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The Holy Sword

Combining tremendous research, swift narrative pace and vivid language, the author reveals every aspect of the Muslim march through history -- cultural, military, political, religious, and scientific -- with stirring portraits of the figures who created the tide of Arab conquest.

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The Holy Sword the Story of Islam from Muhammad to the Present - Scholar's Choice Edition

Excerpt from The Sword of Islam Some years ago I published a work entitled Half-hours with Muhammad. The edition has been exhausted, and, under the advice of those who have followed its fortunes with uniform kindness and friendly feeling, I have determined, in revising it, to enlarge somewhat the scope of the volume by the addition of several chapters, which it is hoped will lend additional interest to an attempt to popularise an all-important page of Oriental history. It is obvious that the enlargement of the volume necessitates a change of title, inasmuch as, although the Prophet of Arabia must ever remain the central figure in any work treating of the Religion which he founded, yet it would be altogether unreasonable to give to a publication dealing with many phases of the history of Islam a name indicating that it was confined to a life of Muhammad. To this brief explanation it is only necessary to add that no attempt has been made to solve the many vexed questions which come to the front at every turn. About the Publisher Forgotten Books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at www.forgottenbooks.com This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. Forgotten Books uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

The holy sword

For many Americans, questions, concerns, and misunderstandings surround the world's fastest-growing religion-Islam. Abraham Sarker, born and raised a devout Muslim, knows Islam and understands Muslim people. While Sarker was being trained as an Islamic leader, God miraculously opened his eyes and touched his heart with the gospel of Jesus Christ. He shares his story, then provides a clear description of the history, beliefs, and practices of Islam. Sarker concludes by giving us a better understanding of the Muslim mind-set and offers practical strategies Christians can use to engage in productive dialogue with Muslims.

The Sword of Islam

M.J.Akbar, an Indian journalist and author, traces the origins of Jihad in the struggle against oppression that was part of the earliest consciousness of Muslims. Travelling across centuries and continents, from the triumphant rise of Islam under the Prophet Muhammad to the depression of defeat in the first Crusade, through the renewal of Saladin to the rise and fall of the Ottoman and Mughal empires and the raw passions of Afghanistan and the Indian subcontinent, Akbar's gripping story explains how Jihad thrives on complex and shifting notions of persecution, victory and sacrifice.

Understand My Muslim People

"OM", a fundamental meditation sound present in the cultures of Buddhism, is a syllable full of philosophical and transcendental meanings. The category of the Orient, as contrasted, antithetical and complementary to the Occident (West) and its culture, appears to be one of the most interesting and long-lasting issues discussed in the humanities. European fascination with Oriental cultures has found multifaceted manifestations in science, art, fashion and beliefs. Music, as an important element of cultural communication, has always been well suited for transitions and inspirations. The relationship between the Orient and Western music encompasses a wide and fascinating scope of problems, a field of various multidimensional influences which brings an opportunity not only to study particular questions, but also to search for universal and fundamental values. This collection of essays is a result of an International Conference titled "OM: Orient in Music – Music of the Orient", held at the Grałyna and Kiejstut Academy of Music in Aódz, Poland, in March 2016. The volume provides insight into the many ways in which the music of the East and West can be understood and treated by both Western and Eastern scholars.

The Shade of Swords

A sweeping history of the often-violent conflict between Islam and the West, shedding a revealing light on current hostilities. The West and Islam -- the sword and scimitar -- have clashed since the mid-seventh century, when, according to Muslim tradition, the Roman emperor rejected Prophet Muhammad's order to abandon Christianity and convert to Islam, unleashing a centuries-long jihad on Christendom. *Sword and Scimitar* chronicles the decisive battles that arose from this ages-old Islamic jihad, beginning with the first major Islamic attack on Christian land in 636, through the Muslim occupation of nearly three-quarters of Christendom which prompted the Crusades, followed by renewed Muslim conquests by Turks and Tatars, to the European colonization of the Muslim world in the 1800s, when Islam largely went on the retreat -- until its reemergence in recent times. Using original sources in Arabic and Greek, preeminent historian Raymond Ibrahim describes each battle in vivid detail and explains how these wars and the larger historical currents of the age reflect the cultural fault lines between Islam and the West. The majority of these landmark battles -- including the battles of Yarmuk, Tours, Manzikert, the sieges at Constantinople and Vienna, and the crusades in Syria and Spain--are now forgotten or considered inconsequential. Yet today, as the West faces a resurgence of this enduring Islamic jihad, *Sword and Scimitar* provides the needed historical context to understand the current relationship between the West and the Islamic world -- and why the Islamic State is merely the latest chapter of an old history.

