

# Faith without Reason

## The Birth of Islamic Extremists

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An honorable Iranian man named Hossein Daha served Iran for sixty years and wrote a book about his unbiased memories, backed up with documents. In the first volume of his book, *Memories of life: Sixty Years of Contemporary History of Iran*, he writes:

In those days (about 80 years ago), Iranian people were mostly uneducated. There was almost no health care; from each 10 kids, 6 to 7 would die because of a lack of minimum health care. In Tehran, the capital city of Iran, there were only a few doctors. Mainly religious leaders were taking care of people's health problems by means of prayers and superstitions, making their followers repeat prayers for a certain number of days in hope of divine intervention.

This type of brainwashing is the result of faith without reason. And in the case of Abrahamic religions (Judaism, Christianity, and Islam), once a holy man convinces his followers that his authority are from God, then the faithful will obey his laws blindly. In their false mindset, this obedience brings God's happiness on them. I will give a few examples:

- a) In Judaism there is a belief that says Jews will never enter hell because they are the chosen people of God (ironically, the Koran addresses this claim by saying: where is their proof?).
- b) In the Mormon religion, it is widely accepted without reason that black people are not equal to white people due to the color of their skin.
- c) Jehovah's Witnesses is a branch of Christianity that claims that only 144,000 people will go to heaven, and the rest of humans, billions and billions, will go to hell.
- d) Members of the Shia branch of Islam openly curse three of the leaders after Prophet Mohammad, as part of special prayer. This type of cursing does not stop there. After the revolution in Iran, the common prayer consisted of slogan such as "death to the U.S.A.," "death to Israel," "death to those who reject the supreme leaders of Shia Muslims," and so forth. Furthermore, their religious leader, Ayatollah Khomeini, declared that as long as these slogans were not abandoned, Iran would be victorious in all it does, and the new Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Khamenie, [is his name spelled

“Khomeini”?] upholds this with all his might and all his heart. Thirty years after the revolution, we can clearly see this is not working, as Iranians are faced with far more challenges and hardships.

e) Moreover, in the Shia branch it is well established that if any member does not “imitate” the Supreme Leader’s rule book called “the Resaleh,” then that person will go to hell, and those using their own mind and reasoning will be equally worthy of hell.

The above list goes on and on, especially in the world of Shia Muslims. From all the fanaticism that exists in the Abrahamic religions, the ones that promote the killing of innocent people are the ones that are most troubling to the whole world.

Let us examine why people are accepting faith without reason by first looking at the definition of faith: “Faith is the confident belief or trust in the truth or trustworthiness of a person, idea, or thing” (<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Faith>). However, faith is often used in a religious context, where it almost always refers to trusting and believing in a Supreme Being. In the case of the Abrahamic religions (Judaism, Christianity, or Islam), it refers to trusting in God.

These religions are represented by their books called the Bible and the Koran. These books all claim that God does not want anyone to accept Him without reason. God argues His case all over the Bible and the Koran by asking: “Is it more reasonable to assume that all things are created by someone infinitely intelligent, or is it more reasonable to assume they are all created by no one?”

**Koran 16:11** With it, He (God) grows for you crops, olives, date palms, grapes, and all kinds of fruits. This is (sufficient) proof for people who think.

**Koran 13:3** He (God) is the One who constructed the earth and placed on it mountains and rivers. And from the different kinds of fruits, He made them into pairs - males and females. The night overtakes the day. These are solid proofs for people who think.

Below are words God used to urge the Children of Israel to be rational.

**Bible-Deuteronomy 4:32** "For ask now concerning the days that are passed, which were before you, since the day that God created man on the earth, and ask from one end of heaven to the other, whether any great thing like this has happened, or anything like it has been heard."

Since God wants to substantiate His own being and actions by means of reasoning, He urges humankind to think and use their mind in all things.

So when a prophet like Moses, Jesus Christ, or Mohammad came to the land, they ruled among people according to their books (the Torah, the Gospel, and the Koran). However, now that these prophets are not among their followers, they all must only refer to what was left for them as their inheritance, which were the Bible and the Koran:

**Koran 35:32** Then We (God) gave the Book for an inheritance to those whom We chose from among Our servants. ...

God declares that there are two things that man is made from: the dust of the earth and the spirit of God (hence the creation of the earth and the heaven was before man's creation).

**Koran 38:71** When your Lord said to the angels, Surely I am going to create a mortal from dust: **72** So when I have made him complete and breathed into him of My spirit, then fall down making obeisance to him.

**Bible-Genesis 2:7** the LORD God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

All the words of God given to man are recorded in His books (the Bible and the Koran), and they can be defined as two sets of information:

- 1) Information about the physical world (the earth) and its laws.
- 2) Information about the spirit world (heavens) and its laws.

As mentioned above, man is part earthly and part spirit, a combination of two worlds. One you can reason through, the other can only be accepted through faith.

To discover all about the earth's laws, man can use his mind, but how is he going to explore the world of spirit?

The wrong answer to this question has opened the door to faith without reason. If one does not carefully accept all the books of God (the Bible and the Koran), then learning about the spirit world will become very limited. And because of that he will either abandon God's religions and consider all God's religions as superstitions, or accept them without any reason (blind faith).

This second option, accepting faith without reason, will give the religious leaders infinite power over their followers.

These followers will then do anything that their religious leaders command. They will claim they know the answer to anything from the spirit world, and their justification would simply be: "This is God's will."

In the world of today's Islam, this gives birth to Islamic extremists, a very small but extremely dangerous group.

But the reality about the spirit world is that God did not give too much information about the world of spirit. And no one who died ever came back to give a full account of the other world.

**Koran 17:85** They ask thee concerning the Spirit. Say: "The Spirit is by command of my Lord. And of this knowledge only a little has been communicated to you."

