

Interlude: For Armenia, and the Armenians

On the 24th April the Armenians remember the terrible Genocide inflicted upon them by Muslims in 1915-1916 (though there was a previous and terrible mass-murder in the 1890s), a Genocide animated by the Jihad doctrine of Islam, by the hatred and contempt that Islam teaches Muslims to feel and enact toward all non-Muslims.

Here is a tiny and poignant glimpse of the rich and ancient Armenian Christian culture that was so nearly wiped out in the early 20th century: two presentations of a traditional Armenian folk song, “Chinar Es” (“Thou art a plane tree”) that is, in my opinion, one of the most beautiful songs ever created by human beings.

First, this:

And then, this.