruz, and Sen. Lindsey Graham. When it comes to momentum of supporters, his lack of government experience poses no threat, in fact, it's revered.

It was Carson that stood up at last year's National Prayer breakfast and criticized President Obama while inches apart from one another. For this, Carson is glorified as the next great conservative right messiah.

The following is my comments on Ben Carson's offensive remarks.

1- No Muslim should ever become US President

Perhaps Ben Carson thinks that the Bill of Rights, which protects freedom of speech, gives him the right to reveal his opinion in all subjects including religious matters. He might think that freedom of speech means that people should be able

to say what they wish, whenever they wish, heedless of people around them.

Freedom of speech is a precious right that must be guarded carefully. But what happens when that right is used to feed religious intolerance, and Islamophobia, that is already spreading like cancer across the United States?

While some statements may not immediately be the direct cause of a specific act of violence, they spread seeds of intolerance and anger that lead to legitimizing and accepting acts of bigotry and hate, like the “Burn a Koran day” that took place in Florida, the desecration of mosques, physical attacks against Muslims including women and children. As a result, the public slowly becomes inured to Islamophobic actions and statements.

Ben Carson should have known that free speech has not always been a guaranteed right for anyone to say anything that crosses his or her minds. There are limits of minimum social decency that must not be surpassed.

It’s unimaginable that Carson as a GOP presidential candidate is resorting to fear mongering to benefit his campaign, and every American should be disturbed that this national figure is engaging in blatant acts of religious bigotry.

Ben Carson’s statement that Muslims have no right to run for office, is hypocritical, because with Hannity interview he was asked “Why do you, Dr. Benjamin Carson, love America?”

He answered: “ Because I think it is a very special nation that was created so that people could be free. And they could be free to believe what they wanted. They could be free to work as hard as they wanted, knowing that their labour would accrue to them and to their family, that there wouldn't be a lot of people impinging upon their freedom and telling them what they had to do, and that it would be a nation that was representative of the people, and that it would have a government that was representative of the people rather than one that tried to rule the people.”

So the man appreciates freedom for everybody, but when it comes to Muslims, he denies their right to run for presidency! This I consider an act of glaring hypocrisy because he says what he does not believe.

Bigotry against American Muslims from inside the Republican Party is not a new phenomenon. Beginning in 2010, Islam became a major wedge issue in partisan politics, fuelled by Republican Congress members like Allen West, Louie Gohmert, Joe Walsh, Michelle Bachmann and supported by former House speaker and one-time presidential candidate Newt Gingrich.

Because their heads are devoid of any meaningful plans for their voters, Politicians across the country, and especially Republicans, have made their careers by vilifying and spewing hate against Muslims.

Ben Carson reminds me of another black Republican - Allen West. During his two-year tenure in Congress, West earned a

reputation as not only one of the House's most brash members, but also its top Islamophobe.

Allen West is still surprised that Florida's voters have kicked him out of Congress after only two years. West's loss should be a lesson to Ben Carson who is using bigotry to his political advantage.

Ben Carson talks about Muslims as if they were rejected from their own society, and he is an accepted citizen due to his position as a GOP candidate for presidency.

This pathetic social climber who gave himself the right to humiliate Muslims and the Koran thinks that he is free to express his evil views about innocent Muslims.

But deep in his heart, the arrogant Ben Carsen knew for sure that he had been disrespected by many at an inhumane level. Through the course of his life, white supremacy must have injured him in many ways, and manifested itself in the complex inferiority Carson now has. Attacking Muslims in such a despicable way is manifestation of such inferiority complex.

As it seems, Ben Carson is very ignorant of history. He does not know that the Muslims he defames are the ones who created a civilization that successfully ruled the world for 1000 years and made him a civilized human. He does not know that the Muslims are the best community that has ever been brought forth for the good of humankind.

The Muslim nation has not been constituted to become just another nation among nations, to compete with others to

advance its interests; it has been raised for all humankind. It is the best community because it guides to the way of Allah the Creator.

Allah says in the Koran:

You are the best nation ever brought forth to men, bidding to honour, and forbidding dishonour, and believe in Allah (Al-Imran, 110).

The Muslims were charged with this responsibility because of their competence. They were the best people in terms of character and morals and had developed in theory and in practice the qualities essential for truly righteous leadership, namely the spirit and practical commitment to promoting good and suppressing evil and the acknowledgement of the One True God Allah as their Lord and Master. In view of the task entrusted to them, they had to become conscious of their responsibilities and avoid the mistakes committed by their predecessors. Islam therefore lives, not for itself, but for humankind.

The Koran Carson denies, serves as an instruction book for humanity, a type of handbook on life from the One who created life. Practicing Muslims use this book as a standard for correct thought and action because they have a firm belief that Allah, the Creator, knows what is best for His creation. In 17:9 of the Koran Allah says, "Verily this Koran does guide to that which is most right".

With this great religion, Muslims ruled the world with equity,

justice and good conscious for 1000 years. In all the nations they opened or lived in, they spread the virtues of the Koran. They spread spirituality, righteousness, kindness and justice. They keep in remembrance the name of their Lord and devote themselves to Him whole-heartedly. He is the Lord of the East and the West - there is no god but He.

The irresponsible statement of Ben Carson shows clearly that he looks at Muslims as outcasts rejected by their society! But Carson should stand in awe of the Muslims because they have behind them a glorious heritage, a golden age of 1000 years of civilization that showered the whole world with science, genuine thoughts and wonderful developments, whereas America at that time was still living in darkness.

Ben Carson must understand that he owes his humanity and intellectuality - if he has any - to the Islamic civilization that filled the world with high morality, science and jurisprudence. The achievement of Muslims in all fields is what made Ben Carson human.

Now let's see the civilization of those whom Ben Carson thinks they are not fit for presidency. Let's see the Muslim achievements that shaped the modern world and taught men like Ben Carson how to be civilized humans.

The period from the death of Muhammad - peace be upon him - through the 16th Century marks the glorious days of the Islamic Empire. It was a period of commerce, industry and intra-cultural synergies and a flourishing of the sciences, art, medicine and architecture. It was the epitome of what

civilization should be. Islam carried the light of learning through so many centuries, paving the way for Europe's Renaissance and Enlightenment. The Muslims developed the order of algebra; magnetic compass and tools of navigation; they were mastery of pens and printing; and showed how disease spreads and how it can be healed.

The global civilization created by Islam succeeded in activating the minds and thoughts of the people who entered its fold. Because of Islam, the nomadic Arabs became torchbearers of science and learning. The Persians, who had created a great civilization before the rise of Islam, produced even more science and learning in the Islamic period than before, the same can be said of the Turks and other peoples who embraced Islam. The religion of Islam was itself responsible for not only the creation of a world civilization in which people of many different ethnic backgrounds participated, but it also played a central role in developing intellectual and cultural life on a scale not seen before.

Whilst the Age of Islam was a time of intellectualism and scientific, social and philosophical advances, the greatest contribution to the world was Islamic medicine. The Islamic scholars gathered vast amounts of information, from around the known world, adding their own observations and developing techniques and procedures that would form the basis of modern medicine. In the history of medicine, Islamic medicine stands out as the period of greatest advance, certainly before the technology of the Twentieth Century.

Islam therefore is a religion for all people from whatever race or background they might be: Islamic civilization is based on a unity, which stands completely against any racial or ethnic discrimination. Such major racial and ethnic groups as the Arabs, Persians, Turks, Africans, Indians, Chinese and Malays in addition to countless smaller units embraced Islam and contributed to the building of Islamic civilization.

These are the Muslims whom Ben Carson belittle and despise. Muslims do not spread lesbianism, homosexuality, sex outside marriage , gambling, wine, pork, as we see in the American society. On the contrary, they spread self-restraint, piety and god-fearing. The American society must learn decency from the pious attitude of Muslims and reform itself accordingly.

These are the Muslims whom Ben Carson treats as outcasts. These are the Muslims whom Ben Carson wants to deprive from their right to run for presidency!

Ben Carson must understand that every Muslim in his country is the result of a great civilization that benefitted the world. At that time, Ben Carson's ancestors were living in the primitive Turkana tribe in Kenya and Tanzania, then shipped to work as slaves in the cotton plantations of the white Americans.

Muslims were able to create a continental super-state that stretched from ocean to ocean and from northern climes to tropics and deserts. Within its dominion lived hundreds of millions of people, of different creeds and ethnic origins. Arabic, the language of the Koran, became the universal language of much of the world, the bridge between the peoples

of a hundred lands. Its armies were made up of people of many nationalities, and its military protection allowed peace and prosperity that had never been known before.

Ben Carson should be indebted to this civilization, because its gifts are very much a part of the world's heritage. The technology Carson is enjoying now would not have existed without the contributions of Arab mathematicians.

The Muslim civilization was a leadership that harnessed the full capabilities of a very diverse population-that included Christianity, Islamic, and Jewish traditions. This kind of enlightened leadership that nurtured culture, sustainability, diversity and courage led to 1000 years of invention and prosperity.

Ben Carson - you anti-Muslim hate monger - take your hat off and bow respectfully to your American Muslim brothers, because they carry the verbatim Word of Allah. They may teach you something that may break down your stubborn arrogance. They may teach you how to avoid insults, lies, backbiting, or saying something evil to others. They may show you how to spread goodness and virtues among people. They may show you how to restrain your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking falsehood and deceit.

Now let us see what the American heritage had to offer to humanity. There is no American heritage that benefitted the world, but rather a very young history dealing mainly with a struggle to build a new nation. This very young history turns around native American society on the eve of British

colonization; Britain in the new world and its colonies; African Americans in the British new world; the declaration of independence; the American revolution; and drafting and ratifying the constitution.

The formation of sovereign states in the New World begins with the United States Declaration of Independence of 1776, i.e. the age of America is about 230 years only.

The formation of America was based on European refugees who fled to the new world escaping the church persecution. America was also formed on Indian genocide. The European settlers who fled to America deliberately annihilated American Indian populations.

European expansion into North America – whether to find gold, escape religious persecution or start a new life – led to the destruction of Native American livelihoods. Colonists in search of gold staged violent ambushes on tribal villages, fuelling animosity with natives. Several wars broke out between tribes and American settlers, which led to large death tolls, land dispossession, oppression and blatant racism.

Among the individual acts of genocide perpetrated by the American settlers during their colonization of the Americas are:

Columbus's voyages; Trail of Tears; Sand Creek Massacre; Wounded Knee Massacre; Gnadenhutten Massacre.

Estimates of the pre-Columbian population vary widely, though uncontroversial studies place the figure for North, Central and South America at a combined 50 million to 100 million, with

scholarly estimates of 2 million to 18 million for North America alone. An estimated 80% to 90% of this population died after the arrival of Europeans, overwhelmingly from factors which deniers of genocide argue were beyond most human control — e.g., smallpox epidemics. Europeans, especially the Spanish conquistadors, also killed thousands deliberately.

By the time Christopher Columbus reached the Caribbean in 1492, historians estimate that there were 10 million indigenous peoples living in U.S. territory, but by 1900, the number had reduced to less than 300,000.

The “Indian Removal” policy was implemented to “clear” land for white settlers. Removal was more than another assault on American Indians’ land titles. Insatiable greed for land remained a primary consideration.

The Indian Removal Act began in 1830. Forced marches at bayonet-point to relocation settlements resulted in high mortality rates. The infamous removal of the Five Civilized Tribes — the Choctaws, Creeks, Chickasaws, Cherokees, and Seminoles — is a dismal page in United States history. By the 1820’s the Cherokees, who had established a written constitution modelled after the United States Constitution, a newspaper, schools, and industries in their settlements, resisted removal. In 1938, the federal troops evicted the Cherokees. Approximately four thousand Cherokees died during the removal process because of poor planning by the United States Government. This exodus to Indian Territory is known as the Trail of Tears. More than one hundred thousand American

Indians eventually crossed the Mississippi River under the authority of the Indian Removal Act.

The formation of America was also based on slavery. The Africans were brought by force from Africa and shipped under dire conditions to work as slaves in the cotton plantations of the whites. The arrogant Ben Carson knows of course that his ancestors were part of them.

When captive Africans first set foot in North America, they found themselves in the midst of a thriving slave society. During most of the 17th and 18th centuries, slavery was the law in every one of the 13 colonies, North and South alike, and was employed by its most prominent citizens, including many of the founders of the new United States. The importation of slaves was provided for in the U.S. Constitution, and continued to take place on a large scale even after it was made illegal in 1808.

The level of slave exports grew from about 36,000 a year during the early 18th century to almost 80,000 a year during the 1780s.

Approximately 11,863,000 Africans were shipped across the Atlantic, with a death rate during the Middle Passage reducing this number by 10-20 percent. As a result, between 9.6 and 10.8 million Africans arrived in the Americas.

