

So What's The Difference?

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Islam

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Islam: Allah Is One, and Christ Was Just A Prophet [*]

PLUMB LINE: 1 Cor. 15:3-4

Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures...he was buried...he was Raised on the third day according to the Scriptures



Introduction

Islam :

- Has gained thousands of converts in **North America**
- Is the youngest among major world religions but is one of the largest
- Is so missionary minded that its goal is to convert Western countries, not just African and Asian countries.



<http://islamicfactsnpics.blogspot.com/>

- Has approximately 1 billion followers in countries throughout the world.
- Indonesia has the most Muslims of any country with about 120 million converts.
- One out of every six people in the world professes to be Muslim.



<https://www.mapsland.com/maps/asia/southeast-asia/large-scale-political-map-of-southeast-asia-with-capitals-and-major-cities-2013.jpg>

- Islam originated in what is now **Saudi Arabia** and expanded along the trade routes to Africa and Asia.
- The word “Islam” means **“submission”** (to Allah).
- Mohammed founded the religion Islam and the believers of Islam are called **“Muslim,”** meaning “one who lives his life according to God’s will.”



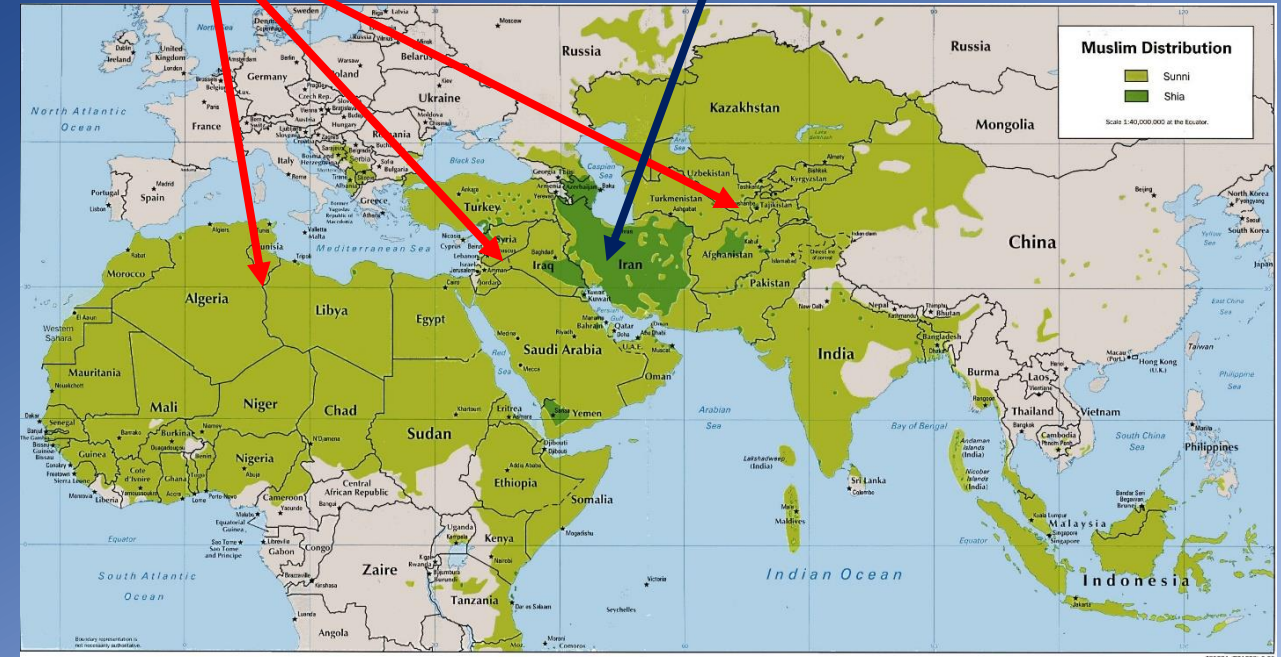
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- *“Those who followed the Prophet’s closest companion (Abu Bakr) [Abu-be-kur] became known as Sunni [Sune]. Those who followed the Prophet’s cousin and son-in-law (“Ali) [A-le] became known as Shi’a [Shea].”

