This past September, I addressed a rather controversial yet timely topic at *Our Lady’s Army of Advocates* Conference, namely, “The End of Islam: Russia’s Future Role” (in many ways, a continuation of my July 2016 talk, “Fatima, Islam, and Our Lady’s Coming Triumph,” available here). A transcript of “The End of Islam”, complete with source references, was subsequently published in two parts in the print edition of *Catholic Family News*.

Much to my surprise, I received a request for an interview shortly after its publication from one of our subscribers, a gentleman named Cliff Kincaid, who also happens to be the president of America’s Survival, Inc. Mr. Kincaid explained that the contents of my lecture grabbed his attention due to the striking agreement of my work with his decades-long research into Communism and Islam. Moreover, he found some much needed hope in the face of what appears to be the unstoppable rise of Islam in modern times. Thus, on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12), Cliff and I discussed “The End of Islam” in light of the 100th anniversary of Our Lady’s Fatima apparitions:

Although this Fatima Centennial Year is quickly drawing to a close, “Fatima’s prophetic mission,” as Pope Benedict XVI called it, is far from over. The former Pontiff likewise emphasized in 2010 that the Third Secret deals with “realities involving the future of the Church, which are gradually taking shape and becoming evident.” It is my firm conviction that the violent rise and miraculous end of Islam are both intimately bound up with obedience (or lack thereof) to Our Lady of Fatima on the part of the Church – most especially, the Pope. (Steve Skojec of *OnePeterFive* published some excellent commentary on this subject last month.)

Just a few short weeks ago, while those of us in America were preparing to celebrate Thanksgiving, the pro-ISIS Wafa’ Media Foundation released several ominous propaganda posters, one of which portrayed a jihadi soldier standing over a decapitated Pope Francis. Another such poster called upon “lone wolves” to strike near St. Peter’s Basilica on Christmas, declaring: “We will not exclude the young, elderly, or women. You are all in the crosshairs of our arrows…”

Arrows? At first glance, a rather odd threat (wouldn’t they be using guns or explosives?); however, in light of the Third Secret, quite significant:

“…the Holy Father passed through a big city half in ruins and half trembling with halting step, afflicted with pain and sorrow, he prayed for the souls of the corpses he met on his way; having reached the top of the mountain, on his knees at the foot of the big Cross he was killed by a group of soldiers who fired bullets ***and arrows*** at him, and in the same way

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there died one after another the other Bishops, Priests, men and women Religious, and various lay people of different ranks and positions.” (emphasis added)

(Noted Fatima scholar Christopher Ferrara discussed the significance of “arrows” during his speech at The Fatima Center’s “Only the Pope Can Save Washington” Conference in September 2015.)

As we prepare to celebrate the blessed Nativity of the Word made flesh (see John 1:14), let us cling with confidence to the promise of His most holy Mother at Fatima and pray earnestly for its swift fulfillment: “In the end, My Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to Me, and she shall be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world.”

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