A Basic Bibliography for the Study of the Semitic Languages

The Muslim world, aware of the paramount importance of scientific knowledge, is searching for the route to an affirmative answer to the question raised in the title, but it seems to shy away from asking some closely related questions, which are: Who brought science to Islam? Who banished science from Islam? Who can bring science back to Islam? This book seeks to answer all these questions. Its author, who has had a lifelong interest in the history of science and religion, and has spent five decades at the forefront of scientific research, tries to convince contemporary Muslims to forsake regressive and anti-scientific interpretations of their scriptures; to warn them that the gap between dogma and fact cannot be papered over, that progress will be possible, and that science will come back to Islam only when a clean break is made from those whose teaching has led to the current malaise. The book ends with the pregnant question: How can Western voters help in this important project?

The Orient in Music - Music of the Orient

Today the world stands in an imperative need for a code of universal teachings, such as Islam (Peace). It is our foremost duty to depict the teachings of Islam in its true perspective. In Europe, America, and even in India, there are still prevalent gross misconceptions and wrong notions about Islam and also about the Holy Prophet of Islam. This book contains comments, quotations, and writings from hundreds of eminent scholars, writers, and thinkers of the Non-Muslim world to show the real truth about Islam and its Prophet. As an American lady converted to Islam remarked, "The Muslims of to-day do not know the real meaning of Islam and the work life, example and precepts of their Prophet. Most of the to-day Muslims are living in gross ignorance of the true teachings of Islam." This book is needed at this juncture of the World when it is torn into blocks by ideologies and there is an impending danger of the annihilation of the whole human race and its beautiful civilization by nuclear, chemical, and other weapons of mass destruction. Today a nation's status and existence should depend on superior ideology and not on arms and ammunition. Islam alone can supply this all-comprehensive superior ideology to be applied to the pressing problems of the present day World. Absolute faith in one and only one humanity earnestly taught by Islam can alone save the World and the modern civilization from degradation, destruction, and utter ruination. Islam and its holy prophet have a message to the whole mankind. The message is: The world in which we have our beings does not belong to us. It is a God's trust to men and women. All the powers, all the greatness that mankind possesses should be ever used, employed as God's trust and according to this law and commandments. Men and women must not think themselves as master of all things and should not use them arbitrarily. They must think themselves as divine instruments to carry out God's trust faithfully and justly. Islam enjoys one universal brotherhood of all human beings and one humanity. This is what the present enlightened and thinking World is seeking as a new comradeship, a universal fellowship, a World community, a deeper understanding and peace above all. Another purpose of this book is to present Europe and America and to the Non-Muslim world a real and true picture of Islam and its Holy Prophet as told by their own people in order to remove them from the mind of the Western people of these prejudiced wrong notions, erroneous biases, and obsession against Islam and its founder. The liberal attitude of Islam to freedom of belief and thought is one of the fundamental tenets of Islam which established rights of human beings more than fourteen

hundred years ago as part of creed as a universal message to humanity. This message is of utmost importance to the present state of human development. If the present day Muslims can intelligently appreciate the message of Islam and truly act thereupon, they would be able to regain confidence in themselves and contribute effectively to the peace and happiness of mankind. This is another purpose of this book. If the Western and Non-Muslim people could appreciate the teachings of Islam and its Holy Prophet, they would see the truth and would be glad to cooperate with the Muslims in the up-hill task of making this World a heaven for peaceful, prosperous, and brotherly living and for that noble purpose to form a universal brotherhood of all mankind. I express my obligation and gratitude to those from whose books and writings quotations have been made.

