



# Exodus FROM Darkness

'Searching for Truth Together'

"How can I understand unless someone helps me?"

(Acts 8:31 CEV)

**Thank you for your prayers and support for the work of Daniel Shayesteh and 'Exodus From Darkness'.**

## Exciting News

The watch hours for the [Daniel Shayesteh YouTube Channel](#) have increased dramatically to over 181,491 minutes, which is over 3,025 hours. Our target was to reach 4,000 'viewing hours' for our channel by the end of the year and we are rapidly approaching this target! So, we now need to set a bigger target! Praise God!!

This dramatic increase in watch hours has been driven particularly by [Episode 10 of Understanding and Freedom](#). The title of this episode is "Is Islam Really The Last And Perfect Religion?" and it has achieved 27,987 views as of September 10th 2018.

Once we reach 4000 'viewing hours' we have access to advertising revenue for the ministry. With potentially millions of viewers around the world, there is the potential for us to raise funds for producing 'Understanding and Freedom' in more languages of the Muslim world.

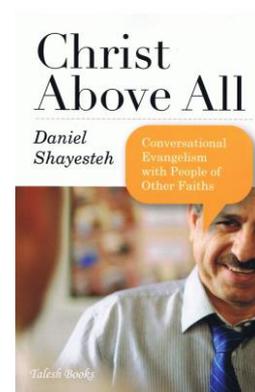
## Islam and the Son of God



We invite you to visit our EFD website at

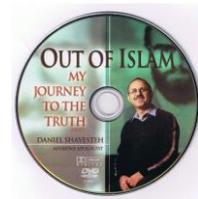
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## Resources



[Christ Above All](#)  
Price US\$20.00

Daniel's talks, videos and books have helped many people to 'hug Jesus tighter'. Daniel's turbulent life story ([Daniel's Story](#)), like the story of the Apostle Paul, is one that makes us sit up and take notice when he speaks about the beauty, wonder and uniqueness of Jesus, our Lord.



Excitingly, Daniel's latest video series 'Understanding and Freedom' is designed to help people from Muslim and other backgrounds to open their minds and hearts to encounter Jesus the Son for the first time.

[Daniel's Testimony](#)

Price US\$15.00

You can find these videos posted on the '[Daniel Shayesteh YouTube Channel](#)' with [playlists](#) in both English and Farsi.

[The House I Left Behind](#)

Price US\$20.00

- [English](#)
- [Farsi](#)

[Islam and the Son of God](#)

Price US\$20.00

Also, the Turkish version of the book of 'Understanding and Freedom' is now in print. Copies are available free of charge (excluding postage) for reaching out to Turkish people. Simply contact us using the contact details at the end of this newsletter.

Recent stories that underline the ferocity of living under harsh and extremist Islamic rule include that of the Iranian exiled woman Masoumeh "Masih" Alinejad-Ghomi and the worrying reports about the disappearance of Dubai princess Sheikha Latifa. Google these names to find out more about the life experiences of both of these women.

Sad and tragic stories like these help us to understand why being saved by Jesus is so 'delicious'. When you come to Jesus it's as if you discover the 'yumminess' of eating a mango for the very first time, never imagining beforehand that such a beautiful fruit existed.

Thank you Daniel for helping us to think more deeply about the Son.

*"The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation." (Colossians 1:15)*

## Latest News

### Understanding and Freedom

- We are continuing to upload, in both English and Farsi, new episodes of Daniel's 22 episode series 'Understanding and Freedom' onto our [Daniel](#)

[Shayesteh YouTube Channel](#). The remaining episodes will be uploaded every 1 to 2 weeks until the whole series is available world-wide. We also plan to upload the Arabic version as soon as possible.

- Translations
  - Work is underway on the Indonesian edition and a Swahili edition of 'Understanding & Freedom'. Please pray for our translator/reviewers as they steadily tackle this challenging task.
- Voice-over
  - Final work is being done on the Arabic 'voice-over' version of 'Understanding and Freedom'.
- Publications of Books
  - The Turkish text for 'Understanding and Freedom' is now in print.
  - The Farsi text for 'Understanding and Freedom' is being prepared for printing.

## Speaking Opportunities

- Daniel is receiving invitations to speak in the USA and around the world. Pray that these invitations will continue to come in as they are a significant part of multiplying the impact of the overall ministry.

## Social Media Action

- Two Facebook pages are being updated regularly. The [ExodusFrom Darkness Facebook page](#) and the [Understanding and Freedom Facebook Page](#).
- The '[Daniel Shayesteh YouTube Channel](#)' now has [playlists](#) in both English and Farsi.
  - [English](#)
  - [Farsi](#)
- You can help us to increase our watch hours by:
  1. Visiting our [Daniel Shayesteh YouTube Channel](#) and then clicking 'subscribe'.
  2. Making about 20 minutes per week available to actually watch each episode over the next 5 months. Their presence on YouTube makes it so

- easy to watch them. (600 viewers x 22 episodes x .33 hr = 4356 viewing hours)
3. You can also become part of multiplying the following for our ministry by visiting our ['Understanding and Freedom' Facebook page](#) and clicking on 'like' when you receive each Facebook posting.
  4. You can also use time when you are doing something routine and automatic to listen to one of the episodes of 'Understanding and Freedom' (e.g. while weeding the garden, preparing a meal, doing the ironing, pottering in the shed, driving in the car, etc)
- [Episode 10](#) ("Is Islam Really The Last And Perfect Religion?") is an excellent example of the messages that Daniel has designed to stimulate Muslim and Muslim-background believers to ask questions and to search for the Truth.

