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Calling God our Father - Yes/No

Dear Friend in Jesus! Islam has 99 names for Allah, which they refer to as *al-Asma-ul–Husna*, "the beautiful names." Many Muslims recite them for blessings in their lives. However, not one of them is "Father." I still remember the day, at age 13, when I received the gospel account of John in the Urdu language. I enjoyed reading it so much that I finished it in one day. I found that not only is Jesus different than what I was taught in Islam, but also God in his attributes is different. I knew God as our *Rab*, Lord, but not as *Abba*, Father. I didn't come to accept what I learned in the Bible until later.

The Qur'an states, "None in the earth or heaven can come to Him but as a servant" (Sura 19:93). Muslims see Allah as the distant, impulsive Judge, not as our loving Father who takes delight in His children. Thus, it is no surprise to see Muslims terrified of Allah. To fulfill his will, a significant number of them employ terror and violence against others since they do not know the God of love or Jesus, the true prince of peace.

While Allah of the Qur'an offers a master-slave relationship, the God of the Bible offers adoption into a Father-child relationship. When we surrender to Him, we become children of God through Jesus (Galatians 3:26). In contrast to the Qur'an, we as followers of Jesus are told, "The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we

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Dear Friends, when the truth of this intimacy is imprinted on the mind of a Muslim, then there is no turning back to Islamic slavery and Jihadism. Yes, I still remember the day when my father disowned me and declared that since I left Islam, I was not a member of the family. The father I called 'Abba' from childhood shut me out of that relationship and inheritance. It amazes me how through

Jesus Christ, God became my Father. Yes, I had no inheritance from my father, but I have

obtained an inheritance that is everlasting because I am a son and heir of God through Christ. I have received the promise of the Holy Spirit as a deposit of my inheritance (Ephesians 1:13-44). While Muslims look forward to God's grace and mercy on the Day of Judgement in terms of 'If Allah wills,' according to the Scriptures I have already received the assurance of that grace and mercy through Christ (John 1:17; 3:16).

Not only among Muslims, but many in the world are fatherless. Since the Old Testament time, when Ishmael felt rejection from his father, we have seen a growing epidemic of fatherlessness in our world.



The Lord's Prayer

Being rejected by an earthly father tarnishes our view of our Heavenly Father and can lead to anger, bitterness, and cause us to lash out at other people.

Let us pray for their eyes to be opened to the incredible eternal inheritance freely offered to them by "Abba" Father. May they know the love of our Father in Heaven available through Jesus, the only Savior.

Prayer and Praise points

- We are thankful to the Lord who continues to use us to reach Muslims with the gospel of Christ and equip Christians to share the eternal hope with them.
- We thank the Lord for our many friends who have been equipped and use that knowledge with the help of the Lord in various contexts including the mission field and their workplaces.
- Our 14 evangelistic leaflets are now being translated into a Chinese dialect spoken by many Muslims in China. Please pray for friends who will be using them in their efforts to reach Muslims for Christ.
- We are thankful to the Lord for the steady flow of queries we receive through our websites, broadcasts and through friends' contacts. We praise God for our believer friends around the world who so graciously do the follow-up and often put their own security on the line for Christ.
- Please pray for Steven. In June and July, he will be teaching at his home church and will continue to work on the next series of the Urdu broadcast 'Agla Qadam' Next Step. The program is a follow up of Iman wa Amal Faith and Action. It will be mainly for new believers on how they may now live in this world but not be of this world. The program will touch on various aspects of life in relation to family, friends, workplace, economics, and fellowship as believers.
- Please pray with us that as the Lord has touched many Muslims to follow Him, He will convict others

Free DVDs available

We are thankful to the Lord for the generosity of friends! We are able to give the following free DVDs on just one condition: study the subjects and use them to help others to know the Truth!

- "Answering Questions Muslims Ask"
- "Jesus or Muhammad: A Question of Submission"
- 3. "Why do Muslims want to annihilate Israel?"
- 4. "The Two faces of Islam"
- 5. "The Islamic and Biblical view of men, women, and marriage"

too who have shunned Islam, but are following Western humanism, calling it, 'Muslim humanism' even though the term 'Muslim' means a person who has surrendered himself in the case of Islam to God.

- We are thankful for the providence of extra space which we use for video recording.
- * We are still waiting upon the Lord to provide for the printing of Steven Masood's book *Into the Light* in Spanish. Also funding for the printing of the 14 evangelistic leaflets in Spanish.
- Please pray with us for many more open doors to equip the body of Christ to reach Muslims. We rely on your 'word of mouth' promotions of this ministry's work to open those doors.
- ❖ We receive many requests from around the world to provide financial and ministry material ______

resources to distribute amongst the lost. Please pray with us that God will provide the finances and the wisdom to know which requests are from Him so we can fulfill these needs.

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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