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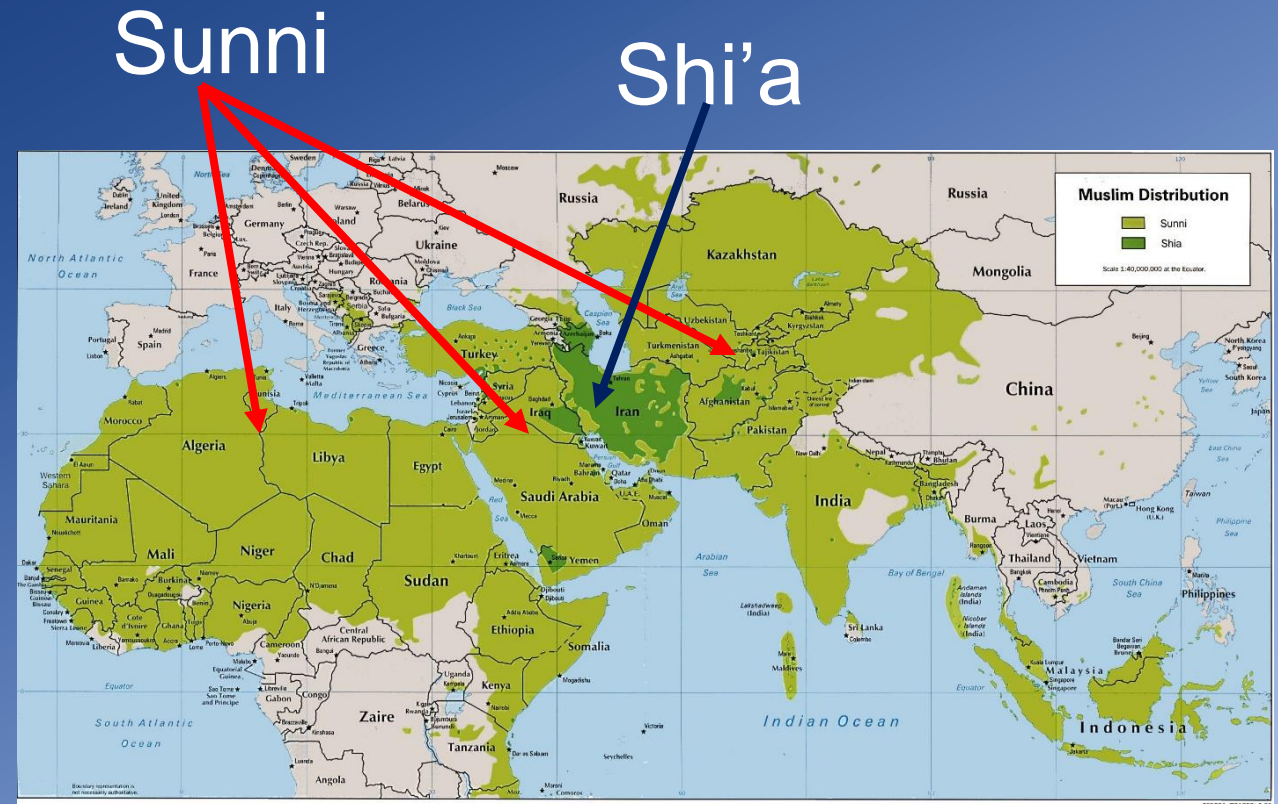
Shi’a



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- ***“Sunnis focus on following the Prophet’s example whereas Shi’a [*Shiite] focus on the lineage of Muhammad’s family through a series of Imams (Islamic leadership position)**
- **Geopolitical differences has caused conflicts.”**

*crestresearch.ac.uk
*vocabulary.com



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How Mohammed Became A Prophet

- Mohammed was born in the Arabian city of **Mecca** in A.D. 570. Mohammed came from a prominent and highly respected family.
- Mohammed was raised primarily by his uncle, Abu Talid [Abu-Ta-leb], who herded flocks.
- Later in life, Mohammed got into the caravan trade and accompanied his uncle on trips to Syria and Persia.



