

now the center of Islamic pilgrims. Now we are asked in this western world to speak of the religion as Mohammedanism, naming it after the man, but the people themselves never use that title for it. They use the word Islam. Islam means submission and the central teaching of Islam is submission to the will of Alla. There is no atonement in it. There is no regeneration in it, but there is a submission and the people ^{who} believe in Islam do not ever call themselves Mohammadans, that is the western way of designating them. They call themselves Muslims adding our western plural onto it, a Muslim is one who is submissive to Alla. Now we sometimes write that as Moslem, and either Muslim or Moslem, Muslim is more accurate, Moslem is the more common western form, but either one of them is a more proper designation, although for most people in the west here to understand what you mean, Mohammedan is the term to which they are accustomed. These are the followers of Mohammed and his followers went out with the belief that he gave that it was wicked to worship false gods and it was wicked to worship the forces of nature, that their fighting against the idolatry of Arabia they soon came into contact with the fire-worship of Persia and the fire-worshippers became the great enemies of the Muslims and they saw the fire-worship and when they would come to anyone who worshipped idols or who worshipped the god of fire or worshipped the sun, they would give them their choice to go on or the sword. You may except the Koran become a Muslim or you may be killed with the sword and they had their choice and many of them were killed, but a far greater number accepted Islam. Now when they came to Jews or Christians they did not take that attitude. They said a Jew or a Christian believes in the one true God and therefore they are not to be killed as a pagan or as the fireworshipper is to be killed. They said, they believe in the one true god but they have a perverted idea about him and they are rejecting his great prophet, they are not worthy of death, they are to be tolerated, but they are subject to great civil disability and at times there have been great massacres of Christians by the Moslem, there have been terrific massacres by them, but these are the exception rather than