



Cold Blooded Attack

The massacre which took place at the French magazine Charlie Hebdo is condemned by Islam and sound reason

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The murderous savages who shot dead 12 people at the Paris office of the French satirical magazine Charlie Hebdo did not avenge Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) nor did they conform to God's divine legislation. Not only did they perpetrate a heinous crime against humanity, but they also committed a crime against Islam and the Muslims.

A respected Muslim scholar previously stated about Al-Qaeda - and the same applies to ISIS and other extremist groups, "By Allah, if someone spent millions and millions of dollars, they would be unable to ruin the image of Islam like these misguided individuals have done."

I hope that non-Muslims understand that Prophet Muhammad is free from the savagery of these cowards and innocent of these politically motivated killings, as he said, "Whoever kills a non-Muslim with whom there is a pact of security will not smell the fragrance of Paradise."

It was Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) who taught us, as Muslims, to free ourselves before God when an innocent life is lost. For verily, at the time of the Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) an incident occurred during a military campaign, which resulted in the unintentional loss of life. When news of this reached the Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) he mentioned that he was innocent before God of what transpired. So what would he say when civilians, women and children are being massacred in the name of his religion!

These lunatics have been influenced more by anarchism and communism than by the teachings of Prophet Muhammad.



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How can terrorism be stopped?

A lesson can be taken from the biography of the fourth Caliph in Islam Ali Ibn Abī Talib, who was a relative of the Prophet Muhammad. A radical sect appeared during the reign of his Caliphate known as the Kharijites - who are the predecessors of all contemporary extremist groups. Initially, Ali sent his cousin Ibn Abbas, who was a celebrated scholar and renowned among his generation for his knowledge of the Quran, to debate the theology of this sect and expose its flaws. Thus, it is imperative for qualified scholars to be given the platform to provide counter narratives to the arguments formulated by extremists.

After their arguments were annihilated by Ibn Abbas, Ali fought against those who remained loyal to this bloodthirsty sect. Muslim jurists mention that the latter course of action is the duty of the leader. So there is two major components to this solution.

Contemplate for a moment, if the likes of Anjem Choudary lived during that era would he be at liberty to radicalize unsuspecting teenagers, let alone boast about receiving "Jihad Seeker's Allowance".

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