



Turkey's Syria offensive shows how each party is fighting its own war

News:

End to war now seems further away than ever as the Kurds, US and Turkey each have goals that are rarely compatible

After seething at Kurdish gains on its southern border over the past year, Ankara sent tanks and troops to Syria in pursuit of the Kurds who it insisted were using the remit the US had given them as a premise for a land grab that would realise historical ambitions. Going after Isis in the border town of Jarabulus was Turkey's stated goal, but stopping the Kurds in their tracks was more important.

One week on, the Turkish intervention continues to highlight a stark reality in Syria: each party is fighting its own war on the world's most internecine battlefield, with goals that are rarely compatible, even with those of their allies. The bottom line is that a solution to the increasingly opaque and endlessly destructive conflict seems further away than ever. (Source: <u>The Guardian</u>)

Comment:

Turkey is stuck in a post-Kemalist mental trap - of being subservient to secularism and viewing the world through the eyes of Kufr taught in the process are being manipulated by its enemies.

Turkish leadership's secular mind is engaged in a battle to protect the integrity of its country. And so it battles and kills to preserve its secularly defined borders. It carries secular agenda, judges by its criteria, discharges its weapons and withholds it based on the same. Even after a coup attempt, it has no problems with its military carrying out the orders to preserve the interests of the West and helping to fulfil that neocon agenda of perpetual war in the Muslim lands.

Were Turkey to be based upon the Aqeedah of Islam, it would have a different colour completely. Its borders would extend the lines drawn by the colonialists, reaching beyond Manbij all the way into Syria. If it carried the Islamic viewpoint about life, Turkey would have liberated Syria in two weeks or less. It would remember that above all, it is a nation of the followers of Muhammad (saw) who seek the sincere implementation of Islam and would not hesitate to go to the aid of their mothers, sisters, fathers and brothers in Syria. It would not be following the agenda of the US or Russia, rather it would follow the mission of Rasulullah (saw).

Islam is a Deen brought as a mercy to all the worlds, to liberate mankind from the oppression and worship of man and man-made constructs to the liberation and worship of the One Creator.

It is time for Turkey and its leadership to liberate their minds and their basis of life, from that of Kufr to return to Islam. Is Turkey does this, only then will we see the liberation of the Islamic Ummah not only in Manbij, but also Turkey, Syria and the rest of the world.

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