

Bernard Lewis

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Islam and Islamic values now have a level of immunity from comment and criticism in the Western world that Christianity has lost and Judaism has never had.

~Bernard Lewis

The object of jihad is to bring the whole world under Islamic Law.

~Bernard Lewis

The general perception, in much of the Middle East, is that the United States is an unreliable friend and a harmless enemy. I think we want to give the exact opposite impression.

~Bernard Lewis

I think that the growing government control of the press is very clear. Turkey is still not a dictatorship, there is still some freedom of the press, but I think it's moving in the wrong direction.

~Bernard Lewis

A remarkable feature of Islam is that it gives dignity even to the humblest illiterate peasants. It gives them a certain human dignity which one doesn't find in other societies.

~Bernard Lewis

Islam does give human dignity, certainly. The point I wanted to make is that it is great foolishness to try to impose our notions of democracy. They have their own traditions.

~Bernard Lewis

Islam explicitly rejects dictatorship and there are no traditions of the Prophet or passages in the Qur'an which clearly give dictators this support.

~Bernard Lewis

You see Christians and Muslims have one thing in common which they

do not share with their other religions as far as I know. They claim to be the fortunate recipient of God's final message to mankind.

~Bernard Lewis

Christians and Muslims share the belief that they are the fortunate recipient of the final God message.

~Bernard Lewis

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