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THINK YOU KNOW IRAN?

IS THE PROPHET MOHAMMAD OUT OF IRAN FOR GOOD?

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IRAN: PROPHET ARAB MOHAMMAD OUT, ARAB MEHDI IN

WHO IS MEHDI AND WHY?

A few days after their Islamic revolution, Ruhollah Khomeini and the Shi'a hierarchy unanimously handed the Prophet Mohammad a “**Notice of dismissal**,” or as it is known in America, a “pink slip,” and unceremoniously escorted him out of Iran. And for the sole purpose of having a new Arab Shi'a government replace Iran's secular establishment, the made-up “Arab Mehdi” was resurrected.



“Those who have problem with Imam Mehdi’s rule (Shi’a’s hidden twelfth imam) have problem with this government; this is the government of Mehdi,” says Arab Ayatollah Ahmad Khatami, a senior member of the Assembly of Experts

In the early days of the revolution, the undocumented Arab Mehdi crept into Iran. The Shiite institution dug up a hole for him as his residence or hiding place. On that day, the official Iranian government of the Pahlavi kingdom became the fictional government of Arab “Caliph Mehdi.”

The bogus and unreal Arab replaced the sovereign, the Monarch, of the Persian Empire. Iran, a secular semi-democratic constitutional Monarchy, is officially turned into a seventh-century Arab religious authoritarian state, deceptively promoted as a democratic government.

The Shiite clerics came out into the streets armed to the teeth, silencing anyone who opposed their Mehdi’s government.





The Shi'a leaders have based their entire revolutionary platform on what Khomeini repeated “... **Mehdi shall finish where Prophet Mohammad failed...**” The words of Prophet Mohammad's failure sent a shockwave throughout the nation and millions of Muslim Iranians could not believe what they had just heard. Like most other shocking declarations, Khomeini never explained in what area Prophet Mohammad failed. Although, occasionally and in an indirect style in their sermons, the Shiite leaders chastised Prophet Mohammad for failing to choose Shiite caliph **Ali ibn Abu Talib** as his successor. This was a minor reason why the Shi'a sect demoted Prophet Mohammad and greatly promoted the Mehdi. The main reason is that it was obvious that the manipulative Shi'a ulamas could not have suppressed Iranians in the name of Prophet Mohammad, offending 90 percent of the world's Sunni Muslims already in conflict with them. The Shi'a institution systematically diminished the importance of Prophet Mohammad while significantly enhancing the position of Mehdi. Among the many startling changes that took place in the Islamic Revolution, one is that the Prophet Mohammad's name is hardly mentioned in prayers, while Mehdi is now praised ceaselessly.

To belittle Prophet Mohammad, a man revered by worldwide Muslims as the Prophet of Allah, a man who brought down the sacred scripture of Islam, was incomprehensible. Up to that time, Iranians were not alerted to Khomeini's devious ground-laying scheme. It never occurred to them that Khomeini had chosen his calculated words after careful consideration of all facts. It never dawned on the Iranians that Khomeini was skillfully engineering their future, the future of their nation, and the future of the world that shall run under the direct control of Iran's Shiite Mehdi and, in turn, the Arab Shi'a clerics.

Khomeini's action should have told Iranians that he was losing his grip on sanity; that much of what he was doing was about subjugation not religion. It makes sense politically and economically why the Shiite order is building and promoting their own Shiite pilgrim of hajj in many towns, and are discouraging Iranian pilgrims from traveling to Saudi Arabia. In reality, they hate to help Sunni Saudis with Shiite money. They are occasionally throwing hints that from now on, instead of “There is one Allah and Mohammad is his apostle, Iranian Shiite will repeat,

there is one Allah and Mehdi is his devotee.” By all accounts, the majority of Muslims in the world believe that Mehdi is a fictitious symbolic character fabricated by Iran’s Arab Shi’a ulama as an emblem of Arab rule in non-Arab nations. Majority Muslims, including Islamic scholars such as Iran’s Ali Dashti, Shojaedin Shafa, Abdolhussein Zarrinkoob, Ahmad Kasravi, and scores of other religious scholars, reject Mehdi doctrine. Zarrinkoob wrote,

“We all know the Arab mullah’ claim of Mehdi as a real person is as false as their other claims. Unfortunately, at this time, we lack the luxury of freedom to challenge such absurdity that has handcuffed our society.”

An Iranian patriot declared, “Declining a connection with Iranians and even spreading disinformation to divide the nation, believing their Arab Islam and Arab culture outweigh their patriotism for a land not their own. This belief excused them the burdens of even slight patriotic sacrifice.”

Before coming into power, Khomeini distanced himself from violence, control, and hostilities; in fact, he is quoted as saying, “Personal desire, age, and my health do not allow me to have a role in running the country after the fall of the government.” However, once in power, he became just as harsh as Prophet Mohammad in Medina. Holy city of Qom became Khomeini’s Medina. Khomeini showed his inner cruelty and callousness by ordering thousands of secular Iranians to be put to death. He started a sectarian, genocidal war with neighboring Sunni Iraq that cost the lives of one-half million innocent Iranians and Iraqis. In an interview with the United Press, Paris, on November 8, 1978, Khomeini said,

“I have repeatedly said that neither my desire nor my age nor my position allows me to govern.” Again, on November 16, 1978, with The Guardian newspaper, Paris, he said, “I don’t want to have the power or the government in my hand; I am absolutely not interested in personal power.”

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