24 The Light

Islam's founder routinely made up Qur'an scripture to suit his agenda. However, there was a glimmer of light in this story. Aisha knew better. That's why she condemned Muhammad the moment he revealed the 24th surah, a "divine" revelation inspired by infidelity. It's called "The Criterion." Qur'an 24:1 "(This is) a surah which We have revealed and made obligatory and in which We have revealed clear communications that you may be mindful. For the woman and the man guilty of adultery or fornication, flog each of them with a hundred stripes. Let not compassion move you in their case, in a matter prescribed by Allah. And let a party of the Believers witness their punishment." For Muhammad to avoid having the lash applied to him, he had to have his god condone polygamy (which is adultery in all sane religions and societies), as well as pedophilia (which is what is being approved here), incest (approved earlier in the 33rd surah), unwed sex with concubines (which is fornication) and sex with slaves (which is rape). In other words, Muhammad was a hypocrite - the embodiment of the condition he condemned.

That said, it was time for a situational scripture. Muhammad's plaything had been accused of adultery, but in order that her services might continue to arouse him, this Qur'anic surah was conveniently revealed. *Qur'an 24:4* "And those who launch a charge against chaste women, and produce not four witnesses (to support their allegations), flog them with eighty stripes; and reject their evidence ever after: for such men are wicked transgressors." Aisha had but three accusers. How fortuitous.

Now that the witnesses have been punished and the perpetrators exonerated, Muhammad put Muslim women in their place - in submission to men. *Qur'an 24:6* "And for those who launch a charge against their wives, accusing them, but have no witnesses or evidence, except themselves; let the testimony of one of them be four testimonies, (swearing four times) by Allah that he is the one speaking the truth. And the fifth (oath) that they solemnly invoke the curse of Allah on themselves if they tell a lie." That pretty much sums up the plight of Islamic women. If their husbands say that they are bad four times, they are as good as dead. Men don't need evidence.

In the Islamic world, women can't speak or even leave home without their husbands' permission. So this next verse is rendered moot. *Qur'an 24:8* "But it would avert the punishment from the wife (of being stoned to death), if she bears witness four times by Allah, that (her husband) is telling a lie. And the fifth (oath) should be that she solemnly invokes the wrath of Allah on herself if (her accuser) is telling the truth."

Returning to Muhammad's predicament, we find another series of verses that are senseless without the context of the Hadith. And within their context, they are petty and vengeful, focused on the desires of the Qur'an's author. The sheer volume of these verses should tell you all you need to know about his priorities. *Qur'an 24:11* "Those who brought forward the lie are a body among you: but think it not an evil to you; on the

contrary, it is good for you: to every man among them (will come the punishment) of the sin he earned, and for him who took the lead in the slander, his will be an awful doom. Why did not the believers, when you heard of the affair, put the best construction on it in their minds and say, 'This is an obvious lie?' Why did they not bring four witnesses to prove it? Since they produce not witnesses, they are liars in the sight of Allah. Were it not for His mercy a grievous penalty would have seized you in that you rushed glibly into this affair. You received it on your tongues, and said out of your mouths things of which you had no knowledge; and you thought it to be a light matter, while it was most serious in the sight of Allah, a grave offense. And why did you not, when you heard it, say? 'It is not right of us to speak of this: this is a most serious slander, an awful calumny!' Allah does admonish you, that you may never repeat such, if you are Believers. And Allah makes clear the communications. Allah is the Knower, Wise. Those who love scandal to be broadcast among the Believers will have a painful punishment in this life and the hereafter."

How is it possible that a book allegedly written before the world began could focus so intently on a child accused of fornication and yet say nothing about the indiscretion that prompted the infidelity? Aisha was upset because Muhammad purchased - with money he "earned" selling children into slavery - sex with an alluring slave. It's obvious Ibn Ishaq, the prophet's earliest and most trusted biographer, and Tabari, the first Islamic historian, were bothered too. And that's why they said: *Ishaq:493* "According to a man I do not suspect, and others who contributed parts of the story, a report has been assembled for you based upon what people have told me in regards to the account of Aisha's story about herself, when the authors of the lie said about her what they said." In other words, the same sources who have brought us the Hadith and Qur'an were witnesses against Aisha and thus witnesses against Muhammad and the Qur'an.

Speaking of hypocrites, the man who admitted to reciting a surah dictated by Satan now tells others: *Qur'an 24:21* "Believers, follow not Satan's footsteps: if any will follow Satan, he will command what is shameful, filthy, and wrong." Since every deed Muhammad has perpetrated since the Hijrah has been shameful, filthy, and wrong, he has revealed who commanded him.

