

Mayor (UMP) Of Venelles Proposes Changing The Constitution To Prohibit Islam In France

Instead of denouncing [the proposal made in this tweet](#), others might have used the occasion to raise the question: what is it about Islam that is so dangerous to the people and civilisation of France? How is Islam compatible with freedom of speech, free exercise of (any other) faith, and freedom of conscience (including the right of apostasy), equal treatment of the sexes, the spirit of free inquiry? It isn't, and as Muslims grow more numerous and thus more powerful, they increase their pressure, formal and informal, on all of those principles. And their doctrine is appealing to the psychically and socially marginal, for whom Islam provides a Total Explanation of the Universe that turns the merely slightly-off into great threats to society. There is nowhere in the West that Muslims have jettisoned any part of Islam; the need, while still in a state of relative weakness, by many Muslims to continue to throw up a smoke-screen, to present Islam as something other than what it is, in order to be free of critical examination of what is in Qur'an, Hadith, and Sira, and how Islam is permanently incompatible with Western laws and customs and attitudes, is simply Jihad by means other than violence.

The intelligent will seize on his remarks to discuss all the ways that Islam undermines Western society and freedoms. One could begin, for example, with this: in the Western democracies, the political legitimacy of any government depends on whether that government represents, however imperfectly, the will expressed by the people; in Islam, the political legitimacy of the Ruler or rulers depends on whether

that ruler or rulers reflects the will expressed by Allah, as set down in the Qur'an, and as glossed by the Sunnah. Discussion of that difference would constitute a good, eye-opening start.

Perhaps the discussion of that incompatibility, of Islam and those Western laws and customs, will be prompted by his demand for a change to the French Constitution.