About 500,000 Africans were imported into the U.S. between 1619 and 1807--or about 6 percent of all Africans forcibly imported into the Americas. About 70 percent arrived directly from Africa.

When Africans were taken from their homes and forced into slavery, they were separated from mothers, fathers, sisters and brothers and were torn from extensive kinship networks. Enslaved in the British colonies of North America or the free states of the American Union, the ability of Africans to re-establish nuclear families and familial support systems depended on many factors including the needs and desires of the slave owner.

Right now, America is facing an overwhelming financial disaster. In 2004, the federal debt was \$7.3 trillion. This rose to \$10 trillion when the housing bubble burst four years later. Today it exceeds \$18 trillion and is projected to approach \$21 trillion by 2019.

More disastrous is the fact that both China and the IMF have been pushing to make the Chinese yuan a global reserve currency.

For the last 15 years, the U.S. dollar has been marching slowly toward total destruction at the hands of China. If the yuan becomes a global reserve currency, inflation in the U.S. will skyrocket, putting Americans in dire financial jeopardy. Bank accounts will be obliterated. Unemployment will be the norm. Urban unrest will grip the country. Millions of lives will be ruined.

Well Ben Carson, this is the bloody heritage of your country, and this is the terrible financial crisis your country is facing right now, let alone the social ills the American society is suffering from e.g. racism; religious intolerance; discrimination

against culture, age, sex, religion, race; standard of living - between the poor & rich; health care ; homelessness; unemployment; inflation; skyrocketing debt; poverty and welfare, violence, possession of arms; shooting in schools; abortion; sex abuse; drugs; prostitution; lesbianism; homosexuality; hate speech; illegal immigration, money laundering, etc.

Ben Carson, instead of attacking American Muslims and their religion do care about America. Your nation rots from the inside out. America is now on the edge of real national self-destruction. The future of America will be either a national revival or total destruction. America needs a man to save her from collapse. Are you the right man, or just a laughingstock, a clown dancing on the ladder of politics?

During the past few generations, Americans have witnessed the collapse of moral and ethical values unlike any time in her history. Americans are looking at the very strong probability of economic collapse, unless there is a tremendous change.

Can you do the change with this empty head of yours? Your words to the press in economy, politics, and social welfare, are insipid, absurd, void, shallow and meaningless.

Is that your attainment of knowledge?

Ben Carson is a Preacher of hate. He threatens the American solidarity by engaging in a culture war just to garner votes. He must be rejected and marginalized. His mission to polarize the American society must not be allowed.

Based on the principles of the Bill of Rights, which allows the right to freedom of religion and to free speech and the due process of law, and due to Muslims' perfect moral integrity, I strongly recommend that Muslims should be President of the United States.

2- In a new interview with CNN, Carson went a step further and said Muslims should denounce the Koran to have his support.

"I would have problems with somebody who embraced all the doctrines associated with Islam," Carson told CNN's Jake Tapper. "If they are not willing to reject sharia and all the portions of it that are talked about in the Koran. If they are not willing to reject that, and subject that to American values and the Constitution, then of course, I would."

This ignorant hate monger must have been out of his senses when he uttered such a despicable statement.

Ben Carson wants Muslims to desert their Sharia in order to support them for presidency. It is exactly as if saying to the Jews to abandon the halakha, and the Christians to abandon the Christian canon! What an oppressive price he put in order for Muslims to become President! He wants Muslims to blaspheme against their Lord and become renegades in order to sit in the White House.

Carson's statement about rejecting the Koran as a divine Book shows clearly that he thinks that the Bible is the only true Book that should be relied on whereas the Koran is not, but in fact, the opposite is true.

Because of his ignorance of the Koran, and what it entails, he gave himself the right to attack the Holy Book of Muslims without knowledge. If Carson had read the Koran he would have known that the Koran came also as a warner to the Christians! This was because the Christians corrupted their Book and invented peculiar dogmas in their religion, which angered the Creator. They deviated from the original teachings of the Gospel and worshipped Jesus instead of God. The Koran came therefore to restore the true monotheistic Message of Jesus and warns the Christians of a severe chastisement if they do not go back to the real monotheistic Message of Allah.

Religion with Allah has always been Islam and no other. A large number of people have a big misconception that Islam is a new religion that came into existence 1400 years ago and Prophet Muhammad – peace be upon him - is its founder. Islam is not a new religion; it was given to Adam and all other Prophets including Noah, Enoch, Abraham, Isaak, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Jesus, and the seal of the prophets Muhammad. Their Message was the same; Allah is One and is to be worshipped alone without associating with Him any partners. Worshipping Allah as the One God must be crowned with piety and good deeds as mentioned in the Holy Books and the traditions of the prophets.

Jesus preached monotheism (Tawheed in Arabic) and never Trinity.

In John 17:3 –

"And this is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou has sent."

In Mark 12:28-30 –

"And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, 'Which is the first commandment of all?' And Jesus answered him: 'The first of all the commandments is; hear O Israel, the Lord thy God is One Lord: and thou shalt love the Lord, thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.'"

In Mark 12:32 –

"And the scribe said unto him, 'Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is One God; and there is none other but He.' "

In these verses, Jesus (peace be upon him) himself had testified that Allah is the One God, there is none other than Him, and that whoever believes in His Oneness, he is near the Kingdom of Allah. Therefore, whoever associates partners with Allah or believes in the Trinity is far away from the Kingdom of Allah, and whoever is

far away from the Kingdom of Allah he is the enemy of Allah, and he is doomed to Hell.

Allah is One, His Message is one; yet how people's perversity transforms truth into falsehood, religion into superstition!

The Koran rejected all the distorted dogmas the Christians invented in their religion i.e., the Trinity, vicarious atonement, crucifixion, and original sin.

The Koran stated that Jesus, the son of Mary was sent to guide the Children of Israel with a new Scripture, the Injîl or Gospel. The Koran stated that Jesus was born to Mary as the result of virginal conception, a miraculous event, which occurred by the decree of Allah. To aid to his ministry to the Jewish people, Jesus was given the ability to perform miracles with the permission of Allah rather than of his own power. According to the Koran, Jesus although appeared to have been crucified, was not killed by crucifixion or by any other means; instead Allah raised him unto Himself. Like all prophets in Islam, Jesus was considered a Muslim (i.e., one who submits to the will of Allah), as he preached that his followers should adopt the straight path as commanded by Allah. Islam rejects the Trinitarian Christian view that Jesus was God incarnate or the son of God, that he was ever crucified or resurrected, or that he ever atoned for the sins of humankind. The Koran said that Jesus himself never claimed any of these things, and it furthermore indicated that Jesus would deny having ever claimed divinity at the last Judgment and God will vindicate him.

The Koran emphasized that Jesus was a mortal human being who, like all other prophets, had been divinely chosen to deliver Allah's Message of monotheism (Tawheed). The Koran forbade the association of partners with Allah, emphasizing a strict notion of monotheism (Tawheed).

The Koran says in this respect:

"When Jesus came with Clear Signs, he said: 'Now I have come to you with Wisdom, and in order to make clear to you some of the (points) on which you dispute. Therefore, fear God and obey me. God, He is my Lord and your Lord, so worship Him -- this is a Straight Way.' But sects from among themselves fell into disagreement. So woe to the wrongdoers, from the penalty of a Grievous Day!" (Az-Zukhruf, 63-65).

All the books the Christians have today did not come from God or from Jesus. With regard to the Gospels that the Christians have, there are four Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Luke and Mark did not see Jesus; rather he was seen by Matthew and John.

These four accounts that the Christians call the Gospel, were written by these men after the Messiah had been taken up into heaven. They did not say that they are the word of God or that the Messiah conveyed them from God, rather they narrated some of the words of the Messiah and some of his deeds and miracles.

The four Gospels of Marks, Luke, Matthew and John are much more divergent and different by addition and omission than the

Torah. They disobeyed the rulings of the Torah and the Injîl in so many things they legalized for themselves.

Most fervent Christians of all varieties believe that the Bible, especially the New Testament, while written down by human beings, is the inspired written words of God. But whatever may be said about how the originals of the Biblical books came to be written, unfortunately we do not have those original copies of any of the books of the Bible, not even the New Testament. What we do have are multiple generations of error-ridden copies of those originals.

Unlike Judaism or Islam, for the first three centuries of its existence, Christianity was an illegal and fugitive religion. What copying or translation of the original documents took place was usually done by amateurs, in far from ideal circumstances, however diligent and devote the copies themselves undoubtedly were. This unprofessional copying continued throughout the first 330 years before Christianity became the state religion under Constantine. About 5,700 Greek manuscripts of the Bible survive today, even though some manuscripts only contain small fragments of the texts. Of these texts, only ten contain the full Bible as we know it today, and only four of these are earlier than the tenth century!

The two oldest copies of almost the full Bible as we know it are the Codex Sinaiticus and Codex Vaticanus, held in the British library and the Vatican library, respectively. The latter may be one of the Bibles commissioned to be made by the Emperor Constantin. In neither of these texts does the story of Jesus and the woman taken in adultery (John 8) appear, showing that this

account was inserted into the Bible for the first time at least 300 years after the event is said to have taken place, and some 250 years after the Gospel into which it was inserted was written.

In that collection of 5,700 manuscripts some scholars estimate that there are as many as 400,000 places where the manuscripts are at variance with each other, or as one noted Biblical scholar expressed it, there are more variations of the texts of the New Testament than there are words in the New Testament.

We also know from early Christian references that there were several other letters written by the New Testament authors that did not survive, such as Paul's Third Letter to the Corinthians.

Some of these variations in the New Testament text are simply accidents of scribal copying. Some were deliberate changes to accommodate different theological points of view, or to ensure that sacred scripture correspond to the teaching of the early church. Good examples are the changes made in relation to the debate about whether Jesus was divine or human or combination of both, vicarious atonement, the concept of the Trinity, original sin, the status of women in the early church, and there are several others.

At the dawn of the 21st century there were more than sixty English translations of the New Testament scriptures in print . The King James Version of the Bible has rightly been beloved for centuries by Christian believers all throughout the English speaking world. Unfortunately the King James Bible, it is a

translation of one of the most corrupted of the Greek texts that have survived (1)

If it is true that the fourth century Roman Church severely altered the written word of the scriptures, then it is necessary for the modern believer to search out the facts. People must open their minds and search for the truth.

If Satan is the god of darkness, then it is Satan who seduces Christians into believing that their current scriptures were protected from being altered. The historical evidence shows conclusively that this is not the case -- and the Bible no longer represents the original form of the text (2).

All people who consider themselves to be sincere believers today had better rethink their position with respect to the purity with which the scriptures has been preserved.

The Bible admits its own corruption by the scribes who wrote down and copied the different chapters of the Old Testament. First Moses warns the people of Israel that the Covenant, heaven and earth would be against them because they are very stubborn, Deuteronomy 31:24-29. He predicted that the Jews, who refused to obey him while he was with them, would become evil and corrupt. Then in the Revised Standard Version, Jeremiah 8:8, God asked Jeremiah to tell the people of Judah:

Jeremiah 8:8 – “How can you say, ‘We [the Jews] are wise, for we have the Law of the Lord.’ when actually the lying pen of the scribes has handled it falsely?”

This is an obvious statement from Prophet Jeremiah that the scribes corrupted the Bible. They claim that the Bible says that they are wise, but they are liars.

We also read:

Corinthians 11:13-15 - For such [are] false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.

Revelation 2:2 - I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them, which are evil: and thou hast tried them, which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars.

Mathew 23: 13 -“But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you shut the kingdom of heaven in people’s faces. For you neither enter yourselves nor allow those who would enter to go in.”

The American theologian professor and New Testament Department Manager; Bart Ehrman who studied the Bible for 20 years says: “The Bible we now use can't be the inerrant word of God.” Then says: “When people ask me if the Bible is the word of God I answer which Bible?”

This time, Allah the Lord of creation, has decided to guard His last divine Revelation from corruption.

This is confirmed by the noble verse: “We have, without doubt, sent down the Message; and We will assuredly guard it (from corruption). (Al-Hijr, 9) .

Out of His mercy, and because Allah means no injustice to any of His servants, He sent Muhammad, the seal of the Prophets with the Koran – the last Testament to the world.

It is He who sent His Messenger with the guidance and the religion of truth, that He may uplift it above every religion, though the unbelievers be averse (Al-Najm, 91).

The Koran is the only unchangeable Book that has been transmitted to the entire world exactly as it was first descended upon Muhammad peace be upon him. The millions of the Koran copies around the world are typically identical.

After nearly six hundred years from Jesus, Allah sent Muhammad – and for the last time – to make clear to the Jews and the Christians the facts and to help them abandon imagination so that they cannot later on claim innocence and say, ‘No one came to us in the capacity of a spectacle and a warning.

People of the Book, now there has come to you our Messenger, making things clear to you, upon an interval between the Messengers lest you should say, ‘There has not come to us any bearer of good tidings, neither any Warner.’ Indeed, there has come to you a bearer of good tidings and a Warner; Allah is powerful over everything (Al-Maidah, 19).

