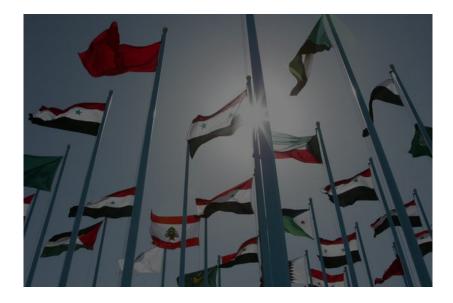


Arab Revolt 2.0:

AN ISLAMIC PERSPECTIVE ON THE MUTINY OF 1432 / 2011



THERE WILL BE CIVIL STRIFE THAT WILL SWEEP ACROSS THE ARABS - ITS DEAD WILL BE IN HELL – DURING WHICH THE TONGUE WILL BE MORE SEVERE THAN A BLOW OF THE SWORD. **PROPHET MUHAMMAD** (AL-TIRMIDHI)

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Arab Revolt 2.0 – The Pyramid of 1 Prophecy

Based on the article of Dr. Ali al-Timimi analysing the work of Sh. Hamoud al-Tuwaijri's Itihaf al-Jama'a, pp 75-81 <u>http://www.islaam.com/Article.aspx?id=191</u> in its original Arabic on <u>http://www.almeshkat.net/books/open.php?cat=50&book=3191</u>

<u>Prophetic Hadith:</u> 'There will be civil strife that will wipe away the Arabs, its dead will be in Hell. During which the tongue will be more severe than a blow of the sword.' (Ahmad, Abu Dawud, Tirmidhi, Ibn Majah)

Analysis:



1. Wipes away the Arabs

A-Tuwaijri surmises that this means that it will consume most of them in destruction. He alludes to another hadith to support his views: 'Woe to the Arabs of an evil drawing nigh, its shadow has fallen on [them] by the Lord of the Ka'aba, its shadow has fallen on them.'



2. That its dead will be in Hell

Al-Tuwajri explains that some scholars have interpreted this to mean that since <u>they did</u> not intend by fighting to raise Allah's word, or push back an injustice, or assist the people of the truth; but rather they sought to show off and sought wealth and power, they are in Hell. He also alludes to a number of hadith about fighting under a <u>"blind" banner</u> (*rayah 'immiya*), i.e., a call of <u>blind partisanship, be it tribal, national, etc</u>. He further explains: Much death and killing has occurred in our times due to the call of Ignorance especially due to the removal of the Caliphate and it being replaced by <u>'Republics'</u>. This is the pure resemblance of the infidel nations and following their ways as one sandal resembles the other.



3. The tongue being more severe than the sword

Al-Tuwaijari then explains how the tongue during this civil strife is more severe than the sword as follows: 'The confirmation of this is seen in our times in the spread of <u>radio</u> <u>broadcasts and newspapers in all corners of the earth</u>. The tongues of those who speak through [these media], insulting, bellitting, mentioning the faults of those who disagree with them, spreading civil strife and whipping up hatred and animosities is much greater than the blow of the sword.'



Arab Revolt 2.0 – 5 Evidences in The Balance

The following are five of the most oft-quoted citations from the Holy Qur'an and the Hadith (statements) of the Prophet Muhammad, may the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, either supporting the Arab Revolt which occurred at the start of the Islamic year 1432/2011 C.E. At the end, the most common slogan of the revolt, used across the Arab world, is contextualized by a Prophetic statement.

<u>The Holy Qur'an</u>

For: 'Allah does not change what is in a nation unless they change what is in themselves.' (13:11)

Against: 'Oh you who believe, obey Allah and obey the Messenger and those in authority among you.' (4:59)

The Prophetic Hadith

2. For: Whosoever of you sees something wrong, let him change it with his hand. If he is unable, then let him change it with his tongue. If he is unable, then with his heart. And that is the weakest degree of faith.' (Muslim)

Against: 'There will be a civil strife that will sweep across Arabs, its dead will be in Hell. During which the tongue will be more severe than a blow of the sword.' (Tirmidhi)

