Peace, From Islam Perspective

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Abstract: Islam is the religion of peace, as Islam is an Arabic word derived from Salam and Islam in Arabic means peace and reconciliation. Genuine peace is the basis of peaceful reflection on the priorities of the Islamic religion, therefore, Allah almighty and prophet (PBUH) has always emphasized peace in glorious Quran and there hadiths, it must be remembered that peace in Islam was a matter of principle, and no human society was free from conflict and war. So peace is the need of human society and without it the destruction of society seems certain. Peace is the guarantee of human salvation in general for the world and for Muslims in particular, the message of freedom, justice, security, prosperity and advancement in human society.

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1. Introduction

Islam wants honorable peace, peacefull, respect and mutual rights, not submassive and losing the religious values and interest of the country.

Peace from glance of islam is not appearance and superficial issues, regard respect while stand on honesty and False advertising slogan and message for introducing humanity face and tactical conflict are not peace seekers while peace seeker have compassion and mercy to human. Peace and creating peacefull environment is responsibility of every wise person including man and women because allah almighty has said;

Undoubtedly, muslims are brothers so do peace and friendship within yourselves, fear from allah until be blessed by allah.(Al- Hojarat: 10)

Prophet [ peace be upon him] from early days of revelation has the peace message to all and invite for sincerity, beningnity, compassionity, and peacfull life everyone, as allahsunhanaulwa ta allah [ SWT];

O people of the book; come to the speech which is same with within us, worship except allah, do not share anything to him. Do not worship else except allah, if they turned from, tell them, be witness we are muslim.(Al emran: 64)

Prophet[PBUH] as first head of government, caliphets and companions proved on the way to general goals and the structure of islam in foreign politics through adopting invitation and peace that islam is religion of logic and wisdom. Jihad[ fight in way of allah] on way of god has been used only in the demand time and deadlocked ways in order of reaching diplomatic soloutions, diplomatic relations and peacfull of prophet’s[PBUH] and his companions has been effective in enlarging and advancing of islam religion, as historians remembered the Hudianbia[ peace agreement].

2. Subject Importance

Our country afghans has been witness of ruinous terrible conflict more than of four decades which much of its territory has left destruction to country. Hundreds of human including man and women, young and elder has been burned. Unfortunately, that situation is on continuation still, so every muslim on finishing and decreasing of fire in conflict has responsibility, peace in human’s community especially in Islamic communities is the foundation for development is every sectors. Without peace human’s life ever non-human are faced with serious challenges and even make life impossible.

3. Research Questions

1) Does Islam as religion accept the peace?
2) Whether peace or conflict count as foundation?
3) Which way are suggested for human conflict solution by Islam?

4. Research Objectives

1) Arising islam’s perspective for peace and conflict
2) Taking part in afghan intra peace negotiations and finishing terrible war
3) Participating in peace discussion organized by kabul university

5. Research Methodology

This research paper has written in (APA) way. Quran’s versus has been mentioned by the names of chapter of quran, argued on right hadits of prophet(PBUH) words and opinions of scholars by mentioning books name, paper number has been written.

In quran, peace is explained in various versus and prophet (PBUH) in various hadits, encourage and call for peace. Scholars presented their views about peace in legal sources, while not written under research paper. God knows!

Peace concepts

Peace means are followed by calling these meanings; Corrections: straightening the hook, repairing Get away, End (Omer, 2008, P 1311).

In term of academic, peace is agreement which repel conflict with two sides and parties. Furthermore, finishing the war or repel hostility between hostile group.(Qalaji, 1988, 276).
The Verdict of Peace

Peace in islam is obligation, every muslim person is responsible in creating peace climate, ending conflict and fight with regard god command which is obligation as faith conscience and as human being. As god said: muslims are brother exactly, so do peace and friendship between your brothers, fear from allah until god bestow his blessings upon us:

And also said; if they willing to peace, so you have to will for peace, trust on allah, undoubtedly, he is all- hearing and all- knowing. (Al- Anfal: 61)

Peace is demand within human society, human life depend on peace. In absence of peace, human life and non-human is faced with 222 which is possible, so preserving human life is need of pillar of life and basic goals of islam religion.

Conflict resolution ways from islam perspectives:
Allah has commanded muslim to peace in numerous version in different case to muslim, and has developed precise and adaptable solutions to conflict and resolution which we mentioned in this research paper. (Al- shatibi, 1997, P 5).

