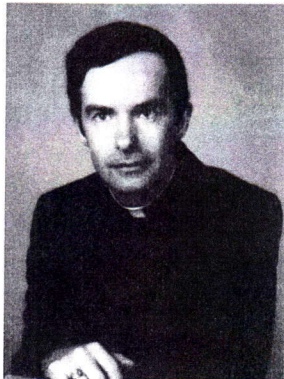


Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



September marks the anniversary of the first major physical attack on the continental US by a foreign enemy since 1812. An estimated 3000 people were killed in one day. Yet, that enemy is being defended in various ways by such liberal groups as the Socialist Democratic Party, the American

Communist Libertine Union (ACLU), and the Southern Poverty Law Center whose only association with poverty is in the areas of reason, common sense, and patriotism. An old adage says that the enemy of my enemy is my friend. These home-grown liberal organizations ally with Islam in their shared animosity for western culture and Christ and His church. They illegally shield Moslems under the First Amendment. Moslems do not qualify for this protection because Islam is not a religious movement. Islam is a political movement fueled by a religious fanaticism that openly proclaims as its goal the subversion of every non-Moslem nation, world-wide conquest, and the establishment of a tyrannical global Islamic state governed by sharia law. Briefly, Islam is the skin of religion stuffed with a political ideology. History and the Koran verify this truth.

Since Islam began in AD610, 51 million Africans have been killed. Islam divides the world into two groups: Darul-Islam, the household of Islam composed of all Islamic nations, and Darul-Harb, the household of war designating all non-Islamic nations. There is no intended peaceful co-existence. A very brief synopsis of their conquests illustrates their global ambitions. By AD634, Islam controlled Arabia. It spread into Egypt in 642, Persia (Iran) in 644, North Africa in 710, Spain in 711, and reached India and China by 732. Moslems ravaged every Christian shrine in Jerusalem, attacked Christian pilgrims, and seized four of the patriarchal seats of Christianity. Only Rome survived, but not before its churches were plundered in 846. Pope Leo IV built fortifications around the Vatican and other Italian cities, organized a fleet of war ships, and drove the Moslems off the coast of

Ostia. In 732, Charles Martel (the Hammer) prevented the Moslem conquest of Europe at the battle of Tours. In 1492, Moslems were driven from Spain. They renewed their goal of conquering Europe by sieges against Vienna in 1529 and 1683. Today's newspapers continue the documentation of Islam's war against Darul-Harb nations. The 9/11 attack was not their first against the US. Moslem hostility, demonstrated in the crippling 1973 oil embargo, can be traced back to 1801 when Tripoli declared war on the US and Moslem Barbary Pirates seized undefended US ships.

As written in a previous article, the track record of Islam follows a pattern. When they are roughly 2% of the population of a host nation they have infiltrated, they pretend to be peaceful and bide their time. Between 2-5%, they seek to recruit minorities and the disaffected. At 5%, they begin to have an influence on the host's culture and make violent threats. At 10%, there are violent demonstrations and threats against public figures. Riots and killing begin when they reach 20%. Terrorist attacks become common at 40%. Establishment of sharia law and persecution of non-Moslems occur at 60%. Jihad, genocide, and ethnic cleansing are done at 80%. Reaching 100%, Taliban rule and public executions are the order of the day. There are approximately 6-7 million Moslems in the US with 2100 mosques. They procreate twice as fast as non-Moslems, have a 20% growth rate in urban areas, and recruit about 170,000 Americans per year. They compose the largest non-Christian group in 11 states. They are organized politically, having elected members to Congress and established the following organizations: Council On American Islamic Relations, Muslim Public Affairs Council, American Islamic Congress, Muslim Political Action Committee, American Muslim Council.

Only a few citations from the Koran are needed to reveal Islam in its own words. "Let believers not make friends with infidels in preference to the faithful..." (3:28) "Mohammed is Allah's apostle. Those who follow him are ruthless to the unbelievers..." (48:29) "Make war on them (non-Moslems) until idolatry is no more and Allah's religion reigns supreme." (8:39) "When the sacred months are over

slay the idolaters wherever you find them.” (9:5) “Seek out your enemies (non-Moslems) relentlessly.” (4:104) “Those that have embraced the faith and fled their homes and fought for the cause of Allah, and those that have sheltered them and helped them—they are the true believers.” (8:74)

Christians in this world are referred to as the church militant. We inherit a noble history of which we can be proud and to which we add the story of our lives. It was men like “...Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel, and the prophets---who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, ... became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.” (Heb. 11:34) During the American Revolution, it was clergyman like Gen. John Muhlenberg who formed the “Black Regiment” to fight for independence. They inspired patriotism from the pulpit and led troops on the battlefield. After a homily, Muhlenberg revealed his uniform under his robes and ordered the drums to beat for recruits. When the WBTS began, it was clergyman like Louisiana Bishop and Gen. Leonidas Polk who

exchanged his crosier for a sword and fought for Southern independence. In the tradition of the crusader knights, Christians have the right to defend themselves and the duty to defend the helpless and the faith against the jihads of evil forces. The Holy Scriptures make this clear. We are told to “...contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.” (Jude 3) “Fight the good fight of the faith...” (I Tim. 6:12) “For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He Who now restrains it will do so until He is out of the way.” (II Thess. 2:7) The Restrainer is the Holy Spirit Who indwells every Christian. Until the church is removed from the world at the rapture, the Holy Spirit withstands evil forces, foreign and domestic, through members of the church militant. A popular hymn proclaims the tune to which we march:

Onward Christian soldiers
Marching as to war

On then, Christian soldiers,
On to victory!

Christ, the royal Master,
Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle

Like a mighty army
Moves the church of God

A similar hymn's lyrics read:

Go forward, Christian soldier,
Beneath His banner true:
The Lord Himself, Thy Leader,
Shall all thy foes subdue.

Christ said, “He who is not with Me is against Me...” (Matt. 12:30) There is no syncretic middle ground, no room for compromise. It is our duty as followers of Christ, the church militant, with the power of the Holy Spirit, to give credence by how we live our lives to the words we sing and speak and confirmation to the faith that should burn as incense in the thurible of our hearts.

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