The demon-possessed prophet wasn't done attacking those who had tried to deprive him (a nearly sixty-year-old man) of the pleasures of possessing a fourteen-year-old child. *Qur'an 24:23* "Those who slander chaste women, indiscreet and careless but believing, are cursed in this life and in the hereafter: for them is an awful doom. On the Day when their tongues, their hands, and their feet will bear witness against them as to what they did. On that Day Allah will pay them back their just reward."

Considering Muhammad's collection of concubines and sex slaves were from all races and religions, this next verse would make him impure. *Qur'an* 24:26 "Women impure are for men impure, and men impure for women impure..."

Moving on, we find the Muhammad/Allah team treating women differently, and less favorably, than men. *Qur'an 24:31* "And say to the believing women that they should lower their gaze and guard their

modesty; that they should not display their beauty except what (must) appear; that they should draw their veils over their bosoms and not display them except to their husbands, their fathers, their husband's fathers, their sons, their husbands' sons, their brothers or their brothers' sons, or their women, or the slaves whom they possess, or male servants free of physical needs, or small children who have no sense of the shame of sex; and that they should not strike their feet in order to draw attention to their hidden ornaments." To this prophet, women were objects, not people.

Since Muhammad financed his war machine on the slave trade, and satiated his libido by the admission of slaves into his harem, we shouldn't be surprised by: *Qur'an 24:32* "And marry such as are your slaves and maid-servants [female slaves]. If they be poor, Allah will enrich them of His bounty." It was another form of booty.

This next verse confirms what I surmised from the Hadith. When enslaved women were given to Muhammad's militants as booty, they were forced into prostitution. *Qur'an 24:34* **"Force not your slave-girls to whoredom (prostitution) if they desire chastity, that you may seek enjoyment of this life.** [And here's the freedom-to-pimp card:] **But if anyone forces them, then after such compulsion, Allah is oft-forgiving."** These guys weren't qualified to open a brothel, much less start a religion.

If we didn't know Muhammad better, this symbolism might appear inspired (that is, if it weren't so poorly written): *Qur'an 24:35* "Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The Parable of His Light is a niche and within a lamp: the lamp is in a glass: the glass as it were a shining star kindled from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor west, whose oil is nigh luminous though fire scarce touched it. Light upon light! Allah does guide whom He will to His light: Allah sets forth parables for men: and knows all things."

Confirming that Allah was the name of a pagan idol, not the word for God, we discover: *Qur'an 24:36* "(Lit is such a light) in houses which Allah has permitted to be exalted that His name shall be remembered, for the celebration of His name."

Leaving dimwitted we return to demented. Business is a distraction for those trapped in the terrorist creed but paying taxes is good. *Qur'an 24:37* "Men who do not let business devert them from prayers and paying the zakat fear a day when eyes will roll back (in horror of the Day of Doom)." And once again, we find Allah in hell. *Qur'an 24:39* "For those who disbelieve, their deeds are like a mirage in the desert. There is no water for the thirsty. He only finds Allah, who will pay him his due in Hell."

Muhammad said that Allah sent 999 out of every 1000 people to hell (Bukhari: V8B76N537), predestining them to be abused. *Qur'an 24:40* "Their fate is like the depths of darkness in the abysmal sea, overwhelmed with dark clouds: layers of darkness. If a man stretches out his hands, he can hardly see it. For he whom Allah has not appointed light, for him there is no light." The matching verse from the previous surah adds: *Qur'an 23:40* "Soon they will regret. Torment and an awful cry will overtake them. We have made such men rubbish, like rotting plants. So away with the people." Being sent to hell to be tortured without being given a choice is sadistic. Being called rotting rubbish is demented. Only Satan would call this scripture.

Next we move from demented to delusional. Unable to perform a miracle or produce a prophecy, Muhammad tells us that rain was proof that his spirit was divine. *Qur'an 24:43* "Do you not see that Allah drives along the clouds, then gathers them together, then piles them up so you see the rain coming forth from their midst? And He sends down hail like mountains, striking and afflicting whom He wills and turning it away from whom He pleases. The flash of His lightning almost takes away the sight. It is Allah Who alternates the Night and the Day. In these things is an instructive example for those who have vision!" These aren't poetic metaphors; they are pathetic proofs.

