

Allah Is Not Building a Caliphate

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It has been assumed by some in the Muslim world that Allah wants to build a caliphate and the goal of achieving this justifies the means, no matter how violent the consequences may be. A caliphate by definition means an Islamic government led by a “caliph” who is considered a political and religious successor to the prophet, Muhammad, while Allah is the Islamic name for Almighty God, who alone reigns and is responsible for the creation of every being in the spirit and physical realms.

In order to understand why Allah is not interested in building a caliphate, it is essential to examine the writings of a book that is much older than the Koran. In these much older writings, Allah reveals what He is creating and the means by which he will accomplish this task.

To begin with, nothing in the physical realm that mankind builds will last including every religious organization and structure (Eccl. 1:14-15; 2:11). To varying degrees, the religious systems on this planet teach their adherents errors. The primary reason is due to the fact that mankind is easily deceived by Satan the Devil,

So the great dragon was cast out (of Allah’s presence), that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, **who deceives the whole world...** (Rev. 12:9a; NKJV used throughout unless otherwise noted; Ed. note in parenthesis; emphasis added).

The Lord looks down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there are any who understand, who seek God. **³They have all turned aside, they have together become corrupt; there is none who does good, no, not one** (Ps. 14:2-3; cf. 53:3; Rom. 3:10, 12; emphasis added).

Satan specializes in teaching “partial truths”, which cause confusion and create division between all the religious systems today (Gen. 3:4-5). These religions believe they are “godly”, but their actions contradict this. Consequently, they are incapable of coming to an accurate understanding of Allah’s truth,

Having a form of godliness but denying its power... (2Tim. 3:5a).

Always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth (2Tim. 3:7).

Therefore, in order to teach Allah’s truth correctly to all of mankind, there must a leader who knows every word of Allah and has proven himself faithful and obedient, even when severely tested. Also, in order to have Allah’s truth taught consistently from one generation to another, this religious leader cannot be a physical human being who will die. This is why Allah chose to create a spirit-being who would be responsible for teaching everyone in both the physical and spiritual realms. The creation of this spirit-being, as well as his instruction by Allah, is described in the following section of Holy Scripture,

The Lord (Allah) possessed (SHD 7069 – created) me (a spirit being imbued with Allah’s wisdom) at the beginning of His way (Prov. 8:22; Ed. notes in parentheses).

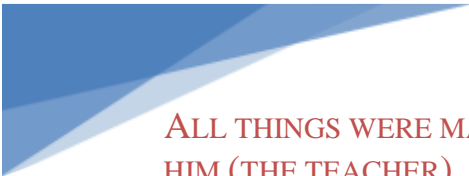
It was always Allah’s plan to create this teacher of His truth,

I (Allah’s designated teacher) have been established from everlasting, from the beginning, before there was ever an earth (Ps. 8:23; Ed. note in parenthesis).

This spirit-being was the first to be created by Allah and he existed prior to the creation of the

heavens and the other spirit beings, often referred to as angels,

When He (Allah) prepared the heavens, I was (already) there, when He drew a circle (vault) on the face of the deep, ²⁸when He established *the clouds* above (symbol often used to describe angels; see study: Christ and the Pillar of Cloud), when He strengthened the fountains of the deep, ²⁹when He assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters would not transgress His command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰Then **I was beside** (SHD 681; near, by, in close proximity, **toward**) **Him, as a master craftsman**; and I was daily His delight, rejoicing always before Him (Prov. 8:27-30; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).



ALL THINGS WERE MADE THROUGH HIM (THE TEACHER), AND WITHOUT HIM NOTHING WAS MADE THAT WAS MADE.

John 1:3 (note in parenthesis)

A second witness to this truth is found in writings of the Second Covenant that describe this same period of creation,

In the beginning was the Word (utterance, speaker), and the Word was *with* (SGD 4314; near, by, **toward**; cf. Prov. 8:30 above) God (Allah), and the Word was God (a god, or in the Hebrew, “elohim”, which describes all the spirit-sons of Allah, or angels; cf. Gen. 1:26) (Jn. 1:1).

Going back to the book of Proverbs, this “teacher” that Allah created also learned how to create as he was directed by Allah, including the creation of mankind,

Rejoicing in His (Allah’s) inhabited world, and **my delight was with the sons of men** (Prov.

