



Dear Friend in Jesus! Since our speaking and teaching seminars have been cancelled, we launched an online seminar. If you are interested in your own Seminar online please email or call us to arrange the time. It seems that the disruption in the lives of believers in the West is challenging. While in the West, churches and even small group fellowships have taken over Livestream venues, there is something else happening among many curious Muslims around the world especially in the Middle East and South East Asia. Those who are involved in outreach

to Muslims are seeing a rising interest among Muslims to know if we are living in the last days.



A father's dream

"We Muslims as you know believe in Jesus' is coming back, but not like you do. Do you Christians believe it is time for his coming? My father this morning told our *pir* (elder/priest), that while in *sujood* (prostration) in his prayer on the rug in the night he went to sleep and saw a saintly person who people were saying was Jesus. He was looking towards a very big gate which my father understood was to the world and some angel beings were saying 'Time is near'. Our *Pir*, although, agreed about Jesus but told me and my father not to tell any about the slogans my father heard from people and angels in his dream. They were 'Glory to the overcomer, Messiah, the *Awal* and *Akhir* (First and the Last), Our Redeemer, Our Mediator. Please can you interpret this dream? I did not tell my father about sending you this so please send your reply on Monday as my father will be away. I do not want any trouble at this time

Statistics

In these past weeks more and more 'Muslims' are accessing our websites. From March 7th to April 1, we received 7,800 e-mails. Our Junk mailbox on the server had another two thousand e-mails, a few of them were genuine while surely half of them were spam e-mails with viruses. As usual around 200 of them had abusive words and a lot of cursing. Among them, 178 are the usual ones. However, 327 are totally new. The 300 among them are from Pakistan, India, Iran and Saudi Arabia. So you can imagine how Steven is spending his days and that is apart from keeping fellowship with Christian friends.

Key Questions

Some of the key questions and queries were: "Since you Christians are followers of Christ, perhaps you know more about His second coming. Do you believe it is time for Him to come? Is it true that Jesus is coming back as a Muslim to help the *Mahdi* to establish a world Islamic empire?"

Some asked questions of an Islamic nature. For example: One wrote, "My flight to do *Umra* pilgrimage (a visit) to Mecca has been cancelled. Will God still bless me?" I wrote back what Jesus said that God is looking for people who will worship him in Spirit and truth (John 4:23-24). I also asked him to read Matthew chapters 5-7.

Prayer – Blessings versus Accusation

We received several requests from some Muslims to pray for them in the name of Jesus because Jesus was given the authority to heal and so as His followers if we pray for the sick and needy, they will be healed.

On another note one person wrote: Jesus is soon coming back to tell you that he never claimed divinity. He will say to you, 'I do not know you'. It is only you who call him Lord. He is not. He denies that.

Well you and I know that this person has taken the passage from Matthew out of context. The argument in the context is not about the Lordship of Jesus but of not obeying what Jesus has commanded

(Matthew 7:21 - 24). In fact in the narrative of Luke and John, Jesus is mentioned to have said that you call me Lord and teacher and rightly so, but you do not do what I say (Luke 6:46; John 13:13).

Main Theme in Responses

We pray many will know Jesus as the Savior. In our responses to queries through messages, e-mails, YouTube comments and comments that are sent to us through our websites, I always concentrate in my conversation that through first Adam we lost our fellowship with God but through second Adam, Jesus, we are restored back. The only thing we have to do is to turn from our ways and accept him as our Savior. After a long time someone took the initiative to share his father's dream with us. (See box on page 1). Muslims believe that only God is *Awal* and *Akhir* (The First and the Last). This must have perturbed all three of them. I wrote back and pointed this aspect of Jesus to Him and mentioned to Him that even on this earth he stood for that respect and said, 'You believe in God; believe also in me' (John 14:1) and certainly this, "all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father, who sent him" (John 5:23). I also mentioned to him that we believe God sent Jesus to be our redeemer, intercessor and mediator. In his reply, he thanked me and has asked to pray for him (Sabir) and his family.

Those who accepted Jesus, as usual I sent their info to missionary friends in the world who will follow the lead.

Prayer and Praise points

- ❖ Please pray with us also for our trouble to be eased in encountering modern technology.
- ❖ Please pray with us that the Lord will bring us partners gifted in administration for P/T office work, online technology, and digital video recording and editing. All of it is paid p/t work.
- ❖ Please pray with us that we will continue to be able to respond graciously to queries, and those few who desire further guidance will be put in contact with Christians.
- ❖ Please pray for new believers. Dawood, Salih, Younis, Zubair. We pray that Muslim women too will come forward. Names like Sahil, Nasim, Shahin and Farhat on our list are quite difficult to check whether the person is a man or a woman.
- ❖ Pray for Steven as he is almost finishing writing a new program to disciple new believers. It will be titled '*Iman-u-Amal, agla qadam* (Faith and Action – Next Step). Due to change in circumstances the recording will begin in May. The 30 programs will each be approximately 30 minutes.
- ❖ Please continue to pray for us. Steven's time is spread thin responding to queries, writing, speaking, teaching and equipping believers through personal contact and seminars. Seminars bring more finances and thus more outreach opportunities. However, at present we have no appointments.
- ❖ Please pray with us for the protection of those whom we have trained and equipped who are now in the field. May the Lord protect them and use them mightily to share the gospel with Muslims.
- ❖ We are thankful for our outreach resources being translated in several languages. We have started putting two of Steven's books, *Into the Light* and *More than Conquerors*, in several languages as PDF files on our websites. One of our readers has now graciously taken on the Arabic translation of all the resources and we are excited about its completion!
- ❖ We pray that you will continue to support this ministry so that more believers will be equipped to reach many from among the 1.7 Billion Muslims and more Muslims will come to Christ.

Jesus to Muslims: Financial Aspects

Jesus to Muslims relies solely on God through the generosity of our donors to: reach Muslims with the Gospel, expand our outreach, and hold seminars to equip Christians, give resources, as well as research and publish material for truth seekers.

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Monthly Need is \$15,000. We praise God for His provision through His people. If you are mailing your gift, please use the envelope provided. For online giving, please go to: www.JesusToMuslims.org and click on "Support". Donations are tax deductible.