So, if any Muslim religious leader misinforms believers of God and declares things that they have no proof of (i.e., murdering innocent people will be rewarded by 72 virgins), then they are disregarding their own holy book, the Koran:

**Koran 2:169** He (the Devil) only commands you to commit evil and indecency, and to say about God what you do not know.

So to summarize, we can state a few things about the two worlds that are described in all the books of the Abrahamic religions:

<b>Physical world:</b>	<b>Spirit world:</b>
Has TIME and SPACE dimensions	Has no TIME nor SPACE dimensions
Physical reasoning needed	No Physical reasoning needed
Governed by the LAWS of NATURE	Governed by the LAWS of SPIRIT

The "time" and the "space" came about when God began the creation of the heavens and the earth, which we can refer to as the physical and spirit world, respectively. The physical world has laws of its own, as does the spirit world. To explore everything about these two, man needs reasoning through his mind. But man is not made from this physical world alone, but also of the spirit world. So, how can one explore the laws that constitute the world of spirit? If one believes in the Bible and the Koran, then it will be shown that Jesus Christ healed sick people without medicine, he calmed the winds, he raised the dead, and performed many such miracles. Many other prophets of the Bible also performed miracles. This proves that there is an interaction between the spirit world and the physical world. Jesus claims you can bring the laws of spirit to overtake the laws of the physical world if you have enough faith.

**Bible-Matthew 17:20-21** So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.

**Koran 2:152** You shall remember Me, that I may remember you, ...

The above admittance of the Bible and the Koran is that faith has amazing powers, and it has opened the door to religious leaders' total control of their followers. They demand anything they want from God-fearing people in the name of God, and they get total cooperation. These blind followers think their spiritual leaders have some kind of connection with the spirit world and God.

**Koran 2:166** Those who were followed will disown those who followed them. They will see the retribution, and all ties among them will be severed. **167** Those who followed will say, "If we can get another chance, we will disown them, as they have disowned us now." God thus shows them the consequences of their works as nothing but remorse; they will never exit Hell.

An important observation here is that good faith will only do good deeds, not evil deeds. When King Saul tried to use the spirit world to get answers from God, he was told by the spirit of Prophet Samuel, who had died earlier, that he (Saul) would die for disobeying God.

**1 Samuel 28:7** Then Saul said to his servants, "Find me a woman who is a medium, that I may go to her and inquire of her." And his servants said to him, "In fact, there is a woman who is a medium at En Dor." **8** So Saul disguised himself and put on other clothes, and he went, and two men with him; and they came to the woman by night. And he said, "Please conduct a séance (attempt communication with spirits) for me, and bring up for me the one I shall name to you."

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The Koran also talks about the interactions of people with the spirit world in the time of Prophet Solomon (Koran 2:102).

The fact that the small group of Muslim extremists are trained to kill in the name of God, including children and innocent people, is clearly against God's laws. However, they think their religious leaders really have a connection to the spirit world and God. Therefore, religious leaders who promote these ideas must be unmasked by revealing to the world of Islam that the Koran is not a book of death, but a book of life. There are many verses to support this:

**Koran 17:33** You shall not kill any person - for God has made life sacred - except in the course of justice.

There are many quotes like the above from the Koran. However, one verse is enough because the Koran claims it contains no contradiction (4:82). Furthermore, according to the Koran, when God created Man, He gave him a conscience that distinguishes between bad and good.

**Koran 91:7** The spirit and Him who created it. **8** And inspired it (with conscience of) what is wrong and what is right for it.

According to this verse, when a man commits any good, his conscience will be aligned with it, and when he does evil, the conscience recognizes it as bad. Jesus Christ declared the sum of all the Laws of the prophets:

**Matthew 7:12** Do to others whatever you would like them to do to you. This is the essence of all that is taught in the law and the prophets.

I believe good religious leaders (and I know there are many of them) must bring everyone's attention to the books of God (the Bible and the Koran) and rely not on their own understanding about the spirit world, but only on God's explanation. Moreover, they should not use reasoning from the spirit world to do bad but to do good (i.e., bad would be to claim killing innocent people will bring God's happiness).

This in turn will destroy the hate among extremists and will spread the kindness that Prophet Mohammad himself showed to the world of Arabs, along with the remarkable power of love and compassion displayed by Jesus Christ throughout his life. The Bible and the Koran are books of LIFE, and not books of DEATH. This concept must be emphasized, proved, and taught. If so, the world will be free of bad religions and filled with the glory of God. Extremists would then be extreme in being good, as the Koran commands:

**Koran 23:61** They are eager to do righteous works; they compete in doing them.

**Koran 5:48** ... therefore strive with one another to rush to virtuous deeds; to Allah is your return, of all (of you), so He will let you know that in which you differed;

**Koran 3:114** They (Good people) believe in God and the last day, and they enjoin what is right and forbid the wrong and they strive with one another in rushing to good deeds, and those are among the good.

**Koran 2:148** ... excel one another in doing good works.

The New Gospel of Jesus Christ states the good men who take goodness to extreme are described as follows:

**Bible-Matthew 5:14** "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. **15** Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lamp stand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. **16** Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

Can anyone in their right mind read the above verses and think they must go and kill somebody to make God happy? Only faith without reason could end up doing the devil's work, because faith in God must accompany good, and that can never lead to anything but love.

Reason from physical laws are all empirical and can be proven in the laboratories over and over again, and hence they are proven beyond the shadow of doubt, but reason from the spirit world must have words from God to be substantiated. So, anyone who wants to be 100% sure something is from God must bring their verses (documents) from the Bible or the Koran. That is why I have started writing these articles and dedicated two websites to this work.

May God bless us all to do good all days of our lives, 24/7, without any breaks.