

Key bridge-points in outreach to Muslims

Love them

- Show Christ-likeness: 'Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love' (1 John 4:8)

Pray for them

- Our burden of prayer should be like Paul (Romans 10:1 - ; 9:1-3)
- It is not us but the Holy Spirit who convicts and wins the minds and hearts for Jesus.

Conduct, customs and apprehension

- 'Do not cause anyone to stumble, ... (1 Cor 10:32, 33);
- Modesty is the best policy. In general, men talk to men, women to women.

Hospitality – a door to loving friendship

- We should go beyond "hello" and 'see you'
- Muslims have dietary laws so Never serve alcohol or food containing pork or bacon, or anything made with lard (Romans 14:20)

Be open about your beliefs

- State what we believe, clearly and without apology, showing support from the Word of God .
- If you don't know the right answer to a question or query, be honest! Find out!

Be a good listener

- By listening, we learn a lot how the Muslims we meet view things in general.

Present the Gospel in Simplicity

- Avoid complex theological terminology, and be careful about using scripture that contains figurative language.

Present JESUS

- A Muslim will be more interested in what Jesus said, did or commanded.
- The claims of Jesus: Uniqueness, Assurance, eternal life, 2nd coming

Ask important questions

- Why do you do what you do? i.e. Pray, fast, keeping the law
- May I show you what the Bible say?
- Are you sure that God will accept you in heaven/paradise?
- What does the Qur'an teach about forgiveness?
- May I show you what our scriptures say?

Avoid polemics – and wordy arguments

- The gospel is the main course; Apologetics is just the seasoning.