

Muslim At work

Isn't it cool when you start a job
and you found another Muslim works there?

Dude another Muslim works here?

That's so cool....Where?

Is like meeting a family member
that you never knew you have.

You know what I'm talking about?

What I don't understand though, how come some people act certain ways when during in
the masjid.

And they act totally different when you see them at school or work

I mean, you see them at the masjid, everything is cool.

It may go something like this.

Hey Assalamualaikum Brother!

Walaikumsalaam brother, how are you doing
my name is Mohammad, what is your name?

My name is Ali, nice to meet you

Masha Allah Brother, Masha Allah

It is a great name

You know,

Ali is a sahabi (companion of the prophet) name

hamdulillah brother, hamdulillah

InshaAllah you're doing well

Then imagine, you start a new job.

And you discover that same brother you've met at the masjid.

He works there!

But for some reasons

He acts very different ways at work.

Like he's a secret agent...sssstttt

You know what I'm saying.

That Muslim would be so paranoid

When you trying to say salaam

to him in public

I know what you're saying

It's like they're ashamed to be a Muslim

When you see him at your new job

and you want to greet him for the 1st time

He is starting to act a little weird

It goes something like this

Hey.. Assalamu'alaikum Brother

This is Ali, the Brother you met at the masjid

How are you doing Bro?

Hey hey how is it going Bro?

What? What happened to your accent?

Time Out!

At that point

You start to wonder

Is this the same guy I met at the masjid?

Is this the same guy?

Because, He doesn't seem to be the same guy

He seem like a totally different character

But..

You know what?

It is the same guy

This is the same guy

I'm sure

I'm 100% sure

Just try it again

Just try to say salaam to him again

And see how it goes

Here we go

Time in

eee...Assalamu'alaikum..???

Wa alaikumsalaam

Ha...???

ehmm.. ehmm

Wa alaikum salaam, wa alaikum salaam

Ha???

I said wa alaikum salaam

Hey...! George, Bobbyyy...

You guys go crazy last night

Hey...! George, Bobbyyy...

Craazyyy.....

What? Conference?

See you at the conference room?

Bye bye

See you at the conference room right? yeahh..

bye bye

You're Ali right?

Yeah Ali, we met at the masjid. You're Mohammad right?

Eiii Man! Stttt

Just call me Michhh!

Mike

Mike?

Michhh!

Er.....

Okay Mike, can I ask you a question?

Why are we whispering?

Subhanallah!

We are a nation who Allah SWT, honored

By giving Us Islam.

So We should never be ashamed of who we are

Being a Muslim is an Honor,

so be proud of it!

Another typical guy you might meet at work

He is a little foreign

Tries to blend in

But doesn't do a very good job of it

If you know what I mean.

They usually amazed

when they find out that my name is Ali

And I practice Islam

When this person approaches me

It go something like this

Hellooo...hello allo hello..

You're Ali right?

You're very ????

can I ask you something?

Sure

Are you Iranian? ...

I was born Iran

but, I was raised here in the states

Ah okay, that is good

You know

I wanted to ask you

Me and my buddies are going

to a spaghetti factory restaurant

And we are going to have

All you can eat of "Spaghetti Especial", Okay?

I wanted to ask you

Did you want to come with Us?

Oh.. Thanks Man, but it's jumah

So I have to go pray first today,

so.. maybe

Oooo.. Oooo...

you go to the masjid to pray namaz with the people?

Oooo... that is so good...

Hey, you can go to jumah with me if you want

I might be leaving in about.....

No no no no...

It's oche its oche

I'm going to go to a lunch

with my buddies

May be next time

Well you can come with me next week

Don't worry we can go to...

Ohh. No no no, I'm busy too

I'm leaving early for Las Vegas

Pray for me to win..

Time Out !!!

Are you kidding me!

No, I'm not kidding you

Yeah. A professional gambler

who was apparently muslim, came up to me

And asked me

"Hey, can you pray for me, while I gamble?"

And amazing part of all of it

is that he know it's haraam

Not that someone doesn't know it haraam

He know it's haraam

But asked me to pray for him

Joke! jooookeeee!

Here is a reality check for you

If your money is haraam

Then you have no barakah in your money

The fancy excuses that you give to yourself

Oooh, I'll donate

Oooh I will donate to the poor when I win

It's okay, it's okay

It's not okay

Haraam is Haraam

The fancy excuses of winning money via gambling.

And then donating it to masjid

is nonsense!

Think that there is reward in it?

Nonsense!

Time In!

Let's go back to this conversation

Okay, Okay

Can I ask you something?

Ok, ok

Do you really pray?

Everyday..?

Yeahhhh....

Ohh that is soo good.

So let me ask you for a favor

When you go to Friday prayer

Can you pray for me?

I can make du'a for you but I can't pray for you

That is something you have to do yourself man.

Oh no Oh no, it's oche it's oche

You know it's oche to know God

to know Islam, to know religion

But just please, don't be ex-trim-ist

Extremist is very bad. Oche?

Okay, I didn't...

by the way I didn't catch your name.

What was your name?

Ooohh my name?

My name is ee..a Steve.. a Steve

Okay Steve, it was nice to meet you

I gotta got going now Man

Hey Buddy

I'm sorry, one more thing.

Can I ask you for a favor?

Sure, what's up?

You know that guy?

That guy that do this? Mich...

The one you're talking to

I think it might be a good idea

for you to go talk to him about Islam

I think He needs it

He really needs it

Ewh....

This is Ali reminding you in case you forgot