Now we have the Koran, a Book containing divine wisdom and guidance to true salvation. A Book that brought good tidings to the believers that Allah is One, and a severe warning to the polytheists, idolaters and disbelievers. The Koran is one unified Book that is not subject to change by curtailments and additions. A Book that is well guarded by Allah until the Day of Resurrection, an unchangeable Book that stood the test of time.

The Koran is a decisive Message and no pleasantries, a Book that we must read thoroughly to know the ultimate truth.

Allah says in the Koran:

What, do they desire another religion than Allah's, and to Him has surrendered whoso in the heavens and the earth, willingly or unwillingly, and to Him they shall be returned?

Say: 'We believe in Allah, and that which has been sent down on us (the Koran), and the Tribes, and in that which was given to Moses and Jesus, and the Prophets of their Lord; we make no division between any of them, and to him we surrender' (in Islam).

Whoso desires another religion than Islam, it shall not be accepted of him; in the next world he shall be among the losers (Al-Imrân 83-85).

Now we are asked to listen to the proclamation of Muhammad's universal mission. We contemplate no longer after this, partial truths. It is not now a question of saving Israel from the bondage of Egypt, nor teaching Midian the ethics of business, nor reclaiming the people of Lute from sexual sin or Thamûd from the sin of oppression in power, or Ād from arrogance or ancestor-worship. Now are set forth plainly the issues of life and death, the final Message of Allah, the One universal God to all mankind.

The Message states clearly that the religion with Allah is only Islam. Allah is One and He is to be worshipped alone without associating with Him any partners, i.e. Islam. This is the only religion that Allah will accept from His servants on the Day of Resurrection .

As the Koran states:

Say: 'O mankind, I am the Messenger of Allah to you all, of Him to whom belongs the kingdom of the heavens and the earth. There is no god but He. He gives life and makes to die. Believe then in Allah, and His Messenger, the Prophet of the common folk, who believes in Allah and His words, and follow him; haply so you will be guided (Al-A'râf, 158).

The Muslim position is clear. The Muslim does not claim to have a religion peculiar to him. Islam is not a sect or an ethnic religion. In its view, all religion is one, for the truth is one. It was the religion preached by all earlier Prophets. It was the truth taught by all inspired Books. In essence, it amounts to a consciousness of the will and plan of Allah and a joyful submission to that will and plan. If anyone wants a religion other than that, he is false to his own nature, and he is false to Allah's will and plan. Such a one cannot expect guidance, for he has deliberately renounced guidance (3).

The mission of Muhammad is therefore clear – to re-establish the oneness of Allah on earth.

The Koran says:

Say: 'I am commanded only to worship Allah and not to join partners with Him. To Him I call, and to Him is my return.' (Ar-Ra'd, 13).

Say: 'I have been commanded to serve Allah making my religion His sincerely; and I have been commanded to be the first of those that surrender.'

Say: 'Truly I fear, if I should rebel against my Lord, the

chastisement of a dreadful Day.’

Say: ‘Allah I serve, making my religion Him sincerely
,’(Al-Zumar 11-14).

The one true reality is that Allah is One and not three in one or one in three. Blessed are those who treasured this truth in their souls while still living their life of probation.

The Koran says:

This is a Message to be delivered to mankind that they may be warned by it, and that they may know that He is one God, and that all possessed of mind may remember (Ibrahim, 52).”

Considering this very quality of the Koran, it has been given the name muhaymin (guardian). In order to establish justice and equity, we need a balance and a criterion. Almighty Allah has referred to these two qualities of the Koran in the following verse:

And We have sent down to thee the Book with the truth, confirming the Book that was before it (the Torah of Moses and the Gospel of Jesus), and assuring it. So judge between them according to what Allah has sent down, and do not follow their caprices, to forsake the truth that has come to thee (Al-Maidah, 48).

The Koran therefore, supersedes previous revelations because it came directly from Allah, and is not a second-hand book written by men after the extinction of authentic divine Books. Allah has sent Muhammad the seal of His prophets with the Koran – the religion of Islam, and with it the confession that there is no deity except Allah, that He may cause the religion of Islam to prevail over all religions which came before it until the

Day of Judgement, however much the idolaters may be averse that this should be so.

Again, and again, it must be clear in the minds of all people that Allah has sent down the Koran confirming the Scriptures which were revealed before and serving as the Book of reference which does answer any query on matters disputed among the Jews and the Christians, for it is the umpire of all preceding Scriptures, and the decision that is based upon its precepts shall have to be accepted as final.

In other words, the Koran safeguards the former Books for it has preserved within it the teachings of all preceding Books. It watches over these Books in the sense that it will not let their true teachings to be lost. It supports and upholds these Books in the sense that it corroborates the Word of Allah, which has remained intact in them. It stands as a witness because it bears testimony to the Word of Allah contained in these Books and helps to sort it out from the interpretations and commentaries of the people which were mixed with it: what is confirmed by the Koran is the Word of Allah and what is against it is that of the people.

The Koran says:

It is He who has sent His Messenger with guidance and the religion of truth that He may uplift it over all religion, even though the idolaters may detest it (Al-Saff, 9).

Ben Carson as well as many hate mongers like him would like to blow out Allah's Light as it is a cause of offence to them. They wish to put out the light of truth for they are people of darkness; but Allah perfected His Light by descending the Koran upon Muhammad. A light that shone all the brighter and penetrated the hearts of men more and more.

The Korans says:

Their intention is to extinguish Allah's light with their mouths, but Allah will complete His Light even though the unbelievers may detest it (Al-Saff, 8).

It is therefore clear that Jesus must not be worshipped apart from God or as an associate with Him. Worshipping Jesus apart from Allah is considered in Islam a glaring blasphemy. This also means that God must not be worshipped as a triune god manifested as father, Son, and Holy Spirit, each entity itself being God!

Worshipping Jesus as a man nailed to the cross is a vicious form of idolatry, and worshipping him as a triune god is callous polytheism. On the Day of Resurrection, no servant would stand before Allah to receive his accountability and dare say that he worshipped God as one in three or three in one. The recompense will be roasting in Hell for eternity.

Therefore, if the Christians worship another god than the only God, Allah, then they are in real problem.

Based on the above, how could a Muslim swear on the corrupted bible instead of the pure intact Koran? If Ben Carson will succeed in the race for presidency, I would suggest that he swears on the Koran and not the corrupted Bible, because if he swears on the corrupted bible, his oath will be invalid and worthless.

Ben Carson is proud of being religious. He claims that he is a member of the Seventh-day Adventists church, which upholds the central doctrines of the Trinity and incarnation among other doctrines. But according to the Koran, - the last revelation sent to mankind - Ben Carson should understand that he is on the wrong path. His Gospel is corrupted, his belief is wrong, and he and his like awaits them a terrible chastisement if they don't follow the only accepted religion in the sight of Allah, Islam.

The Koran does not humanize God, nor does it deify man. The Koran urges people to believe in One God and not to associate partners with Him, to stay away from sins and to lead a life devoted to earning God's pleasure.

The Koran reminds us of the Day of Judgment and that everyone will taste death and will be held accountable for all his worldly actions and sayings.

Ben Carson, all the despicable words you said about Muslims, and their Koran, are not just words that would evaporate in the air, for they have been already recorded and they will come to your ears while receiving your accountability on the Day of Judgment. You will hear the ugly words you uttered against Allah's Law, and against His obedient servants.

Read the following:

When the Hour comes, those who follow falsehood will be the losers on that Day. You will see every community kneeling. Every community will be summoned to its record: "Today you will be repaid for what you did. Here is our record that tells the truth about you: We have been recording everything you do." (Al-Jathiyah, 28-29).

Read also this:

It will be said, 'Today we shall ignore you just as you ignored your appointment with this Day. The Fire will be your home and no one will help you, because you received Allah's revelations with ridicule and were deceived by worldly life.' They will not be brought out from the Fire on that Day, nor will they be given the chance to make amends (Al-Jathiyah, 34-35).

Ben Carson should understand that in the site of Allah he is a disbeliever, because he is a polytheist worshipping God in trinity, and he is an idolater because he worships a man nailed to the cross.

Allah says in the Koran:

They are unbelievers who say, 'God is the Third of Three. No god is there but One God. If they refrain not from what they say, there shall afflict those of them that disbelieve a painful chastisement (Al-Maidah, 73).

Allah also says to those who worship Jesus as God”

Surely, they have disbelieved who say: “Allah is the Messiah son of Mary.” But the Messiah said, “O children of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and you Lord.” Verily, whosoever sets up partners (Jesus, Mary, idol, animal, priest, saint, bishiop, nature, etc) [in worship] with Allah, then the Fire will be his abode. And for the wrongdoers (polytheists, idolaters, disbelievers, atheists) there are no helpers (Al-Maidah, 72).

Ben Carson, I would therefore suggest that you revert to Islam the only true religion existing today, and if you are going to be elected president (which I doubt very much) you ought to swear on the Koran, the only pure and intact book existing today in the precise form and content in which it was originally revealed. By doing so, and only so, your oath will be valid and of value.

3 - Ben Carson referred to *taqiyya* as a component of sharia that allows, and even encourages Muslims to lie to achieve their goals.

In Carson’s view, Muslims are deceivers; they lie to achieve their goals.

What is Taqiyya? Does Islam encourage American Muslims to deceive and lie as the unlearned Carson and some ignorant morons claim?

The problem with most Americans and with persons like Ben Carson is that they are ignorant of the Islamic faith because they only hear about it from biased media with agendas. Such

illiterate statement coming from a man who is supposed to be President of the United States is a big disgrace.

Taqiyya is an Arabic word that means to hide your faith in times of persecution in order to protect your life and family. It does not allow one to deceive and lie. Muslims are allowed to practice Taqiyya when open declaration of their faith leads to death and torture.

A similar teaching can be found in Judaism: Maimonides, one of the great Jewish Torah scholars, taught that one is allowed to lie about one's religion in order to save one's life, and many Jews who were forcibly baptized in medieval Christian Europe engaged in the same kind of practice to protect their lives and remain committed to their faith. Given the very restricted contexts in which such behaviour is allowed in both religions, it would be wrong to accuse Islam or Judaism of actively encouraging believers to deceive others.

Islam commands all Muslims to speak the truth and conduct themselves honestly in personal, political, and professional relationships. In the Koran, God commands Muslims: "And do not mix the truth with falsehood, nor conceal the truth while you know [what it is] (Al-baqarah, 42).

Before God, reality is what counts and not simply outward appearances. If a person is truly loyal to Allah in his heart, but under serious compulsion and to save his own life he utters something against his faith, he will not be punished for this by Allah.

The exception refers to a case like that of Ammar, whose father Yaser and mother Summayya, were subjected to unspeakable tortures for their belief in Islam, but never recanted. Ammar suffering under tortures himself and his mind acted on by the

sufferings of his parents, uttered a word construed as recantation, though his heart never wavered and he came back at once to the Prophet, who consoled him for his pain and confirmed his faith.

But those who have changed from the inside and who, under the influence of Satanic doubt, or the pressure of circumstances, have willingly changed their religion are not pardonable.

Allah says in the Koran:

Whoso disbelieves in Allah, after he has believed – excepting him who has been compelled, and his heart is still at rest in his belief – but whosoever’s breast is expanded in unbelief, upon them shall rest anger from Allah, and there awaits them a mighty chastisement (Al-Nahl, 106).

In short, Taqiyya is a mercy from Allah to the believers when are put under the edge of the sword to force them abandon their religion and embrace another faith. Taqiyya is not a deception as the illiterate deceiver Ben Carson said to his people.

4- Ben Carson said “ I could never support a candidate for President of the United States that was Muslim and had not renounced the central tenant of Islam: Sharia Law.”

It is as if Ben Carson thinks that the Sharia is a book of black magic or a book for evil and selfish purposes. His illiteracy reached the extent of not knowing what Sharia is. He is just parroting what he hears from the biased media with agendas directed to tarnish Islam and Muslims.

The westerners think that Sharia is enigmatic and overbearing. They wonder: how can any government dictate what makes a

good family? How can a modern government punish someone for choosing a different faith?

They must understand that Islam is not just a religion. Islam is a way of life. For devout Muslims, Islam is life.

Islam has its own law and set of moral guidelines. Islam has its own economic policy.