Against: 'There will be civil strife which will render people deaf, dumb and blind regarding what is right. Those who contemplate it will be drawn by it, and giving rein to the tongue during it will be like smiting with the sword.' (Abu Dawud)

Against: 'Woe to the Arabs of an evil drawing nigh, its shadow has fallen on [them] by the Lord of the Ka'aba, its shadow has fallen on them.' (Abu Dawud)

3. For: 'The best jihad is a just word in the presence of a tyrannical ruler." (Abu Dawud)

Against: 'The best of your Imams are those you love and who love you, whom you pray for and who pray for you. The worst of your Imams are those you hate and who hate you, and whom you curse and who curse you." He said, 'We said, 'Messenger of Allah, should we depose them?' He said, 'No, not as long as they establish the prayer among you. No, not as long as they establish the prayer among you.'" (Muslim)

4. For: 'Command the right and forbid the wrong, or Allah will put the worst of you in charge of the best of you, and the best will supplicate Allah and be left unanswered.' (Naqib al-Misri)

Against: 'Before you there will be commotions like pieces of a dark night in which a man will be a believer in the morning and an infidel in the evening. He who sits during them will be better than the one walks, who is better than he who runs. They (the people) said, What do you order us to do? He replied: Keep to your houses.' (Abu Dawud)

The Slogan

5. For: The people want to overthrow the system.

Prophetic Hadith Context: 'People are but like the case of one-hundred camels, you hardly find one among them worthy to ride.' (Bukhari)



Arab Revolt 2.0 – The Counsel of 7 Kings and Clergy

The following are statements made or authorized about the Arab Revolt 2.0 by the seven Sunni Muslims who were identified as being the most influential Muslims in the world by the Royal Islamic Strategic Studies Centre, Jordan in 2010. All of these statements were made prior to the overthrow of President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt on 8 Rabi al-Awwal 1432 / 11 February 2011.

Summary of Perspectives

Six out of seven of the most influential Sunni Muslims in the world do not fully support or endorse the Arab Revolt 2.0 which commenced at the start of 1432 / 2011.

* 2 are firmly against the revolt – King Abdullah of Saudi Arabia and Mufti Ali Gomaa of Egypt

* 2 urged reconciliation, dialogue and a return to normalcy – Sheikh Ahmed Tayeb of Al-Azhar, Egypt and President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono of Indonesia

* 1 whose own country had been affected made changes - King Abdullah II of Jordan

* 1 remained silent which implies lack of support - King Mohammed VI of Morocco

* 1 out of 7 expressed justification for the revolt – Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan of Turkey

Summary of Origin, Profession and Lineage

* 6 out of 7 are located in the Middle East and North Africa

- * 5 out of 7 are Arabs (2 are Egyptians), 1 is Turkish and 1 is Indonesian
- * 3 out of 7 are monarchs
- * 2 out of 7 claim descent from Prophet Muhammad, peace & blessings of Allah on him

* 2 are Islamic scholars (both Egyptians)

1. KING ABDULLAH OF SAUDI ARABIA

'Egypt is a country of Arabism and Islam. No Arab and Muslim can bear that some infiltrators into the brotherly Egyptian people are attempting to destabilize that country's security and stability in the name of freedom of expression, and they have been exploiting the public and spawning hatred and driving them to engage in destruction, arson, looting — terrorizing them and inciting sedition.'

His Majesty King Abdullah bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud, King of Saudi Arabia, Custodian of Two Holy Mosques, 24 Safar 1432 / 28 January 2011

http://arabnews.com/saudiarabia/article245718.ece

2. PRIME MINISTER RECEP TAYYIP ERDOGAN OF TURKEY

"The [Egyptian] people expect a very different decision from Mubarak. The current administration does not inspire trust so far as the democratic change wanted by the population is concerned."