## How can you help?

- Firstly and foremost through your prayers, but also through your financial gifts and by talking it up everywhere you go. The more people who hear about it, the more that will subscribe and the more who will view episodes.

## Prayer Points

- We invite you to download our ['7 Days Prayer Guide'](#) for the ministry of Exodus From Darkness.
- Praise God for many people working with EFD to get the whole world thinking about the wonder & uniqueness of Jesus.
- Please ask the Father for 'His Heart' when praying for the Muslim world and for the challenges facing Muslim background followers of Jesus.
- Praise God that influential people are taking an interest in Daniel's 'Understanding and Freedom' Series. Please pray that God will open the door for Daniel to speak through media to people who want to ask him questions as a result of watching the Series.
- Pray for our EFD Social Media Manager as she works to raise awareness of the 'Understanding and Freedom' Series around the Muslim world.
- Please pray for the appointment of an EFD researcher/writer/editor to work closely with Daniel

and our Executive Officer. Please contact us at [aus@exodusfromdarkness.org](mailto:aus@exodusfromdarkness.org) if you are interested in applying for this role, or if you know of someone who might be interested. It is a relatively small part-time position that would be a huge benefit to the ministry. We would desperately love to appoint someone to this role. We are also seeking advisory services from a specialist NFP Australian Accountant. Do you know a semi-retired person who might be interested in this role?

- Praise God for the teams that are now working on the Indonesian version and the Swahili version. Please pray that we will find suitable translators and narrators for the Bangla project that we hope to commence later in 2018.
- Please pray for God's power and blessing to be upon the Arabic Voiceover Team as they complete the Arabic edition of 'Understanding & Freedom'. This continues to be a demanding project and we need patience and wisdom from the Lord as we complete the final steps. The Reachout team has learnt lots of lessons from this part of the project.
- Pray for God's guidance in identifying the best technical teams for recording the voice-overs for each of our target languages – Turkish and Swahili are possibly the next two languages to be recorded in voice-over format.

## **The next instalment of 'Your Ministry to Muslim Friends' - KEYS TO EVANGELISM**

### **Revelation Makes God Accessible**

God is the source of truth. Only through the revelation of God are we able to know and have the truth. John 1:14 tells us that "the Word [God] became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth".

- What human authority can establish the truth on earth if God, who is expected to be the supreme authority in theology, is not 'revealed'?
- But God in the Qur'an is not 'revealed' to Muhammad
- God in the Bible does reveal Himself to everyone who

desires

- Who can then claim 'knowing' and 'having the truth'?
- Is it the followers of the Bible or the followers of the Qur'an?

## Daniel's Books and DVD's

Many people have been blessed through the special insights into Islam and other religions that are provided by Daniel's books. Please use Daniel's books and DVD's and share them with your churches, Bible Colleges and friends.

*Understanding and Freedom* (DVD Series-a comparison between Islam and Christianity. This is an engaging and deeply spiritual conversation with Daniel Shayesteh through 21 key topics. Join in with the conversation and dare to listen to your God-given conscience. (Available in English (DVD Series, CD Series and Book) and Farsi (DVD Series) and Turkish (Book only). Arabic (DVD) and Farsi (Book) coming soon.)

(Please write to us about how these resources can best be distributed in your country. You can also source Understanding and Freedom resources to share with others by contacting us using the contact details below).

*The House I Left Behind* (Revised Edition) Daniel Shayesteh's life journey from Islam to Christ. *Islam and the Son of God* (Revised edition of The Difference is the Son) Compares the Qur'an and the Bible against the backdrop of Islam's early history and Islam's contemporary message. *Christ Above All* Looks at the nature of 'god', sin and salvation in several of the world's major religions, and in the problems of selected philosophies while, at the same time, challenging the conscience of every human being to search for the Truth.

Suggested Donations for Resources

*Understanding and Freedom* - DVD Series \$15 + \$8 for postage

*The House I Left Behind* – \$20 + \$8 for postage

*Islam and the Son of God* - \$20 + \$8 for postage

*Christ Above All* - \$20 + \$8 for postage.

Daniel's Testimony DVD (70 min) - \$15 + \$5 for postage.

Go to the end of this email for contact details (either USA or Australia) for ordering books and DVD's. Orders can also be made online through our [EFD website](#).

We close with the words of Jesus.

***"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Matthew 9:37,38***

Please visit our [EFD Facebook](#) page, our NEW ['Understanding & Freedom' Facebook page](#) and our NEW [Daniel Shayesteh Youtube Channel](#).

## **Donations**

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or

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- the General EFD Fund

- Understanding and Freedom translations and voice-over production costs
- The Satellite TV ministry
- etc

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Past Newsletter Topics

You can catch up with past topics of discussion at [Daniel's Blogspot](#)

## Invite Daniel

"If you keep quiet at a time like this, ... you and your relatives will die. What's more, who can say but that you have been elevated to the palace for just such a time as this?" (Esther 4:14; read Isa.62 :1; Am.5:13)

Daniel and Mary are from Iran. Daniel was a teacher of Islamic philosophy, a member of the Iranian Revolutionary Army and a leading Muslim fundamentalist political leader during the Iranian Islamic Fundamentalist Revolution that began in 1979. He is now an evangelist for J... [Read more here . . .](#)

