

# Abu Bekr

[Abu Bekr was the next leader to take over after Mohammad died.

*Note – The first quote is found in a Seventh-day Adventist book by Uriah Smith called Daniel and the Revelation. The last quotation comes from Gibbon's work called Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire.]*

*Revelation 9:4. And it was commanded from them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.* "[The following statements are historical support for the preceding Bible verse. Yes, God was in control and still in control of the world events.]

'After the death of Mohammed, he was succeeded in the command by Abu Bekr, A.D. 632, who, as soon as he had fairly established his authority and government, dispatched a circular letter to the Arabian tribes, from which the following is an extract:-

"When you fight the battles of the Lord, acquit yourselves like men, without turning your backs; but let not your victory be stained with the blood of women and children. Destroy no palm-trees, nor burn any fields of corn. Cut down no fruit-trees, nor do any mischief to cattle, only such as you kill to eat. When you make any covenant or article, stand to it, and be as good as your word. And as you go, you will find some religious persons who live retired in monasteries, and propose to themselves to serve God that way; let them alone, and neither kill them nor destroy their monasteries. And you will find another sort of people that belong to the synagogue of Satan, who have shaven crowns; be sure you cleave their skulls, and give them no quarter till they either turn Mohammedans or pay tribute.' Uriah R. Smith, Daniel and the Revelation THE SEVEN TRUMPETS  
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Great Nations of Today by A.T. Jones CHAPTER VIII. THE FIFTH TRUMPET -- THE FIRST WOE. page 66 paragraph 2 "Remember that you are always in the presence of God, on the verge of death, in the assurance of judgment, and the hope of paradise. Avoid injustice and oppression, consult with your brethren, and study to preserve the love and confidence of your troops. When you fight the battle of the Lord, acquit yourselves like men, without turning your backs; but let not your victory be stained with the blood of women and children. Destroy no palm trees nor burn any fields of corn. Cut down no fruit trees, nor do any mischief to cattle, only such as you kill to eat. When you make any covenant or article, stand to it, and be as good as your word. As you go on, you will find some religious persons who live retired in monasteries, and propose to themselves to serve God that way: let them alone, and neither kill them nor burn their monasteries. And you will find another sort of people, that belong to the synagogue of Satan, who have shaven crowns; be sure you cleave their skulls, and give them no quarter till they either turn Mohammedan or pay tribute." -- Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire, Chap. LI, par. 10.