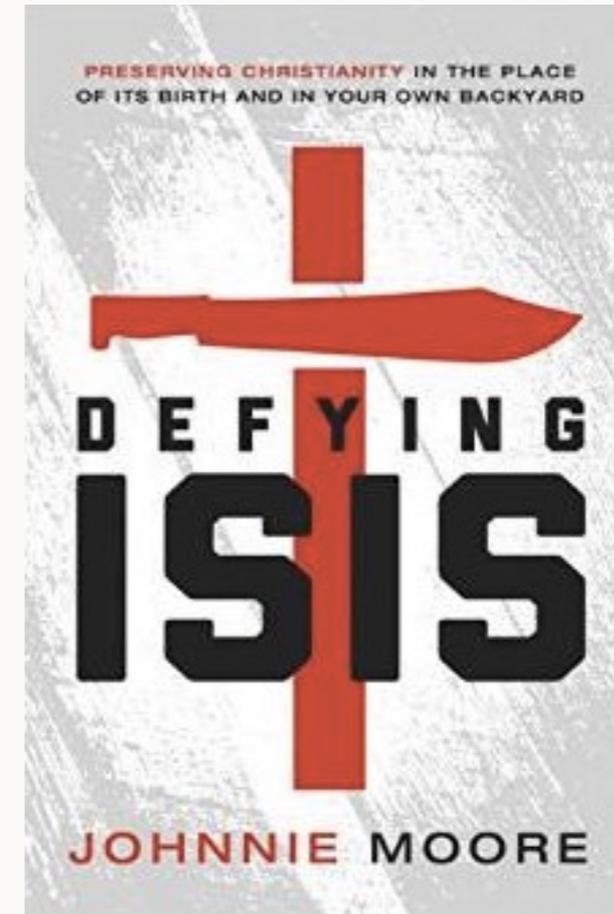
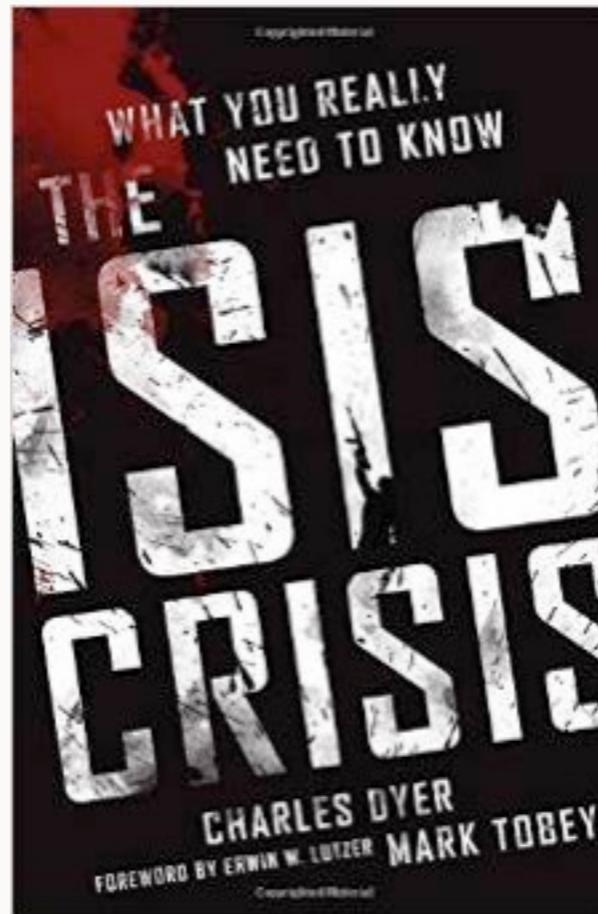
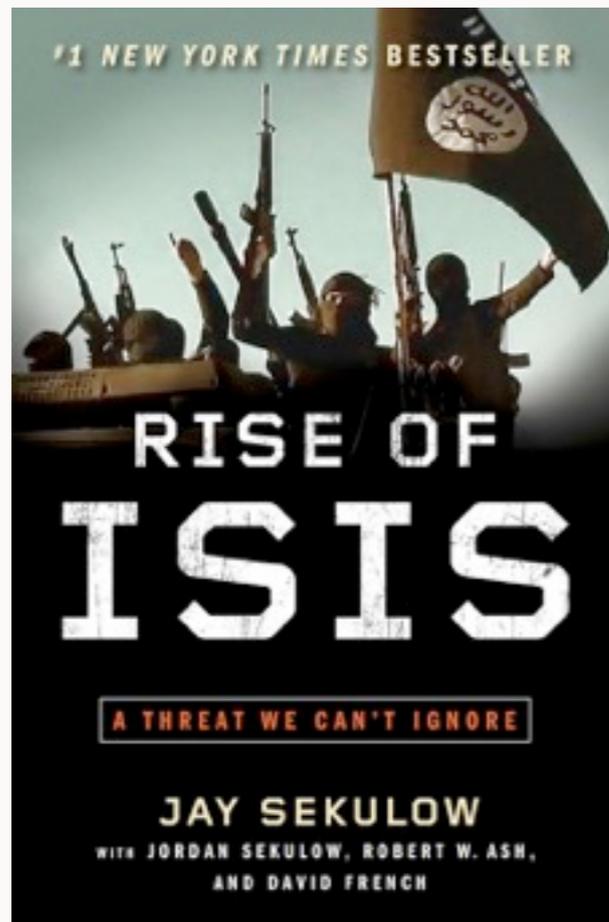