Sword and Scimitar

In this 'thrilling. . .profoundly important book' (Christopher Hart, Sunday Times) and Sunday Times Top Ten Bestseller, the acclaimed author of Rubicon gives a panoramic-and timely-account of the rise of Islam In the 6th century AD, the Near East was divided between two great empires: the Persian and the Roman. A hundred years on, and one had vanished for ever, while the other was a dismembered, bleeding trunk. In their place, a new superpower had arisen: the empire of the Arabs. So profound was this upheaval that it spelled, in effect, the end of the ancient world. But the changes that marked the period were more than merely political or even cultural: there was also a transformation of human society with incalculable consequences for the future. Today, over half the world's population subscribes to one of the various religions that took on something like their final form during the last centuries of antiquity. Wherever men or women are inspired by belief in a single god to think or behave in a certain way, they bear witness to the abiding impact of this extraordinary, convulsive age - though as Tom Holland demonstrates, much of what Jews, Christians and Muslims believe about the origins of their religion is open to debate. In the Shadow of the Sword explores how a succession of great empires came to identify themselves with a new and revolutionary understanding of the divine. It is a story vivid with drama, horror and startling achievement, and stars many of the most remarkable rulers ever seen. 'A compelling detective story of the highest order, In the Shadow of the Sword is also a dazzlingly colourful journey into the world of late antiquity. Every bit as thrilling a narrative history as Holland's previous works, In the Shadow of the Sword is also a profoundly important book. It makes public and popular what scholarship has been discovering for several decades now; and those discoveries suggest a wholesale revision of where Islam came from and what it is' (Christopher Hart, Sunday Times)

Can Science Come Back to Islam?

The Christians is the history of Christianity, told chronologically, epoch by epoch, century by century, beginning at Pentecost and concluding with Christians as we find ourselves in the twenty-first century. It will consist of approximately twelve volumes, produced over a 10-year period at the beginning of the third Christian millennium. It is written and edited by Christians for Christians of all denominations. Its purpose is to tell the story of the Christian family, so that we may be knowledgeable of our origins, may well know and wisely profit from the experiences of our past both good and bad, and may find strength and inspiration to face the challenges of our era from the magnificent examples set for us by those who went before. - Back cover.

Islam and Its Holy Prophet as Judged by The Non-Muslim World

Chief of the Prophets is the English translation of Sirat Sayyidul Anbiya', a chronological history of the life of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sas). The book presents an eye-opening insight into the world in which the Holy Prophet (sas) appeared, providing the relevant historical context and highlighting the tremendous social transformation brought about by the lofty spirituality and virtuous character of the Holy Prophet (sas).

Government

Islam: history, theology, impact on the world.

Government: Servant Or Master?

A prominent Indian journalist pens the first comprehensive history of jihad, from the Prophet Muhammad to the present lethal revival of the concept, revealing how jihad infused the first Muslims and

survives to this day all over the Islamic world, impacting everything from Indian-Pakistan relations to the Iraqi situation. Reprint.

In The Shadow Of The Sword

An epic novel steeped in action, intrigue, and romance. July 1187: the forces of the Muslim sultan known as Saladin have defeated the army of the Kingdom of Jerusalem, allowing Saladin to achieve his lifelong ambition of recapturing the Holy City for Islam. This sets the stage for the Third Crusade: the confrontation between Saladin and the legendary Christian warrior, Richard the Lionheart. Both men believe they are destined by God to lead their holy armies to complete victory. Richard, a legendary warrior with a keen military mind, finds his vow to retake Jerusalem complicated by infighting over succession to the British throne, a rivalry with the French king, and a choice between two potential queens. Meanwhile, Saladin struggles to keep his fractious forces together while remaining true to the noblest principles of Islam. These events are also portrayed through the eyes of two common men: Pierre of Botron is a Christian knight who is captured on the battlefield and subjected to the indignity of slavery. Rashid of Yenbo is a Muslim trader who finds prosperity in Saladin's triumphs. The relationship between Rashid and Pierre offers the possibility that people of good will can overcome polarizing conflicts. As events build toward the Battle of Jaffa, one of the most well-known conflicts of the Crusades, the fates of the characters depend on the choices they make between the compassionate and fanatical aspects of their faiths. *The Swords of Faith* offers an eye-opening comparison and contrast of the tenets of Christianity and Islam, insights that reverberate into the present day.