8:31; Ed. notes in parenthesis; emphasis added).

All things were made through him (the teacher), and without him nothing was made that was made (Jn. 1:3; Ed. note in parenthesis).

Everything created was meant to come under the supervision of this teacher, until such time that every sinner is reconciled to Allah. Once this is accomplished, all authority and responsibility will be returned to Allah,

He (Allah) has delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, ¹⁴**in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.** ¹⁵He is the image (SGD 1504; likeness, esp. morally) of the invisible God (Allah), the *firstborn* (Gr. protokos – first begotten) over all creation. ¹⁶For by him (the teacher) all things were created that are in heaven (the heavens) and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities (rulers) or powers (authorities). All things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before (SGD 4253; prior to – used of time, existed before someone or something) all things, and in him all things consist. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he may have preeminence. ¹⁹For it pleased the Father (Allah) that in him (the teacher) all the fullness should dwell, ²⁰and **by him** (the teacher) **to reconcile all things to Himself** (Allah), **by him** (the teacher), whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of his cross (Gr. *stauros*; upright “stake”, esp. a pointed one, used as such in fences or palisades). ²¹**And you**, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now **he has reconciled** ²²**in the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and irreproachable in His** (Allah’s) **sight** (Col. 1:13-22; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

Now when all things are made subject to him (the teacher), then the Son himself will also be subject to Him (Allah) who put all things under him (the teacher), that God may be all in all (1Cor. 15:28; Ed. notes in parentheses).

When all these things are accomplished, the following scripture will be fulfilled,

One God (Allah) and Father of all, who is above all, and through all (by the power of His Holy Spirit), in us (Eph. 4:6; Ed. notes in parentheses).

Going back to the book of Proverbs, it is confirmed that Allah's designated teacher is none other than the spirit being who later became known as Jesus Christ,

Blessed is the man who listens to me (the teacher)... (Prov. 8:34a; Ed. note in parenthesis; emphasis added).

And a cloud came and overshadowed them; and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son. **Hear him!**" (Mk. 9:7; cf. Lk. 9:35; emphasis added).

Prior to becoming known as Jesus Christ, this spirit being led an entire nation out of a system that worshiped multiple gods. Allah warned the ancient nation of Israel to listen to this teacher, and follow his commands just as mankind is admonished to do today,

Behold, I (Allah) send an Angel before you to keep you in the way and to bring you into the place which I have prepared. ²¹**Beware of him and obey his voice**; do not provoke him, for he will not pardon your transgressions; for **My** (Allah's) **name is in him** (cf. Isa. 9:6; Jgs. 13:18; Jn. 5:43). ²²But if you indeed obey his voice and do all that I speak, then I will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries (Ex. 23:20-22; cf. 1Cor. 10:4; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

Metaphorically, this teacher is compared to a door that provides the way into the kingdom of Allah,

Waiting at the posts of my doors... (Prov. 8:34b; emphasis added).

I am the door. If anyone enters by me (Christ), he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture (Jn. 10:9; Ed. note in parenthesis, emphasis added).

This teacher states that whoever finds him finds life, in the sense of everlasting life. This is also corroborated by writings in the Second Covenant,

For **whoever finds me finds life** (everlasting), and obtains favor from the Lord (Allah) (Prov. 8:35; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

Jesus said to her (Martha), '**I am the resurrection and the life.** He who believes in me, though he may die, he shall live' (Jn. 11:25; Ed. note in parenthesis; emphasis added).

Jesus said to him (Thomas), "**I am the way, the truth, and the life.** No one comes to the Father (Allah) except through me (as a result of Christ's sacrifice) (Jn. 14:6; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

Whoever is given understanding that Christ is the only way through which any sinner can gain entrance into Allah's kingdom, that individual has received the wisdom described in the 8th chapter of Proverbs,

But of Him (Allah) you are in **Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God** – and righteousness and sanctification and redemption (1Cor. 1:30; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

Anyone who persists in living contrary to every word of Allah, as summarized in His law and

commandments, will have to answer to Allah's teacher, and if they refuse to repent will be in danger of everlasting death,

But he who sins against me (cf. Ex. 23:21) wrongs his own soul; all those who hate me love death (Prov. 8:36; Ed. note in parenthesis). Jesus Christ stated plainly that he is mankind's teacher, and is to be obeyed because he is Allah's delegated representative,

For I have not spoken on my own authority; but the Father (Allah) who sent me gave me a command, what I should say and what I should speak. ⁵⁰And I know that His commands are everlasting life. Therefore, whatever I speak, just as the Father has told me, so I speak (Jn. 12:49-50; Ed. note in parenthesis; cf. Jn. 7:17, 8:26, 28; 8:38; 14:10).

