

Because it comes from God, Islam has a positive purpose

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There has to be a purpose for Islam, a positive purpose, because it came from God. There has to be more historical significance to Islam, than just to be representative of Barabbas.

Mohammed was raised up 600 years after the failure of Jesus' mission, thus being God's attempt to enable us to restore the number 6, lost at the fall. Islam was raised and spread so quickly, so as to serve as the Cain-like, external, controlling-and-spreading power in 800 A. D., just as Rome was prepared at the time of Jesus. The Messiah should have come at the time of Charlemagne, and Islam would and could have been the means for spreading the Truth. At that time Islam was young and on fire, and there was great expectation of the return of Jesus, or the Mahdi (not Mohammed: Islam, meaning "submission to God," is never known as "Mohamed-ism").

Because Charlemagne failed, the mission of Islam was lost, so after about 200 years of greatness, the Empire began to truly collapse, through infighting, etc., culminating in the "capture" of the Caliphate by the Turks. Since that time, Islam has served as a means of punishment for the central nations in God's providence, just as the Persians served to punish the Jews after the failure of the United Kingdom: first, the Catholic Church, through the Crusades, was left with vastly reduced power; and second, now, as the free world hesitates to confront Satan in Communism, and fails to fully serve and elevate the third, fourth and fifth worlds, the Islamic nations inflict severe punishment, through oil control. The only Christian-controlled Arab nation is being destroyed through warfare, based on religious division.

Barabbas was freed by the people. He did not choose to oppose Jesus, as did the thief on the left (Communism). The people could have reformed Barabbas. The same today -- the peoples of the Islamic nations can put their nations at the service of God's Providence, if they can know the truth.

The Semitic people are very, very emotional people. This is their inheritance, as the peoples of the part of the world where the fall took place. The fall resulted from emotion. But, because of this, if you win their heart, they "will never leave you anymore."