Recep Tayyip Erdogan, Prime Minister of Turkey, 29 Safar 1432 / 2 February 2011

http://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/n.php?n=mubarak-should-go-now-says-turkeyserdogan-2011-02-02



3. KING ABDULLAH II OF JORDAN

"We call on you to form a new government whose main task is to take practical, speedy and tangible steps to launch a path of real political reforms...on the road to consolidating democracy,"

http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/02/01/uk-jordan-idUKTRE7103HK20110201

His Majesty King Abdullah II bin Al Hussein, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, 28 Safar 1432 / 1 February 2011

4. KING MOHAMMED VI OF MOROCCO

No Comment

His Majesty King Mohammed VI, King of Morocco

5. SHEIKH AHMED AL-TAYEB OF AL-AZHAR, EGYPT

'Dr. Ahmed Al-Tayeb urged everyone in Egypt to be rational and calm and to avoid any clash. He urged the political parties to hold immediate dialogue aimed at containing the crisis, heal the rift, maintain security and cut the way for any attempts for foreign interference.'

His Eminence Professor Dr Sheikh Ahmad Muhammad al Tayeb, Grand Sheikh of the Al Azhar University, Grand Imam of the Al Azhar Mosque, Egypt, 29 Safar 1432/ 2 February 2011

http://www.sis.gov.eg/En/Story.aspx?sid=53544

6. PRESIDENT SUSILO BAMBANG YUDHOYONO OF INDONESIA

'We hope that the situation could be back to normal. Hopefully, there is no more violence so that our citizens who work and study in Egypt could return there.'

http://english.people.com.cn/90001/90777/90851/7279577.html

His Excellency President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, President of Indonesia, 30 Safar 1432 / 3 February 2011

7. MUFTI ALI GOMAA OF EGYPT

'I greet President Mubarak who offered dialogue and responded to the demands of the people. Going against legitimacy is forbidding (Haram). This is an invitation for chaos. We support stability. What we have now is a blind chaos leading to a civil war. I call on all parents to ask their children to stay home.'

Ali Gomaa, Grand Mufti of Egypt, Egypt, 29 Safar 1432/ 2 February 2010

http://blogs.aljazeera.net/middle-east/2011/02/01/live-blog-feb-2-egypt-protests



Arab Revolt 2.0 - 7 Days and 7 Years

Two scholars of Islam provided foresight about the events which led to the Arab Revolt 2.0.

Sheikh Imran Hosein, one of the world's most influential Muslim scholars based in Trinidad, in 2003 provided his perspective on how an Arab Revolt may occur and what could occur in the aftermath.

Sheikh Nazim al-Haqqani, one of the world's most influential Muslim scholars and the leader of the Sufi Naqshbandi-Haqqani Order based in Cyprus, gave his perspective on events a week before the overthrow of President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt on 8 Rabi al-Awwal 1432 / 11 February 2011.

SH. IMRAN HOSEIN



Excerpts from 'Beyond 911' <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ccludIOHySo</u> (The following aims and steps have been derived by Ihsanic Intelligence (I-I)

Aim:	To establish Israel as the world's ruling state using deception
Step 1:	Israel to brutally oppress the Palestinians
Step 2:	Allow an independent pan-Arab Arabic news channel to cover atrocities against Arabs and Muslims
Step 3:	Get Arabs to a boiling point
Step 4:	Wrath of Arabs leads to revolt against rulers
Step 5:	New Arab governments will lead to Israel's claim of direct threat
Step 6:	Israel to launch war to demonstrate global military pre-eminence
Result:	As world cowers, Israel establishes itself as ruling state of the world

Aim: To establish Israel as the world's ruling state using deception

'But Israel has a PhD in deception because it's Dajjal at the back of this – the mastermind. And Israel would not want to wage a big war and appear to the world a naked, clearly as an aggressor. No, that's not deception. Israel has to wage a big war and make it appear as though she's only defending herself. The only Muslim I know of who has had the capacity to penetrate the deception that has been going on all these years –



the only one I know of was a man who did not go to Al-Azhar University – his name was Malcolm X. He's the only man I know of who had that eye with which to see clearly recognize the strategy of deception – read Malcolm X. How is Israel going to launch this big war and yet get away from being perceived by the whole of humanity as the aggressor, blatant aggression? You have to come up with **a good strategy**.

