

What You Need to Know About Islam and the Bible

✖ There comes a time in a nation's history—and there comes a time in the church—when spiritual fog and religious deception must be removed by a clear, unbiased, passionate pursuit of truth. America and the church are now in a spiritual fog over the issue of Islam.

But Islam and Christianity are not “sister faiths,” and a side-by-side examination of the texts of the Bible and the Quran will quickly identify some of the differences related to Islam's teachings about Christ and the truths of our own Bible about the Son of God.

Islam instructs its followers to kill their enemies, but Christianity in-structs its followers to love their enemies.

The Quran says to “fight and slay the Pagans wherever you find them” (Surah 9:5). But our Holy Bible tells Christ's followers to: *“Love your ene-mies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you”* (Matt. 5:44, KJV).

Islam denies Christianity's core truth-the death and resurrection of Jesus.

That they said (in boast), “We killed Christ Jesus the son of Mary, the Messenger of Allah”;—but they did not kill him, nor crucified him, but so it was made to appear to them, and those who differ therein are full of doubts, with no (certain) knowledge, but only conjecture to follow, for of a surety they did not kill him. —Surah 4:157

Islam says that Jesus did not die on the cross. The Bible says that Christ died on the cross and rose from the dead.

Islam also denies the deity of Jesus Christ.

The Jews call 'Uzair a son of Allah, and the Christians call Christ the Son of Allah. Allah's curse be on them: how they are deluded away from the Truth! –Surah 9:30

Not only does the Quran deny Christ's deity-but also, as we see in the verse from the Quran above, it puts a curse on all who confess Jesus Christ as the Son of God. Islam brings Jesus Christ lower than Muhammad, making him no more than a messenger:

Christ the son of Mary was no more than a Messenger; many were the Messengers that passed away before him. His mother was a woman of truth. They had both to eat their (daily) food. See how Allah makes His Signs clear to them; yet see in what ways they are deluded away from the truth! –Surah 5:75

Since there are such marked differences in these areas between Islam and Christianity, we must be prepared to test the "truth" of each. History has re-vealed to us that the Islamic Bible, the Quran, is a collection of the revelations Muhammad said he was given by an angel, or from a voice coming down from heaven, or sometimes as a message from a dream. Christians are commanded to "try the spirits" to see if they are from God:

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God because many false prophets are gone out into the world. By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God, and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Anti-christ, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world. –1 John 4:1-3

Every person who calls himself a prophet must be tested by Scripture. (See 1 Corinthians 14:29.)

Every revelation and every prophecy must be judged by the Word of God. If it is not scriptural—if it denies Jesus Christ as the Son of God—it is the spirit of the Antichrist.

By applying these tests to the teachings of Muhammad, we will quickly discover that this prophet doesn't pass the test. From Genesis to Revelation, every page of the Bible testifies of the deity of Jesus Christ. *"You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32).*