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Ali.The Well-Guarded Secret: Figures of the First Master in Shi’i Spirituality Syracuse University Press

A timely and innovative discussion of the role that ethnicity plays in contemporary Middle Eastern affairs, Ethnicity, Pluralism, and the State in the Middle East is the first systematic exploration of this important dimension in the social life, statecraft, politics, and international relations in the region.

Praxis of Taqiyya א"למ"א

This volume presents a comprehensive selection from Etan Kohlberg’s research, undertaken over a period of fifty years, on doctrinal and historical developments of Imāmi Shi’i intellectual tradition with a primary focus on the medieval period.

The Shifts in Hizbullah's Ideology Oxford University Press

This book deals with the history of the Druze community using an interdisciplinary approach to describe, analyze, and explain historical events and processes.

The Princeton Encyclopedia of Islamic Political Thought Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

The volume addresses a neglected subject: secrecy and concealment as a means of creating identity and establishing social interaction. For the first time well known historians of mediterranean religions reveal the practical competence of notions of concealment and describe the fundamental differences between polytheistic and monotheistic systems.

The Muslim Discovery of America Bloomsbury Publishing

Focusing on the situation of both Muslim and non-Muslim religious minorities in the Middle East, this volume offers an analysis of various strategies of resilience and accommodation from a historical as well a contemporary perspective.

Taqiyya. Alla scoperta dell'Iran Oxford University Press

The War of Ideas is about the fundamental principles of human society. It is a global war: the foes have resorted to arms to protect and promote their worldview. This book brings together some of the most important voices from different partisan, theoretical and religious perspectives to argue and forecast the next phase in the War of Ideas.

Understanding Islam and the West ABC-CLIO

"None of that people should be spared, not even the babe in its cradle." With these chilling words, the Mongol warlord Genghis Khan declared his intention to destroy the Ismailis, one of the most intellectually and politically significant Muslim communities of medieval Islamdom. The massacres that followed convinced observers that this powerful voice of Shi'i Islam had been forever silenced. Little was heard of these people for centuries, until their recent and dramatic emergence from obscurity. Today they exist as a dynamic and thriving community established in over twenty-five countries. Yet the interval between what appeared to have been their total annihilation, and their modern, seemingly phoenix-like renaissance, has remained shrouded in mystery. Drawing on an astonishing array of sources gathered from many countries around the globe, The Ismailis in the Middle Ages: A History of Survival, A Search for Salvation is a richly nuanced and compelling study of the murkiest portion of this era. In probing the period from the dark days when the Ismaili fortresses in Iran fell before the marauding Mongol hordes, to the emergence at Anjudan of the Ismaili Imams who provided a spiritual centre to a scattered community, this work explores the motivations, passions and presumptions of historical actors. With penetrating insight, Shafique N. Virani examines the rich esoteric thought that animated the Ismailis and enabled them to persevere. A work of remarkable erudition, this landmark book is essential reading for scholars of Islamic history and spirituality, Shi'ism and Iran. Both specialists and informed lay readers will take pleasure not only in its scholarly perception, but in its lively anecdotes, quotations of delightful poetry, and gripping narrative style. This is an extraordinary book of historical beauty and spiritual

vision.

Inevitable Doubt ANU E Press

Some so-called authorities claim that Muslims came to America hundreds of years before Columbus arrived in the New World. Are the claims true? Columbus’ expedition represents the first major discovery of the Americas and the first appearance of non-Native Americans. The conventional wisdom is that Columbus ended tens of thousands of years of near-total isolation for the Native Americans. Since the Americas had been initially populated (probably between 13,000 BC and 11,000 BC) there had been no engagement with peoples from any other continent, save small ventures by the Norse into Northeastern Canada. Did Muslims come to the Americas, possibly as early as the 700s? These researchers argue that Muslims came from Islamic Spain, particularly the port of Delba (Pelos) during the rule of Caliph Abdullah Ibn Mohammed (888-912). A Muslim historian, Abul-Hassan Al-Masudi (c. 895-957), added a map of the world to his book, one that contained "a large area in the ocean of darkness and fog" (the Atlantic ocean) which he referred to as the unknown territory (the Americas). This book demonstrates that this assertion is important for Muslims because in conjunction with the relevant verses from the Koran and quotes from Mohammed it establishes the claim of Muslims that Allah intended America to be Islamic. The book also investigates the lives of selected Muslims in America and organizations from the eighteenth century into the twenty-first century. It reveals that there was nothing more than a continuation of typical Islamic deception and subversive jihad. It also documents the lie of the Islamic claim that hundreds of place names in the United States of America and Canada derive from Arabic-Islamic roots. Finally, the book exposes the rewriting of American history by Islamic and pro-Islamic media. This book is alarming, informative, interesting, and true.