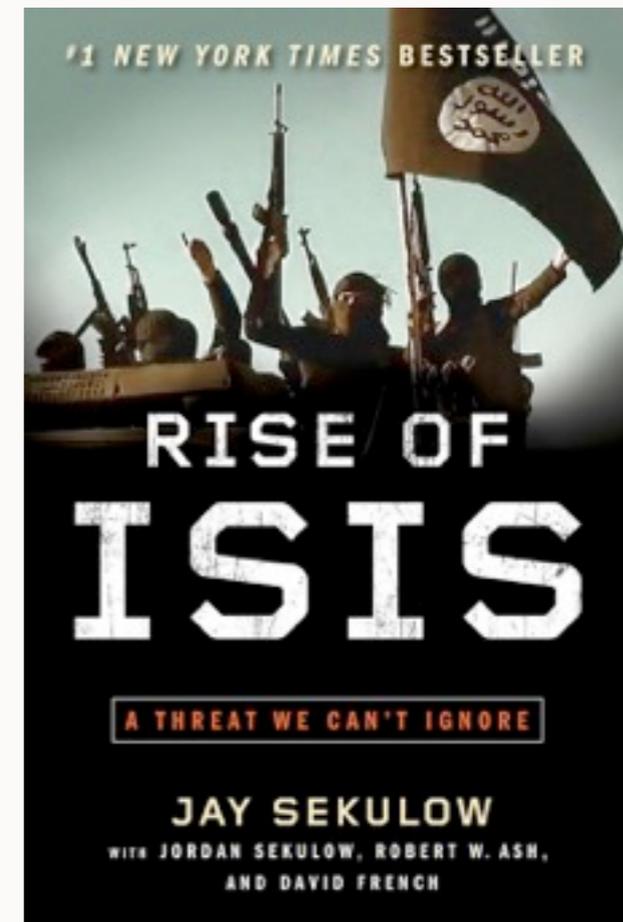
THE RISE OF ISIS

INTRODUCTION



BACKGROUND

- ISIS was once known as al-Qaeda in Iraq. ISIS is more brutal than al-Qaeda (disagreed over tactics).
- ISIS is the richest terrorist group.
- It has more firepower than any other jihadist organization.
- They now control territory as large as an entire nation-state.





ISIS

- The ISIS troops have slaughtered Jews, Christians, Yazidis, Alawites, and even Shiite Muslims.
- ISIS fighters mark the homes of Christians with an Arabic symbol that has come to mean Nazarene - a pejorative Middle Eastern term for Christians.

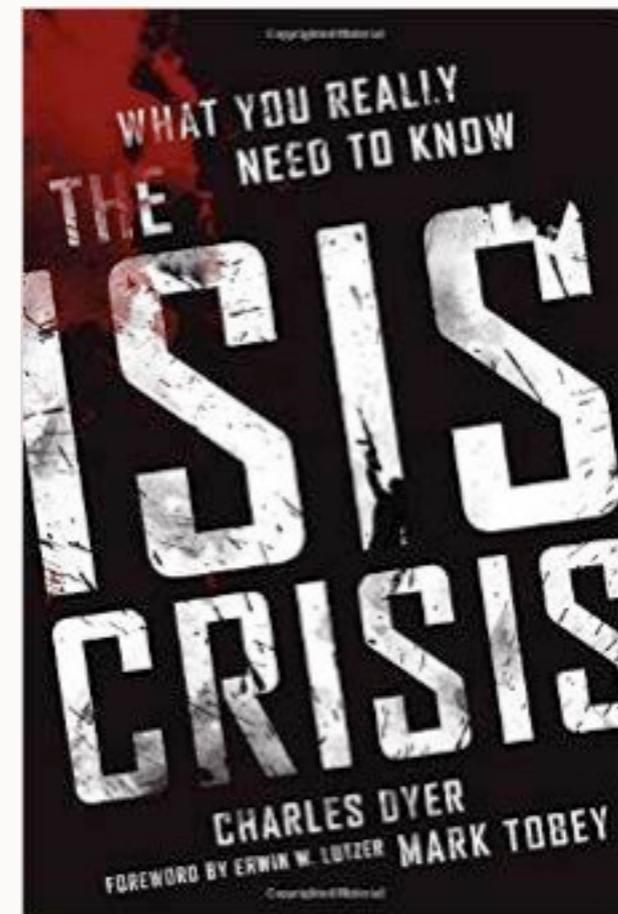


ISIS

- Their actions: They have sold women as sex slaves. They have beheaded men, women, and children. They have captured and burned alive captives.
- Their influence: They are more brutal than al-Qaeda. They control more land than many countries in the Middle East.
- They control more firepower than any jihadist organization in history and are the “world’s richest terrorist group” - hundreds of millions of dollars.