Step 1: Israel to brutally oppress the Palestinians

The strategy is this – Ariel Sharon goes into Masjid al-Aqsa with a thousand Israel military with him – with their shoes on – with the full knowledge that this calculated act of **extreme provocation must have a fiery response**. As the flames of the new intifadha emerge, you **must keep it burning** by committing upon the Palestinian people **more and more atrocities that drive them into greater and greater rage**. This is planning, this is strategy, this is not happening by accident.

Step 2: Allow an independent pan-Arab Arabic news channel to cover atrocities against Arabs and Muslims

As Israel unleashes this barbaric oppression upon the Palestinian people, you must have a television station which you plant amongst them which shall cover this that your Egyptian television would not cover, and your Jordanian government would not allow on Jordanian television, so you create something called Al-Jazeera. And the Arab masses believe Al-Jazeera is their station, this is the only place in the world you can get authentic information, Al-Jazeera.

Step 3: Get Arabs to a boiling point

So now Al-Jazeera is now used to portray all the atrocities and so around the Arab world, the masses only need to tune into Al-Jazeera and they know what's happening. So the **Arab masses become more angry**.

(And then)

Step 4: Wrath of Arabs leads to revolt against rulers

An impending scenario, like the **domino effect**, in which **governments around the Islamic world, they will claim, are going to fall**. And 'the whole of Islam is now rising up now' and one-eyed Muslims are obviously going to believe it. 'The whole of Islam is now going to rise up and all these governments are going to be swept away and authentic **governments representing the masses will now emerge**.'

Step 5: New Arab governments will lead to Israel's claim of direct threat

'Therefore, the Jews are going to have their throats cut. This is going to be **the most dangerous moment in the entire life of the world of Jews**' – indeed, they will portray it. 'If we don't do don't do something, we will all be slaughtered by these Muslim fanatics.' I will tell you this will be **drama worthy of Hollywood** – when it comes. They must be hating me now for revealing the truth. It is in this scenario, that Israel will say we have to do something. 'If we sit here and do nothing, the state of Israel will be destroyed and the Jews will all be slaughtered. What can we do?'

Step 6: Israel to launch war to demonstrate global military pre-eminence

They call it a **pre-emptive strike** – but it won't be a pre-emptive strike – it will be **the most dazzling display of the magnificent application of state of the art military technology that will even leave Uncle Sam in the backyard**. A war like Uncle Sam



has never seen and could never wage – that is what Israel is going to wage. Do they have the technology? I believe they have technology even Uncle Sam does not have. It will be a **lightening strike**.

Result: As world cowers, Israel establishes itself as ruling state of the world

Israel has to put on this **magnificent display of military power and state of the art technology beyond anything the world has ever known** in order for Israel to impress upon mankind the validity of its credentials that it is **now going to become the new ruling state in the world**. Before Fahd could even blink, the Israelis have taken over the Saudi oil fields, and the Iraqi and Kuwaiti oilfields. The United State would, of course, make some noise and Britain will make some noise but will they send troops? No, of course, not. The United Nations Security Council is now going to be used by the rest of the world, particularly Uncle Europe and Uncle Japan and the rest of the world, they will take the United Nations and seek to use the United Nations to do something about this. Collective action – to force it Israel to withdraw because if Israel does not withdraw, Europe is going to be choked, Japan is going to be choked.



SH. NAZIM AL-HAQQANI



'Mubarak', 2 Rabi al-Awwal 1432 / 5 February 2011 http://www.saltanat.org/SaltanatTV/tabid/210/Default.aspx

This Summary was based on a 24 minute Arabic Suhbah, titled, Mubarak, given on the 5th of Feb 2011, which can be viewed only at www.Saltanat.org. There is a CC button next to the Volume control at the bottom of the screen to choose subtitles in eleven languages, choose from Arabic, Bahasa Indonesia/Melayu, German, English, Spanish, Italian, Russian, Mandarin, Dutch, Italian and Turkish. Click the AD button at the top right-hand corner of the display area, for a live translation into English. During Live Subbahs, the buttons at the top provide Live Audio Translations into other languages as well. Should the video no longer be there, please look for it under the video archives of the Saltanat TV site. Saltanat TV is the Official Site of Maulana Shaykh Nazim that is sanctioned and approved by him personally.

