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This past week I noticed an article in the paper describing Saudi Arabia's justice where a rape victim was given 200 lashes and 6 months in jail.

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RIYADH–Saudi Arabia is defending a court's decision to sentence a woman who was gangraped to 200 lashes, saying she was having an extramarital affair in violation of Islamic laws.

The case of the 19-year-old Shiite woman who, along with a male companion, was abducted and raped by seven men has drawn international attention. Canada has denounced the "barbaric" sentence and even the United States, a close ally of the conservative kingdom, offered mild criticism.

"The woman in the case is married and has confessed to establishing a relationship in violation of sharia law," the Saudi Justice Ministry said in a statement yesterday.

It said she and her companion were alone in a dark area outdoors when they were noticed by the men who later raped them.

"We reiterate that judicial rulings in this virtuous country ... are based on God's book and the traditions of his Prophet and that no ruling is issued without being based on evidence," said the statement carried by official news agency SPA.

Ruling according to Saudi Arabia's strict reading of Islamic law, a court originally sentenced the woman to 90 lashes for being alone with an unrelated man and the rapists to jail terms of up to five years.

But last week, the Supreme Judicial Council

increased her sentence to 200 lashes and six months in prison and ordered the rapists to serve two to nine years in jail.

The woman's husband has told local media they would appeal, even though the judge had warned that the sentence could be increased again if she loses the appeal.

The justice ministry noted that the law gives the right of appeal, but warned that "resorting to the media" could have "a negative effect on the other parties in the case."

The court dealing with the case revoked the licence of the woman's lawyer, who has also been summoned by the justice ministry to appear before a disciplinary panel.

In Ottawa, Josée Verner, minister responsible for the status of women, recently said the Conservative government planned to complain to the Saudi government about the "barbaric" sentence that will only further violate the victim.

Human Rights Watch has called on King Abdullah to drop all charges against the woman.

The Saudi legal system is dominated by clerics who adhere to the kingdom's austere Sunni interpretation of Islamic law.

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The religions of the world all have a history of keeping women under subjection. Modern Islam practices the belief that women are property to be bought and sold. This belief was prevalent in our country during the 1800's. Thus the above news article should not be used to condemn just Islam,

 $^{1 \}quad \underline{http://www.thestar.com/News/article/279658}$

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but all organized religions that do not believe that men and women are created equal.

It is my belief that Satan has taken control of all the organized religions of the world! None of the organized religions of the world want to follow the Bible as it is written. It is prevalent in many Christian denominations today to totally disregard Jesus' teaching about marriage and divorce. This flagrant disregard to follow the Bible indicates that both the majority of Islam and Christianity are controlled by Satan.

When you use religion to justify sin, you are a child of Satan. It is obvious to many that beating a victim of a crime is not justice. When your religion dictates that 50% of the population are subservient to men and are actually property to be bought and sold, then according to the Islamic mind beating a woman for being in the wrong place at the wrong time is justice.

The Catholic Church during the Inquisition was just like Islam today! They both are under the total control of Satan! Today you see the Muslim countries calling for the total demise of Israel! The Catholic Church supported Adolph Hitler during World War II by officially closing their eyes to the torture and death of 6,000,000 Jews.

Even today many in the Pentecostal denominations pick and choose what they want to follow in the Bible. If a teaching in the Bible does not go along with what they want, then it is totally ignored. Take for instance Jesus' teaching on marriage and divorce.

Matthew 19:1-9

- 1 And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these sayings, he departed from Galilee, and came into the coasts of Judaea beyond Jordan;
- 2 And great multitudes followed him; and he healed them there.
- 3 The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?
- 4 And he answered and said unto them, Have ye

not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female,

- 5 And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?
- 6 Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.
- 7 They say unto him, Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?
- 8 He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so. 9 And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.

How many churches perform marriage ceremonies for people getting remarried? Aren't they endorsing adultery when they disregard the teaching of the Lord? Thus it is just not the Muslim's who are controlled by Satan, but every religion that picks and chooses the portions of the Bible that they want to follow. The Bible teaches that when you break one portion of the law you are guilty of breaking the law.

James 2:1-11

- 1 My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with respect of persons.
- 2 For if there come unto your assembly a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come in also a poor man in vile raiment;
- 3 And ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing, and say unto him, Sit thou here in a good place; and say to the poor, Stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool:
- 4 Are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts?
- 5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to

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them that love him?

- 6 But ye have despised the poor. Do not rich men oppress you, and draw you before the judgment seats?
- 7 Do not they blaspheme that worthy name by the which ye are called?
- 8 If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well:
- 9 But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.
- 10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.
- 11 For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.

It is easy to judge the Muslims for their sin, but we need to be first judgeing ourselves. It is easy for us to point our fingers at the Muslims for their treatment of women, but we need to make sure that we are truly righteous before we start pointing our fingers in condemnation. We need to examine our own motives and check our own integrity.

Matthew 7:1-5

- 1 Judge not, that ye be not judged.
- 2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.
- 3 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?
- 4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?
- 5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

When you listen to talk radio that is so quick to condemn the Muslim governments for their wicked method of justice, consider the portions of the law that you are ignoring. Sin is sin and all sin will condemn you to the lake of fire and brimstone. So when you point your finger at another's sin realize that three fingers are pointed back at you.

We know that the day of the Lord is coming along with Armageddon and the Antichrist. When Jesus returns to the earth with his saints, then will real justice be executed. You will see the end of all of the miscarriages of justice that goes on throughout the world today. The signs of the times are pointing to the day of the Lord and his soon return. We are seeing the buildup of nuclear weapons and the preparation for the third world war which the Bible calls the Battle of Armageddon.

There is only one Savior who is Jesus Christ the Lord. You need to put your hands in the hands of the only one who can save you from the pits of Hell fire and brimstone. Mohammad, Buddha, and all of the other religions of the world cannot save you from the pit. Only by repenting and believing that Jesus Christ is the Son of God can you hope to avoid the flames of Hell. Jesus will be calling his church home soon. Will you be one of the few to rise to meet him in the air? Will you be one of the few who will shed the hold of gravity and rise to meet the Lord in the air?

1 Thessalonians 4:15-18

- 15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.
- 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
- 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
- 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

There is only one way to make sure that you are ready to meet the Lord in the air. That is to make sure that you have turned from you wicked judgmental ways and repent of all your sins.

Acts 2:38-40

38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift

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of the Holy Ghost.

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the LORD our God shall call.

40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

Today is the day of salvation! Now is the time to seek the Lord with your whole heart and receive his divine Holy Spirit. If you have turned from your wicked ways and have received the Holy Ghost, seek a church that will baptize you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins.

What are you waiting for? Putting off salvation for another day might lead to your demise. Jesus told us that he is coming quickly. While your are waiting you might be one of the many who will find themselves left behind.

Matthew 24:36-44

36 But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

37 But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

40 Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

41 Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

42 Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

43 But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

Watch and be ready for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. May the Lord be with you.

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