Dispute resolution between couples by peace:
1) When fight/dispute arise between couples, Allah (SWT) said regarding solution within couples:
   If you were in fear of dispute and fight of couples, so they have to send a representative from husband and wife family, if representative intend to resolve the dispute, undoubtedly allah(SWT) will bring peace between them, allah almighty all knowing . (Al- Nesa: 25)
   The purpose of representative is to resolve between couples in state of conflict in this verse, until to avoid from families separation and disintegration. So the solution is from perspective of glorious is peace.

2) Conflict resolution between Muslims through peace
   The first, cure for resolving conflict and creating a peaceful atmosphere among Muslim is to install faith and strengthening in their hearts. To believe on the Day of Judgment in the presence of allahalmighty. (Al- Tabari, 2000, P 222).

If you had spent all that wars on earth, you could not pierce between their hearts, but allah put mercery and pierce in their heart, he is the wise one:

If the Muslim man goes further, put aside the fear of god, ignore the hereafter and egage in strife and war. (Al- Anfal: 62)
Believers are wiser surely, so de peace with yourselves, fear from allah until have mercy on you.
If a group of warior refuse peace or violates the peace treaty, so he was rebellious. All muslim are obliged to join hands against rebel groups in order to face it to peace.
If one of them attack on other side, so fight against aggressor group, until to return to allah’s command. If they comes back, make peace between then, bring justice. Undoubtedly, allah loves those who are doing justice.

Ways of resolution to conflict/war between Muslims and infidels
Islam religion is not religion of war/conflict, while is religion of peace and reconciliation, always emphasized on peace and peaceful life. So that, the shining history of Islam especially history of prophets, caliphanes and prophet’s companion witnessed, for example; prophets peace with habashes people, hudiabia peace agreement, Muslim peace with Jewish tribes, Omar( may god be pleased of him) with Palestinians Jewish and copts(kubtis) of Eqypts, mulims peace with Iraq’s Christians and Syria( sham) etc

Islam knows war as only necessity, in order to defend our national and religious values.

Fight in way of allah, with those whom they fight with you. Do not cross the line, which allah does not like aggressor.(Al- Baqara: 190).

There’s two purpose from this verse;
1) During war and looting: should not work against human values and human rights.
2) After repelling the aggression; do not continue to fight, avoid from conflict, because war is to repel the sedition and continuation to war is sedition. As son of omar( may allah be pleased of him) in narrated, son of omar said; two men is sedition of ibn- Zubair came to them and said, people of were perished and asked omnar and prophet( PBUH); what happened to not get of you housed ? said ; I have been prevented by allah for my brothers blood. He said; does not god said ?fight with whom until finish the sedition. Said; we fought until finish the sedition, now you are fighting to create sedition. (IbnKaseer, 1989, P 389).

Under this view of quran is great sight and philanthropy as it shows war is islam is just to defend from religious and humanitarian values and repel the attacks.(Al- Sabooni, 1997, P 217).

With all above issues, islam is advocate of war, while in situations of attack and aggressin of enemies, there are logical solution in order to end the conflict.

If they willed to peace, so you are supposed willed to peace too. Trust on allah, allah is all-hearing. (Al- Anfal: 91)

This verse contain the absolute affair, it mean when enemy is ready to peace and conflict resolution, it is obliged on muslim to accept peace call.(Al- Qortobi, 2002, P 182).

If enemy break their promises, abuse from opportunities from peace way, turn face to another greate war, and to aggresgate with fight. Although, muslims are supposed to stand on their promises and trust on allah. As allah almighty said to his messenger prophet (PBUH)

If they want to deceive you, allah is enough, has the one help and support your believers.(Al- Anfal: 62).
Trust Allah in the acceptance of peace and do not be afraid of their mischief, for Allah is aware of what they say Shinwa and what they are doing. Then in that case Allah is sufficient for you.
After completing this scientific paper, I came to the following conclusions:

1) Islam is derived from Salam and means peace and reconciliation.
2) Peace in Islam forms the basis of human relations.
3) Islam always emphasizes peace and rejects war.
4) Islam wants peace with dignity.
5) Peace is the demand for the peace of human nature and common sense.
7) Allah the Almighty in the Holy Quran has commanded Muslims to peace and forbad war.
8) Allah almighty has stated the solutions to the end of the war in many Quranic verses and has obliged Muslims to do so.

6. Suggestions

In the following article, I have some suggestions to end the war:

a) Grasp the message of Allah around those involved in war, preferring peace to war in accordance with his command.

b) Islam is the religion of peace, it considers peace the principle and the necessity of war, so give up the war and return to the principle of conflict around the principles of Islam.

c) War causes corruption, insecurity, destruction, unemployment, so it is necessary for the enemy to fear Allah, not to destroy the people and the country more than ever, at the will of the people. They said they would not miss the grounds for peace.

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