



## 5441 - Was Islam spread by the sword?

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### the question

Some enemies of the religion claim that Islam was spread by the sword. What is your response to that?

### Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

Islam was spread by proof and evidence, in the case of those who listened to the message and responded to it. And it was spread by strength and the sword in the case of those who stubbornly resisted, until they had no choice and had to submit to the new reality.

And Allah is the source of strength. May Allah bless our Prophet Muhammad and his family and companions, and grant them peace.