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The Syrian Refugee Security Risk

Segment One

Today I want to look at the attack in Paris a week ago. I also want to look at the security risks involved with the Syrian refugees. We will see the vetting process and the problems it has.

Let's continue to pray for the families of those who lost loved ones in the attack in Paris. There was one more who died yesterday bringing the total dead to 130, and there are still a number of people in critical conditions.

There are more threats coming, and the French are really after those behind this attack. There was a shoot out and three terrorists were killed, one woman, one who is yet unidentified, and the mastermind behind the whole thing. They are still trying to find the 8th attacker.

I am familiar with France and Belgium. I used to live in England, my wife and her family are from France, and I have visited these countries a number of times. We need to be braced for an attack like the one in Paris here in America. There are threats this kind of attack around Thanksgiving and Black Friday. I don't know how to advise people on this except to say be vigilant. They want to disrupt and destroy our economy with these threats. Maybe the threats are just to keep us out of the stores which would be a blow to our economy. Do what you think is necessary, but let's be in prayer and be vigilant.

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Both Shahram and I are men of faith and, therefore, we understand what it means to be a person of faith. We know what it is like to follow the Word of our God. Because of this we can evaluate people of other faiths and understand how they think. We know what it is like to be obedient believers.

Please don't misquote me on what I am going to say next. Because I am a person of faith, and I believe that there is a God who has communicated with us through His Word, and that I am to be obedient to Him. **IF** I were a Muslim, if I believed as a Muslim does, that the Qur'an and the Sunnah were god's word, I am afraid I would also be a member of ISIS or some other Islamic group that is following the full teachings of Islam. Again, remember that I said IF I believed that their scriptures are really from God. I would follow those who walked closest to the Islamic scriptures. If one is going to be an obedient Muslim he will follow the example of his Prophet, Muhammad. The Qur'an says that he is the great exemplar. He is the pattern by which you measure your success of being one submissive to the law and teachings of Allah. If the Prophet did it and you want to be a good Muslim, you will do what he did.

The Prophet Muhammad engaged in warfare against the non-believer (jihad) and commanded his followers to do the same. This was not just for a limited period of time, it was until all are submitted to Islam.

Last week Barack Obama delivered a speech at the G20 Summit Turkey, which is 98% Muslim. It was at a Turkish resort 500 miles from the Syrian border. Turkey was once the seat of the Islamic empire. There are some 40 million Muslims who live in Turkey.

There is a call for reform in the Muslim world. It first started in Turkey, in the Ottoman Empire. This is what I call the seat of reformed Islam.

Obama said what I thought were some shocking and shameful things. As he was taking questions he told us that he is not interested in dealing with ISIS. He said:

We're not interested in America leading here, or America winning.

I couldn't believe it. He is not interested in America winning? Then why are you our leader?

I am ashamed that our President could say such things. He said this when the world is looking to the leader of the world. Whether they like us or not, America is still at the top, and our President is the most powerful man in the world. When the world is looking to see how America will respond to the attack in Paris, he tells them he is not interested in leading or winning.

The Refugee Problem

There are more than 30 governors who have said they do not want Syrian refugees in their states. This was largely because of the attack in Paris. Why? Because we know that at least one of the terrorists came into France through the refugee program.

I have been warning, as have others, that the faces of the people coming in are not the faces of refugees. They are young, military aged, men. I have spent a lot of time looking at pictures of the so-called refugees and I ask, if these are truly refugees, why are these young men abandoning their country? Why aren't they fighting for their homes and their homeland? If they are refugees they are cowards. Why are they abandoning their families? Look at the pictures and you will see that they are not attached to families. There are a few with families, but most are single young men.

Shouldn't we expect our President to protect us? He is not, so we are having to turn to our governors to protect us.

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Segment Two

At the G-20 meeting Obama said we are going to give these refugees some rigorous screening and serious security checks before we let them in. President Obama has a real credibility issue. He has failed on many fronts in dealing with Islamic terrorism. He can't even bring himself to call it Islamic terrorism. When we were attacked at Ft. Hood he called it "workplace violence." He traded 5 Taliban soldiers for 1 deserter. Two days after the attack in Paris he released 5 more of them. How can we trust what he does and says? We have a choice, we can trust Obama or we can trust the security professionals.

More than 30 governors have said they will not let these refugees into their states. Remember, America is made of of 50 countries united under a federal government. These governors do have power over what happens in their states. They are telling Obama that if he won't protect their citizens, they will.

Obama has not really been fighting ISIS. He has done just enough to say he is doing something, but he is not fighting to win. Since the Russians and the French have been hit by ISIS they have started bombing targets that we knew about, but refused to hit. Targets like training camps where they train those who they send into our countries to carry out attacks like what we just saw in Paris.