ISIS HISTORY

- In the *ISIS Crisis*, the authors connect five dots.
 - Dot One: The Mujahideen
 - Dot Two: The Taliban
 - Dot Three: al Qaeda
 - Dot Four: al Qaeda in Iraq
 - Dot Five: ISIS



ISIS HISTORY

- Dot One - Mujahideen fought against Russia and were supported by the United States. One of the leaders was Osama bin Laden.
- Dot Two - Taliban filled the vacuum created when Soviet domination ended. They were *students* of a radical form of Islam taught in Pakistan.
- Mohammed Omar seized power and allowed Osama bin Laden back into the country to build al Qaeda.

ISIS HISTORY

- Dot Three - al Qaeda (*the base*) carried out various attacks (Saudi Arabia, Kenya, Tanzania) and 9/11.
- Dot Four - al Qaeda became a franchise operation. The leader in Iraq was Abu Musab al-Zarqawi.
- Dot Five - ISIS filled the power vacuum when al-Zarqawi was killed. Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi became the head of the Islamic State of Iraq. This was happening during the so-called “Arab Spring.”

ISIS HISTORY

George W. Bush Didn't Create ISIS; Islam Did



ISIS HISTORY

ISIS seized large numbers of US weapons in Ramadi

WASHINGTON (AP) -- Iraqi troops abandoned dozens of U.S military vehicles, including tanks, armored personnel carriers and artillery pieces when they fled Islamic State fighters in Ramadi on Sunday, the Pentagon said Tuesday.

A Pentagon spokesman, Col. Steve Warren, estimated that a half dozen tanks were abandoned, a similar number of artillery pieces, a larger number of armored personnel carriers and about 100 wheeled vehicles like Humvees. He said some of the vehicles were in working condition; others were not because they had not been moved for months.

This repeats a pattern in which defeated Iraq security forces have, over the past year, left behind U.S.-supplied military equipment, prompting the U.S. to destroy them in subsequent airstrikes against Islamic State forces.

Asked whether the Iraqis should have destroyed the vehicles before abandoning the city in order to keep them from enhancing IS's army, Warren said, "Certainly preferable if they had been destroyed; in this case they were not."

Warren also said that while the U.S. is confident that Ramadi will be retaken by Iraq, "It will be difficult."

The fall of Ramadi has prompted some to question the viability of the Obama administration's approach in Iraq, which is a blend of retraining and rebuilding the Iraqi army, prodding Baghdad to reconcile with the nation's Sunnis, and bombing Islamic State targets from the air without committing American ground combat troops.

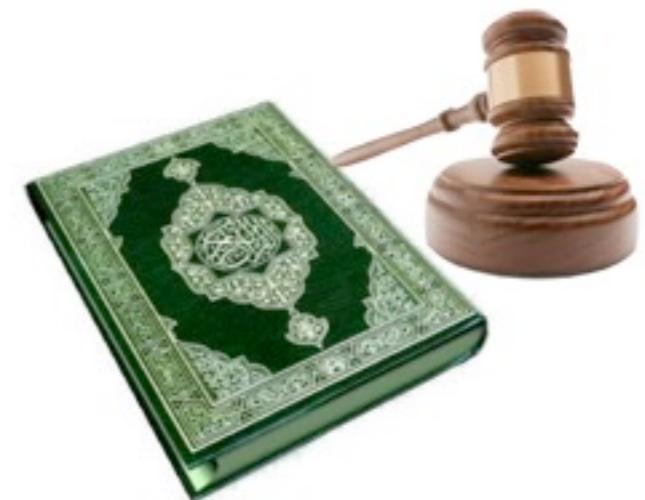


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ISIS THEOLOGY

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- Islam divides the world into two spheres: the house of Islam (*dar-al-Islam*) and the house of war (*dar-al-harb*).
- The house of Islam are nations under the control of Muslims where Sharia law is enforced.
- The house of war includes nations not under Muslim control and do not submit to Sharia.



ISIS THEOLOGY

- Under a jihadist interpretation of Islam, there will be a constant conflict between the house of Islam and the house of war until the house of war is transformed into the house of Islam.
- The conflict will not end until all land is conquered for Allah, and a global Islamic state, known as the Caliphate, is established.
- Sharia law will be enforced by the supreme leader, known as the caliph.