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Chief of the Prophets

The Shadow of the Swords was written to raise critical questions about the verses of the Quran, Prophet Muhammad, and events in history, and also to explore the reasons why the religion of Islam emerged.

The Sword of the Prophet

This book is an ideal introduction to the religion of Islam and to the personality of its founder. While presenting a concise biographical sketch of the only man in history to be thoroughly successful on both religious and secular levels, it provides an intimate look at the Prophet's personal qualities.

The Shade of Swords

Researched biography of the Holy Prophet. Corrects misconceptions about his life; answers western criticism. "(1) Muhammad The Prophet (2) The Early Caliphate, by Muhammad Ali, together constitute the most complete and satisfactory history of the early Muslims hitherto compiled in English" — *Islamic Culture*, Hyderabad, India " ... He has now produced a biography of the Prophet of Islam in English ... It is not only Muslims who should feel grateful to him for the publication. The book should, indeed, give greater gratification to the English-speaking non-Muslims, whom it gives an opportunity of knowing the truth about the life and personality of one who is admitted on all hands to be the greatest reformer in the history of the world." — *The New Orient* "...it is written in an authoritative and interesting fashion, and from a historical point of view will be well worth perusing by adherents of religions other than Islam." — *The Civil and Military Gazette*, Lahore, Pakistan

The Swords of Faith

A thrillingly panoramic and incredibly timely account of the rise of Islam, from the acclaimed author of *Rubicon* and *Persian Fire*. The evolution of the Arab empire is one of the supreme narratives of ancient history, a story dazzlingly rich in drama, character, and achievement. In this exciting and

sweeping history—the third in his trilogy of books on the ancient world—Holland describes how the Arabs emerged to carve out a stupefyingly vast dominion in a matter of decades, overcoming seemingly insuperable odds to create an imperial civilization aspects of which endure to the present day. With profound bearing on the most consequential events of our time, Holland ties the exciting story of Islam's ascent to the crises and controversies of the present.

The Sword of Islam (Classic Reprint)

First published in 1925 from the Woking Muslim Mission in England, this book presents the noble character and high moral qualities of the Holy Prophet Muhammad, showing him to be the Ideal Prophet in every sense.

The Shadow of the Swords

The explosion of Islam out of Arabia was one of the seminal events in world history. In the first few decades the new faith was spread by the sword of holy war, or jihad, inspiring Arab conquests from Spain to northern India.

Prophet Muhammad

This Elibron Classics title is a reprint of the original edition published by John Murray in London, 1905.

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Heretic and impostor or reformer and statesman? The contradictory Western visions of Muhammad In European culture, Muhammad has been vilified as a heretic, an impostor, and a pagan idol. But these aren't the only images of the Prophet of Islam that emerge from Western history. Commentators have also portrayed Muhammad as a visionary reformer and an inspirational leader, statesman, and lawgiver. In *Faces of Muhammad*, John Tolan provides a comprehensive history of these changing, complex, and contradictory visions. Starting from the earliest calls to the faithful to join the Crusades against the "Saracens," he traces the evolution of Western conceptions of Muhammad through the Reformation, the Enlightenment, and the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, and up to the present day. *Faces of Muhammad* reveals a lengthy tradition of positive portrayals of Muhammad that many will find surprising. To Reformation polemicists, the spread of Islam attested to the corruption of the established Church, and prompted them to depict Muhammad as a champion of reform. In revolutionary England, writers on both sides of the conflict drew parallels between Muhammad and Oliver Cromwell, asking whether the prophet was a rebel against legitimate authority or the bringer of a new and just order. Voltaire first saw Muhammad as an archetypal religious fanatic but later claimed him as an enemy of superstition. To Napoleon, he was simply a role model: a brilliant general, orator, and leader. The book shows that Muhammad wears so many faces in the West because he has always acted as a mirror for its writers, their portrayals revealing more about their own concerns than the historical realities of the founder of Islam.