The Sharia or the Islamic Law is derived from three primary sources:

- The Koran – This is the Word of Allah. None of the rules of Allah established in the Koran can be changed or modified by man.
- The Sunnah (Tradition) of Prophet Muhammad – This is mostly contained in the hadith, or stories of the Prophet and his companions. The Hadith explains the Koran and sets forth laws not mentioned in the Koran. Generally speaking, the laws set by Prophet Muhammad are just as valid as the laws set forth in the Koran.
- Consensus of the Companions of Prophet Muhammad – Most of the major Schools of Thought (Madhdhaab) in Islam accept the Ijma', or consensus of the companions of Prophet Muhammad as basis for a particular ruling.
- Individual Opinions of the Companions – If an issue came up, and there was no available consensus from the companions of Prophet Muhammad, the different Madhdhaab (Schools of Thought) would accept any individual companion's ruling given that it did not violate any of the previous three sources.
- Qiyas (Analytic Deduction) – If an issue could not be resolved with any of the above sources, then a ruling could be resolved by using Qiyas, or analytic deduction. Using this, Islamic scholars would compare a similar issue that had already been

resolved with the current issue at hand in order to come to a ruling.

- Urf (Local Customs) – If none of the above options could resolve an issue, Islamic scholars would rely on local customs.

The Sharia is not just a crude set of laws derived from ancient texts. It is a code that has worked admirably for many different societies for over a thousand years. And Sharia is still effective in several different nations even today.

It is no coincidence that those societies that still practice Islamic Law tend to have lower crime rates, less drug abuse, and a lower occurrence of sexually transmitted diseases.

The purpose of the Sharia is to protect five important aspects of Islamic society:

- To protect the religion – Examples are the punishment for Ridda (leaving Islam) and the prohibition on Muslim woman marrying non-Muslim men.
- To protect individual dignity – Examples are the establishment of Zakah(charity) and the prohibition of Riba (interest and usury).
- To protect life – Examples are the punishment for murder, the establishment of Qisas (retribution for murder), and prohibition of suicide.
- To protect the family – Examples are rules of marriage, prohibition of fornication and homosexuality, and the punishment for adultery and extra-marital sex.
- To protect property – Examples are the punishment for theft, and the rules of Islamic business.

Many people think Sharia forces Muslims in America to reject the U.S. Constitution while others openly assert that American Muslims want to replace the U.S. Constitution with Sharia. In reality, this is not true. Sharia actually demands that Muslims follow the law of the land. This command is binding so long as they are not forced to commit an irreligious act or prevented from fulfilling their religious duties. Thankfully, this is not the case in the U.S. because the Constitution protects freedom of religion.

In fact, the U.S. Constitution and Sharia have much in common. The Constitution begins with, “We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquillity, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution of the United States of America.”

These stipulations are very similar in nature to the objectives of Sharia, as described above. In addition, Sharia is comparable to the laws of other religious communities, such as Jewish customs in terms of dietary restrictions, aspects of ritual purity, and a detailed code of conduct.

As any other faith-based community in America, Muslims may disagree with certain laws enacted by the majority, and may exercise their right to peaceful persuasion, in order to bring about a change. However, this free and peaceful expression of ideas can hardly be deemed a threat, given that the Constitution itself guarantees this right for every individual under the First Amendment. Indeed, a healthy attitude toward differences of opinion is a source of enrichment for the common culture of all Americans.

The Sharia demands that Muslims practice the articles of Islam, such as prayer, fasting, and charity, matters that do not conflict with Common Law. However, differences do arise in some matters. For instance, the laws of inheritance in Sharia are distinct from those in Common Law. In this case, Muslims have utilized means provided by the Common Law, such as writing wills in accordance with Sharia, in order to be faithful to their religion while following the law of the land.

Peaceful coexistence is mandated by Sharia. When Muslims live in the U.S., they are doing so while agreeing to follow the law of the land and this agreement is binding upon them according to Sharia. In the Koran, God commands Muslims to fulfil their covenants: “O you who have believed, fulfil (all) contracts.” (5:1) God also commands Muslims, “Fulfil your agreement with them to the end of their term. God loves those who are mindful of Him.” (9:4).

Therefore, attempts to outlaw Sharia are not only absurd; they can potentially alienate millions of peaceful, law-abiding Muslims currently living in America. After all, Sharia safeguards essential rights such as acts of obligatory worship, instructs Muslims regarding their dietary regulations, and encourages them to be pious, truthful, and tolerant individuals. Misguided efforts to outlaw Sharia would in fact impede Muslims from practicing the very basics of their religion, from praying and fasting to consuming food according to Islamic guidelines. Hence, these anti-Sharia bills are far from securing Americans from an impending threat and actually infringe upon the rights of the American Muslim community.

Contrary to its distorted image, Sharia is a comprehensive social and legal system, which is an integral part of a Muslim's

life. Its guiding principles are based on mercy and compassion and its core objectives are designed to achieve benefit and justice, on an individual as well as collective level (4).

The motive force of Islamic ethics in Sharia is the notion that every human being is called to "command the good and forbid the evil" in all spheres of life. In a society where social problems are endemic, Sharia frees humanity to realise its individual potential.

The statement of Ben Carson that Sharia is not compatible with the American constitution shows clearly how the man is so untaught. The divine Sharia is not to be compared with any of man-made laws. Sharia is the reference on which legislators rely on when setting up their laws. Sharia is a divine Law to seek advice and information from.

Divine Sharia is the origin, the root, the source. Other man-made laws are deduction from the source, and have to refer to it.

A majority may not impose its religious values on others, nor limit minority religious rights. The fact that a majority of Americans do not share the beliefs of a minority faith does not make those beliefs and practices any less protected. Unless all Americans are assured of religious freedom, the freedom of all Americans is in question.

Many American Muslims, like other religious communities who rely on scriptures and religious principles to guide their life, look upon Sharia as a personal system of morality and identity.

The vast majority of American Muslims see no conflict between their religious obligations and values and the U.S. legal system.

American Muslims are part of one of the most diverse religious groups in the U.S. in terms of ethnicity, socio-economic status, education levels and political affiliation. For some, adherence to Sharia means keeping some or all of the religious observances, such as prayer, fasting, or charitable giving. For others, Sharia also affects religious practices and rituals concerning personal matters, such as marriage, divorce, dress, inheritance, business transactions, and property.

American Muslims overwhelmingly support the U.S. Constitution and do not seek to replace it with Sharia or Islamic law. The vast majority of American Muslims understand Sharia as a personal, religious obligation governing the practice of their faith, not as something American governments should enforce.

Throughout American history, people of many faiths have come to America seeking religious freedom. Despite periodic outbreaks of nativism, anti-Semitism, and other forms of religious intolerance, America has been home to history's boldest and most successful experiment in religious liberty. Faith communities have thrived in America without threatening the rights and freedoms of citizens of other religions or no religion.

More than 200 years after the ratification of the First Amendment, Americans still hold fast to the principles of religious freedom. Nearly 9-in-10 Americans agree that the United States was founded on the idea of religious freedom for everyone, including the smallest minorities or least popular communities.

Today America's commitment to religious freedom is tested once again as American Muslims and their institutions increasingly come under attack by those who raise unfounded fears and create confusion about Muslims – or, in some cases, use the violent extremism of a faction as an opportunity to demonize an entire faith.

The Americans of goodwill must join Muslims in combating ignorance and fear with knowledge and compassion. Full religious freedom depends on the courage and commitment of ordinary citizens to stand up for the rights of their fellow citizens.

In the words of the Williamsburg Charter (1988), all Americans should “affirm that a right for one is a right for another and a responsibility for all. A right for a Protestant is a right for an Orthodox is a right for a Catholic is a right for a Jew is a right for a Humanist is a right for a Mormon is a right for a Muslim is a right for a Buddhist – and for the followers of any other faith within the wide bounds of the republic.” The same guarantee prevails for people with no religion.

5- A lesson to Ben Carson about the religious tolerance of Thomas Jefferson the founding father of the American constitution – how Jefferson dealt with the Koran the source of Sharia

Among the nearly 6500 books Jefferson sold to the Congress Library was a two volume English translation of the Koran. The presence of this Koran, first in Jefferson's private library and later in the Library of Congress, prompts the questions why Jefferson purchased this book, what use he made of it, and why he included it in his young nation's repository of knowledge.

These questions are all the more pertinent in light of assertions by some present-day commentators that Jefferson purchased his Koran in the 1780's in response to conflict between the US and the "Barbary states" of North Africa—today Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia and Libya. That was a conflict Jefferson followed closely— indeed, in 1786, he helped negotiate a treaty with Morocco, the United States' first treaty with a foreign power. Then, it was relations with Algeria that were the most nettlesome, as its ruler demanded the payment of tribute in return for ending semi official piracy of American merchant shipping. Jefferson staunchly opposed tribute payment.

In this context, such popular accounts claim, Jefferson was studying the Koran to better understand these adversaries, in keeping with the adage "know thy enemy." However, when we look more closely at the place of this copy of the Koran in Jefferson's library—and in his thinking— and when we examine the context of this particular translation, we see a different story.

Sifting through the records of the Virginia Gazette, through which Jefferson ordered many of his books, the scholar Frank Dewey discovered that Jefferson bought this copy of the Koran around 1765, when he was still a student of law at the College of William & Mary in Virginia. This quickly refutes the notion that Jefferson's interest in Islam came in response to the Barbary threat to shipping. Instead, it situates his interest in the Koran in the context of his legal studies—a conclusion that is consistent with his shelving of it in the section on jurisprudence.

Jefferson's legal interest in the Qur'an was not without precedent. There is of course the entire Islamic juridical

tradition of religious law (Sharia) based on Qur'anic exegesis, but Jefferson had an example at hand that was closer to his own tradition: The standard work on comparative law during his time was *Of the Law of Nature and Nations*, written by the German scholar Samuel von Pufendorf and first published in 1672. As Dewey shows, Jefferson studied Pufendorf's treatise intensively and, in his own legal writings, cited it more frequently than any other text. Pufendorf's book contains numerous references to Islam and to the Koran. Although many of these were disparaging—typical for European works of the period—on other occasions Pufendorf cited Koranic legal precedents approvingly, including the Koran's emphasis on promoting moral behaviour, its proscription of games of chance and its admonition to make peace between warring countries. As Kevin Hayes, another eminent Jefferson scholar, writes: "Wanting to broaden his legal studies as much as possible, Jefferson found the Koran well worth his attention."

"We the General Assembly of Virginia do enact that no man shall be compelled to frequent or support any religious worship, place, or ministry whatsoever, nor shall be enforced, restrained, molested, or burthened in his body or goods, nor shall otherwise suffer, on account of his religious opinions or belief; but that all men shall be free to profess, and by argument to maintain, their opinions in matters of religion, and that the same shall in no wise diminish, enlarge, or affect their civil capacities"(From the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom, ratified 1786; drafted by Thomas Jefferson in 1777).

In 1777, the year after he drafted the Declaration of Independence, Jefferson was tasked with excising colonial

legacies from Virginia's legal code. As part of this undertaking, he drafted a bill for the establishment of religious freedom, which was enacted in 1786. In his autobiography, Jefferson recounted his strong desire that the bill not only should extend to Christians of all denominations but should also include "within the mantle of its protection, the Jew and the Gentile, the Christian and Mahometan [Muslim], the Hindoo, and infidel of every denomination."

These attitudes again came into conflict with Jefferson's vision in 1788, when the states voted to ratify the United States Constitution. One of the matters at issue was the provision—now Article vi, Section 3—that "no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office or public Trust under the United States." Some Anti- Federalists singled out and opposed this ban on religious discrimination by painting a hypothetical scenario in which a Muslim could become president. On the other side of the argument, despite their frequent opposition to Jefferson on other matters, the Federalists praised and drew on Jefferson's vision of religious tolerance in supporting uncircumscribed rights both to faith and to elected office for all citizens. As the historian, Denise Spellberg shows in her examination of this dispute among delegates in North Carolina, in the course of these constitutional debates "Muslims became symbolically embroiled in the definition of what it meant to be American citizen.

American voters have, actually, elected two Muslims to Congress since the 9/11 attacks. Democrats Keith Ellison of Minnesota and Andre Carson of Indiana.

Keith Ellison is a Muslim. He was sworn to serve in the House of Representatives as a United States Congressman after being elected from the 5th district of Minnesota.

He demanded use of—and received permission from the Library of Congress to use—Thomas Jefferson’s own personal copy of the Koran on which to swear his oath of allegiance to the Constitution at the inauguration ceremony.

The Library of Congress loaned out Jefferson’s rare copy of the first English language translation of the Koran ever made directly from the Arabic text.

Ben Carson, hadn’t read the constitution and the history around it to understand that the founder of the American constitution used the Koranic principles in shaping it, and that his attack on the Koran and the Sharia, is against the freedom of religion the constitution stated?

If he had read the constitution, he would have abstained from uttering such ignorant statements, which angered Muslims around the world. How come that he wants to be President and he doesn’t know the articles of his constitution?

6- The mind-set of Ben Carson is shaped by the hostile views of the Republicans towards Islam

Ben Carson represents the bigots who have infused American politics with virulent anti-Muslim sentiment. The racism and despicable bigotry Ben Carson showed towards American Muslims and their religion has its roots in his political and religious background.