(In this painfully honest Suhbah addressed to the people of Egypt, they are told that they have brought this Divine Anger upon themselves. The truth is always bitter, but Rasulallah (saw) said, "Tell the truth, even if it is bitter." Protesters would love for Maulana to throw his weight behind them, yet in this brutally frank discourse, Maulana explains to them that President Hosni Mubarak was neither the cause of the mess Egypt is in, and neither will his removal bring the relief they so seek. They must realise what they have done in defiance of Allah, they must repent, they must change their ways, and only then will Divine help descend. Mubarak is neither the cause nor the solution, oh people of Egypt, you are the cause of everything!)

President Hosni Mubarak - Support by Saints and Imam Hussain (ra)

President Hosni Mubarak is from a special breed of people, one-of-a-kind; it is very rare to find people like that nowadays. It was for that reason that the Awtad (Spiritual Saintly Pillars) of Egypt accepted him as Leader in this Holy Land, and they gave him courage to lead **this very rebellious nation**. Even now, as the people and the nation demands that he leave, he is standing his ground firmly and courageously, telling them to leave Tahrir Square instead!



Though it may seem very strange, the Saints are giving him strength and boldness, to resist calls for him to do what President Zine al-Abidine Ben Ali of Tunisia did. Mubarak is staying put. Maulana says that such bravery is astonishing, especially if you compare how fast the Tunisian President fled, when he was faced with a much smaller rebellion, which lasted so briefly!

That is why Maulana says that Mubarak is one of a rare-breed. Without the support and permission from Sayyidina Imam Hussain (ra) for Mubarak, he would have left a long time ago. (Mubarak is from the family of Ahl al-Bayt). But with that support, he is standing firmly in his place, fear has not entered his heart, and he will never leave until a Divine Sign is shown to him.

Insight into the mind of Mubarak

Maulana reveals the unspoken words of Hosni Mubarak to his people. As long as His Will is that I am here, then I am here. I am not afraid of millions of people. He put me here, it is He who will take me away. I am not leaving until God Almighty takes me from this position. I have been appointed here for a reason. There is a hadith that says, "A'malikum ummalikum," which means **'your deeds are your investment'** (ie you will reap what you sow). Your life is a reflection of your actions. **Your bad deeds are the reason that a person like me has been raised to rule you**. Allah said in the Holy Qur'an.

That is so because Allah will never change a grace which He has bestowed on a people until they change what is in their own selves. And verily, Allah is All-Hearer, All-Knower. (Qur'an 8:53)

If you change your condition, Allah will change my heart, and the way I rule. Change your steps and I will also rule suited to your changes, for your benefit, for I am here for your sake now.

You want money? Even if I unlocked the treasures and fortunes of Egypt for you, of which I am able to, you will not use it for Allah's sake, you will use it for the tyranny of your egos and lower selves, for the desires of your selfish selves. Hence I hold these treasures, I have not distributed them. I have not lavished it on myself either – I am eating exactly what you (the citizens) are eating. If that wealth had been distributed, you would have be come even more corrupted, you would have spent extensively to please yourselves, earning Allah's wrath. Egypt would have become home of the corrupt. How are you spending your monthly salaries? More than half is spent on pleasing your desires.

And We ordained laws for him in the Tablets in all matters, both commanding and explaining all things, (and said): "Take and hold these with firmness, and enjoin thy people to hold fast by the best in the precepts: soon shall I show you the homes of the wicked— (how they lie desolate)." (Surah Al-A'raf 7:145)

Those who did not hold to the Holy Books, their homes became daral fasiqeen, the desolate homes of the wicked and corrupt. Now, you have become the home of corruption, you are what is meant by this Verse of the Qur'an.



If you dispute, ask yourselves, why are the ladies of Egypt flaunting their beauty openly now? Allah says:

And stay quietly in your houses, and make not a dazzling display, like that of the former Times of Ignorance (Surah Al-Ahzab 33:33)

Womenfolk are commanded to stay within their homes, and to hide their beauty – has Egyptian ladies been doing this? You were the first amongst the Muslims to cross the limit and defy Allah's Commandment! Even now, half the protesters in Tahrir Square are women! They are in the streets, when they have been commanded to stay in the safety of their homes. And the women are mostly the young ones, there is free mixing between men and women there now. What is this?

