

Volume 10. The Laws of Allah or the Laws of Men?

This volume opens with a summary of *Da'esh's* attacks across the world; Lyon, France and the Tunisian beach attack. *Da'esh* issue an open plea to support their efforts against the 'crusaders' and stress upon their readership not to abandon this obligation. There is a special focus on parental rights and obligations that need to be adhered to but not at the cost of jihad as that is the greater obligation. As with other volumes, *Da'esh* highlight their contempt for other operational jihadi groups, in particular the *Jawlani* front and *Ahrar al-Sham* who *Da'esh* argue are being posited by US Secretary of State John Kerry as an alternative power in Syria.

Da'esh provides details of a radio interview with Zahran Alloush, leader of the Army of Islam in Syria. They suggest that he and his organisation pose a threat to the monolithic Muslims of Syria as this sort sectarian group condemns the killing of Druze communities by *Da'esh*. They continue to highlight issues with Mulla Omar and his Afghan Emirate suggesting that it is a nationalistic, not global entity. *Da'esh* offers instruction to their *walī* (designated representative) in the Caucuses to observe *taqwā'* (God consciousness).

Additional accounts of two of *Da'esh's* supporters are also offered; Abu Malik al-Tamimi and Abu Umar al-Tunisi, who were both observers of additional religious practices to build closeness to Allah. *Da'esh* places a great deal of emphasis on the reestablishment of the *ḥadd* (corporal punishment) and argue that they are the caliphate so seeking help against them from the non-believers is apostasy. The title of this volume is in response to operational perspectives offered by Ayman al-Zawahiri (and others) who argue that non-combatants should not be targeted in military operations; rather they should be left alone and educated. *Da'esh* reject this philosophy and state that Allah's laws should be implemented to the full hence their volume title.