Ben Carson officially changed his party affiliation from independent back to Republican, in order to run for presidency

in 2016. Before that, he did not embrace the political beliefs of the Republican Party. As soon as he joined the Republican Party he became in no time a staunch candidate of its policy and ideologies.

In my view, this act is highly hypocritical, and an act of distasteful opportunism. The man found the Republican Party a ladder to the presidency.

By joining the Republican Party Carson became affiliated to the Christian Right, the Tea Party, the neoconservatives, the Evangelicals and the Judeo-Christian coalition. The Republican Party or what is known as GOP is affiliated to one or more of these political and religious entities.

All these parties are known by their enmity to Islam. Therefore, when Ben Carson joined them, they taught him the poisonous ideology that Islam is an evil religion and that it is beneficial to bash Muslims to garner some extra votes.

Let us identify the nature of each of these hostile entities.

1- The Christian Right

The Christian right or religious right is a term used - mainly in the United States of America - to label right wing Christian political factions that are characterized by their strong support of socially conservative policies. Christian conservatives principally seek to apply their understanding of the teachings of Christianity to politics and to public policy by proclaiming the

value of those teachings or by seeking to use those teachings to influence law and public policy (5).

2- Judeo-Christian coalition

The Christian Right joined force with the Zionists and formed the Judeo-Christian coalition. Judeo-Christian is a term used to encompass common beliefs of Christianity and Judaism. The term is now most likely to be used by liberals in connection with discussions of Muslim and Islamic inclusion in America, and renewed debate about the separation of church and state.

The coalition is joining conservative-minded Jewish people who are active on behalf of the same core beliefs. The detractors to this alliance disparagingly refer to the Christians as the “Religious Right” and to the Jewish people as “Right-Wing Jews”.

It is used more than ever by some Conservative thinkers and journalists, who use it to discuss the Islamic threat to America, the dangers of multiculturalism, and moral decay in a materialist, secular age.

3- Neoconservatives

The term "neoconservative" refers to those who made the ideological journey from New Deal liberalism to the camp of American conservatism. Neoconservatives Typically advocate the promotion of democracy and promotion of American national interest in international affairs, including by means of military force, and are known for espousing disdain for communism and for political radicalism (6).

Neo-conservatism (commonly shortened to neocon) is a political movement born in the United States during the 1960s among Democrats who became disenchanted with the party's domestic and especially foreign policy. Many of its adherents became politically famous during the Republican presidential administrations of the 1970s, 1980s, 1990s and 2000s. Neoconservatives peaked in influence during the administrations of George W Bush and Tony Blair, when they played a major role in promoting and planning the 2003 invasion of Iraq.

Prominent neoconservatives in the Bush administration included Paul Wolfowitz, John Bolton, Elliott Abrams, Richard Perle, and Paul Bremer. Senior officials Vice President Dick Cheney and Secretary of Defence Donald Rumsfeld, while not identifying themselves as neoconservatives, listened closely to neoconservative advisers regarding foreign policy, especially the defence of Israel, the promotion of democracy in the Middle East, and the build-up of American military forces to achieve these goals. The neocons had little influence in the Obama White House, but neo-conservatism remains a staple in Republican Party arsenal.

4- Evangelical Christianity

Evangelicalism, Evangelical Christianity, or Evangelical Protestantism is a worldwide, trans denominational movement within Protestant Christianity, maintaining that the essence of the gospel consists in the doctrine of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ's atonement.

Evangelicals are Christians who believe in the centrality of the conversion or "born again" experience in receiving salvation,

believe in the authority of the Bible as God's revelation to humanity and have a strong commitment to evangelism or sharing the Christian message (7).

5- The Tea Party

The Tea Party movement is an American political movement known for its conservative positions and its role in the Republican Party. Members of the movement have called for a reduction of the U.S. national debt and federal budget deficit by reducing government spending. In addition, they have also called for lowering taxes. The movement opposes government-sponsored universal healthcare and has been described as a mixture of liberation, populists, and conservative activists. It has sponsored multiple protests and supported various political candidates since 2009. Various polls have found that slightly over 10% of Americans identify as members.

The movement began following Barack Obama's first presidential inauguration (in January 2009) when his administration announced plans to give financial aid to bankrupt homeowners.

The Tea Party protested against Obama's agenda and a series of protests took place, including the 2009 Taxpayer March on Washington. Supporters of the movement subsequently had a major impact on the internal politics of the Republican Party (8).

It is clear then that these political and religious entities influence the political and religious policies of the American

administrations, especially when it is realized that most of the Republicans are affiliated to these entities.

But what is the attitude of these organizations and entities towards American Muslims and the religion of Islam in general?

The religious Right has had a much more direct and damaging influence on U.S. foreign policy. The millions of Evangelicals, who believe in the dispensational pre-millennialism, are sometimes called Christian Zionists. They believe that the cataclysmic events heralding the second coming of Christ will all happen in the territory of Biblical Israel, the territory that stretches from the Nile to the Euphrates. This land, they claim, was covenanted by God to the Jews and must be reclaimed by Israel (by Kicking all the Palestinians out of Palestine) before the second coming can happen and before Jesus can build his kingdom in Jerusalem. Many Christian Zionists even believe that the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem, one of Islam's holiest sites, must be destroyed as a pre-condition for Christ's return.

Because of the strength of their numbers, and their passionate commitment to Israel, the Christian Zionists have become an extraordinarily powerful force on Israel's behalf—in many ways even more powerful than AIPAC, the American Israel Public Affairs lobby.

Over the past 22 years, the Christian Zionists have created literally dozens of pro-Israel organizations, notably the Stand for Israel Movement and CIPAC, the Christian Israel Public Action Committee.

They raise each year around two hundred millions of dollars to sponsor Jewish immigration to Israel, and to expand Israeli settlements on the West bank and the Golan heights. These too are pre-conditions in the eyes of pre-millennialists for the End-Days to unfold and for Judgment Day to happen.

Many Christian Zionists feel that Palestinians should simply be brushed aside by destiny, and be transferred to Jordan or some other Arab country.

The huge donations the Religious Right give Israel each year for building settlements on the Palestinian land, results in occupying the Palestinian land by force, demolishing their houses, expelling Palestinian families to barren lands and keep them there without shelter, and then those who oppose such evil treatment are killed without mercy under the pretext that they were terrorists threatening the security of Israel.

At the time of Bush the son, it didn't matter to the White House whether Evangelical views are nonsense or not. What mattered was that their votes were far too important for their positions on Israel to be ignored. As a consequence, George W. Bush has rarely taken any position on the Arab-Israeli conflict without taking into account the views of the Religious Right.

In Congress, more than a hundred members of the Religious Right are active Christian Zionists. They oppose final status peace negotiations with the Palestinians, and dismissed the now defunct Road Map process.

The American administration is influenced by the Hard-line Zionist Christian Right roots and supporters. The tendency of

some Christian fundamentalist missionaries to celebrate the invasion of Iraq and Afghanistan as an act of God, and rush to convert Muslims exacerbated the belief that American foreign policy was fulfilling a Christian fundamentalist agenda.

The neoconservatives are one of the reasons behind the chaos the Muslim world is suffering from. Most of the neoconservatives are Republicans. Their major concern is foreign policy. They strongly favour US military interventions overseas and becoming the world's policeman. Their core agenda is to reassert US global dominance through an aggressive foreign and military policy. They promoted the Iraq wars and are constantly the instigators for more confrontation with Iran and the Sudan and other Muslim states. They were among the chief instigators of the Kosovo War and the American plot (the New Middle East) aiming at destroying the Middle East and dividing it into sects and factions living without borders.

Opinion polls showed it was the 60 million Evangelicals who were among the strongest supporters of Bush's administration, providing a moral and religious blessing for both the war on terror and the Iraq intervention. The support was partly based on dispensational premillennialism which sees the world spiralling towards apocalypse.

Evangelicals also organize pro- Israel solidarity rallies and distribute videos that encourage the faithful to pray for Israel's victory over its enemies. The deceased Jerry Falwell said, "The Bible Belt is Israel's only safety belt right now." There is no safety belt for Palestinians.

Evangelicals also believe that the war in Iraq was predicted in the Bible! The theologian Michael Lerner says the fundamentalism of many American Evangelicals “fits neatly with a politics of militarism, xenophobic nationalism, and support for US domination over other countries.”

More than that, the conservative protestant leaders attacked the religion of Islam, this is exemplified by the conservative Protestant leaders: Franklin Graham, Benny Hinn, Jerry Falwell, Pat Robertson, Jimmy Swaggart, Chuck Baldwin and others.

The Tea Party is also anti-Muslims. Judson Phillips, the founder of the Tea Party Nation, speaks plainly when it comes to his views on Islam and the people who practice the faith. “A majority of Tea Party members, I suspect, are not fans of Islam,” Phillips said. “I, personally have a real problem with Islam. With Islam, you have a religion that says kill the Jews, kill the infidels. It bothers me when a religion says kill the infidels. It bothers me a lot more when I am the infidel.”

Phillips believes that Muslims should be barred from holding public office.

On her web site, Torgerson displays her own brand of blatant Islamophobia. On immigration she says “The thing we most need to protect against is to prevent the immigration of radical Islamists into our country. And, it needs to be emphasized that they are not going to tell us that they are radical Islamists.” She adds that “we must cease allowing radical Islamists to

immigrate into the United States. They wish to institute Sharia Law, Islamic Law, instead of the United States Constitution.”

The Republicans attack the religion of Islam openly. Since he was elected, Republican Allen West has become a strong voice on Capitol Hill for fiscal restraint, socially conservative values — and responding to the threat posed by Islamic extremists.

On the topic of Islam, West has been particularly controversial. He calls it not a religion but a “theocratic political ideology” that’s a threat to America.

Republican presidential Tea Party candidate, Newt Gingrich whose image was seriously damaged in 1997 when he was fined \$300,000 for ethic violations announced in May of 2011 that he would seek the Republican nomination for president in 2012. In order to beg for the Jewish votes he announced that the Palestinians are an invented people.

Gingrich also called Palestinians “terrorists.” The comments struck at the heart of Palestinian sensitivities about the righteousness of their struggle for an independent state. Applying the label “invented” suggests that the Palestinian quest for independence is not legitimate (9).

It is not then surprising to see that Ben Carson who joined the Republican Party less than one year ago, embraced its ideologies so suddenly! He is now parroting without shame its racism, bigotry and hatred towards Muslims and their religion.

Adopting the poisonous ideas of the Republican party towards Islam and using them in his campaign for political gains is a hypocritical act from his part and a cheap attempt to get more

votes. Carson by his irresponsible and destructive announcements sold America's interests by denying international Law and democratic principles.

Carson and those who believe him — represent a clear danger to the United States of America. The Americans must not be fooled by the lies Carson and his like promulgate. They must not believe those who are trying to deceive them by interpreting Islam as a religion of backwardness and violence. The hostile media and the several websites attacking the religion of Islam are in fact implementing political agendas designed to ruin the Muslim world. The political and religious fabric of the United States certainly plays a major role in such conflict.

6-Ben Carson says 'no' to Syrian refugees in U.S.

Ben Carson said the U.S. should bar refugees from war-torn Syria because they are “infiltrated with Jihadists,” who seek to harm America, exactly parroting what other Republicans said before him.

Before I comment on this harsh statement, I would like to teach this parrot some facts that would show how his statement about Syrian refugees was so unknowledgeable and so oppressive.

because of his illiteracy he doesn't know that America is the perpetrator of violence in the Middle East, and that the Syrian refugees are the result of the wars created and supported by the United States in order to reshape the Middle East according to her own interests.

The term “New Middle East” was introduced to the world in June 2006 in Tel Aviv by the Republican U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice (who was credited by the Western media for

coining the term) in replacement of the older and more imposing term, the “Greater Middle East.”

This shift in foreign policy phraseology coincided with the inauguration of the Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan (BTC) Oil Terminal in the Eastern Mediterranean. The term and conceptualization of the “New Middle East,” was subsequently heralded by the U.S. Secretary of State and the Israeli Prime Minister at the height of the Anglo-American sponsored Israeli siege of Lebanon. Prime Minister Olmert and Secretary Rice had informed the international media that a project for a “New Middle East” was being launched from Lebanon.

This announcement was a confirmation of an Anglo-American-Israeli “military roadmap” in the Middle East. This project, which has been in the planning stages for several years, consists in creating an arc of instability, chaos, and violence extending from Lebanon, Palestine, and Syria to Iraq, the Persian Gulf, Iran, and the borders of NATO-garrisoned Afghanistan.

This chaos - they call it constructive chaos –, which generates conditions of violence and warfare throughout the region–, would in turn be used so that the United States, Britain, and Israel could redraw the map of the Middle East in accordance with their geo-strategic needs and objectives (10), (11).

In order to tear the Middle East apart, the plan was to:

- 1- Toppling the puppet Arab leaders.