Women's voices are part of the beautiful ornaments, they must hide these from men who are strangers to them, yet they are shouting and chanting slogans in the streets!

"And be moderate (or show no insolence) in your walking, and lower your voice. Verily, the harshest of all voices is the braying of the ass." (Surah Luqman 31:19)

We are commanded to be moderate, and to lower our voices, yet protesters are doing the exact opposite, acting with extremism, and bellowing like hooligans – (the worst voice in Allah's sight, is the braying of an ass).

Women must speak in a tone that doesn't inflame the desire in men whose hearts is a disease:

O Consorts of the Prophet! ye are not like any of the (other) women: if ye do fear (Allah), be not too complaisant of speech, lest one in whose heart is a disease should be moved with desire: but speak ye a speech (that is) just. (Surah Al-Ahzab 33:32)

Have they no manners or shame, to be mixing freely, exposing their beauty, jumping and chanting in the streets, for strangers to hear their voices? You are responsible for your own condition!

If I had, in accordance to Islamic Shariah, instructed that the shops be closed after isha' prayers and that nightlife be brought to a grinding halt, you would have opposed me and rebelled violently! The Shariah teaches us to be home after isha' prayers (the Prophet (saw) rarely spoke after isha' prayers). How many places of corruption are open at night in Egypt? Almost all of you are going out at night, enjoying this corruption, and the few who do not go out, actually bring the corruption right into your homes (eg drugs, pornography, prostitution, drinking etc).

If I had been draconian, and forced you to be home after isha', by imposing a military curfew for instance, you would have rebelled. I had the power to coerce you, to force you, to obey the Shariah, but I didn't do so, I left you free to decide, and sadly, **corruption has filled the entire country, you have become servants to the devil.** You have left the ways of the Prophet (saw) and his Companions, and now, you are coming out to judge me?



After all that, you are upset with me? Who do you want sitting in this place (seat)? You would love to have someone take over, who would fulfil all your decadent desires and fantasies, all your whims and fancies, is it not? You want a leader who is drunk? A thief? A murderer? You actually want a leader who will help encourage more promiscuity and sin, that is what you want! I was never such a leader to you all. I held the reins of Egypt's treasure, I did not spend it on you, I spent on you bit by bit, as the more you got, the more you used it on the disobedient way against your Lord Almighty.

You want me to leave? I would leave, but what benefit would that be to you? This is your nation, it is now built on corruption, and you are steeped in that sinful life, you are happy to be in such filth, it pleases you to be the army of the devil. What benefit would come to this nation if I leave now?

I am not going to leave according to your likes and whims, I will stay until He removes me from this place. Allah will never change your situation, until you change yourselves! So getting rid of me, won't solve your problems. That is from the Qur'an, don't you understand Arabic?

Maulana said that Hosni Mubarak did not actually say these words out aloud, but Maulana is speaking on behalf of this brave man, so **that the drunken people of Egypt can see that the problem is them, not him**. Mubarak tried his best correct their ways, but the citizens resisted his efforts.

Maulana says that what is said above, is Mubarak's defence, and it is a solid one, far better than any Scholar from Al-Azhar has come up with. Why are there turbaned Scholars marching amongst the protesters? Is that their duty? Do the citizens respect such Scholars? For whose sake are they going out in the streets? What have they done to stop the corruption festering right under their noses for so long? (They have left advising these people, and now they march alongside them, protesting against the corruption that they had helped to breed!)

Ye are the best community that hath been raised up for mankind. Ye enjoin right conduct and forbid indecency; and ye believe in Allah. And if the People of the Scripture had believed it had been better for them. Some of them are believers; but most of them are evil-livers. (Surah Al-Imran 3:110)

Let there arise out of you a band of people inviting to all that is good, enjoining what is right, and forbidding what is wrong; they are the ones to attain felicity. (Surah Ali-Imran 3:104)

Thousands of Scholars have passed through the gates of Al-Azhar, how much have they contributed to enjoining right and forbidding evil, right in their own neighbourhood? Their silence, beginning from the ousting of the rightful King of Egypt, till today, is the cause of the spreading corruption in the land.