ISIS THEOLOGY

- The Sunnis had three caliphs before Ali (the son-in-law of Muhammad) who was the fourth caliph.
- Shias believe that the caliph must come from the blood line of the Prophet, while Sunnis maintain that any Muslim believer could qualify for the office.
- The establishment of the Caliphate has been a long-standing goal of the Sunni Muslims. The Muslim Brotherhood was established for that purpose.

ISLAMIC THEOLOGY

	Sunni	Shiite
Successor	Abu Bakr	Ali Abi Talib
Criterion	Qualified	Descendant
Proponents	Al-Qaeda, ISIS	Iranian Groups
Leaders	Imams	Ayatollahs
Authority	Wise, but fallible	Infallible
Followers	80%	15%

ABU BAKR AL- BAGHDADI



ISIS THEOLOGY

- July 4, 2014 - Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi was proclaimed at the Mosque in Mosul as the “Caliph Ibrahim” and leader of the Islamic State.
- “Fear Allah as he should be feared and do not die except as Muslims. . . . Go forth, O *mujahidin* in the path of Allah. Terrify the enemies of Allah and seek death.... for the *dunyā* will come to an end, and the hereafter will last forever.”

ISIS ISLAMIC?

- President Obama says, “No religion condones the killing of innocents. And the vast majority of ISIL’s victims have been Muslim.”
- Former Governor Howard Dean says, “I stopped calling these people Muslim terrorists. They’re about as Muslim as I am. I mean, they have no respect for anybody else’s life, that’s not what the Koran says. Europe has an enormous radical problem. I think ISIS is a cult. Not an Islamic cult. I think it’s a cult.”

ISIS ISLAMIC?

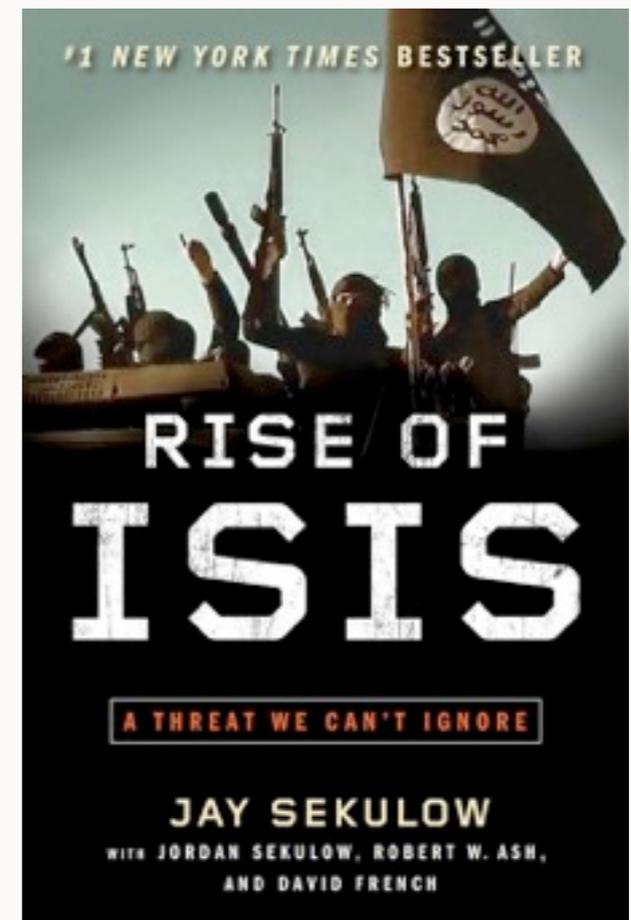
- The Qur'an commands Muslims to engage in jihad.
- Sura 9:5 is known as the verse of the sword and says: "fight and slay the pagans wherever you find them, and seize them, beleager them, and lie in wait for them in every stratagem."
- Sura 9:123 says: "Fight the unbelievers who gird your about, and let them find firmness in you; and know that Allah is with those who fear Him."

ISIS ISLAMIC?

- One section in the Qur'an (Sura 16:126) provides the basis for "qisas." This broad concept in Islamic law allows for killing as retribution for crimes.
- The Qur'an also tells a story about Moses who was following a man who kills an innocent young boy. Later the man "enlightens" Moses by sharing his reason for killing the boy (Sura 18:74-81).
- This is the justification for honor killings.

ISIS ISLAMIC?

- “ISIS routinely violates Sharia for its own purposes.”
- Sharia law forbids killing another Muslim unless conditions are met.
- The Qur’an and the Hadith forbid it.
- ISIS also violates nearly all of the principles of the International Law of Armed Conflict.



