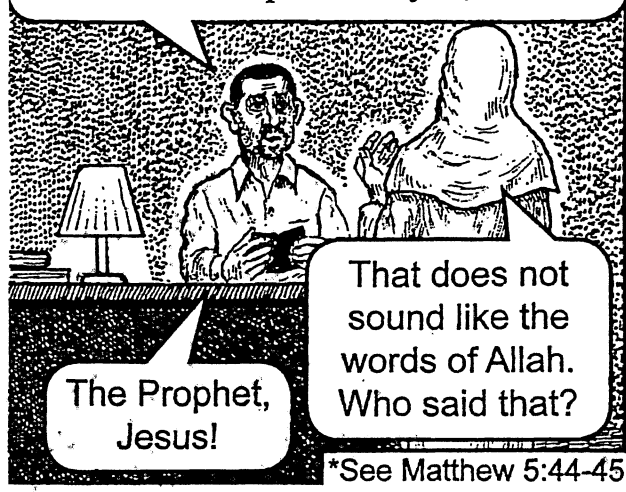


Moslems versus *Christians* versus The Sermon on the Mount

"But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which... persecute you;"



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It doesn't sound like Jehovah either--

thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor show mercy unto them (Deuteronomy 7.2)

he shall eat up the nations his enemies, and shall break their bones, and pierce them through with his arrows (Numbers 24.8)

utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass (1 Samuel 15.3) "The Lord" decrees this massacre of babies because of a 200 year old grudge. He punishes Saul for sparing the livestock.

The full Matthew 5.44 quote begins with: *YOU HAVE HEARD IT SAID, BUT I SAY: . . .* and Jesus uses this formula throughout the Sermon on the Mount to contrast His teaching with that of the Old Testament. [See *The New Covenant versus the Old Covenant* on the www.RadicalChristianPress.org web site.]

Nor does it sound like the Conformist so-called *Christians* who have been ignoring the Sermon on the Mount and slaughtering their enemies--including other *Christians*--since the Emperor Constantine established Military Christianity in 312 A.D. [See *The Church of the Empire* on the same web site.] The endless waifs of *Christendom* finally led to all the *Christians* of Europe and America joining the slaughter of other *Christians* in World War I. Which set the stage for Hitler and Stalin and Mussolini and World War II. In which 60 million were killed, two-thirds of them civilians. Which established Stalin as the master of Europe and Mao Tse Tsung as the ruler of China. [See *Hitler Deploys the Patriot Pastors*.]

Mohammed drew from several sources when he wrote the Koran. But he drew mostly from the Old Testament. That is why there is a basic similarity between *Jehovah* and *Allah*. There is a basic resemblance between The Law of the ancient Hebrews and Moslem Law. [*Shariah Law*] Before that happened, apostate *Christians* like Augustine used the Old Testament to re-introduce war, wealth and slavery into the new Imperial *Christianity*. Which relentlessly persecuted the original non-State and anti war *Christianity*. It survived as underground *Christianity* under the *heretic* label.

There is a basic resemblance between the Imperial *Christianity* of the Roman Empire and Mohammedanism. Islam was launched as a State Religion and a Military Religion in the 7th century as a response to and a mirror image of the Military *Christianity* of the Roman / Byzantine Empire which confronted it. The first *Christians* they encountered were Roman soldiers, with crosses on their shields, who did what soldiers do: slaughter civilians, loot houses and rape women. That was their introduction to *Christianity*. Islam began as a warrior faith which answered the challenge of the so-called *Christian* warrior faith that persecuted the original *Christian* faith. The followers of Mohammed had all the excuse they needed for launching their own red-handed religion. The Moslem religion is steeped in warfare and defined by it and addicted to it. But that was already true in spades of Conformist Patriot *Christianity*. More *Christians* have been killed by other *Christians* than Moslems have been killed by other Moslems. Although they seem to be doing their best to make up the difference.

Where did the Moslems get the idea of converting people by the sword? *Convert or I'll cut off your head!* That policy was established in the Imperial Church of Constantine in the 4th century and Augustine invented a theological justification for it. The emperor Justinian I (died 565) commanded the forcible baptism of 70,000 in one day. Moral monsters like Vladimir and Clovis imposed the *Christian* faith upon their *nations*. The Popes perpetuated the policy and Luther and Calvin embraced it.

Christians have to put the Sermon on the Mount into practice before attempting to preach it to the Moslems. There is a relevant gospel text: take the *beam* out of your own eye and you will see better how to remove the *mote* from your brother's eye.