

The Quest of the West in Assimilating Muslims

News:

The liberal VVD party leader Klaas Dijkhoff of the ruling party in Holland pleaded Wednesday to punish criminality twice as hard in some districts as in other neighborhoods. He wants to apply this in neighborhoods where more than half of its residents are non-Western immigrants (Muslims) where the unemployment rate is high. He also wants the government to intervene in the education of children in these neighborhoods. For example, obligatory lessons, like in Denmark, must be held in these neighborhoods about "democratic values and traditions". That should help the integration.

Comment:

This intolerant mindset becomes more and more bold in Western countries, especially in relation to Islam and the Muslims living in Western societies. Till the extent that politicians like Klaas Dijkhoff flirt with ideas which resulted in persecution of minorities, like the idea of concentration camps. This time, not by eliminating innocent lives, but by eliminating Islamic ideas out of the lives of Muslims by forcing the secular liberal narrative and its values on Muslims.

Dijkhoff was inspired by the Danish proposal put forward by the government of Liberal Prime Minister Lars Lokke Rasmussen who introduced an aggressive assimilation policy for Muslims only. The State should regulate all aspects of life in Muslim populated areas, known as "ghettos" by giving mandatory courses in order to assimilate Muslims in to Danish culture and public life. As well as in concepts like "such as gender equality, community, participation and co-responsibility etc"... The Muslims who oppose this, will be fined or even jailed.

Dijkhoff also suggested to punish people who commit a crime in certain Muslim populated areas, twice as hard as in other areas in the Netherlands with less Muslim population.

A couple years ago it would have been out of the question to make such proposals. The terrible experience were large numbers of minorities were demonized, dehumanized and finally eliminated was too fresh in the memory. But it seems they forget easily. The politics that politician's pursuit now is not much different than the politics that politician's pursuit in Western Europe some 70 plus years ago.

But if you would ask these politicians today about this particular history, they will definitely acknowledge that this is a politics of hate and destruction. They will consider it a black page in their history and they will say "this, no more." So, what drives them to walk the same path again and again? Is it their hate for Islam only? Or something else?

The hate for Islam is clear in reality and also Allah (swt) warned us for this: **﴿قَدْ بَدَتِ الْبَغْضَاءُ مِنْ أَفْوَاهِهِمْ وَمَا تُخْفِي صُدُورُهُمْ أَكْبَرُ قَدْ بَيَّنَّا لَكُمُ الْآيَاتِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ﴾** **... Hatred has already appeared from their mouths, and what their breasts conceal is greater. We have certainly made clear to you the signs, if you will use reason.** [Surah Al-i-Imran: 118]

But there is also another problem regardless of whether these politicians are from the past or the present. The deeply engraved political vision never changed. It is embedded in the collective mindset of the west and its people. When it invades foreign countries, it destroys its people, enslaves them, colonize their lands and despoil their wealth. And when foreigners with different ideas come to their countries, it's not able to cope with its diversity even after centuries of living together with them and wishes to assimilate them. Its ideology were its political visions derives from apparently is incapable of uniting peoples with different religions and ethnic background together.

Undeniable there is an intrinsic deficit in its system which causes intolerance and hatred towards the "other." Its weak and not able to produce solutions for humankind. None of the past or the exiting systems, has a political vision who embraces and includes all human beings besides Islam.

﴿مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ اتَّخَذُوا مِنَ اللَّهِ أَوْلِيَاءَ كَمَثَلِ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ اتَّخَذَتْ بَيْتًا وَإِنَّ أَوْهَنَ الْبُيُوتِ لَبَيْتُ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ لَوْ كَانُوا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾

"The example of those who take allies other than Allah is like that of the spider who takes a home. And indeed, the weakest of homes is the home of the spider, if they only knew." [Surah al Ankabut: 41]

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