ARMED CONFLICT

- Necessity - attack only targets that are necessary to achieve a military objective.
- Distinction - soldiers must distinguish between military and civilian targets and also wear uniform to distinguish themselves from civilians.
- Proportionality - combatants use military force necessary to accomplish the military objective.
- Humane - treatment of prisoners.

ISIS ACTIONS

ISIS CALL TO ACTION

- Sheik Abu Muhammad al-Adnani (ISIS spokesman) called on Muslims living in Western countries to find an infidel and “smash his head with a rock, poison him” or even “destroy his crops.”
- These are allusions to statements by Muhammed in the Qur’an to Muslims living in infidel countries.



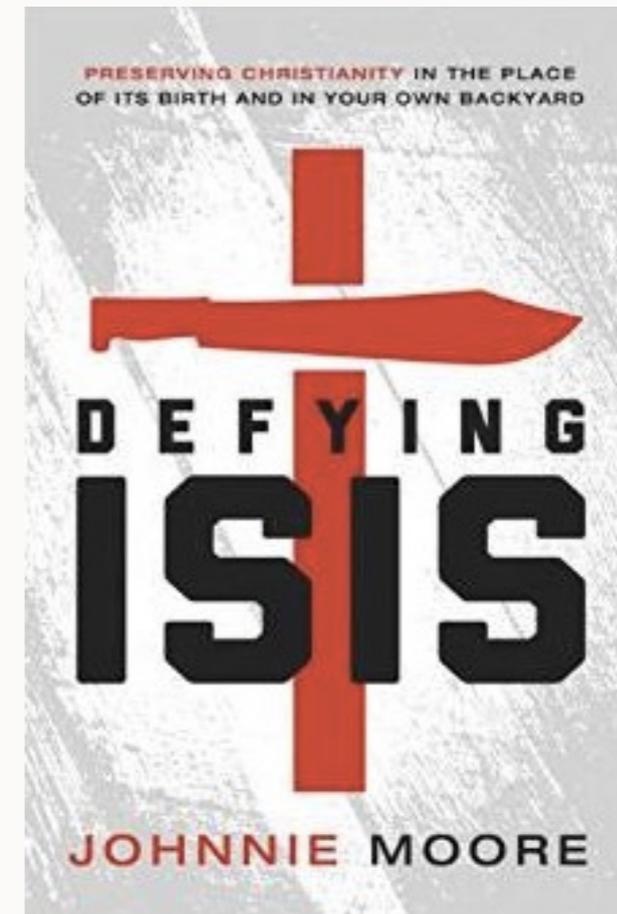
ISIS GOALS

- ISIS is not content with spreading jihad in Iraq and Syria, but has set its sights on larger targets.
- For example, ISIS has threatened to destroy the Kaaba in the Grand Mosque in Mecca.
- “We will kill those who worship stones in Mecca and destroy the Kaaba.”



ISIS IN AMERICA?

- The subtitle of his book is ISIS in your own backyard.
- His warnings might have been easy to shrug off a few weeks ago.
- The attack in Garland, Texas was a reminder of the influence of ISIS.
- ISIS took credit for the attack.



ISIS IN AMERICA?

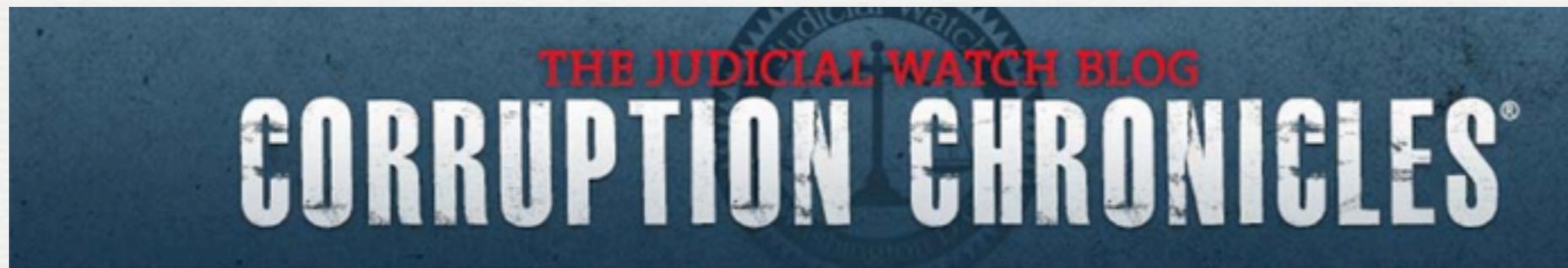
- FBI Director James Comey told the National Association of Attorneys General that ISIS is a “chaotic spider web” that avidly uses social media to radicalize people across the United States.
- “We have investigations of people in various stages of radicalizing in all 50 states.”
- “This is in all 50 states and in ways that are very hard to see.”



