

Oprah's Controversial 'Belief' Goes Step Further, Calls Islamic Jihad 'Misunderstood'

Jihad—aka the term used when terrorists launch an attack—is a “misunderstood” term, according to a Southern California dean.

In the introduction for the Muslim section of Oprah Winfrey's *Belief*, Varun Soni, dean of Religious Life at the University of Southern California says many have been interpreting the term jihad all wrong.

“Many people interpret (jihad) as a holy war, but there is nothing holy about war,” Soni says. “What jihad actually represents is an internal struggle in our own heart.”

He further states that jihad isn't just a Muslim concept, but the reality of the human condition.

Take a look.