

# **Rick Warren: “Legendary Cat Stevens came by to see me today as I worked at home on a sermon”**

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**Rick Warren** ✓

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Who knew that Rick Warren and Yusuf Islam (Cat Stevens) were this close? Did they sing a few choruses of [Cat's nasheed that contains the lines](#), "I'm praying to Allah to give us victory over the kuffar"?

It is no surprise. [Rick Warren previously has addressed](#) the convention of the Hamas- and Muslim Brotherhood-linked Islamic Society of North America (ISNA). [He apologized to Muslims, but wasn't sure what for](#). And now he is palling around with Mr. Peace Train (which he even references in the above tweet). What could possibly go wrong?

Nothing. It's "dialogue." It's "interfaith outreach." One thing you can be certain they didn't "dialogue" about: Yusuf Islam's enthusiastic 1989 endorsement of the Ayatollah Khomeini's death fatwa against Salman Rushdie for insulting Islam: "Cat Stevens Gives Support To Call for Death of Rushdie," by Craig R. Whitney in the [New York Times](#), May 23, 1989:

TONDON [sic], May 22 — The musician known as Cat Stevens said in a British television program to be broadcast next week that rather than go to a demonstration to burn an effigy of the author Salman Rushdie, "I would have hoped that it'd be the real thing."

The singer, who adopted the name Yusuf Islam when he converted to Islam, made the remark during a panel discussion of British reactions to Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's call for Mr. Rushdie to be killed for allegedly blaspheming Islam in his best-selling novel "The Satanic Verses." He also said that if Mr. Rushdie turned up at his doorstep looking for help, "I might ring somebody who might do more damage to him than he would like."

"I'd try to phone the Ayatollah Khomeini and tell him exactly where this man is," said Mr. Islam, who watched a preview of the program today and said in an interview that he stood by his comments....

Video can be found here: <https://youtu.be/2-wjxwpvqps>

And much more recently, he is praying for victory over the kuffar, while being embraced by Rick Warren. Peace train, holy roller, ride on the peace train!