



'Searching for Truth Together'

"How can I understand unless someone helps me?"

(Acts 8:31 CEV)

Thank you for your prayers and support for the work of Daniel Shayesteh and 'Exodus From Darkness'

**Many Middle-Easterners who've moved to Europe are hungry for the truth! .... and Praise God, they're willing to move heaven and earth to share it with those back home!**



Daniel speaking in Farsi (Persian) in one of the episodes from his 'Understanding and Freedom' Series.

[Daniel's YouTube Channel](#) is providing us with intriguing insights into the audiences who are viewing the Farsi (Persian) Series of 'Understanding and Freedom'. While there were many Farsi viewers of Daniel's channel in the USA during 2019 (and of course many other parts of the world as well), there was an even bigger audience for

the Farsi Series of 'Understanding and Freedom' in both Sweden and Germany. Furthermore, these viewers are mostly young men in the age range of 25 – 34, which is very heartening given the propensity of this age group for radicalisation.

The bigger audiences in Sweden and Germany highlights the large number of Farsi speaking asylum seekers/refugees/immigrants who have moved to these countries over recent decades and years.

Daniel has been building relationships with some of the Muslim background believers (MBB's) in these countries who have been influenced by his messages. This has provided us with a valuable insight into why the Farsi Series of 'Understanding and Freedom' is considered so precious by these people.

These MBB's talk about how they were initially agnostics while in Iran because they had become disillusioned with Islam and the Iranian Islamic Government. But then Jesus called them to himself (often through visions and dreams) at some point during their journey to the West and they became followers and disciples of Jesus. Before long they found themselves in debates with Muslims. Coupled to this they experienced a growing passion to share their faith with their Muslim friends and homelands.

They faced a frustration though! Many of the Christians broadcasting to them in Farsi were unable to respond to the questions being posed by Muslims and MBB's. These Christian broadcasters humbly confessed that they did not have a deep knowledge of Islam. This limited their ability to answer the deeper questions of people regarding following Jesus compared to Islam.

This is what makes Daniel's Farsi Series of 'Understanding and Freedom' so special! Daniel was born into a Muslim family in Northern Iran. At one time he was a radical Muslim leader and teacher of Islam. This provided Daniel with the deeper knowledge of Islam necessary for answering the deeper questions being posed by Muslims and MBB's in countries like Germany and Sweden.

MBB's in Europe have explained that Daniel's Farsi Series of 'Understanding and Freedom' is like a 'university' for them, educating them so they can reach out with the gospel in partnership with Daniel. They are now doing this using innovative and secure digital social media channels to reach people in Iran and other parts of the Middle East. This means that so many are now hearing the transformational truth of Jesus – the message that is life changing for every dimension of their lives compared to their lives in Islam.

**The list of 'Understanding and Freedom' languages now includes English, Farsi, Turkish, Arabic, Swahili, Urdu, Indonesian and Mandarin.**

The English, Farsi and many of the Arabic 'Understanding and Freedom' episodes are already available on [Daniel's YouTube Channel](#). Other resources on our YouTube Channel include [Daniel's Testimony](#), an [Audio Book of Daniel's autobiography 'The House I Left Behind'](#) (with new episodes uploaded regularly), [Daniel's Midnight Cry Series](#) and some 'snippets' from some of Daniel's other talks. Some languages, Turkish, Swahili, Urdu (available soon), Indonesian

(available soon) and Mandarin (available soon), are only available as 'Understanding and Freedom' booklets.

We encourage you to visit Daniel's YouTube Channel and to [subscribe now](#). This can really help us to raise the profile of Daniel's Channel around the world.

**Thank you to everyone for your prayers that is making this journey possible.**

### **Some of the feedback we're receiving from viewers of Daniel's 'Understanding and Freedom' Series.**

*"Peace be upon you. I love your videos. There is a special peace in your conversations that I love very much. Your explanation is penetrating hearts and drawing listeners' deep attention. Your teaching led me to know and believe in Jesus Christ as my God and Savior. I just wanted to let you know that I received the Good News through you with all my heart and being. I pray that you live 120 years so that I can benefit from the wealth of your teaching. Please pray for me dear master so that I can hold fast in the Lord Jesus Christ."*

*"Hello. I was a strict Muslim and loved Islamic Sharia. I gave my life to Jesus because of you ... I wish there were many like you who could touch Muslims' minds."*

*"Hello. I saw some of our fellow Muslims responding to your sound discussions with hatred. Your kind responses to their deep hatred caused me to investigate more and eventually follow Jesus."*

We also have evidence that Daniel's messages have been touching the hearts of some of the fighters involved in the Syrian conflict and the war against Islamic State. A Muslim soldier has asked Daniel for instruction in how to pray Christian Prayers, so they might know the peace and security of Jesus in their lives and families.

Furthermore, as we shared in our opening article, how exciting that young people in Europe are teaming up with Daniel to communicate the gospel in a contextually relevant way to the Middle East.

**We encourage you to keep praying that the Lord will provide all the resources required as Daniel's 'Understanding and Freedom' Series is distributed and promoted in English, Farsi, Turkish, Swahili, Arabic, Indonesian, Urdu and Mandarin.**