

Do Muslims & Christians believe in the same God?

Dear Friend in Jesus! As Election Day in the US approaches us, it is interesting to note that to attract Christians on their side several key leaders are claiming to be practicing persons of 'faith'. Many Christians do not even bother to investigate what those leaders stand for no matter what party they are. The biggest Biblical issue has been 'the sanctity of life'. Yet many Christians seem to avoid it or find somewhat of an excuse for a different interpretation. Some of these leaders even go to the extent to bring all faiths and ideologies together compelling each 'faith' group to be on their side and asking for their vote. Biblical faith is not the same as these 'faiths'.

To seek support from Muslim Americans, for example, Biden said, "I wish we taught more in our schools about the Islamic faith." He added: "I wish we talked about all the great confessional faiths. It's one of the great confessional faiths." He specified that, from a theological standpoint, "what we don't realize is that we all come from the same root here, in terms of our fundamental basic beliefs."

A Biblical vocabulary but Islamic Dictionary

Dear friends, as follower of Christ we should discern the Truth. Islam uses a Biblical vocabulary for its basic beliefs, but has its own dictionary. Very soon we find out that even the one known as God is different in His knowledge, status, and approach to the human being. Christians who believe in the integrity of the Bible as the Word of God and Christ as the final and the only Savior should research this for themselves and test the spirits. Often, I am asked by Christians "Is the God of the Bible and that of the Qur'an the same God?" My response is a flat out "NO". Here is why.

The Bible versus the Qur'an

To restore humanity back to His paradise, God sent His Word, Jesus, as the second Adam to fulfil his Judgement and Mercy. This is the whole story that we see in the Bible but it is denied in the Qur'an. Six hundred years after Jesus, Muhammad comes and claims to have been sent from the same God, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and of Moses and Jesus, giving him revelation through Angel Gabriel. Here is a question. Why would God send another Scripture with a prophet and a law if with Jesus He already completed the law perfectly knowing man was incapable of it (Matt 5:17, Hebrews 1:1-3)? Here it was finished in the Son.

When we look at the Qur'an God not only changes His mind but also forgets what he had done or said or ordered in the past. Only human beings forget. This shows us that the God of the Bible and the God of the Qur'an are not the same. Let me give you a few examples so we can discern this spirit (1 John 4:1-6):

1. **Moses and Pharaoh.** Interestingly, the Qur'an has related to the stories of Abraham and Moses more than any other Old Testament personalities yet with errors and omissions. For example, Moses, his discourses and the story of the plagues sent to Pharaoh are mentioned, however it omits the Passover like it never happened. We as followers, know its significance and fulfilment in Jesus (1 Corinthians 5:7; 1 Peter 1:19). Only Satan deceives with partial truth. In the story of Moses, the Qur'an mentions Aaron as the deputy of Moses but totally ignores the tabernacle, the sacrifices and Aaron's priesthood. Do you see what is happening? Can you see the deception?
2. **Saul, the king of Israel:** In the Bible we find that Saul was the first king of Israel. The God of the Qur'an relates to the story but mixes it with that of Gideon. To prove to the Israelites, his appointment from God, a sign was given that Saul would defeat the enemy of Israel with only a few hundred people. Then the Qur'an narrates what happened in Gideon's life with a small army of 300 but attributes it to Saul. Did God forget? Of course not! It's not the same God.

Church and Politics

Some pastors and churches hold the view that the church should preach the word, share the Gospel, make disciples, but keep out of politics. The Chinese Virus has shown the church how necessary it is for Christians to be involved in politics. Pastors and churches have been fined, forbidden to hold services, prohibited from singing, told to close Christian schools, with parishioners arrested, fined or threatened with fines. In short, the Virus has pulled Christians into politics even if they go kicking and screaming. We have heard pastors stand up to the state as they proclaim Jesus' death, resurrection, and return. This is political because it conflicts with the US Constitution, Natural Law, and Executive orders.

Brethren, we live in a land of the people, for the people, and by the people. Therefore, you will live by the worldview of those that are holding the political offices. Are you alarmed by those that have an Islamic worldview and are now office holders? Are you alarmed by what the Democratic Candidate for President has said about Islam? Are you alarmed by godless office holders who support communism, socialism, and lie to us? Are you alarmed by politicians that support abortion? What is the solution? Christians and churches must throw off the archaic view of non-participation in politics. We must be the salt of the earth, light of the world, and occupy until Jesus comes.

— David Corbett

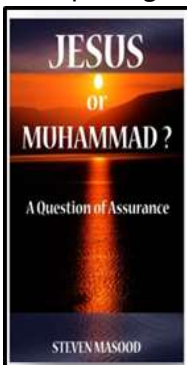
3. **The last days of Jesus.** The Gospels have a clear narrative of Jesus' death, his burial and his victorious resurrection. The Epistles give the reasons for what happened to Jesus. However, the Qur'an flatly denies the crucifixion, death, burial, and resurrection. Why? Did God forget, what for centuries he was foretelling through the Torah, the prophets and Psalms – and how He fulfilled them through Jesus? Of course not!
4. **The Sonship of Christ.** The Qur'an claims that those who believe Jesus, the Christ, the Son of Mary, is God (divine), are blasphemers! Jesus was only a messenger of God, God's word and spirit from Him. Please note; Muhammad claimed that the message of the Qur'an came to Muhammad through Angel Gabriel from God in piece meal. Now here is a problem. When we read the Gospel of Luke, Angel Gabriel mentions twice that Jesus was the Son of God in his conversation with Mary. So, we should question here; Did God or Angel Gabriel forgets that just 6 hundred years earlier he had called Jesus the Son of God? We find in the Gospel God calls Jesus as His Son. Jesus himself approves of it to the extent that in speaking with some Jews he did not back off from his claim. In fact, we find him saying to the Jewish teachers "if you do not believe who I am, you all will die in your sin" (John 8:24).

Friends, these are just a few examples but sufficient to show that the God of the Qur'an or of Muhammad is not the God of the Bible and when people say they are 'of faith', our further investigation should be: Do they really believe in the integrity of the Bible and the uniqueness of Jesus. If they do not then 1 John 4 says it is an Antichrist spirit.

Steven has written on many of these key points in his book '**Jesus or Muhammad: A Question of Assurance**' (You may order a copy at our website)

Prayer and Praise points

- ❖ Although due to Covid restrictions many of our speaking and teaching appointments were cancelled, we praise God for providing us opportunities to teach and share the gospel online and through various media venues. Please pray with us for strength and that many attending such sessions will be strengthened in their faith and calling.
- ❖ Broadcast of old programs continues. Steven has finished writing another new program in Urdu for new believers. Due to Covid restrictions including technical and broadcast venue problems there is a delay. We ask for His guidance. Steven is writing another program too, '**Jesus is the answer**' to Islamic spiritual dilemmas.
- ❖ We are thankful for our outreach resources being translated in several languages. Two of Steven's books, *Into the Light* and *More than Conquerors*, in several languages as PDF files are now available on our websites. We now have several seminars with video presentations available online. You may send us an e-mail to give you a password to log on.
- ❖ We are thankful to the Lord that all resources including articles and seminar presentations, are used by believers and many Muslims are asking questions. We are thankful to the Lord for granting us wisdom in responding to Truth seekers as well as putting them in contact with other Christians around the world. We thank HIM who is still doing miracles in the lives of



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- Did Jesus promise the coming of Muhammad?
- Is Jesus or Muhammad the 'final messenger' with the authority of assurance from God?
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- If Jews, Christians, and Muslims believe in the same God, why the different messages?

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