The Invention of Enterprise Princeton University Press

Unlike their coreligionists in Lebanon and Syria, the Druzes in Israel are facing severe questions of identity. Weaving together a wealth of social, economic and political aspects, the author shows how Zionist policies of cooptation and separation are behind the ever growing sense of alienation that pervades the community today.

The Struggle of the Shi’is in Indonesia Christian Faith Publishing, Inc.

First Published in 1998. This book brings together contributions which examine various Islamic and selected Jewish writings of this kind, analysing their ideas, methods, sources and meanings, relating them to the new historical and political situations, as well as to ancient and medieval writings, for comparative purposes. The texts discussed either elaborate attitudes towards 'the other' within the two traditions or address themes that are part of their common heritage.

The War for Palestine Cambridge University Press

Nelly Hanna's work challenges the standard perceptions about Middle East society and economy of the seventeenth century. Both novel in its approach and information, this book's central theme revolves around the rise of an indigenous form of capitalism existing as early as the 1600s. Making Big Money in 1600 examines the reemergence of the economic sector and its complex influences on social conditions during this time. By examining the life and work of Isma'il Abu Taqiyya, Hanna traces the relationship between economic activities and culture. As we are introduced to Abu Taqiyya we learn how he negotiates partnership with other merchants, arranges for the handling of goods, and negotiates loans for colleagues. Hanna reveals his home life, his wives, children, and concubines, his relations with his family and friends, and how these relations evolved and were affected by the changing social and economic conditions-a perspective rarely discussed in works before the modern period.

Ethnicity, Pluralism, and the State in the Middle East Routledge

Offering new perspectives on the relationship between Shi’is and Sufis in modern and pre-modern times, this book challenges the supposed opposition between these two esoteric traditions in Islam by exploring what could be called "Shi'i Sufism" and "Sufi-oriented Shi'ism" at various points in history. The chapters are based on new research in textual studies as well as fieldwork from a broad geographical areas including the Indian subcontinent, Anatolia and Iran. Covering a long

period stretching from the early post-Mongol centuries, throughout the entire Safawid era (906–1134/1501–1722) and beyond, it is concerned not only with the sphere of the religious scholars but also with different strata of society. The first part of the volume looks at the diversity of the discourse on Sufism among the Shi'i "ulama" in the run up to and during the Safawid period. The second part focuses on the social and intellectual history of the most popular Shi'i Sufi order in Iran, the Ni'mat Allahiyya. The third part examines the relationship between Shi'ism and Sufism in the little-explored literary traditions of the Alevi-Bektashi and the Khaksariyya Sufi order. With contributions from leading scholars in Shi'ism and Sufism Studies, the book is the first to reveal the mutual influences and connections between Shi'ism and Sufism, which until now have been little explored.

Muslim-Jewish Encounters Cambridge University Press

Whether hailed as heroes or cast as threats to social order, entrepreneurs--and their innovations--have had an enormous influence on the growth and prosperity of nations. The Invention of Enterprise gathers together, for the first time, leading economic historians to explore the entrepreneur's role in society from antiquity to the present. Addressing social and institutional influences from a historical context, each chapter examines entrepreneurship during a particular period and in an important geographic location. The book chronicles the sweeping history of enterprise in Mesopotamia and Neo-Babylon; carries the reader through the Islamic Middle East; offers insights into the entrepreneurial history of China, Japan, and Colonial India; and describes the crucial role of the entrepreneur in innovative activity in Europe and the United States, from the medieval period to today. In considering the critical contributions of entrepreneurship, the authors discuss why entrepreneurial activities are not always productive and may even sabotage prosperity. They examine the institutions and restrictions that have enabled or impeded innovation, and the incentives for the adoption and dissemination of inventions. They also describe the wide variations in global entrepreneurial activity during different historical periods and the similarities in development, as well as entrepreneurship's role in economic growth. The book is filled with past examples and events that provide lessons for promoting and successfully pursuing contemporary entrepreneurship as a means of contributing to the welfare of society. The Invention of Enterprise lays out a definitive picture for all who seek an understanding of innovation's central place in our world.