THREE WAYS TO ATTACK

- “City Wolves” - James Comey talks about a network of supporters and sympathizers in every state. He calls these homegrown jihadists “city wolves.”
- Returnees - Department of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson admitted that 40 of the estimated 180 those traveled overseas to fight ISIS have already returned.
- Open Border - former CIA officer Brian Fairchild expressed concerns about smuggling biological or chemical weapons.

ISIS IN MEXICO?



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ISIS ATTACKS

- ISIS has been using very sophisticated technology and social media to recruit others to their cause.
- No longer does a potential jihadist have to travel to another country (Afghanistan, Syria, Sudan) to be trained. It can happen in our country.
- James Comey - "ISIS is focusing on the uniformed military and law enforcement" - "It's like the devil sitting on their shoulders, saying "Kill, kill, kill."

RADICALIZATION

- Michael Morell, former deputy director of the CIA.
- “We are very good at protecting the homeland, very good at taking off the battlefield, capturing, and killing bad guys.
- We aren’t stopping radicalization: “as fast as we take them out of the battlefield, they’re putting them back onto the battlefield.”



ISIS ATTACK CIVILIANS?

- One terrorist group, known as *al-Shabab*, called for local militants to launch attacks on malls in the United States, Great Britain and Canada.
- They specifically named the Mall of America as one of their targets.
- It is one of the largest malls in the country.



ISIS KILL LIST

Miscellaneous

ISIS releases 'Kill List' of US cities

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The Pentagon has responded to a globally-released 'Kill List', asking law enforcement to give extra protection for military personnel whose personal information was released, News Channel 10 reports.

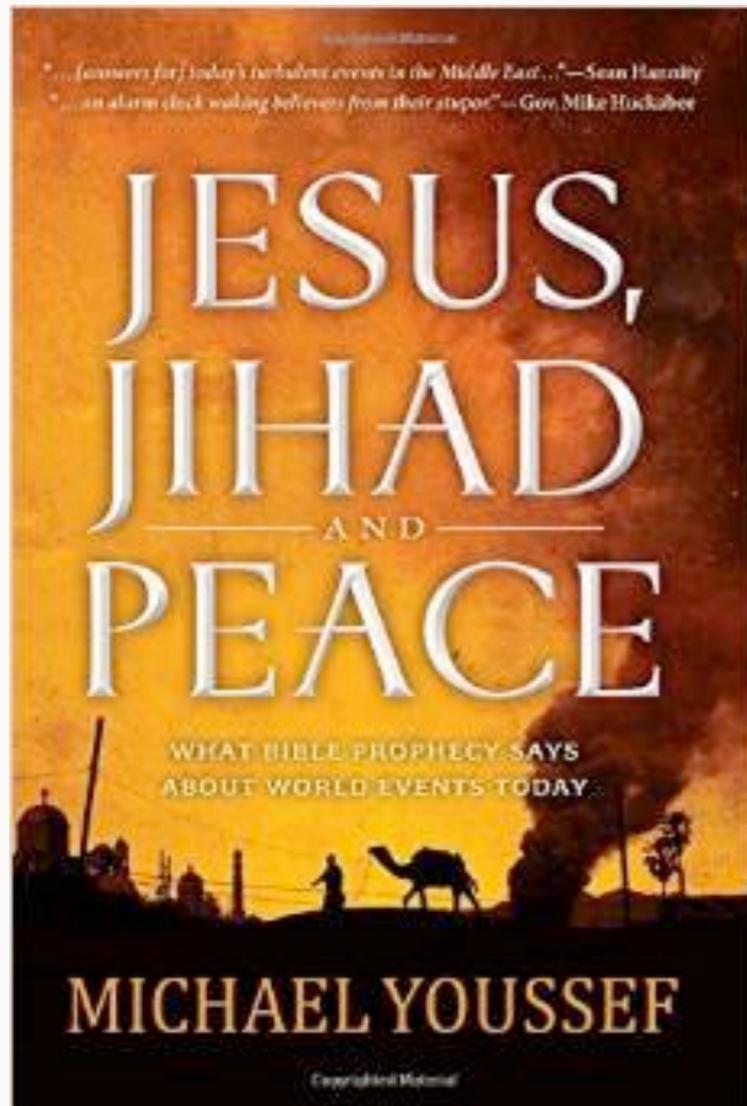
CBS News national security correspondent David Martin reports the Pentagon spent the weekend notifying the soldiers who appeared on the list, and urged city police departments and military police to increase patrol in the neighborhoods where the targeted live.

The Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS) published the list days ago, a report that contained names, photos, and home addresses of U.S. Armed Forces personnel, causing alarm in cities potentially at high-risk.

According to the publication, ISIS urges followers and sympathizers in the U.S. to kill the servicemen. Specific personnel on the list are largely from the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Navy - branches of the country's military that have conducted massive air strikes against ISIS.

