Bigger danger - tolerance or fear?

Talking points
1. How do these cartoons use the same symbol of terrorism to make very different statements?
2. Do you think religious tolerance or fear has led to more terrorism? Why?
3. What events and forces led to the formation and rise of the Islamic State terrorist group?
4. Have anti-terrorist efforts in the past created even more terrorists? If so, how?
5. What are politicians now proposing to battle terrorism?
6. What is the best strategy for defeating terrorists? Please explain.

Between the lines
"Donald Trump right now is validating the cartoonish view that (ISIS leaders) tell their ... their terrorists, that the United States is a racist nation — xenophobic, anti-Muslim. — Malcolm Nance, terror expert.  

Additional resources
More by Lisa Benson  
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