Farouk I of Egypt (February 11, 1920 – March 18, 1965), was the tenth ruler from the Muhammad Ali Dynasty and the penultimate King of Egypt and Sudan, succeeding his father, Fouad I, in 1936. He was considered the first native Egyptian monarch for millenia despite his mixed roots. His sister Fawzia was Queen of Iran for eight years. His



full title was "His Majesty Farouk I, by the grace of God, King of Egypt and Sudan, Sovereign of Nubia, of Kordofan, and of Darfur." He was overthrown in the Egyptian Revolution of 1952, and was forced to abdicate in favour of his infant son Ahmed Fouad, who succeeded him as King Fouad II. He died in exile in Italy.

Maulana asks, what bad actions have you seen Mubarak do yourself? He is Mubarak, his name means, the blessed one. Look at his face, does he look like an evil one? No, there is light on his face. He is not like the rest (of the dictators in the Middle East), which is why the Saints in Egypt accepted him as President for so many decades. When the time comes for Imam Mahdi (as) to emerge, all Presidents will be replaced by Kings and Sultans, and perhaps the Saintly Pillars of Egypt will then throw in Mubarak's heart, to leave and pave the way for the return of the King. Allah says, the nation is according to the religion of the rulers, so it will then be inspired in Mubarak's heart, to fulfil the rights of everyone, and at that point, he will know who is that righteous person who must take the Throne of Egypt. And that one who is prepared and arranged to fulfil that position is King Fouad II, the one who has been deprived of his right. The people of Egypt must repent for what they did to him, and for what they did to themselves and their blessed country.

King Ahmad Fouad II, rightful King of Egypt and Sudan today

This protest in the streets is the result of that corruption. They have no mosques to pray for help in, to recite Hasbunallah Rubbunallah? Why are you shouting and screaming and burning and breaking? Is this humanity? Is this Islam? Is this Sunnah? Shame on you, Maulana says, the blame is on yourselves.

What has befallen the people is a lesson from Allah, for them to change their wayward ways. They must repent. They must return to their straight path. The same message is for the people of Palestine, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Hijaz, Yemen, Algeria, Libya, Tunisia, Turkey, Iran, Pakistan and Afghanistan. Do not cross Divine limits, or a Heavenly whip will strike your heads! Keep the Divine limits, and a Divine victory will save you all, releasing you from hardship of this world and from the punishment of the hereafter.

The following is a commentary from the Naqshbandi-Haqqani Order about the sermon given by Sheikh Nazim al-Haqqani.

Commentary

This Summary, the fourth by Maulana in the series on Egypt so far, is not about Egyptian politics. Nothing could be further from the truth. Maulana has no interest in worldly affairs per se, he is explaining this affair, from the light of guidance of the Qur'an, and the Sunnah of Rasulullah (saw). He is not on the side of Mubarak or the protesters, he is on the side of the truth (haqq). He has not minced his words either – taking the inept Islamic Scholars of Al-Azhar, the tyrannical government and the freedom-seeking Egyptian people, to task. This is not a blame game or a political commentary, it is an advice to point out where everyone has gone wrong, and how each person must realize and repent, and then make changes to rectify the conditions there.

This eruption did not happen overnight – it has been slowly brought to boil over thirty



years. Over thirty years of what? Of drifting away from Islam and its Shariah, until Egyptian are now clearly more identifiable as Arabs, than as Muslims. And this problem is not unique to Egypt; Egypt is merely one of many countries in the Middle East that have taken this Shaitanic path. The increase in permissiveness, the slow dilution of moral values, the gradual drift away from Spirituality – these have been going on unchecked since the fall of the Ottomans, until the Muslim is different from a non-Muslim only by name – all other aspects of their beliefs, ideology, actions and conduct are identical!