**JESUS, JIHAD,
AND PEACE**

OVERVIEW



- Michael Youssef - born in Egypt, Church of the Apostles
- Who are Muslim Brotherhood?
- What is jihad?
- What is the global caliphate?
- What are Islamic end times?

MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD

- Founded in Egypt in 1928 by Hasan al-Banna.
- The credo of the Brotherhood is: “Allah is our objective. The Prophet is our leader. Koran is our law. Jihad is our way. Dying in the way of Allah is our highest hope.”



MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD

- His short-term goal was the expulsion of the British from Egypt.
- His long-term goal was to establish the Caliphate, a global Muslim state with the Koran as the only constitution.
- By the 1970s, the Muslim Brotherhood began disguising its true aims by forming charitable front organizations.

MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD

- You can understand the strategy of the Muslim Brotherhood in America by reading their writings.
- In 2004, the FBI raided a suspected terrorist safe house in Annandale, Virginia and discovered a secret sub-basement with a treasure trove of documents.
- “An Explanatory Memorandum: On the General Strategic goal for the Group in North America” - proposed the use of “civilization jihad.”

WHAT IS JIHAD?

- Signs in major cities say: “My Jihad is to build friendship across the aisle” and “My Jihad is to not judge people by their cover. What’s yours?”
- The words “jihad” actually means struggle.
- It can mean the struggle of maintaining self-discipline and battling evil in one’s heart.
- It can also mean a jihad against infidels, unbelievers, and hypocrites (97% in the Bukhari Hadith).

WHAT IS JIHAD?

- The Koran presents Islam as a militant faith:
- “Slay the Pagans wherever you find them” (Sura 9:5).
- “Fight the unbelievers who gird you about, and let them find firmness in you” (Sura 9:123).
- Radical Muslims take these passages literally and believe they apply to them today.

WHAT IS JIHAD?

- Stealth jihad is a strategy of moving into non-Muslim cultures and then applying pressure to make them bow to Islamic law.
- This strategy is called *dawah*, which means to issue a summons or invitation to convert to Islam.
- Muslims also practice a kind of subterfuge *taqiyya* which is the practice of deceiving others and concealing one's true aims in order to achieve victory.

GLOBAL CALIPHATE

- Ever since Islam began, its goal has been the founding of a world empire.
- Its expansion under the second caliph took land to the east and west (North Africa, Spain).
- Its resurgence from the 15th century to the 18th century (Ottoman Empire) was also significant.
- The advance of Islam continued until the Ottomans were stopped in 1529 at the gates of Vienna.

INTERNAL WAR

- Islam is also at war with itself. Much of the strife through the centuries has been a conflict between Sunni Muslims and Shiite Muslims.
- The Twelver Shiite sect believes the Mahdi is in hiding and will return in the Last Days.
- Wahhabism is another sect within a sect. It fiercely opposes anything viewed as *bidaa* (modernity).

ISLAMIC END TIMES

- Islam has adopted and distorted bits and pieces of the Old Testament and New Testament.
- Heaven - rivers of milk, wine, clarified honey, and shade trees bearing all kinds of fruits.
- Hell - sufferers will be made to drink boiling water, molten lead, and decaying filth.
- “Purgatory” - for Christians, a division of Jews, and a bottomless pit for hypocrites.

