

Religious Faith Unmasked

Synoptic Promotional Booklet Introducing

For the Sake of Civility

The best way to respond to malice of the recent or distant past via Abrahamic Religious (faith) violence is to expose the root cause that's fomented maladies in all forms, also to quit coddling one's favorite kind. Examples of such violence: Catholic Inquisitions in Europe; Salem (Puritan) witch trials in Massachusetts; Ku Klux Klan (whereas its 1915-20 version was rooted in Protestant communities); Jihad of Islamic Fundamentalism (an armed struggle against “infidels”—i.e. those not Muslims despite how certain type Muslims are also thought of as infidels); Hasmonean Dynasty (of Judaism) implemented forced conversion by threat of death or exile, whose Alexander Jannaeus demolished Pella in 80 BCE because its inhabitants “would not agree to adopt the national custom of the Jews” (according to Josephus); In 524 CE the Yemeni Jewish Himyar tribe, led by King Yusuf Dhu Nawas, massacred over 20,000 Christians in Saudi Arabia for not converting to Judaism, and later Yusuf expressed great pride in having done so; Roman Emperor, Theodosius the Great, implemented the first forced conversions to Christianity (Catholicism, that had just emerged) in the late 4th century; Charlemagne, in the late 8th and early 9th centuries, widely Christianized many new prospective citizens of the Roman Empire by threat of death as penalty for not complying; Jim Jones of Jonestown, Guyana; David Koresh of Waco, Texas [most recurrent source: [Wikipedia.org/wiki/Forced_conversion](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Forced_conversion)]. (This booklet expresses different levels of emphasis in much the same way as explained in For the Sake of Civility.)