On February 26th the House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations was briefed by 3 security experts. One of these experts was Michael Steinbeck FBI Assistant Director, Counter Terrorism. The vetting of the refugees and the lessons they learned from Iraq was the subject being discussed. Two terrorists came into our country posing as refugees from Iraq at that time. Here is what Steinbeck said:

I said there's a lack of databases so we learned our lesson with the Iraqi refugee population. We put in place a ??? wide background and vetting process that we found to be

effective.

The difference in Iraq, we were on the ground collecting so we had databases to use. The concern in Syria, the lack of our footprint on the ground in Syria is the databases will not have the information we need so it is not that we have a lack of process, it's there's a lack of information.....

In Iraq we had boots on the ground and we were able to glean information from the local police and other sources. In spite of this some still got through. In Syria we don't have this same advantage. You need to understand that we have to be perfect every time. The terrorists only need to succeed one time and many lives can be lost.

Congressman John Katko (R-NY) asked:

And are there certain ways you can suggest that we can go about to get this information?

To which Steinbeck responded:

I don't think you can just go and get it. We can't just go and get it (information). Your talking about a country that is failed, that does not have an infrastructure so to speak. All the data sets, the police, the intel services you would normally go to seek that information doesn't exist.

Let this sink in for a moment. We can't get the data we need because there is no data to collect.

Katko responded:

And that obviously raises grave concern about being able to do proper background checks of anyone coming into the country?

To which Steinbeck responded:

Yes!

This is consistent with what [FBI Director James Comey said:](#)

*My concern there is **there are certain gaps** ... in the data available to us,*

Here we have the Director of the FBI telling us that our system is full of holes. When pressed in another situation he said:

.... we can query our database until the cows come home, but there will be nothing showing up because we have no record of them,

In other words, we cannot vet these refugees because there is nothing available to tell us whether they are good or bad. All we have is their word.

We have a credibility issue with our President, who wants to bring in 10,000 Syrian refugees in 2016 and another 100,000 in 2017. We have already seen that ISIS has made good on its promise of putting their soldiers in among the refugees. At least one of the terrorists in Paris came in with the refugees.

The United Nations tells us who we get in this refugee program. It is the UN that is pushing Muslims on us. America is 1% Muslim and 99% everything else. My suggestion is that we tell Obama we will accept their refugees only if we receive them in the same ratio as the population of our country. In other words, for every 99 non-Muslims we bring in, we will accept one Muslim. We also should insist that, since our gender balance is about one woman for every man, for every man we bring in, we also bring in one woman. I believe this would greatly reduce the risk of terrorists mixing in with the refugees.

We know that not every Muslim is a terrorist, but every terrorist involved in jihadi fighting is a Muslim. You can't get away from the fact that all of the terrorists that are part of ISIS are Muslims.

The problem with the refugee situation is that all the terrorists have to do is get one person through to do their dastardly work. We have to be successful 100% of the time.

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Segment Three

Islamic Deception Claiming To Be A Peaceful Religion

Now I want to discuss the Islamic strategy used to claim that Islam is a peaceful religion. They use Surah 5:32 to try to support this false teaching. Many good meaning people are being fooled by this and are trying to defend Islam after what happened in Paris.

I received an email from one of our faithful listeners who has been with us since the beginning. This listener has an elderly sister who said she enjoys reading more from the Qur'an than from the Bible. She shared Surah 5:32 to show that Islam really is a religion of peace. Here is her rendition of this passage:

Whosoever kills an innocent human being, it shall be as if he killed all mankind, and whosoever saves the life of one it shall be as if he had saved the life of all mankind.

Muslims love to throw this verse at those who say this Islam is not a religion of peace. They try to convince us that those who are carrying out these terrorist attacks are not the true Muslims.

When you read this passage in the Qur'an, the word "innocent" isn't in there. Even if it was, it would not mean what it means to us. To Muslims, the only ones who are innocent are Muslims. All others are not innocent because they are not submitted to Allah. It would mean that if you killed a Muslim you would be guilty as if you had killed all of humanity.

If you were to ask a Muslim if it is OK to fly planes into buildings and kill nearly 3,000 people, they would respond, They are not innocent, they are kufar (non-Muslims). They don't think anyone who was killed in the Twin Towers was innocent.

When a Muslim tells you this verse teaches Islam is peaceful tell him to get his Qur'an and let's see what it really says. Tell them to read the whole verse. They should also read verse 33.

Surah 5:32 *Because of that, We decreed upon the **Children of Israel** that whoever kills a soul unless for a soul or for corruption [done] in the land – it is as if he had slain mankind entirely. And whoever saves one – it is as if he had saved mankind entirely. And our messengers had certainly come to them with clear proofs. Then indeed many of them, [even] after that, throughout the land, were transgressors.*

Surah 5:33 *Indeed, the penalty for **those who wage war against Allah and His Messenger and strive upon earth [to cause] corruption is none but that they be killed or crucified or that their hands and feet be cut off from opposite sides or that they be exiled from the land. That is for them a disgrace in this world; and for them in the Hereafter is a great punishment,***

The first thing you will notice is this verse is talking about the Jews. It tells the Jews that if they kill anyone, except for a criminal, they are guilty of killing all of mankind. It is important to understand that this is to Jews because of what it says in verse 33. Verse 33 is talking to Muslims. You can see from verse 33 that anyone who opposes Allah or Muhammad is to be killed, crucified, your have their hands and feet cut off.

