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While Christianity and Islam share common roots in Abraham and the Qur'an draws selectively from the Bible, the two come understandably to very different conclusions. I agree with you in that regard, and therefore devote much of my effort to sharing the Gospel with the children of Ishmael so that they too may be saved through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross for those who trust Him.

Your response to Islam however is more Islamic than Christian. For example, Jesus demonstrated how we should love our enemies. Islam, I agree, encourages war on its enemies. Your expressions of hatred of your enemy, however, is a denial of the Gospel, and escalates the cycle of revenge the 'eye for an eye' code of the Old Testament sought to limit. Jesus surpassed the Old Testament dictum altogether by rejecting all revenge. Please follow Jesus.

Your recent burning of a Qur'an is a case in point. As you know, several people are dead in Mazar-i Sharif because of your action and more today in Kandahar. The media has reported your call for revenge. In this public call for revenge, you deny the teaching and example of Jesus, harm His cause, and escalate violence.

I too want Muslims to come to Christ. Your behaviour however makes it more difficult for them to respond positively to the Gospel.

The Gospel is Good News to Muslims who are trapped in a worldview espousing revenge. You can help rather than hinder believers who risk their lives around the world to share Christ with them. The assurance of salvation is Good News of which the Qur'an knows nothing, the authority of Christ over evil spirits is Good News of which the Qur'an is unaware, the ethics of Jesus is Good News which Islam desperately needs.

There are many resources to help in reaching Muslims, which I would be happy to share with you. My prayer is that you would publicly repent, and turn your heart to loving the world as God so loved the world (John 3:16), and turn Dove World Outreach Center into a centre for training people to love their Muslim neighbours and reach out to them in the name of Jesus. Others who are following Jesus in bringing the Gospel to their Muslim neighbours would also be pleased to assist.

May the Love of God the Father, the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Power, Joy and Fellowship of the Holy Spirit turn your heart to heart of the Gospel – Jesus, the Cross, the ministry of reconciliation – resulting in the salvation of millions of those who need desperately to know Him, who to know is Life Eternal (John 17:3).

Yours in Christ,



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