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## **Channel 4 aired last night “What British Muslims Really Think”**

<http://www.channel4.com/programmes/what-british-muslims-really-think/on-demand/62315-001>

### **We told you so!**

In some ways, what British Muslims think has been covered in our public speeches at EDL demonstrations and the placards on EDL marches since 2009.

- We have exposed the dangers of Muslim exceptionalism in the way they want to lead a separate life as far as possible from the British mainstream - except when it comes to welfare benefits and rape jihad victims (17%)
- We have warned about Muslim support for sharia law instead of UK law (23%)
- We have been saying for years that Muslims sympathise with violent resolution of their problems with British society (4%, or 100,000 of them)
- We know they are intolerant of people who show a picture of Mohammed (78%) or make fun of him (87%) and support violence against those who mock Mohammed (18%) - and we have been mocking Mohammed for years. The Charlie Hebdo cartoonists fell victim to the same Islamic intolerance.

### **The EDL has been bolder since 2009 than Trevor Phillips was in 2016**

It's comforting to see a mainstream program beginning to tread the path we have been clearing for 6 years. They could not have made this program in 2009 - in pre-EDL Britain. We don't expect any acknowledgement. Channel 4 and Trevor Phillips are perpetuating the practice of the media elites: wait for pioneers like the English Defence League to do the ground work. Then pick up what makes good media. And repackage it in ways that don't offend most viewers and paint yourselves as brave innovators.

The brave innovators in this case have been the foot-soldiers of the EDL.

### **The ICM research was biased**

Muslims have complained that the ICM research was biased in that it gathered data from areas where Muslims made up over 20% of the population. This is a trivial red herring. Their real bias was that they left Islam out of their research all together. They focused on cultural Islam, and ignored the Islamic faith, beliefs and worldview that drives the superficial cultural Islam. (ICM Unlimited did the polling for Channel 4.)

### **Islam evasion, like tax evasion, leads to trouble**

What Muslims think comes from what Muslims believe. And what Muslims believe they cherry-pick from the Koran, the hadiths and the sunnah. Trevor Phillips - like the fatuous David Cameron - gives no indication of ever having read the Koran, even in part. This is misdirection and cowardly avoidance of the obvious: Muslim beliefs and culture originate from Islam. The word “faith” appeared only once and we think even Muslims would agree with us that this massive oversight can lead only to policies doomed to failure.

### **What are Trevor Phillips' solutions?**

Phillips ridicules those who “cross their fingers, close their eyes and hope”. But he is no better. With portentous phrasing he urges “muscular active integration”. This apparently

means supporting Muslims who want their communities to change their attitudes to women, to lesbian and gay people and towards violence.

### **What's wrong with "muscular active integration"?**

Phillips had the opportunity to make serious proposals, but he flunked. He took the easy way out by highlighting symptoms, and avoiding all mention of causes. Until Islam is reformed to remove its 7th century exceptionalism, its division of humanity into blessed Muslims and contemptible kufr, its certainty that Allah's word renders irrelevant science and democracy, and its view that this earthly world is a meaningless, consequence-less purgatory, then muscular active integration will fizzle - just as David Cameron's "Prevent" program is fizzling.

British values are being eroded by sharia, and the core of British culture is crumbling because "the centre cannot hold" and our leaders and media elites do not lead and inform with knowledge and courage.

### **What next?**

We, the English Defence League, will be out there, dealing with the causes. We sincerely hope we don't have to write yet again "We told you so". But we won't let down our English past, present and future - and their generations of our people.

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