Muhammad the Prophet

Jihad, with its many terrifying associations, is a term widely used today, though its meaning is poorly grasped. Few people understand the circumstances requiring a jihad, or "holy" war, or how Islamic militants justify their violent actions within the framework of the religious tradition of Islam. How Islam, with more than one billion followers, interprets jihad and establishes its precepts has become a critical issue for both the Muslim and the non-Muslim world. John Kelsay's timely and important work focuses on jihad of the sword in Islamic thought, history, and culture. Making use of original sources, Kelsay delves into the tradition of shari'a--Islamic jurisprudence and reasoning--and shows how it defines jihad as the Islamic analogue of the Western "just" war. He traces the arguments of thinkers over the centuries who have debated the legitimacy of war through appeals to shari'a reasoning. He brings us up to the present and demonstrates how contemporary Muslims across the political spectrum continue this quest for a realistic ethics of war within the Islamic tradition. Arguing the Just War in Islam provides a systematic account of how Islam's central texts interpret jihad, guiding us through the historical precedents and Qur'anic sources upon which today's claims to doctrinal truth and legitimate authority are made. In illuminating the broad spectrum of Islam's moral considerations of the just war, Kelsay helps Muslims and non-Muslims alike make sense of the possibilities for future war and peace.

In the Shadow of the Sword

Ali Sina, a great expert of Islam, wrote about this book: This is a great book. I read the first thirty pages and I could not stop. This book must be translated in all languages and become available to all. Narrating the story in the gripping way of a good novel, it tells about Muhammad, his believer and unbeliever tribal relatives, the Qur'an, and the Arabian society of the period as truthfully and originally as the oldest Arab records make it possible. It does not fail to shock and surprise when one finds that during his twenty-three years of apostolate, Muhammad arranged for banditry raids, secret assassinations, ransom taking, kidnappings, slave trading, ethnic cleansing, inter-tribal wars, and murderous expeditions. Of these raids, the number of well recorded and documented, discussed by the Qur'an itself, is thirty-eight. Muhammad personally took part in twenty-seven raids and battles in nine of which he was directly engaged in killing. These were the battles of Badr, Uhud, Ahzaab, Hunayn, and Ta'if, the massacres of the Qurayza and the Khyber Jews, the surprise raid on the Mustalaq, and the occupation of Mecca. History tells us that many kings started as bandits and came to rule vast territories. If Muhammad had claimed that he was a king, one could place him amongst the greatest of kings but the surprise lies in his claim that he was God's most favourite and final prophet. If prophets were to kill and plunder, sell slaves, hold captives for ransom, allow rape of slave women, and develop systems of extortion, how does one differentiate between a Godly man and a king?

The Ideal Prophet

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Muhammad Is The Prophet, The Messenger Of God. But For The Vast Majority Of People Outside The Islamic Faith, He Remains A Mystery, And Myths And Misconceptions About Him Abound. Born In A Time Of Moral Despondency And Despair, Muhammad Spent His Entire Life Trying To Transcend Human Pettiness, Searching For Absolute Values, The Meaning Of Life And What It Meant To Be A Human Being. The Book Of Muhammad Recounts This Journey Muhammad S Early Struggles To Bring His Message To The People In Mecca, The Revelation, His Flight To Medina And The Establishment Of Islam And An Ideal City-State There, And His Triumphant Return To Mecca. Mehru Jaffer S Own Search To Understand The Teachings Of Islam Inform This Lucid Yet Profound Retelling Of The Life Of One Of The Most Mesmerizing Figures To Walk This Earth, Thereby Making His Teachings And Spiritual Significance Accessible To All. In This Short Biography, Mehru Jaffer Presents Muhammad As An Extraordinary Prophet And Leader, A Man Of God Who Succeeded In Uniting All Of Arabia Through His New Faith And Exerted Enormous Influence Over Centuries Of Human History. In Her Detailed Introduction To The Book She Also Examines Why The Fundamental Tenet Of His Teachings That To Be A Good Human Being Is To Be Kind, Compassionate And Charitable Is Particularly Relevant In Our Troubled Times Today.

The Rise of Islam

The Sword of Islam