Isis, Isul, Insane...

Almost 600 years ago, give or take a couple decades, the English burned a young Frenchwoman at the stake because they claimed her a heretic. Last week a bunch of murderers burned a young Jordanian pilot in a cage somewhere in Syria (the actual act may have occurred a month ago, but the cowards responsible were still trying to get some money out of the deal, or to at least get the Jordanians to release another murderer they had in custody) Their justification supposedly wasn't religious, any more than Joan of Arc's torching by the English was.

It was political, at least on some level. It was sadistic on every level. And the perpetrators' knives must have been too dull and forced them to resort to a different level of barbarism. Oh wait, they apparently sharpened them. Even as I write this, the propaganda arm of ISIS (the US press) is reporting that 21 Coptic Christians have been beheaded in Libya. And wait, yet again, more news. Today, over forty ISIS captives have been burned alive in another part of the sand pit.

Wake up, everybody!

The civilized world has one hell of a fight on its hands. And it won't be too long before that terror has run berserk within our sacred shores. We are no more immune from 'Islamic' extremists than Europe or Africa. If we thought that our skinheads, white supremacists, and other hate groups here in America were bad, I think we have a very hard lesson on the way.

I can't even pretend to know what the answer is. I'm pretty sure that the only way to stop a maniac is to use force. And ISIS and its associated terrorist organizations are maniacal in the pursuit of their agenda. So what is their agenda? They interpret their good book's edicts to demand the conversion of all non-Muslim people, (or infidels, as we are regarded) to the peaceful practices of Islam...or for us to be killed. (Now, I have not read the Quran, so I am relying on hearsay for this bit. That interpretation does SEEM to be accurate judging by the actions of these zealots.) I guess us civilized folk can't do a thing, but act civilized and continue to debate the 'root' cause of this problem. Of course we can't offend the peaceful Muslims in our midst...and we need to tread oh-so-carefully so as not to incite a negative response from the perpetrators.

Bullshit.

Like I said, I don't know the answer to the problem. But I know that placating the bastards isn't going to work. Nor is a paying ransom that just adds to their war chests and prompts them to kidnap some more. I've already alluded to what I think needs be done in some of my writing, so I won't get into specifics.

These radicals only fear and respect force. I don't know how to deliver that force, but we better hurry up and lay some real hurt on these pricks...

Else the battle will be here, and we definitely are not ready for it.

Captain Steve