- 2- Create chaos by training and supporting Islamic militia then releasing them to tear the Arab countries apart and divide them into small dominions without borders.
- 3- Bringing to power figures belonging to disputing Islamic factions to rule over the divided sectors in order to implement the American-Anglo-Israeli policy in the region.

The U.S. government created ISIS to destabilize the Middle East, tearing it apart, then shaping it the way she sees fit to serve her interests in the region. The plan is to topple the rulers of the Middle East and replace them with more malleable Islamist leaders.

The U.S. directly organized and trained ISIS. The CIA, British intelligence, and Israel's Mossad created ISIS in a joint operation code-named Hornet's Nest. This information purportedly came from NSA leaker Edward Snowden.

ISIS leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi is "basically a U.S. agent. The U.S. indirectly spawned and armed ISIS. Tom Engelhardt at *TomDispatch* (and its parent site *The Nation*), for example, calls ISIS "George W. Bush and Dick Cheney's gift to the world, explaining that if the U.S. hadn't invaded Iraq, "ISIS would have been an unlikely possibility.

By fighting ISIS in Iraq and supporting its objectives in Syria (toppling President Bashar al-Assad), the U.S. has created a situation in which ISIS can survive and may well flourish. The US is arming ISIS not just because U.S. weapons and vehicles given to Iraq's army fell into ISIS's hands, but because it armed other militias in Syria, some of which were known to be allied with jihadists.

America considers ISIS a “Sunni Muslim Militia”. But ISIS has nothing to do with Sunni Islam. ISIS is not Sunni because all that ISIS has done is to contravene the ethical teachings of Sunni Islam.

When the Islamophobic Western media equates ISIS barbarity and inhumanity to the normative Islamic term “Sunni”, the Western media is simply serving US Hegemonic interests: by ensuring that neo-colonial and hegemonic forces will continue to support the rising Islamophobia against Muslims and by effectively maligning Sunni Islam which is the prevalent school of Islamic jurisprudence in the Middle East and the rest of the Muslim world.

In fact most of these ISIS militia are Australians, British, Americans, Belgian, French, German, Chechens, who mostly came from Europe, so that most Iraqis and Syrians regard ISIS as an alien power forcing and imposing themselves and their barbarity upon Arab lands with their sophisticated weaponries and ammunition that are mostly sourced from US, Britain and the rest of Europe (12).

If ISIS is not a Sunni militia, then who are they working for?
Who employed them to wreak havoc in the Middle East?

Why is it that the US government and its NATO allies cannot seriously fight ISIS in Iraq, Syria and the rest of the Levant? ISIS is US-made monster! ISIS Caliphate is never an Islamic Caliphate.

It is a “U.S.-made Caliphate” that does not have any binding authority whatsoever over worldwide Muslims (13).

In April 2011 the New York Times published an article titled “U.S. Groups Helped Nurture Arab Uprisings,” The article reported, “A number of the groups and individuals directly involved in the revolts and reforms sweeping the region, including the April 6 Youth Movement in Egypt, the Bahrain Center for Human Rights and grass-roots activists like Entsar Qadhi, a youth leader in Yemen, received training and financing from groups like the International Republican Institute, the National Democratic Institute and Freedom House, a nonprofit human rights organization based in Washington.”

The Republican and Democratic institutes are loosely affiliated with the Republican and Democratic Parties. They were created by Congress and are financed through the National Endowment for Democracy, which was set up in 1983 to channel grants for promoting democracy in developing nations. The National Endowment receives about \$100 million annually from Congress. Freedom House also gets the bulk of its money from the American government, mainly from the State Department.

The uprisings then were part of an immense geopolitical campaign conceived in the West and carried out through its proxies with the assistance of disingenuous organizations including NED, NDI, IRI, and Freedom House and the stable of NGOs they maintain throughout the world.

As a result of the interference of the US in the Middle East, by the end of August 2014, the UN estimated 6.5 million people had been displaced within Syria, while more than 3 million refugees had fled to countries such as Lebanon (1.14 million), Jordan (608,000) and Turkey (815,000).

Desperate families forced to leave Syria by the long war headed to neighbouring countries and to Europe, causing the continent's worst refugee crisis in 60 years. Those children who survived the perilous journey arrived physically and mentally exhausted. Due to their age and vulnerability, children continued to face extreme challenges once they settled into safer grounds; the displacement had severe impacts on their health, education and well-being.

The number of people who drowned attempting to cross the Mediterranean in 2014 was 3,419. The number of people rescued at sea by navy coast guard and commercial ships was 90,000. The number of people who crossed the Mediterranean to reach Europe was 207,000.

About the Syrian refugees, Ben Carson said that the United States has to be careful about letting Syrian refugees into the country because some might be like the terrorists behind the Boston Marathon bombing.

"I would recognize that bringing in people from the Middle East right now carries extra danger," Carson said in an interview for ABC's. In another interview he said, "'Bringing in people from the Middle East right now carries extra danger.'"

What a heartless and cruel statement coming from a tactless man running for presidency! Due to his racism, fanaticism, bigotry, and before all ignorance, he forgot that America was the perpetrator of violence in the Middle East, and that the Syrian refugee crisis is the result of the American interference in the region.

Carson should have known that America, the perpetrator of violence in the Middle East do have a chance now to reduce the number of deaths and provide assistance to the thousands of Syrian refugees who are willing to live in America.

He did not move by the suffering of the refugees. He did not care about their disappointment, frustration, sickness, ill health and injuries. He did not even care about the corpses of the babies thrown on seashores.

He did not know that the Mediterranean is the world's deadliest migration route. He did not realize that these miserable refugees took dangerous journeys across the Mediterranean to reach countries of the European Union.

How Carson can be so completely detached from reality, logic and reason when it pertains basic human rights.

The Republican candidate for presidency seemed to forget that America was largely built by immigrant families. He forgot that he himself was an immigrant. His ancestor was of the Turkana tribe. It is a migratory tribe in Kenya and Tanzania. His parents and grandfathers came to the United States to work as slaves in the cotton fields of the Whites. He knew very well what the word "slave" means. He admitted saying, "My father got to the country through slavery." He admitted saying, "two of my ancestors, a brother and sister, were sold as children to different slave owners."

Addressing a forum on human trafficking and slavery in the United States he said, "There is nothing that even slightly compares to slavery in this country. The pain and the heartache associated with that era there is nothing that compares to it."

Carson condemned slavery saying, “It robbed many African Americans of their families.”

Being a refugee is far worse than being a slave Carson. At least the slave has a place to take shelter, but the refugees are robbed of their families and homes. They have no identity, no citizenship, they were once honourable persons in their societies, but now they ask for a helping hand, they ask to survive. They have the right to live and develop. This is the simplest human right they must have.

The heartless Carson did not feel the need to alleviate their suffering. Mercy in his heart had been exhausted. Providing shelter is primarily a question of humanity.

As a new ambitious Republican, but also ignorant in politics, Ben Carson didn't know that fundamental human rights was a foundation stone in the establishment of the United States, and that a central goal of U.S. foreign policy has been the promotion of respect for human rights, as embodied in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. He didn't realize that the United States understands that the existence of human rights helps secure the peace, deter aggression, promote the rule of law, combat crime and corruption, strengthen democracies, and prevent humanitarian crises.

These Syrian refugees whom Carson is afraid of, live by the words of their Prophet:

- “Those who are merciful will be shown mercy by the Most Merciful. Be merciful to those on the earth and the One above the heavens will have mercy upon you.”

- “God is gentle and loves gentleness.”
- The Prophet was asked: “What actions are most excellent?” He answered: “To gladden the heart of a human being, to feed the hungry, to help the afflicted, to lighten the sorrow of the sorrowful, and to remove the wrongs of the injured.”
- “Whoever who tries to remove the want of his brother or sister, whether successfully or not, God will forgive their sins.”
- “The best of people is one from whom good accrues to humanity.”
- “All God’s creatures are His family; and he or she is the most beloved of God who tries to do most good to God’s creatures.”

Carson is so distracted that he forgot that America was a religious refuge!

Carson had not uttered anything that countless Republicans hadn’t said before. I see him nothing but a vague man with no genuine ideas that can help a nation sunk in a horrible debt. He hasn’t said any significant ideas in economics or politics that could be of value to his nation. He is just parroting what he read or heard here or there with no promising ideas of his own. He is a shallow empty minded fellow, who if succeeds to reach the White House, would certainly take America to its demise.

As for his knowledge in foreign affairs, we have seen his bigotry, racism and ignorance in matters concerning Islam and

Muslims. In just a few seconds he offended 53 Million Muslims in Europe, 6.9 Muslims in the US, and all the Muslim population that forms fifth of the world's population.

He does not know how to contain critical situations and solve persistent problems. Amputation and severing are more likely to be his attitude in solving problems – it is the attitude of the helpless and the weak, the reaction of the powerless and the impotent.

It is clear that Carson's switch from ardent Democrat to conservative Republican is a matter of opportunism.

Being a celebrity among Fox News viewers doesn't qualify Carson to be president of the United States. While Carson considers himself as a stalwart defender of Israel, Jason Zengerle reveals in his profile of the Republican that Carson lacked even a rudimentary understanding of the country's basic political dynamics. As he waited to catch a flight to Tel Aviv in December, Carson struck up a conversation with his Israeli guide, asking her, "In the United States, we have Republicans, Democrats, and independents — what do you have?" Zengerle relates that the guide explained the Likud, Labor, and other smaller parties that animate Israel's political scene and jockey for power in Israel's parliament, the Knesset.

"And what is the role of the Knesset?" Carson begged.

After his guide launched into a disquisition on the legislative body, Carson replied, "It sounds complex. Why don't they just adopt the system we have?"

In the profile, Zengerle also reports that Carson compared President Obama to a psychopath, after an aide mentioned that the president looked "elegant" on television. "Like most psychopaths," Carson shot back. "That's why they're successful. That's the way they look. They all look great."

Discussing the Syrian civil war, an Israeli lieutenant colonel noted to Carson that many of the militants fighting there had streamed in from other countries. It's just like the troublemakers in Ferguson," Carson replied.

Thought that former Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan was Secretary of the Treasury. Asked who his favourite Treasury secretary was, Carson replied, "Andrea Mitchell's husband," apparently unable to identify Greenspan by name. Greenspan, who helmed the Fed from 1987 until 2006, never served as Treasury secretary.

7- Visiting the Holy Land

Every American candidate for presidency (especially Republicans) must pay tribute to the Holy Land in order to win the consent of the Jewish lobby. They do not forget what Prime Minister Ariel Sharon once said to Foreign Minister Shimon Perez during an argument between them: " Every time we do something, you tell me Americans will do this and will do that. I want to tell you something very clear: Don't worry about American pressure on Israel. We, the Jewish people control America. And the Americans know it."

Now was the turn of Ben Carson to visit Israel and seek the blessing of its rulers, and accordingly, the blessing of AIPAC. The hypocritical words poured fluently from his lying mouth:

"I am in awe of the Jewish state, inspired by its ancient holy sites, impressed by the resilience of people living in a perpetual conflict zone – and deeply disappointed in President Barack Obama."

"I do not believe that Obama has been one to cultivate the relationship," said Carson.

“I would make it very clear that Israel and the United States have a long, cordial relationship, and I don’t think we should ever leave the Israelis in a position of wondering whether we support them, and that certainly is a question now.”

Carson expressed views that are common among Israel’s nationalist right wing. He showed sympathy for Israel’s much-maligned settlement movement and questioned the desire among Palestinians for peace. He even suggested that instead of Israel relinquishing captured land to make way for a Palestinian state, neighbouring countries such as Egypt should provide the space for a future Palestine.

“That’s one possibility,” he said.

As if the man owned Egypt and its most sacred land!

That’s is not one possibility Ben Carson, because Egypt has announced to the world that Sinai is, and has always been, an Egyptian territory. The Islamic militia and the ISIS that according to the American plot (the New Middle East) has been implanted in Sinai to separate it from Egypt, had been wiped out by the Egyptian military forces. Thousands of the Islamic insurgents had been killed and the pictures of their corpses travelled around the world in videos, and photos.

Carson said the criticism of the settlements by the Palestinians has been exaggerated, and he asserted that Palestinian hostility toward Israel is what is preventing peace in the region. Of Netanyahu who did not meet Carson during his visit to Israel, Carson said: “I think he’s a great leader in a difficult time.”

While he expressed sympathy for the plight of Palestinians, Carson said, “ Israeli security concerns were more important in the short term”, noting that after Israel’s withdrawal of troops and settlers from the Gaza Strip in 2005, the territory was overrun by Hamas militants. An Israeli withdrawal from the

West Bank, he said, would be even riskier, given its proximity to major Israeli cities.

“Until such time as their neighbours are no longer desirous of their elimination,” he said, Israel’s continued control of the West Bank “makes perfectly good sense”.

