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Ethiopia is known for religious tolerance mainly between Christians and Muslims for several years. This case was even surprising that Ethiopian Orthodox Church (EOC) used to favorite to the Muslims in order to portray their hatred and stigma to evangelicals. This happened for many years for the reason that EOC Christians have negatively thought that Evangelicals are antagonistic to their stand that Mary the mother of Jesus is their intercessor before God and all prayers have to be addressed to her or other accompanying saints. EOC Christians were fervently negative extremists on those of evangelicals not only on spiritual aspects but also social.

Recently, Muslims have proclaimed that they are overriding in number; which in turn they have used as a means to demand the Ethiopian government to be allowed for the "Sheria Governance". The government has conducted a National census in response and has officially informed that Christians are still the dominant number in the country. Then, Muslim extremists have tried to attack a number of EOC Christians and churches. They tried to snatch microphones from the teaching/preaching priests and tried to declare "Allah Wakber!" inside the church. They tried to do this even in one of evangelical Churches. Their decision was to make Ethiopia an island of Muslims.

After this, things were dramatically changing. The lifelong friendship of EOC to Muslims has started to crack. The biggest shift has followed then that EOC Christians wanted to cooperate and favorite to Evangelicals. Now, the combat became between EOC and Muslims. Mean time, things EOC Christians do are getting to be indications of their opposition to Muslims rather than Evangelicals. They have become very alerted and active on each and every single religious activity than ever before. When Epiphany was celebrated in January 19/2009, they attended in a massive and innumerable quantity in order to show their load over the country. Even, the streets were full of slogans and Bible verses. The government of Ethiopia has given warning on the national Television for those who are stirring some kind of clash. Things are getting to be very pressurized on both sides. Muslims on the other side are getting ready for some kind of war. Yet, Evangelical Christians seems to become quiescent on the situation. What do you think has to be the very sound Biblical, Theological and Apologetic response of evangelical Christians at this time?

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Thank you so much!

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