The next creation account is the twenty-fifth variant. After suggesting that we were made from a blood clot in the first surah, then sperm, base fluid, stinking slime, and clay, we learn: *Qur'an 24:45* "Allah has created every animal from water: of them there are some that creep on their bellies; some that walk on two legs; and some that walk on four." *Qur'an 24:46* "We have indeed sent down proofs and signs that make things manifest, [and sent] revelations and explained them."

It was time for Muhammad's rock idol to denounce his critics - the bad Muslims who were abandoning him in droves. *Qur'an 24:47* "They say, 'We believe in Allah and in the Messenger, and we obey,' but even after that, some of them turn away: they are not (really) Believers. When they are summoned to Allah and His Messenger, in order that He may judge between them, behold some of them decline (to come) and are averse; But if right is on their side, they come quickly to him in submission, obedient." Sometimes the smallest details reveal the biggest flaws. The letter "h" in "him" wasn't capitalized, which means "him" was Muhammad. Therefore, the doctrine of submission was all about obedience to a man.

Qur'an 24:50 "Is there a disease in their hearts, do they have doubts? Do they in fear that Allah and His Messenger will deal unjustly, acting wrongfully toward them?" Now what would give the citizens of Medina that impression? Just because Muhammad had assassinated journalists, led scores of terrorist raids, motivated militants with booty, murdered thousands in cold blood, raped women, stole property, and sold children into slavery, doesn't mean that he couldn't be trusted, did it?

Muhammad devised a test, a way of distinguishing between the good and bad Muslims. *Qur'an 24:51* "The only response of the (true) Believers when summoned to Allah and His Messenger in order to judge between them, is no other than this: they say, 'We hear and we obey.' Such are successful. Those who obey Allah and His Messenger, fear Allah and do right, such are the victorious. Whoever obeys Allah and His Messenger fears Allah and keeps his duty." Since there isn't a single verse that suggests Allah ever spoke to his "believers," Muslims must "hear and obey" Muhammad. Thus, a good Muslim is one who obeys his commands to: conduct terrorist raids, engage in fighting and genocide, prosper using the slave trade, steal what belongs to others through conquest, always giving the prophet his fifth. Such behavior makes men good Muslims and bad people. I recognize that this is unflattering, but it's Islam's definition, not mine.

And lest we forget, we have been given a slightly expanded version of the dictatorial dogma first preached in Mecca: "He who fears will mind." This time it's: "Whoever obeys Allah and His Messenger fears Allah and keeps his duty." Muhammad, frustrated by the peaceful Muslims who were unwilling to leave their homes to fight for him, said: *Qur'an 24:53* "They swear their strongest oaths saying that if only you would command them." In other words, what Muhammad wanted was for them to go out fighting while he stayed home! "They would leave their homes (and go forth fighting in Allah's Cause). Say: 'Swear not; Obedience is (more) reasonable.' Say: 'Obey Allah, and obey the Messenger." Obedience is, once again, to Muhammad and the required behavior is Jihad.

Muhammad now says on behalf of Allah that if you follow him into battle, the earth and its people will be yours. There is nothing like a good bribe to motivate mercenaries. Allah promised to make Muslims "rulers of the earth." *Qur'an 24:55* "Allah has promised to those among you who believe and do good work that He will make them rulers of the earth as He granted it to those before them. He will establish in authority their religion - the one which He has chosen for them..." There is choice in Islam, only it doesn't belong to people.

To be a Muslim, all you have to do is perform rituals, pay taxes, and obey Muhammad. *Qur'an 24:56* "Perform prayer, pay the zakat and obey the Messenger." In this verse, Muhammad dispensed with Allah because all he wanted was obedience and money. *Qur'an 24:57* "Never think that the unbelievers can escape in the land. Their abode is Fire!" There is no escaping Islam, which is why it must be exterminated.

The prophet's desire to nap nude with his harem is the only possible rationale for this being in the Qur'an: *Qur'an 24:58* "Believers, let your slave girls, and those who have not come to puberty, ask permission (before they come in your presence) on three occasions: before dawn, while you take off your clothes at midday, and after the night prayer. These are your times of undress - times of privacy for you. Outside those times it is not wrong for them to move about: Thus does Allah make clear the Signs."

Returning to the theme of "submit and obey:" *Qur'an 24:62* "Only those are believers in Allah and His Messenger who, when they are with him on a matter requiring collective action [like fighting], do not depart until they have asked for his permission. Deem not the summons of the Messenger like the summons of one of you. Allah knows those who slip away, making excuses. Beware of rejecting the Messenger's orders lest a grievous penalty be inflicted." Since Muhammad was dead before the Qur'an became a book, why was this verse included? It ceased to be relevant the moment he died.