Carson said he expects to make a decision on seeking the presidency by May. If he wins the job, he promised a different approach toward Israel.

“I would make sure that Israel knew that we had their back, because if their neighbours know that we’re backing them up, they’re not going to be anywhere near as aggressive.”

Should he be elected president, “I would make it very clear that Israel and the United States have a long, cordial relationship, and I don’t think we should ever leave the Israelis in a position of wondering whether we support them... And that certainly is a question now,” he told the Associated Press in December.

Touching upon one of the many relationships Israel and the US shares, Carson praised the unique technology sharing initiatives between the allied nations.

“It is absolutely wonderful, and the relationship the United States has had with Israel in technology,” he told Newsmax. “It has been extremely useful to both of us. It’s one of the ways the Iron Dome was developed, for instance.”

Regarding negotiations with Hamas, Carson opposes talks with the Gaza-based terror group on security grounds. “It is fairly difficult to come to an area of compromise with someone whose goal is to destroy you,” he told The Jerusalem Post. “You can negotiate – ‘Do you destroy me today or tomorrow, half of me today, half tomorrow?’ but these are not good negotiations.”

He clarified that he was not opposed to a two-state solution, “but would not be in favour of a two-state solution that would put Israel’s population at risk.”

The statements of Ben Carson in Israel were highly hypocritical. He could not bring himself to say one word in favour of the Palestinians. Even when he endorsed a two state-solution, he withdrew saying, “I would not favour two states - solution that would put Israel’s population at risk.”

And what was the solution in his view? To cut off a piece of land from Egypt and give it to the Palestinians so that they leave their original land for Israel to build Jewish settlements on it. In other words, he encourages the collective expulsion of the Palestinians from their land and leaves behind all Palestine to the Israelis.

Carson wants to repeat the 1948 Palestinian exodus which occurred when more than 700,000 Palestinian Arabs fled or were expelled from their homes, during the 1948 Palestine war. Around 80 percent of the Arab inhabitants of what became Israel (50 percent of the Arab total of Mandatory Palestine) left or were expelled from their homes.

His talks during his visits to Israel, are nothing but consumed words said by dozens of Republicans visiting Israel before him. whether were members of Congress or presidents in the White House. Just void words praising Israel and siding blindly with it. President Bush visited Israel when he was the governor of Texas, his announcements were pro-Israel. The man did not forget to wear the Jewish turban and pray at the Wailing Wall and maybe he cried a little.

Carson’s statements came out of racism, bigotry and apparent ignorance. His words came out of unjustified hatred towards Muslims and their religion. He believed in peace to a chosen few and not to all.

Ben Carson was not fair when he ignored torture, illegal detention, assassination, assaults against civilians with missiles, helicopters and jet fighters, annexation of territory, transportation of civilians from one place to another for the purpose of imprisonment, and mass killing – as in Qana, Jenin, Sabra, and Shatila, to mention only the most obvious.

He didn't care about denial of rights to free passage to schools, hospitals, and markets; use of civilians as human shields; humiliation of individuals; punishment of families; house demolitions on a mass scale; destruction of agricultural land; expropriation of water; illegal settlement; economic pauperization; attacks on hospitals, medical workers, and ambulances; killing of UN personnel ... All of these policies have been carried out by Israel with the unconditional support of the United States.

Not only has Washington supplied Israel with the weapons for such practices and every kind of military and intelligence aid, but it has also given the country upwards of one hundred and thirty-five billion dollars in economic aid.

He must have heard that the Palestinians are long-suffering at the hands of the Israelis. Entire Palestinian villages have been bulldozed and replaced with Jewish settlers. Barehanded and armed only with rocks, the Palestinians face automatic rifles, machine gun fires, tanks, and helicopters. It is a conflict of an unarmed people against a well-equipped modern military machine. It is men with guns against men with slingshots. When the Palestinians answer back with slings and stones the fools call them "terrorists".

Surely he must have known that the injustice exercised by the Israelis against the Palestinians in the occupied land is the

result of the biased American foreign policy in the Middle East that is consistently pro-Israel and anti-Arab.

Surely, he would have known that being the strongest superpower on earth, being the defendant of democracy, America should stand strong and clean to lead the world to a bright and peaceful future. This would never happen unless America followed an unbiased international policy that is based on straightness, justice, and equity. America must help establish true peace to quench the anger of the oppressed and stop bloodshed of the innocents.

If Ben Carson was fair and honest he would have at least satisfied the Palestinians and the Arabs with even sympathetic words that might relieve them and make them believe that something good lurks in the horizon for the Palestinians.

But the biased words of Carson showed his willingness to engage in deception that garners votes at all costs.

Howard Brush Dean III is an American politician who served as the 79th Governor of Vermont from 1991 to 2003 and Chairman of the Democratic National Committee from 2005 to 2009. He said about the Republican party, "Hypocrisy is a value that I think has been embraced by Republican party. We get lectured by people all day long about moral values - by people who have their own shortcomings."

Al Franken is an American comedian, actor, politician, and writer. He is currently the junior United States Senator from Minnesota. He became well known in the 1970s and 1980s as a writer and performer on Saturday Night Live. He said about the Christian Right, "There is tremendous hypocrisy among the Christian right."

Yes, hypocrisy is the mother of all evil. The only vice that cannot be forgiven is hypocrisy.

The hypocritical statements of Ben Carson during his visit to Israel, and the shallow utterances he said so far in political and economic fields, in addition to the hatred he spewed against American Muslims and their religion, only creates divisions and disconnect among the people.

Is this a leader Americans are to charge with the well-being of their nation?

Instead of blindly siding with Israel, Ben Carson should have discussed several important political issues with the Israeli officials. He should have also visited key Arab countries in the region to discuss similar issues of mutual concern. But what he did was hypocritically praising Israel as if it were his God.

Peter Chrysologus wrote, “Hypocrisy is a subtle evil, a secret illness, a hidden poison; it is an adulteration of virtue and a worm that consumes sanctity. Ben Carson wears a mask of hypocrisy and his face grows to fit it.

As Dr. T.P. Chia said, “A hypocrite is more dangerous than a dishonest man. A dishonest man deceives and cheats, and a hypocrite betrays and swindles”.

The famous William Shakespeare said, “God has given you one face, and you make yourself another!”

Ben Carson should have learnt from Jimmy Carter, the 39th President of the United States. Jimmy Carter changed the vocabulary of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict in the United States and to a great extent changed the frame of reference for the Palestinian issue. By broaching the notion of giving the Palestinians a homeland, by trying to deal with the PLO, by

recognizing the Palestinians as a critical factor in any peace settlement and attempting to involve them in the peace process.

Carter overturned assumptions and misconceptions that had been current for decades about the Palestinians' unimportance and in a real sense took U.S. policy out of the old constricting framework around thinking on the Palestinian problem. Carter was a rarity among U.S. presidents dealing with the Arab-Israeli problem. More than any president before or since, he made an imaginative, good-faith effort to involve the Palestinians in negotiations throughout 1977, confronting Israel's objections, trying to face down opposition from within the United States, attempting different alternatives and new ideas when initial proposals were rejected, and persisting even when obstacles loomed.

During his presidency, Carter hosted talks between Menachem Begin of Israel and Anwar Sadat of Egypt that led to the Egypt–Israel Peace Treaty.

Ben Carson you should have read before your visit to Israel President Carter's endeavours regarding the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, but you went there for only one purpose: to beg for the Israeli approval. This is what the GOP taught you to do; to insult Muslims and Islam, and then visit Israel to pay tribute. How hypocritical you and your party are?

Is Ben Carson so naïve as not to realize that the Jews reject Christianity. They do not believe that Jesus was crucified, that he is the son of God, that he was raised from the dead, that he will appear twice in what some Christians call a second coming, that the Messiah will be their "saviour" in the sense that he will redeem the Jews from their sins.

Why then Ben Carson visited the Wailing Wall, and prayed and maybe wept a little? Because he is a hypocrite, a double faced, his words and actions do not match.

America will never prosper as long as she allows anti-Muslim hate mongers to attack the religion of Islam

The most vicious attack on Islam and Muslims comes from America in particular. The anti-Islam hate mongers think that Islam is not a true religion, so they give themselves the right to attack the religion and its adherents. They think that by doing so, they are protecting their country from terrorism, tyranny, and from Sharia, that they think is threatening their constitution.

Americans need to wake up and realize they are being brainwashed to think that all Muslims and Arabs harbour terrorist beliefs and anti-American feelings, which is not true. The Republicans and their representative biased media need to stop criminalizing Muslims and portraying Islam as a blood-thirsty religion idealizing oppression and violence. For a country that prides itself on religious freedom, America needs to realize that the media's portrayal of Islam and Arabs is violating the rights of Muslim-Americans and Arab-Americans.

The attack on Islam and its Prophet will benefit the anti-Muslim bigots nothing except bringing Allah's wrath on their heads and on their country. America will never prosper as long as she keeps attacking Islam, the true religion of Allah, the Lord of the universe.

Allah has bestowed on America blessings and countless graces. Americans should have thanked Allah for these blessings and to

avoid being ungrateful. America should have used these bounties in what pleases Allah and avoiding what displeases Him. Ingratitude to Allah's bounties and ungratefulness are some of the causes of removing His blessings. Fearing Allah, obeying Him, following His commands and avoiding His prohibitions bring goodness, remove evils and keep Allah's bounties.

But Allah's blessings and bounties had been removed from America. The American society has committed all the sins prohibited in all divine Books. Distorted people are misinterpreting the Bill of Rights to their own ends. They think the Bill of Right allows them to do anything they like as long as they do not harm other people's feelings! Sexual behaviour between members of the same sex or gender is now common in the United States.

Sex outside marriage is the norm now in all states. It is a great calamity plaguing the American society. Half of all births in the United States to mothers under thirty years of age are outside of marriage. The divorce rate among baby boomers has surged over the past two decades by more than 50%.

The Prophet of Islam said:

"Allah has forbidden that His slaves, male or female, commit illegal sexual intercourse. O followers of Muhammad! By Allah! If you knew that which I know (the torture of the sinners in Hell) you would laugh little and weep much..."

The Bible states clearly in five places that homosexual behaviour is sin: Leviticus 18:22; 20:13; Romans 1:26,27;1 Corinthians 6:9,10; Timothy 1:9,10. Sexual lust and fantasy,

both homosexual and heterosexual, are sinful according to God's Word.

The social ills in the American society are numerous: inequality in human right, women rights abuse, health care problems, weak education, abortion, immigration, unemployment, low wages, racism discrimination, frequent natural disasters, crime and violence, bullying, lack of social security, and obesity.

Wine and drug addiction is prevalent, and gambling is now common practise in American homes and plays an important role in the economy of the western states.

Hunger in the United States is an issue that affects millions of Americans. Research from the Food Safety and Inspection Service found that 14.9% of American households were food insecure during 2011, with 5.7% suffering from very low food security. Journalists and charity workers have reported further increased demand for emergency food aid during 2012 and 2013.

Media propaganda is also destroying the solidarity of the nation. Mass media may use propaganda as a means to promote or publicize a particular political cause or point of view, or to maintain the viewer's attention. The American media is often biased towards one or the other end of the political spectrum. The biased media plays an important role in spreading dissension between Muslims and non-American Muslims.

In addition to that, the economy is suffering from a skyrocketing national debt - \$18 trillion.

In conjunction with all these social ills affecting the American society, America has lost her credibility before the Muslim world because of the vicious, imperialistic and greed policy she adopted in the Middle East. America was behind the

devastation, which happened in the Middle East. She engineered the Arab spring and funded Islamic militia to cause sedition and indigenous uprising. The result was millions of refugees lost in sea or scattered on the borders of numerous countries.

These social ills combined with the financial crisis, and loss of credibility before the Muslim world and before all other nations respecting liberty, freedom and independence, are in fact the causes of America's decadence.

The big calamity that is driving America to her perdition is that she sees herself as qualitatively different from other nations and therefore cannot be judged by the same standards as other countries.

America falsely thinks that she has a mission to spread freedom and democracy everywhere. American exceptionalism has widespread implications and transcribes into disregard to the international norms, rules and laws in the US foreign policy. For example, the US refused to ratify a number of important international treaties such as Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, and American Convention on Human Rights; did not join the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention; and routinely conducts drone attacks and cruise missile strikes around the globe. American exceptionalism is sometimes linked with hypocrisy; for example, the US keeps a huge stockpile of nuclear weapons while urging other nations not to get them, and justifies that it can make an exception to a policy of non-proliferation.

Critics of American exceptionalism drew parallels with such historic doctrines as civilizing mission, which were employed by Great Powers to justify their colonial conquests. When the United States did not support an environmental treaty made by

many nations in Kyoto or treaties made concerning the Geneva Convention, then many observers deemed American exceptionalism as counterproductive.