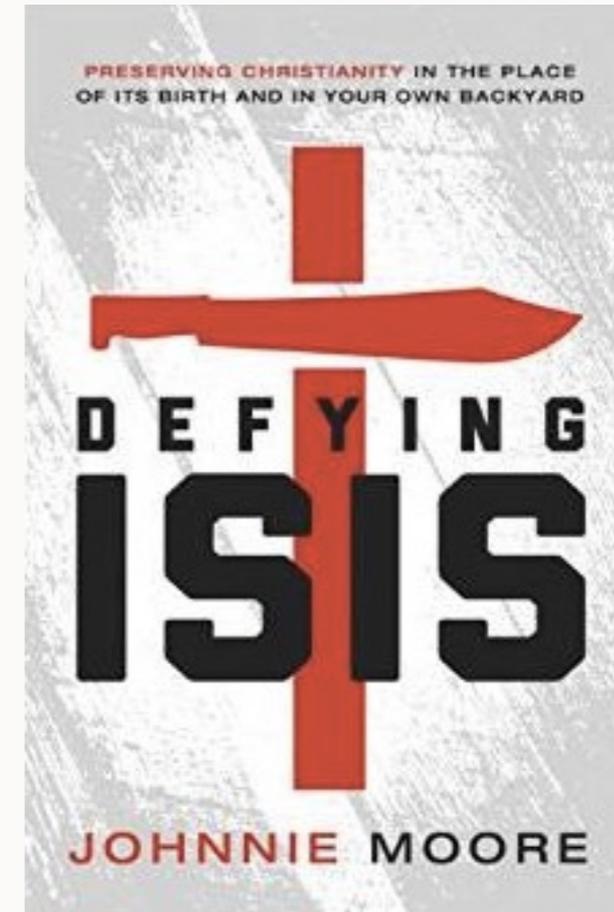
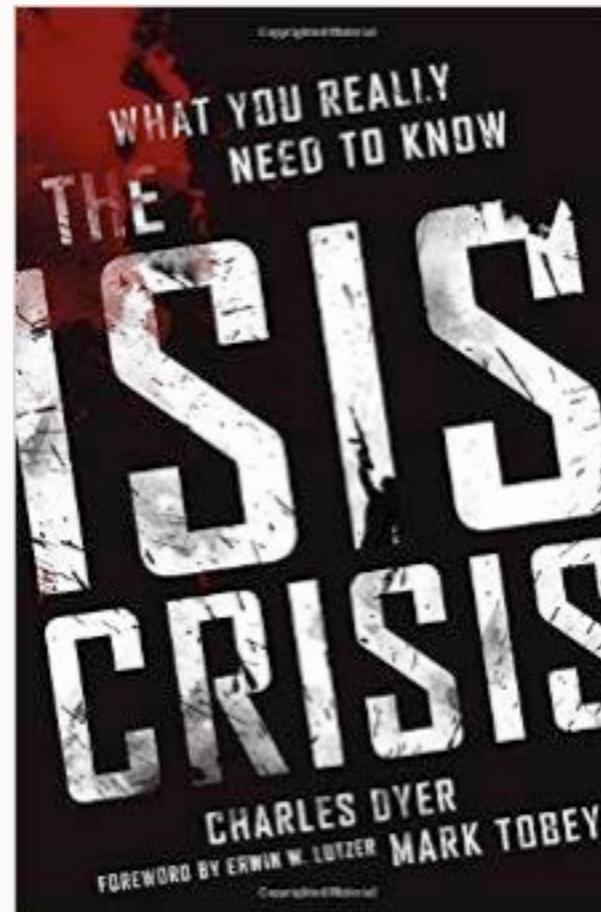
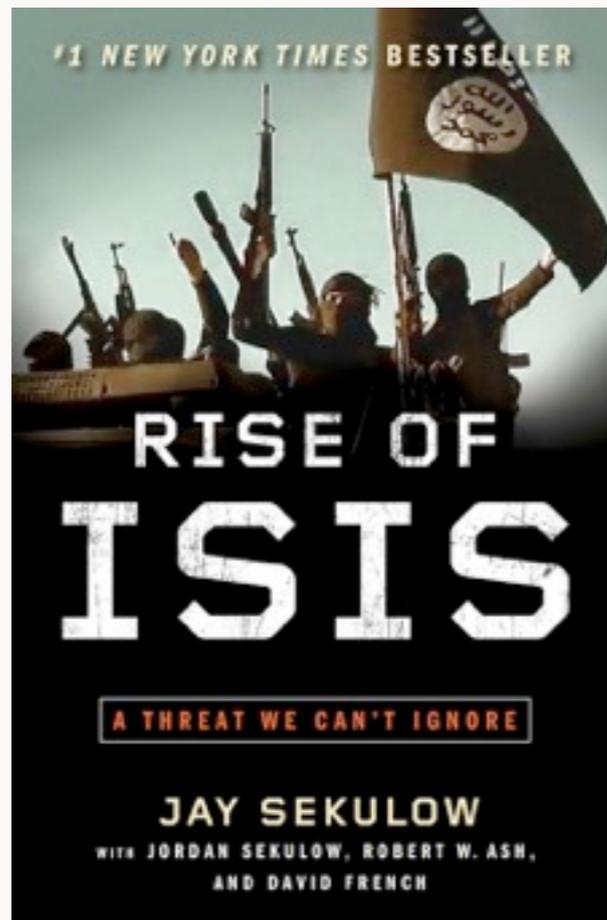
ISLAMIC END TIMES

- Day of Judgment - first trumpet blast, everyone in heaven and earth will die except those Allah saves.
- At second trumpet, the dead will be resurrected.
- After the resurrection, there will be a 40-year period where people will wander the earth naked, confused, and sorrowful.
- Everyone's deeds will be weighed on Allah's scales of justice (Sura 21:47).

ISLAMIC END TIMES

- Antichrist (1 John 2:18-22; 4:3; 2 John 1:7) - will proclaim himself to be God (2 Thessalonians 2:3-4). The most detailed description is in Revelation 13.
- Islamic teachers predicts the rise of a powerful leader who is strikingly similar to the Antichrist, who is called by Shiites as The Mahdi.
- Muslims also teach that Jesus (Isa) will return to destroy Christianity and establish Islam.

RESOURCES



OTHER RESOURCES

