Subject: Re: If you are not Muslim you should be raped and killed Posted by nikki6ixx on Fri, 04 Apr 2008 19:08:04 GMT

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Starbuzz wrote on Fri, 04 April 2008 12:46

If the Islamic empires you refer to were so intellectual and forward-thinking as you claim, why is the Middle East nations a symbol of backwardness today?

So how would you argue for empires like the Mayan, or Inca's? Those empires were very advanced, and yet the territory their descendants inhabit now is generally made up of third world countries riddled with poverty and drug lords.

The Ottoman Empire, which was a product of the Islamic Caliphate, was a relatively strong empire, given its circumstances. Some of the reasons that empire failed is because of poor decision-making in government, confusion about Arab/Religious identity, and siding with the Germans in World War I. To their credit, the Ottoman's proved to be a tough enemy for the Allies, who thought they'd walk all over them. But in the end, the Ottoman's lost, and the territory was split up by the Western Powers.

The Western Powers were double dealing between different Arabs, and organizations, and in the end gave them the screw. Instead of allowing the Arabs a homeland of sorts, the area became a mess of states created only to serve the needs of the French and English. Lebanon, and Syria were split from each other, despite their ties. England took three pieces of territory comprissed of Sunni's and Shia's and Kurds, called it Iraq, and called it a day; but not before lopping off Kuwait, creating yet another border. I'd be pretty pissed off if someone promised me a territory for my people, only to find out I was being totally lied to. (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/State_of_Palestine) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Faisal-Weizmann_Agreement)

The Islamic empire was not intolerant towards other religions. Instead, they believed that the Jews, and Catholics believed in the same God, so they rationalized that they were all one of the same. Christians, and Jews worked in the bureaucracy. In fact, Christians held some very high positions within the 'Divan' (Imperial Court), including the rank of Grand Vizier, which can essentially be likened to as a modern-day Prime Minister. Pretty much every other power had isolated the Jews, including the Romans, but the Islamic Caliphate was very liberal towards them.

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Every Western empire left behind a legacy you can see with your eyes today and at work. What is Islam's legacy? 1 violent book and 2 rocks of which 1 of them is the curse of the world. Go figure.

Here's a sample. Eat your heart out.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Islamic_science

Edit: And you make reference to Muhammad sitting on his camel, and allowing his followers to rape, and plunder the city of Mecca. That hasn't exactly been proven, but I won't doubt it either.

And even if you think that was totally bad, I have a name for you.

'Constantine'

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