But you, do not be called "Rabbi" (or caliph), for one is your teacher (leader), and **you are all brethren** (Mt. 23:8; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

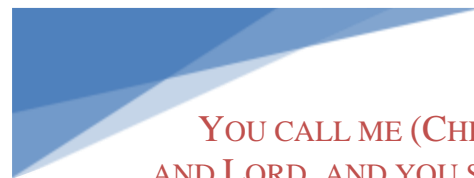
You call me (Christ) teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am (Jn. 13:13).

And do not be called teachers, for **one is your teacher, the Christ** (Mt. 23:10; emphasis added).

So Allah is not building a caliphate with a caliph ruling over the adherents of Islam. Nor is He building a Christian kingdom on earth with a Pope ruling over it, or some other human religious leader. Neither does the Jewish religious system with its chief Rabbis have authority to represent God Almighty because they refuse to obey many of the scriptures, in favor of their oral traditions. Unfortunately, mankind as a whole is "dull of hearing" when it comes to the truth about these things,

So also Christ did not glorify himself to become High Priest, but it was He (Allah) who said to him: 'You are My son, today I have begotten

you.' ⁶As He also says in another place: 'You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek', ⁷who, in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him (Allah) who was able to save him from death, and was heard because of his godly fear, ⁸though he was a son, yet he learned obedience by the things which he suffered. ⁹And having been perfected, he became the author of eternal salvation (everlasting life) to all who obey him (cf. Ex. 23:21), ¹⁰called by God (Allah) as High Priest '*according to the order of Melchizedek,*' ¹¹of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since **you have become dull of hearing** (Heb. 5:5-11; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).



YOU CALL ME (CHRIST) TEACHER
AND LORD, AND YOU SAY WELL, FOR
SO I AM.
John 13:13

Every religious structure and organization built by man is under the influence, to one degree or another, of Satan. Therefore, it is the wisdom of Allah that His delegated leader is Jesus Christ, and not a fallible human being. Individuals that recognize this truth are citizens of the kingdom of Almighty God, also known as the kingdom of Allah,

For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to his glorious body, according to the working by which he is able even to subdue all things to himself (Php. 3:20-21).

Upon Christ's return, every religious structure or organization built by man will be removed

because it is the product of the god of this world, Satan (2Cor. 4:3-4; Jn. 12:31),

The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. ⁴Every *valley* (symbol of a lowly or humble attitude) shall be exalted, and every *mountain and hill* (symbols of religious and political systems that exalt themselves over others) shall be made low; the crooked places shall be made straight, and the rough places smooth (Isa. 40:3-4; Ed. notes in parentheses).

Allah compares every religious/political system constructed by mankind, and under the influence of Satan, to "Babylon the Great" (Rev. 17:4-6). It is through these systems that Satan destroys Allah's faithful servants, who keep His commandments,

And the dragon was enraged with the woman (symbol of God's faithful servants), and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, **who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ** (Rev. 12:17; Ed. note in parenthesis; emphasis added).

Eventually, all of mankind will come to realize that it is only through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ that their sins can be forgiven, and they can be restored in their relationship with Almighty God, also known as Allah,

For God (Allah) did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ (1Thes. 5:9; Ed. note in parenthesis).

Jesus Christ is the one and only shepherd of Allah's flock,

And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear my voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd (Jn. 10:26).

So Allah is not building a caliphate as a means through which He will teach His truth to the Islamic world, or any other religious structure in this present age (Gal. 1:4). Instead, Allah has one delegated teacher and religious leader and his name is Jesus Christ. Allah commands everyone, regardless of their background, to listen to Christ and follow his example of faithfulness and obedience. There is no other way to everlasting life.

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