So what is happening in Egypt, is actually a worldwide phenomenon; hence the Divine Anger descending there is a taste of what we will see elsewhere henceforth, for just as Allah has hidden his Pleasure in Good deeds, He has hidden his Anger in Sinful deeds, and the sure-fire way to draw the ire of the Heavens, is to continue in a sinful lifestyle, without realization, repentance and change. The entire Qur'an is chockfull of stories of past Nations destroyed for their sins. This Nation reads these stories, but takes no lessons from them.

The protesters want freedom. Freedom from what? Freedom from any form of restriction to fulfil all their desires? Freedom to heed the call of their own tyrannical egos? Or freedom to worship Allah Almighty unstintingly?

Removing Mubarak, will only leave a dangerous power vacuum. Allah will replace him then, with a leader who is a reflection of the citizens – that is a Divine Sunnatullah, it won't change. So if the people have become more defiant and wilder, and they are leaning toward freedom of the nafs to do all that it demands, do you think that the leader they will get, will be better than Mubarak? Impossible. So the problem is not the leader, the problem is themselves, as it is their own conduct which determines the nature of their leader. That is the crux of the problem, therein lies the solution!

Returning to the straight path is the solution that Maulana has been trying to hammer home in these four Summaries. Only by doing so, will Allah inspire a truly kind-hearted and generous one, the King of Egypt, King Fouad II, to return and rule with compassion, and the people will bask in peace and tranquillity.

Demonstrating violently in the streets, until you have removed Mubarak, is not the solution. Look at Tunisia, they got rid of the dictator, but the country has plunged into a deeper abyss of darkness, as the vacuum left in this power struggle, is bringing forth so many undesirable ones, all of whom intend to lead the country, for personal gain and to fulfil personal motives or ideological agendas, bringing chaos upon the poor citizens. A warped ruler will not stop to pity the millions who must die for him to achieve his goal. To such a hard-hearted and cruel leader, his citizens are but sacrificial pawns, nothing but a grim statistic in the news.

So stop harping on removing Mubarak, that is simply going to create more corruption and instability, opening Pandora's box- it will throw the door for manipulation by foreign elements, wide open, and under the guise of 'fair and transparent democratic elections', a new dictator, perhaps one ready with even more draconian laws, will plunge Egypt into deeper misery and mayhem.

The foreign press is doing its best to paint a different picture – that Mubarak must fall at all cost. Beware what you read in the so-called 'free press'. Today's representatives of the



devil, have mastered the art of using the media to paint the false picture as the undeniable truth, so read all such news, not with a pinch of salt, but with a huge spoonful of salt.

Look at the way the Western media linked Saddam to the 9/11 attacks and the Weapons of Mass Destruction; in the end no weapons were found, no link was actually present. Thousands of Americans and millions of Iraqis died, the pain and suffering is still going on as we speak. So much destruction and killing ensued, from just a simple, but concerted, media campaign. And the one who started it all? He is going about life, as if this 'small lie', was just an administrative oversight. Bush attended the SuperBowl Football finals last weekend, sitting in the VIP Box, enjoying the hot dogs and the game.

So don't just swallow what you hear and read, in the papers and on the internet. The people of Iraq believed the lies it was told and welcomed Saddam's fall – look at what suffering they have endured since then! They welcomed the 'liberators', the American troops with flowers and happiness – today, just as predicted in a hadith of the Prophet (saw), the River Euphrates has become a river of blood. They deposed of their dictator indeed – and fell into a bottomless pit of suffering – their country raped, their assets pilfered, their citizens murdered. Any neutral observer will agree, that they were better off with Saddam around. So, oh brothers and sisters in Egypt, be careful what you wish for.

Repent, oh believers of Egypt, and once you change for the better, Allah will change your leaders, to one suited to your nature. Destroy the tyrant within yourselves (your ego), make it bow to the true King (the Lord), and Allah will replace the tyrant who rules you, with a kind, Divinely-sent King.

(On January 26, 2011, Shaykh Muhammad Hisham Kabbani, a deputy of Sh. Nazim, was asked on online fatwa resource, EShaykh.com, to provide his views about the Arab Revolt. His response was:

Act as the Prophet (s) said; in times of *fitna*, stay at home and be busy with your life. <u>http://www.eshaykh.com/sunnah/confusion-about-living-under-the-rule-of-a-tyrant/</u>)