Don't let anyone tell you that Islam is a religion of peace. Remember, it is Islam that has declared war against all who are not Muslims.

The most famous verse in the Qur'an is is Surah 9:29:

Surah 9:29 – Fight those who believe not in Allah nor the Last Day, nor hold that forbidden which hath been forbidden by Allah and His Messenger, nor acknowledge the religion of Truth, (even if they are) of the People of the Book, until they pay the Jizya with willing submission, and feel themselves subdued.

This verse is kind of like their great commission. It is the last thing their Prophet commanded them to do. It was given from Muhammad's deathbed. Anyone who does not acknowledge Islam as the religion of truth is to be fought against. You will notice that this includes the People of the Book, Jews and Christians.

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Segment Four

Are We Taking Things Our Of Context?

Some will accuse us of taking the verses out of context or of misinterpreting them. The following is from the Shariah law book – They quote this verse to back up the legal act of JIHAD.

Let me put a plug in for my new book, “Refuting Islam” which will be available on Amazon by the end of this month. The information that follows is taken from this book. You don't have to know

everything, you just have to know how to use sources that are credible in Islamic circles. In this book I give you the strategies and techniques I have learned to reach Muslims for Christ.

One cannot be on national radio and say the things that I say unless you have good, solid material. I have never been successfully challenged on anything that I have said about Islam. The reason for this is that I use the words of Islam against them. The best tool for this is the Shariah law book, which is called “The Reliance of the Traveller.”

When I quote a verse of the Qur'an and they accuse me of taking it out of context, I reply with what the Shariah law book says. When I use the words of their scholars I don't have to deal with context because their scholars have said that this is what it means.

Let's start by looking at what the scholars of Islam say about Jihad (War against unbelievers is carefully taught in the Qur'an and the Sunnah). The Qur'an is the words of Allah and the Sunnah are the words and acts of Muhammad. Both are considered scripture by Muslims.

o9.0 JIHAD

*Jihad means to war against non-Muslims, and is etymologically derived from the word **mujahada** signifying warfare to establish the religion.....*

This tells us that jihad is a religious war against non-Muslims. It comes from the word “mujahada” which is where we get the word “mujahadeen.”

They site the scriptural basis for jihad for scholarly consensus as the following such Qur'anic verses:

- *“Fighting is prescribed for you” (Koran 2:216);*
- *“Slay them wherever you find them” (Koran 4:89);*
- *“Fight the idolators utterly” (Koran 9:36);*

The law book also gives the sources from the Sunnah.

- *Bukhari Hadith – Muhammad said:*
- *“I have been commanded to fight people until they testify that there is no god but Allah and that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah.....*
- *and the hadith reported by Muslim,*
- *“To go forth in the morning or evening to fight in the path of Allah is better than the whole world and everything in it.....*

This shows that we are not taking this out of context or misinterpreting because the Muslim scholars give the same interpretation.

In another Hadith Muhammad said:

“Standing for an hour in the ranks of battle is better than standing in prayer for sixty years.” – Saheeh related by Ibn Ade and Ibn Asakir from Abu Hurayrah 4/6165.

Hadith: Sahih al Jaami as Sagheer no. 4305

Surah 9:29 is one of the most famous verses in the Qur'an, and it is quoted in the official Shariah Law Book as justification for making war upon Jews, Christians, and Zoroastrians.

o9.8 The caliph makes war upon Jews, Christians, and Zoroastrians

“Fight those who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day and who forbid not what Allah and His messenger have forbidden-who do not practice the religion of truth, being of those who have been given the Book-until they pay the poll tax out of hand and are humbled” (Koran 9.29)

Muslims are people of faith and they believe that their scriptures come from their god, Allah. They believe that they are to follow everything they say. Remember, the Qur'an tells Muslims that Muhammad is the great example and that they are to do what he did.

One thing we often hear from the defenders of Islam is that more Muslims are killed by the terrorists than Christians. This is true from our point of view, but the Muslims that are killed are apostates from the point of view of those who follow the Qur'an faithfully.

The bottom line is that if you are not a Muslim, Islam is at war with you. Remember, Muslims are to kill, crucify, or dismember all who are at war with Islam. Islam has two houses, the house of Islam and the house of War. All who are not Muslims are considered by Islam to be in the house of War, and therefore, at war with Islam.

We can be thankful that not all Muslims are faithful to their scriptures. They are, however, being forced to start practicing what the Islamic scriptures teach or die.

All who believe that Islam is a religion of peace have been deceived. The Bible tells us that in the last days many will be deceived.

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