## Looted landmarks: how Notre-Dame, Big Ben and St Mark's were stolen from the east

This is a 'book review' from the <u>Pantheon in Rome</u> predates the lot, from 126AD. I have been in them all; not that that makes me an expert, but I have an interest.



Looks familiar?

... from left, the interior of Jerusalem's Dome of the Rock, and Temple Church in London.

below left, Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem. They are domes. Round things, hemispherical, the building of which was described by <u>Microsoft News</u>, which frequently allows comments, and doesn't always (only sometimes) close those comments when they fail to accord with the PC/woke agenda. How long these will remain I don't know.

 Does the author consider 5th century BC Greek architecture and it's design features? Does the author consider Roman architecture and how it increased load bearing by designing arches? All this even before Christianity which is 500 years older than Islam. Even the so called Arabic arch is Visigothic and not Islamic.

- It is a real shame though that the Arabic world has remained in the 7th century, with not a single advance made culturally or scientifically. It is as if something happened in the 600's that lobotomised the region. Its also a shame the author appears to have absolutely no knowledge of history, but there again that probably is not the purpose of the piece.
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- Normal article from the 'Christian and White European' hating Guardian journalists. Why does this newspaper not rename itself the VOICE OF ISLAM AND BLACK LIVES MATTER' This paper with the other European and Christian Hating media broadcasting outfit THE BIASED BROADCASTING CORPORATION, is just constantly churning out anti British, anti Christian and anti White people articles. And trying to stop via MSN FACEBOOK CNN any opposed views like mine
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- Does the guardian ever stop trying to undermine our culture and general way of life? Appalling rag
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- What a load of spherical objects! I suppose the author is suggesting "culture appropriation" which is another bandwagon gathering pace.
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- The Guardian need to be more concerned about the darkness of its own origins to be honest, given that its founder John Edward Taylor ran a cotton plantation in the early 19th century..
- appropriate" (what a silly concept) the style from? Because Arab/Islamic culture produced very little that was new. Yes, they preserved much of what they learned (stole) from other cultures (usually cultures that they'd conquered) and in time that knowledge came to Europe, but they didn't originate everything themselves.

Even "Arabic" numerals aren't really Arabic in origin, we only call them that because we got them from the Arabs, but they didn't invent them. By the way, most Syrians wouldn't consider themselves to be Arabs, and the fifth-century Church in Syria would have been Christian and nothing whatsoever to do with Islam which wasn't around until the sixth-century.

 "The ignorance is widespread" Anyone else see the irony? Oliver, Big Ben is the bell, not the tower. That's apart from the fact that the tower has officially been called the Queen Elizabeth Tower since 2012.