

## **The Influence of Radicalisation on Muslim Women**

Although radicalisation of Muslims in Europe takes place predominantly among men, there are also Islamic women that are under the influence of radical Islam. Even those that are not radicalized themselves, have to deal with the radicalization of their husbands, brothers or sons. During this seminar we will get a glimpse of the impact radicalisation has on Muslim women in Europe and in what way Christian women can come alongside them with the Gospel of peace.

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### **I. Earlier views**

A. Sisterhood (Islamic Brotherhood)

B. Hizab ul Tahrir

### **II. Theological Basis of Radical Islam**

### **III. Major Issues**

A. Suicide (sons, mothers, sister)

B. Nikki Jihad

C. Moroccan women (emerging self)

#### **IV. A Christian Response**

A. Bold personal loving witness

B. Robust Biblical knowledge and apologetics

C. A truly Scriptural worldview

D. Urgent need to strengthen one another, encourage unity

E. Prioritize ministry to families

F. Prioritize Scripture (oral as well as written)

#### **Books**

*Reflections on the Revolution in Europe.* Christopher Caldwell 2009

*Muslims in Britain, an Introduction.* Sophie Gilliat-Ray 2010

*Modernizing Women, Gender & Social changes in the Middle East.* Valentine M. Moghadam 1993

*The Islamist.* Ed Husein. 2009

*The Radical.* Maajid Nawaz 2012

*Modernizing Islam,* John Esposito/Francois Burgat, eds 2003, chapter 6, Connie C Christiansen, Women's Islamic Activism.