America invaded Afghanistan, destroyed Iraq, and under the American-Zionist plot “The New Middle East” ruined Syria, Lebanon, Libya, Yemen, and tried hard to destabilize Egypt but she failed. These wars resulted in millions of refugees seeking safe haven in the West.

Half of the 23 million population of Syria have been forced from their homes, with four million becoming refugees in other countries.

Some 2.6 million Iraqis have been displaced by Islamic State – Isis (trained and implanted by America) – offensives in the last year and squat in tents or half-finished buildings.

In April 2007, there was an estimate of over 4 million Iraqi refugees around the world, including 1.9 million in Iraq, 2 million in neighbouring Middle East countries, and around 200,000 in countries outside the Middle East.

Who is going to pay for all this - the perpetrators of course?

America has entered into the cycle of oppression and injustice. America follows her desires and interests at the expense of the helpless and cannot adhere to what is right. She ignores many of the commands of Allah, and is too weak to confront evil.

America had made fun of the Prophet of Islam, and now being the super power of the world, she is helpless in front of Allah’s wrath.

There is no hope therefore that good will prevail in the American society. Even if political and economic reform is undertaken, it is too late because the chance has gone. Hatred,

racism, injustice and distortion in the American society became grave. American became a land full of thorns and weeds. The seed of evil has grown up to America's ruin.

When people disobey Allah and violate His commandments, oppress His servants, and slander His seal of the prophets and belie His Koran and burn it, Allah would certainly pour His wrath on them without mercy.

Allah says in the Koran:

“And how many a generation We destroyed before them that was stronger in valour than they. And (when Our Torment came), they ran for a refuge in the land! Could they find any place of refuge? Surely in that there is a reminder for him who has a heart or gives ear while he is heedful (Qaf, 36-37).

Allah also says:

“Each We seized for his sin; and of them against some We loosed a squall of pebbles and some were seized by the Cry, and some We made the earth to swallow, and some We drowned; Allah would never wrong them, but they wronged themselves (Al-Ankabut, 40).

Allah's wrath has already started. We can see it in the continuous natural disasters destroying the natural resources; we can see it in the spread of crime, bullying, racism, delinquency, discrimination, family disintegration, drug addiction, poverty, homelessness and unemployment. The financial crisis is taking America to bankruptcy; social unrest and rebelling against the government happened already and are expected to increase more.

Seeing all these ruins around them, they still do not understand that these catastrophes are the beginning of Allah's

wrath, so they keep on insulting their Creator, His Prophet, and the Koran more and more.

Satan has made evil fair seeming to them. He decked out fair to them their works, and barred them from the way, though they saw clearly. He assailed their mind, and made them at odds with Allah. He made them egoistic self-centred and arrogant persons. They took Satan for a friend even though he was calling them to the chastisement of the burning.

Allah is watching from over seven skies how his religion is ridiculed and how His Prophet is mocked at! Allah is watching how His obedient servants are deserting their bombed homes and become refugees, and how they are tortured, killed and dehumanized. But in such cases he interferes with anger and wrath. Are the anti-Islam hate mongers and their hostile society ready for such wrath?

These hate mongers must understand that Islam is the truth from their Lord. It is the very call of the Highest Creator to the humble human being to surrender to Allah the Infinite Power and the Supreme Sovereign. Islam is the light and the beacon that shows man where to step and how to be safe from falling into the abyss of vice. Islam is morality clothed with mercy, and mercy clothed with perfection. Islam is the course that governs life and elevates man above the boundaries of his physical appetites and animalistic whimsical desires that endanger his spirituality and degrade his morality.

Islam is the sun that shines in the corners of man's life and shows him the way to happiness. Does the sun need proofs to show to man that it is there? Man can deny the existence of the

sun, but it is his own problem and not that of the sun.

In many places in the Koran Allah swears by His miraculous creation that the religion of Islam is the truth sent from Him to all beings.

In chapter Al-Waqi'ah (the terror), Allah swears by the setting of the stars that the Koran is the truth that was revealed to Muhammad peace be upon him. The setting of the glorious stars is a symbol of humility before the power, beauty and goodness of Allah. It may refer to the extinction of the stars at the Day of Judgment, betokening the establishment of Allah's justice and the truth of His Revelation. What is bright or beautiful to our senses may disappear from our ken within a few hours, even though its own existence may continue. All light is relative except the Light of Allah (3).

We read in the Koran:

No! I swear by the settings of the stars - and that is indeed a mighty oath, if you only knew – that this is indeed a noble Koran, in a well-guarded Book, none but the purified shall touch, a sending down from the Lord of all Being. What, do you hold this discourse in disdain, and do you make your living to cry lies (Al-Waqi'ah, 75-83).

The ugly words of Ben Carson about Islam, shows his ignorance about the great religion, and reveals the hatred his black heart carries for Islam. His despicable words about Islam shows clearly how the GOP and the other political and religious groups affiliated to it look at Islam. They consider Islam an object of derision and contempt. This brings nothing good; rather, it brings the wrath of Allah. Allah is dreadful against

His enemies, He is All Mighty, Vengeful, and terrible in retribution.

The Prophet said: "Speak a good word or remain silent."

This is an encouragement to speak what is good and beneficial; at the same time it is a warning to be careful in what we say, lest we say something that is harmful or false.

In a hadith related on the authority of Mu'adh, the Prophet said, "Shall I not tell you how to control all that?" I said, "Yes do, O Messenger of Allah." So he took hold of his tongue and then said: "Restrain this." I said, "Oh Prophet of Allah, are we accountable for what we say?" He said, "May your mother be bereft by your loss! Is there anything more than the harvest of the tongues that throws people on their faces (or he said 'on their noses') into the Fire?"

What is meant here by 'the harvest of the tongues' is the punishment for saying forbidden things. A man, through his actions and words, sows the seeds of either good or evil. On the Day of Resurrection, he harvests their fruits. Those who sow the seeds of good words and deeds harvest honour and blessings; those who sow the seeds of evil words and deeds reap only regret and remorse.

The anti-Islam bigots in America, and they are many, have excelled in sayings of disbelief. Mockery of Allah, His religion, His Book, His messenger, His signs, and His righteous servants, all lead to disbelief in Allah and the exclusion out of the fold of faith. This mockery is one of the fruits of the tongue. Falsehood, backbiting, obscenity, reviling and cursing, are all forms of the fruits of the tongue.

The Prophet said:

Allah treats with displeasure a person who is given to loose and vulgar talk.

It is part of a Muslim's faith to speak the truth and to say things that bring about benefit to others.

Allah says: "O you who believe! Fear Allah and speak a word that is right. He will set right for you your deeds and forgive you your sins. And whoever obeys Allah and His Messenger has won a mighty triumph (Al-Ahzâb, 70-71).

America became a menace to the entire world, but to we Muslims in particular. America allowed a group of bigots to create a circular industry of hate. The Christian Right is pouring hatred into the fabric of Western society. The Islamophobia comes principally, from right wing Zionism and evangelical Christianity, uniting to form a Judeo-Christian front in their battle against Islam. Their funders come from their midst and the right wing Zionist has fuelled the majority of anti-Muslim activists.

Right-wing Christian ideology places Muslims beyond the pale. The idea that Muslims may also be in possession of God's revelation and truth, is not only unacceptable, it is an offense so blasphemous that it must be stopped. Evangelical Christians, as a core part of the Republican base, have actively pushed their ideas about Islam into the mainstream of American politics. Many Christian conservatives are also, of course, Christian Zionists who see Israel as the fulfilment of biblical prophecy that will continue until the Messiah comes down again.

Anti-Muslim bigotry has spread from the Internet world to the very heart of some government policies on terrorism.

Anti-Muslim bigotry has become institutionalized in some quarters of government.

Muslims are used as convenient targets for politicians seeking office. Indeed the use of Muslims as a punching bag by opportunistic politicians seeking a minority group to scapegoat has become a regular feature. This is what an opportunist like Ben Carson did when he humiliated Muslims and their Book.

In addition to political hatemongering, the past several years have seen a highly organized and well-funded group of anti-Muslim activists who have been sponsoring campaigns targeting Muslims across the country.

Leading figures in this movement such as the woman astray Pamela Geller and the devil incarnate Robert Spencer have led a crusade to vilify Muslims throughout the country and to exclude them from public life through campaigns of smears and hate mongering which have cast Muslim-Americans as an insidious fifth column within the country.

Their views have gotten considerable popular attention, and thanks to a documented network of funders and media associates, they have managed to bring their message to people across the United States.

The political fabric of the United States as exemplified by the Republicans and their affiliation to the Christian Right, neoconservatives, Tea Party, Judeo-Christian coalition will take America to its ruin. The influence of these groups on the successive American administrations is overwhelming. Surrender to these religious and political groups has led to annihilating wars launched by America around the world against Islam as a religion. The fools have launched war against

Allah their Creator. What a terrible foe He is going to be! Evil is that they judge.

The only question today is how far into the darkness America must travel before it decides to take a stand against American Islamophobia (14).

If the enemies of Islam knew what is in wait for them they would have stopped such enmity towards Islam and the Lord of Islam. On the Day of Judgment the enemies of Allah will be gathered together to the Fire, they will be marched in ranks like prisoners going to punishment. All the members of their bodies and the faculties of their minds, which they misused, will bear witness against them.

Allah says in the Koran:

Upon the day when Allah's enemies are mustered to the Fire, duly disposed, till when they are come to it, their hearing, their eyes and their skins bear witness against them concerning what they have been doing (Fussilat, 19-20).

Allah will make them taste the Fire of Hell. Nothing that they had done, however outrageous, will escape its fit punishment. This is the punishment of Allah's enemies - Hell – wherein they shall find their eternal abode.

Allah says in the Koran:

“So We shall let the unbelievers taste a terrible chastisement, and shall recompense them with the worst of what they were working. That is the recompense of Allah’s enemies – the Fire, wherein they shall have the Abode of Eternity as recompense, for that they denied our signs.” (Fussilat, 27-28).

The inhabitants of the Fire will plead to Allah, “O Allah, our Creator, our pride and misgivings got the better of our prudence and we were certainly lost in the maze of error. O Allah, our Creator, deliver us out of Hell, if we ever return to evil, then we shall really be evildoers. He will say, ‘Away with you, in you go. Do not speak to Me.’

The Koran says:

They shall say, ‘Our Lord, our adversity prevailed over us; we were an erring people. Our Lord, bring us forth out of it! Then if we revert again, we shall be evildoers indeed.’ ‘Slink you into it,’ He shall say, ‘and do not speak to Me.’ (Al-Mu’minun, 106-108).

The enemies of Islam are in fact the enemies of Allah. They have drawn on themselves wrath upon wrath and there awaits them harsh calamities in the present life and a severe chastisement in the Hereafter. In the present life Allah’s wrath comes in many forms. As the Koran teaches, the nations that rebelled against Allah and His Messages were struck by earthquakes, hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, volcano eruptions, epidemics, and many other catastrophes.

America will never prosper as long as she keeps attacking Islam and Muslims. America must protect herself from Allah’s wrath by being fair and just to all people without exception. America

can look after her interests worldwide without oppressing people and driving them out of their homes. America must side with the truth, justice and peace, and not with a group of people or countries at the expense of others.

As for the perpetrators who think they are well hidden and protected, those who act behind the scene to destroy and annihilate innocent people and helpless nations, they should have known that Allah knows what they conceal and what they reveal, and that one day they will return to Him and He will make them realize what they had done. It is true that Allah is most forgiving but he is also severe in punishment.

All calamities befalling America are warning signs from Allah – the Supreme Commander of the worlds. America should pay attention, get the message and mend her ways. How many warnings does America need? Living in sin and corruption, and spreading mischief in the world would bring upon her Allah's wrath.

America is being punished, why then she doesn't understand? Time is ripe for her to reflect, to repent and change her ways. What is she waiting for? Allah has withheld His provision and pitched her with poverty, but she persists in disdain and aversion!

Because of its bigotry and malice towards Islam, the GOP will always remain in dispute and malice. The deterioration in the GOP has reached the extent of offering Ben Carson as a candidate for presidency! The GOP is broke; it has nothing to

offer the American people but this hypocrite empty-headed racist.

A man with no mercy in his heart will never feel other people's pain. This is what the Republican party can offer to the American people – a man ignorant in politics, showing no mercy to people in need, and doesn't mind attacking Muslims and their religion for political gain.

After all these careless and irresponsible statements, is Carson to be trusted as a President? Is he fit to reconcile the already bad relations between America and the Muslim world? Certainly not.

Someone that so openly hates a part of the American people is not fit for office. Someone who is parroting the distorted ideas of the Christian Right, the Tea Party, the Judeo-Christian Right and their affiliated Republicans without having new ideas of his own is not fit for office.

I don't think he has a chance of getting the presidential nomination. Ben Carson I ask you to withdraw from the presidential race, because if you were elected president, you would certainly take America to its demise.

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