

How to Befriend the Muslim World

by Leonard Greene

Most Muslims are not terrorists, and the vast majority do not condone terrorism. They believe in the words of the Koran, "...whoever slays a soul...it is as though he slew all men; and whoever keeps it alive, it is as though he kept alive all men."

Bin Laden is a leader of the terrorists who say instead, "Death to the unbeliever!" He is an outcast from his own country, Saudi Arabia, and is reviled by his fellow Saudis.

Nevertheless, many Muslims who are not terrorists would kill Americans or condone such killings, simply because Americans have killed so many Muslims.

We should end our war in Iraq and use our army to save lives put at risk by natural disasters such as tsunamis, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and hurricanes. Our armed forces are ideally suited for this purpose. They have the required manpower, equipment, and organization.

A dialogue with the major Islamic religious leaders should result in an agreement that bin Laden must be taken in by the Muslim world for justice. He is an outcast, not a hero.

My son was killed on United 93.

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