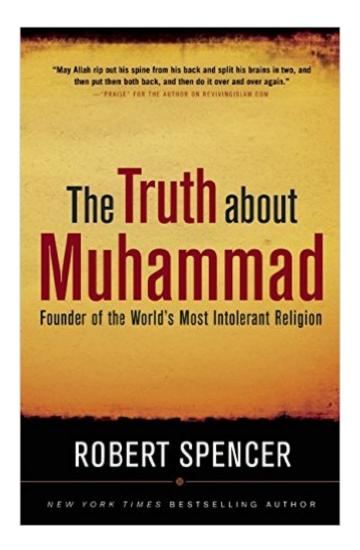
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The Truth About Muhammad: Founder Of The World's Most Intolerant Religion





Synopsis

Muhammad: a frank look at his influential (and violent) life and teachings In The Truth about Muhammad, New York Times bestselling author and Islam expert Robert Spencer offers an honest and telling portrait of the founder of Islam-perhaps the first such portrait in half a century-unbounded by fear and political correctness, unflinching, and willing to face the hard facts about Muhammad's life that continue to affect our world today. From Muhammad's first "revelation" from Allah (which filled him with terror that he was demonpossessed) to his deathbed (from which he called down curses upon Jews and Christians), it's all here-told with extensive documentation from the sources that Muslims themselves consider most reliable about Muhammad. Spencer details Muhammad's development from a preacher of hellfire and damnation into a political and military leader who expanded his rule by force of arms, promising his warriors luridly physical delights in Paradise if they were killed in his cause. He explains how the Qur'an's teaching on warfare against unbelievers developed-with constant war to establish the hegemony of Islamic law as the last stage. Spencer also gives the truth about Muhammad's convenient "revelations" justifying his own licentiousness; his joy in the brutal murders of his enemies; and above all, his clear marching orders to his followers to convert non-Muslims to Islam-or force them to live as inferiors under Islamic rule. In The Truth about Muhammad, you'll learn- The truth about Muhammad's multiple marriages (including one to a nine-year-old) - How Muhammad set legal standards that make it virtually impossible to prove rape in Islamic countries - How Muhammad's example justifies jihad and terrorism - The real "Satanic verses" incident (not the Salman Rushdie version) that remains a scandal to Muslims - How Muhammad's faulty knowledge of Judaism and Christianity has influenced Islamic theology--and colored Muslim relations with Jews and Christians to this day. Recognizing the true nature of Islam, Spencer argues, is essential for judging the prospects for largescale Islamic reform, the effective prosecution of the War on Terror, the democracy project in Afghanistan and Iraq, and immigration and border control to protect the United States from terrorism. All of which makes it crucial for every citizen (and policymaker) who loves freedom to read and ponder The Truth about Muhammad

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At a time when Islam seems to be taking over some European countries and our own government is trying to buddy-up to the very nations behind 9/11, it is desperately important that we understand what we are dealing with. For the Muslim who believes Islam is a way of peace and love, you need to know the truth. For the person considering conversion to Islam, you need to have your eyes wide open. The author at all times is at pains to be more than respectful towards Muhammad and Islam, while giving the biography of a man considered by many to be a prophet, a man who through his life became increasingly violent in his own person and in his instructions to others. The God portrayed by his lifetime and the words of both the Qua'ran and the Haditha is a God of violence and retribution, a God which makes the God of the Old Testament look downright chummy. To those who would walk the way of peace and love with all peoples, you cannot truly be a Muslim. It is critically important that all peoples understand that Islam as portrayed by Muhammad, the Qua'ran, and the Haditha, is a religion that actively teaches that the proper disposition of infidels (i.e., those who reject Islam and the prophethood of Muhammad) is death. No compromise. If a non-believer is permitted to live in the same area/country as Muslims, it is as clearly-defined second-class citizens, who do not have nearly the same rights as Muslims. This is the case in countries living under Islamic law today. In fact, Jews and Christians are singled out as being far more evil than those of other religions, since they allegedly had the truth of Muhammad's prophethood and coming in their own Scriptures and allegedly altered the Scriptures to eliminate those references.

Robert Spencer is one of the voices speaking clearly about where the Jihadists derive their core beliefs and patterns for their actions. The title of this book is not speaking against Islam or saying that Muslims are hiding some secret about their faith (although there are some difficult points they do not like to discuss much). What the title of the book is referring to is the false notion that the Western multi-culturalists like to peddle: that Islam is principally a religion of peace and that our conflict with them comes from not treating them as if they were another kind of Congregationalist

sect. Because of the centrality of Muhammad to Islam, Spencer takes us through what can be known about the life of Muhammad. However, the Qur'an alone is not enough for that task. The author also uses the Hadith (traditions about Muhammad), and the Sira (a biography of Muhammad written down 150 years after his death). Using these secondary sources helps illuminate what the Qur'an is saying to the believers through their Prophet. As Spencer takes us through Muhammad's life and conquests, we learn the sources and traditions for what the Jihadists do today. Rather than twisting or hijacking the faith as some claim, there is a reason that so many within Islam feel proud and agree with the way the Jihadists act towards non-believers, what is preached against believers in their mosques, and the constant work to establish Sharia as a replacement for established law all over the world. This is what Muslims have done since their beginning and what they feel their mission is today. To them, all non-Muslim culture is inferior and all non-believers deserve second-class status at best.

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