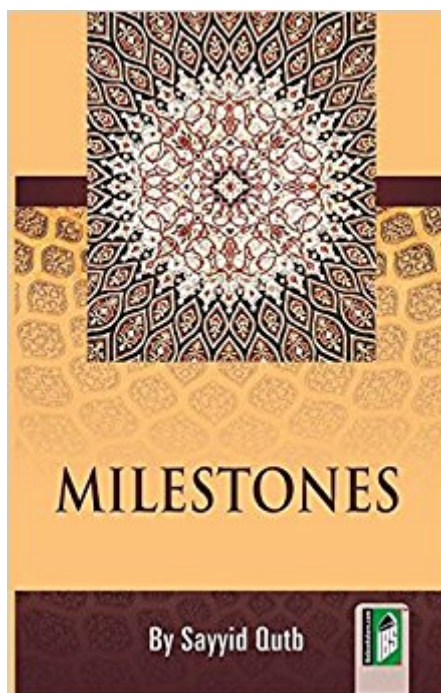


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# Milestones



## Synopsis

The author speaks about the unique Quranic generation, the nature of the Quranic method, the characteristics of Islamic society, jihad in the cause of God, and a Muslim's nationality and his belief among other things.

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an Egyptian Islamist, author, educator and poet. He was also the leading member of the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt in the 1950s and 1960s. In 1966 he was convicted of plotting the assassination of Egyptian president Abdel Nasser and he was executed by hanging. His masterpiece is the 30 volume commentaries on the Quran: In the Shade of the Quran, which is mandatory bedtime reading for members of Muslim Brotherhood, Jamaat e Islami, Hizbut Tahrir, ISIS, Al-Qaeda, Islamic Jihad and similar groups. Milestones is one of his works on social justice and the role of Islam in politics. Sayyid Qutb was an outstanding personality from amongst the great figures of Islamic thought, from the men of contemporary Islamic Awakening. He possessed the true Imaanic stance, a person of Jihad, struggle, sacrifice, and sincerity to the Ummah. He enriched the Islamic heritage with masterpieces of work from literature and thought. Shaykh Ahmed Fareed, Mawaaqif Imaaniyah say that there is a chapter in this book (Milestones) which is of great benefit, called La ilaha illallah minhaj hayah (he (Sayyid Qutb) has written some words which I believe are like light from light ilham (inspiration) Shaykh Nasiruddeen al-Albani,

al-Iṣṭiḥāq Sayyid Qutb is the most famous personality of the Muslim world in the second half of the 20th century. We heard that the death sentence on Imam Shahid Sayyid Qutb had been carried out. Such a great loss. Sayyid Qutb a man who held fast to his religion, trusting in Allah's victory. Read Milestones to find out why Sayyid (Qutb) was executed. Zainab al-Ghazali Return of the Pharaoh --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

"Milestones" is a valuable primary source for the study of Islamic fundamentalism in the 20th century. Qutb's arguments present the flaws and vigor of extremist thinking: his ideal society is poorly delineated, and his desire for "freedom" clashes sharply with his desire to violently silence those who disagree with him. Furthermore, Qutb's notions of the inherent corruption and bankruptcy of man never manage to escape the reality that even in a "divinely ordained" society, the agents and authorities of its execution will always be human beings.

Good starting point to understand Islamic fundamentalism. Qutb's influence to later radicals is certainly genuine. Milestones is a succinct summary of his ideology.

Qutb (1906-1966) was born in Egypt and was, and still is, a guiding light for the Muslim Brotherhood. Since the Muslim Brotherhood now controls Egypt and Gaza, it is a good time to become more familiar with his ideas. In this book he formulates his position that all the world, including so-called Muslim states, are in a state of jahiliyya or ignorance. He proposes a way to resolve this problem and see the entire world, eventually, submitting to the benevolent will of its Creator in the form of the shari'a. I can see why this book ended up being so influential for Muslims around the world. It is certainly a call to arms and a return to Qutb's erroneous and fantastic version of early Islam. His main problem is history—he has little understanding of what actually occurred in the days of the so-called Rightly-guided Caliphs (al khulafa' al rashiduun). His mythical 'golden age' is not so different than how fundamentalist Christians view the Apostolic Church. The difference between those two origin myths though can be summarized in one phrase: the sword of the religion (sayf id diin). The originality of Milestones is Qutb's incorporation of the (imported) revolutionary concept of the vanguard, so important to, for instance, the Bolsheviks. He proposed the formation of a vanguard which by its example and piety and voluntary submission to the will of Allah would attract people to itself, eventually resulting in the rebirth of a true Islamic civilization in dar al islam,

which would eventually spread throughout the entire world. The Muslim Brotherhood was the first such vanguard. And today it controls Egypt and Gaza and has outposts throughout the world, including in the form of CAIR (Council on American-Islamic Relations) in the USA. This short book is well worth your time. Not because it is particularly well-written, but because it has been extremely influential and continues to shape our world today. If Qutb is right, the time of jahiliyya for the most populous nation in the Middle East is now over, and the true reign of God has come.

It gave me a clear understanding of Islam-Sharia, Muslim Brotherhood, Muslim Community and its direction and development strategy to secure and spread Islamic Ideology world-wide, and more specifically in the United States.

If you want to understand Isis and al Qaeda mentality this is well worth reading

It's more strident and direct than Social Justice in Islam, but one is well-advised to read both together if (s)he wishes to know and understand the roots of radical Islamism.

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