

GULF WAR CONTINUES

HELL IS SURROUNDING THE REJECTORS

It has been a year since Dr. Rashad Khalifa was martyred. He was a messenger of God, the Messenger of the Covenant who was prophesized in the scriptures (Malachi 3:1-3, Quran 3:81). He was killed by rejecters of the message he brought. This was the same message that was advocated by all the messengers of God throughout history, as stated in the Quran: *"Their messengers went to them, In front of them and behind them saying, 'you shall not worship except God!...' (41:14).*



Dr. Rashad Khalifa did not benefit materially from being a messenger. He never accepted any money for his work in the cause of God, just like any messenger of God described in the Quran: *"O my people, I do not ask you for any wage; my wage comes only from God..." (11:29).*

Rashad came with a profound and divine proof of messengership: The unveiling of the mathematical code in the Quran based on the number 19. God supports His messengers with signs so that the people may recognize them. *"We sent our messengers*

supported by clear proofs, and we sent down to them the scripture and the law, that the people may uphold justice..." (57:25).

Despite the clear proofs of messengership, Rashad was rejected by the majority of the people, especially by the corrupted Muslims. His main opponents were the Arabs who not only rejected the message of worshipping God alone, and the miracle of the Quran, but also spent millions of dollars to conceal and fight the truth.

The Quran reports that God's messengers were not accepted readily by the communities they were sent to. In fact, they were ridiculed, rejected, or even killed by the people who did not want to abandon their wicked and idol worshipping ways: ***"...Is it not a fact that whenever a messenger went to you with anything you did not like, you turned arrogant, and either rejected him, or killed him?" (2:87).***

God's system never changes for the people who reject His message and the messenger.

This is very clearly stated in the Quran: ***"Consequently, the quake annihilated them, leaving them dead in their homes." (7:78) ..Consequently, we punished them suddenly when they least expected." (7:95) ..Consequently, we sent upon them condemnation from the sky, because of their wickedness" (7:162).***

Brief Celebration Ends

When Dr. Rashad Khalifa was killed, the Arabs rejoiced at the news. However, their celebration did not last long. God raised a tyrant among them to make life very miserable for them, in accordance with His will: ***"Say, 'He is able to pour upon you retribution from above you, and beneath your feet, or He can divide you into factions and have you taste each others' tyranny and persecution'..." (6:65).***

Therefore, what is happening in the Middle East is not coincidence. It is a consequence of the actions taken by these communities against God. They brought the misery and the retribution on themselves as stated in Verse 11:117. = ***"Your Lord never annihilates any community unjustly, while its people are righteous."***

God is in full control of everything, and He knows full well the minutest detail of what goes on in the heavens and the earth: =... ***"He knows everything on land and sea. Not a leaf falls without His knowledge. Nor is there a grain in the depths of the soil, be it wet or dry, that is not recorded in a profound record." (6:59)***

When Saddam decided to invade Kuwait, and similarly, when President Bush decided to attack Iraq, they were indeed fulfilling a part of God's plan that is already recorded. We will have to wait to see how the rest of God's plan unravels. But, regardless of what appears to be happening, or what we consider as retribution, God describes the disbelievers' situation in Verse 29:54. = ***"They challenge you to bring the retribution, when Hell is already surrounding the disbelievers."***