

MESSAGE OUTLINE

SUNDAY, October 30, 2022



CHURCH

הקהילה מתקדמת

10:30am Sunday 13095 Publishers Drive, Fishers

Today's Message: **ISLAMIC WORLDVIEW**
Worldview—Part 11
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'Abd al-Rahman al-Ajar to President John Adams in 1786...

"It was... written in the Koran, that all Nations who should not have acknowledged [the Muslims'] authority were sinners, that it was their right and duty to make war upon whoever they could find and to make Slaves of all they could take as prisoners, and that every Mussulman who should be slain in battle was sure to go to Paradise." (Oren, 27).

Marine Corp Hymn
From the Halls of Montezuma
To the shores of Tripoli;
We fight our country's battles
In the air, on land, and sea;
First to fight for right and freedom
And to keep our honor clean;
We are proud to claim the title
Of United States Marine.

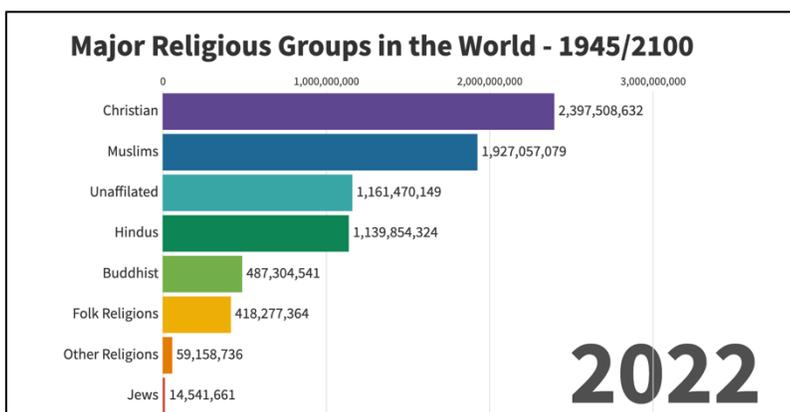
"Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, pledged to work for 'a world without America and Zionism' in which liberalism and democracy were supplanted by 'the Divine Word of the Holy Quran.'" (Oren, 606).

Oren's book illustrates the clash of two very different Worldviews

What is the Islamic Worldview? How should we respond from the Biblical Worldview?

The half-brother of Jesus answers this question...

Jude 3 (NKJV) Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. ⁴ For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.



<https://statisticsanddata.org/major-religious-groups-in-the-world-1945-2100/>

Five Pillars of Islam: (Fouad Masri, *Ambassadors to Muslims*)

1. Islamic Creed: "There is no God but Allah and Muhammed is his messenger."
2. Islamic Prayer: facing Mecca five times per day
3. Islamic Month of Fasting: Ramadan (28 days fast during the day; feast at night)
4. Islamic Giving: Alms to needy (2 ½% Sunnis; 5% Shi'ites)
5. Islamic Pilgrimage: to Mecca and Medina at least once in life

MUSLIM WORLDVIEW (Arab World Ministries)

- Islam holds that mankind's present separation from God is due to God's transcendence, not human sinfulness.
 - God is "Wholly Other" and essentially unknowable; He does not "reveal Himself" to human beings.
 - People are essentially "good" and "pure," albeit "weak" and "forgetful" (in the garden Adam simply "forgot" God's command).
 - Human beings do sin, but they have the moral power not to sin, and to do the Good. All they need is "guidance."
 - God has provided that guidance in the Qur'an and the Muslim Traditions, held to be the very "Law of God."
 - The objective in all this was the creation of a new social order, one based on Divine Law. To Muslims, this new order came into existence in 722 A.D., when Muhammad founded the first Muslim community.
 - Shari'ah Law / Caliphate or Islamic Theocracy (Global Islam)
- All about worldview: (<https://www.allaboutworldview.org/islamic-worldview.htm>)
- Islam is an ideology with a clear sociopolitical agenda.
 - Men are created to live in submission to Allah
 - Islam's destiny is to extend its control until the whole...[non-Muslim world] is subject to Islamic law in an Islamic state, and this includes the use of force."

Teddy Roosevelt:

"Nations, in his worldview, were like individuals, some weak and others stalwart, and the latter were obliged to defend the former. Some "barbarous and semi-barbarous peoples" were "so utterly incompetent either to protect the rights of foreigners against their own citizens, or to protect their own citizens against foreigners," that "honorable and upright" states were morally impelled to police them." –Michael Oren. *Power, Faith, and Fantasy*. P 311

"The Christian martyr was the man the Romans placed in the lion's den to be devoured for his refusal to renounce his faith. In Islam, a martyr takes up the cause of jihad and loses his life fighting for Allah." – Dinesh D'Souza. *What's So Great About Christianity*, 285.

"Islam sees each human being spending a lifetime on probation... No Muslim, even the best among them, imagines that he is guaranteed Paradise" –James Sire, *The Universe Next Door*, 249, 251.

THE BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW

Salvation in the Messiah

Acts 4:12 (NLT) There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved."

Human condition

1 Corinthians 15:22 (ESV) For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

God's love

1 John 4:8 (ESV) Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.

God's Imminence

Jeremiah 33:3 (ESV) Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.

Intimacy with God

John 17:3 (ESV) *“And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.”*

Assurance of Eternal Life

1 John 5:11–13 (NLT) *And this is what God has testified: He has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have God’s Son does not have life.¹³ I have written this to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know you have eternal life.*

World mission

Matthew 28:19a (NKJV) *“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations”*

SO WHAT? Can you confidently defend the faith once for all delivered to the saints?

2 Corinthians 5:19–20 (NLT) *For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people’s sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation.²⁰ So we are Christ’s ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, “Come back to God!”*

We have the best worldview of all worldviews. Let’s go out to the mission field with confidence, love, compassion, and power!

Sources:

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ONWARD CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, October 30, 2022

1. MOSHE & BATEL LOEWENTHAL, ONE MIDDLE EAST AGENCY NOVEMBER 15th 7:00PM—Join us for dinner as we cast our vision and raise support for One Middle East Agency and their work in Israel. Seating is limited, so please text or email your reservations to Pastor Gary (317-513-0227 or gary@garystump.org).

2. YOUTH COSTUME PARTY SUNDAY NIGHT 6-8PM—Dinner; Games; Candy.

3. PAL (“PARENTS OF ADDICTED LOVED ONES”) MEETING—This is for families of adult children dealing with substance addiction. Every Tuesday night, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Free weekly meetings. Dr. Nancy Smith, facilitator. For more information, contact nancy1108smith@gmail.com or 317-508-8149.

4. LADIES BIBLE STUDY—Wednesdays @ 9:30AM at Kathy Stump’s house (12928 Whitehaven Lane, Fishers). Studying the book of 1 Peter using Jen Wilkin’s guide.

5. SERVERS NEEDED—Our new facility comes with needs for more workers to serve the Lord by serving one another. Areas of particular need:

- **Host Team**—greet our members and guests with a smile and hospitality (see Kathleen Hodnett (khodnett1207@gmail.com))
- **Nursery**—serve our youngest with loving care (see Kathy Stump 317-292-7632).
- **Worship Team**—use your gifts and talents to serve the Lord (see Marc Aldarondo 317-629-5326).

6. ONWARD PRAYER RESPONSE CARD ONLINE—To make it easier for some, you can scan this QR code in order to complete your Prayer Response Card.



7. DONATE BIBLES in memory of or in honor of loved ones through the Gideons. See the display on the table in the worship area.