The Complete Infidel's Guide to Iran Princeton University Press

As Obama fades into the history books, and other political forces and agendas move forward in support or in opposition to Obama's far-left and pro-Islamic political agenda, the collective memory of the American public and his supporters around the world will tend to remember the positive highlights of Obama's speeches and policies. Obama's Book of Lies is a counterbalance to the favorable image of Obama that will be portrayed by the media and his advocates. Since Obama's misrepresentations and misinformation permeated all aspects of his politics and his life, there are more examples of his disingenuousness than might be expected (15 chapters). This review will probably be regarded as the most comprehensive (almost 400 footnotes) and accurate analysis of Obama's presidency. This compendium will be enjoyed by all parties who are interested in politics and are seeking a thorough examination of Obama, his speeches and his policies, while reliving Obama's most memorable moments. James McCormack is a veteran political science writer, who has accurately predicted Russia's invasion of Ukraine, Obama's pro-Islamist leanings during his presidency, the surprise presidential electoral victory of Donald Trump (predicted in early 2016), the increasing tensions between Saudi Arabia and Qatar, Iran's increasing influence and deployment along Israel's northern border, and the use of economic countermeasures directed at China which will be necessary to rein in North Korea's nuclear program. McCormack's political insights are unmatched, and his writings have guided presidential decision making on multiple occasions. The book ends with a new set of predictions, and includes a chapter that reveals the unsettling and shocking truth about what really happened during the Benghazi fiasco, and what Obama did that evening when he became unreachable during the eight hour al-Qaeda attack on

the U.S. consulate. McCormack has solidified his reputation as one of America's leading political prophets and analysts with the publication of Obama's Books of Lies.

Islam in America: Exploring the Issues Syracuse University Press

Hasan al-Turabi (1932–2016) was seen as one of the most influential figures in modern Sudanese history and politics. This book, based on extensive research and a thorough analysis of al-Turabi's own writings, provides a comprehensive study of the upbringing, ideas and political career of the Islamist intellectual and political leader. Balancing hostile and favourable accounts of al-Turabi, it challenges assumptions of the 'Marxist' or 'Fascist' dynamics underpinning Islamism, arguing that its colonial and post-colonial origins define the nature of Islamism's message. By encouraging readers to move away from generic models and limited readings of Islamism, Willow Berridge opens new and vital research for the understanding of Islamic politics across the Middle East and Africa. It makes for an ideal read for both undergraduate and postgraduate students focusing on the modern Sudanese state, and those challenging core debates on democracy, the Islamic State and Jihad.

Religious Minorities in the Middle East BRILL

The Struggle of the Shi'is in Indonesia is a pioneering work. It is the first comprehensive scholarly examination in English of the development of Shiism in Indonesia. It focuses primarily on the important period between 1979 and 2004 – a period of nearly a quarter of a century that saw the notable dissemination of Shi'i ideas and a considerable expansion of the number of Shi'i adherents

in Indonesia. Since Islam in Indonesia is overwhelmingly Sunni, this development of Shiism in a predominantly Sunni context is a remarkable phenomenon that calls for careful, critical investigation. There is also an important examination of the principal ideas underlying the Madhab Ahl al-Bayt, the Imamate and Imam Madhi, Ja'fari jurisprudence and ritual piety. Appropriately, in his discussion, Zulkifli provides a succinct outline of contrasts with Sunni ideas and practice. He also examines the publishing efforts that underpinned the dissemination of Shi'i ideas and the founding of IJABI (Ikatan Jamaah Ahlul Bait Indonesia) in July 2000 for the propagation of Ahl al-Bayt teachings. Given the Indonesian context, Zulkifli is also concerned with Sunni reactions to these Shi'i developments – a story that continues to unfold to the present. This book as a work of great value and significance for the continuing understanding of the richness and complexity of Indonesian Islam.

The Critical Qur'an Springer

This is an ethnographic history of religious majoritarianism and its sly subversion by one of India's most oppressed minorities.

Deceptive Majority BRILL

The Islamic regime that came to power after the 1978-79 Iranian revolution justified the rule of the Ayatollah Khomeini, and the Shi'ite imams in general, on the basis of the doctrine that the Islamic jurist is best suited to rule with justice in an Islamic country. Arguing that this concept has no

apparent parallel in Sunni Islam, this study explores its origins in the Sunni/Shi'ite schism, which took place after the death of the Prophet, and traces its evolution to the present day. Drawing on exhaustive research in the Islamic libraries of Iran and Jordan, as well as discussions with leading jurors and scholars in Iran, Sachedina presents the first in-depth analysis of an Islamic phenomenon of vital contemporary social and political significance.

Removing the Veil of Taqiyya BRILL

Analyses of the political and ideological transformation of Hizbullah.

Hasan al-Turabi BRILL

Islam is the fastest growing religion in the world, but what effect is it having in society, governments, and what effect could it potentially have in the future? Unmasking Islam uncovers urgent truths about Islam that Westerners, Christians, Jews, and even Muslims must learn. This is a study of these truths that are taken directly from the writings and sayings of Islamic texts and scholars. Islam is not a religion of peace and never was. Who is Allah and Muhammad? Many young Muslims are not aware of what the Qur'an teaches as they do not read, speak or write Arabic. What is the media not telling the world about Sharia law, radical Islam and atrocities worldwide in the name of Allah? Most importantly, Muslims are children of God just like all of us. The purpose of this book is to explain the truth about what the Qur'an teaches. Christians today must share the truth and love of Christ so that we can truly live in a more peaceful world and retain the freedoms we have fought so diligently to preserve.