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- During his travels, Mohammed was exposed to several concepts of **monotheism** (one god) by the Monophysites [*ma-na-fa-site*]: (those who believed that Christ had only a divine nature), and Nestorians: (those who divided the Incarnate Christ into two separate natures, divine and human, in one person yet denying that the man Jesus of Nazareth was both fully God and fully man).



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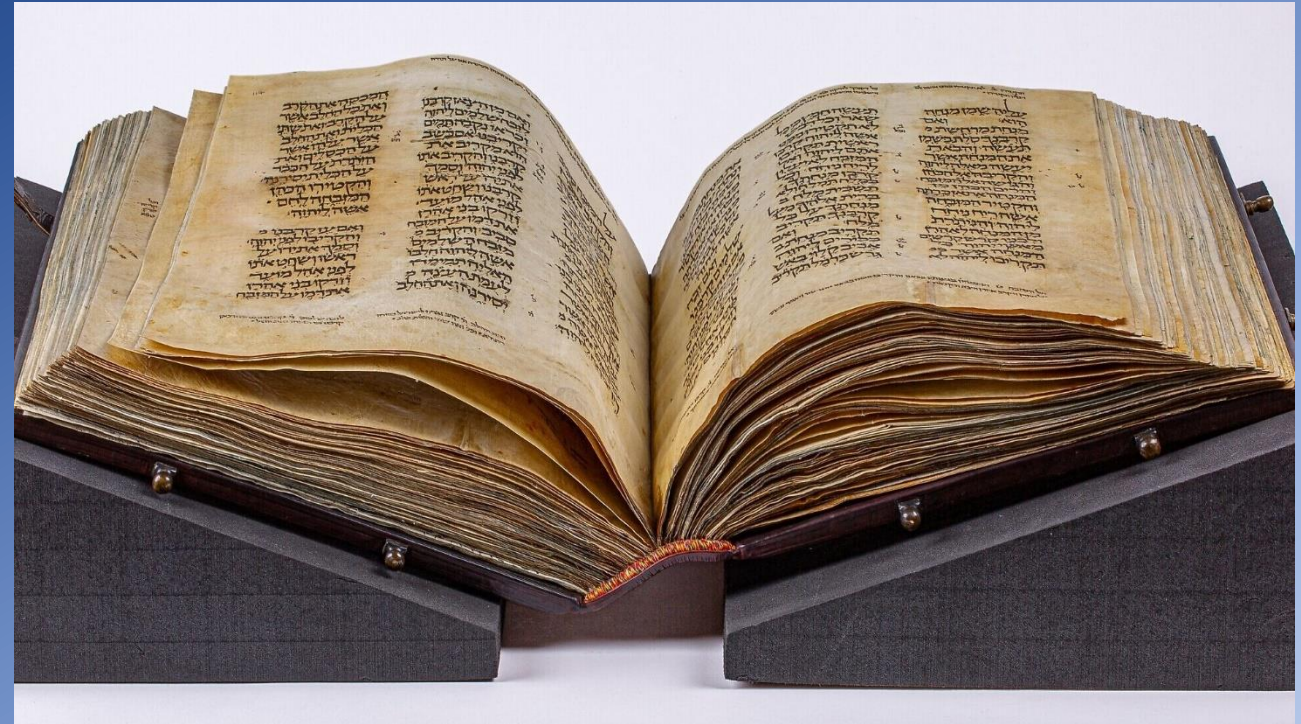
*“Arab is an ethno-linguistic category, identifying people who speak the Arabic language as their mother tongue (or, in the case of immigrants, for example, whose parents or grandparents spoke Arabic as their native language)... There are 26 countries or territories in western Asia and Africa where Arabic is the official or one of the official languages of the state...”

*teachmideast.org



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- Mohammed was also exposed to Jewish teaching and was introduced to the **Talmud** (36 volumes of Jewish of Jewish writings).
- Mohammed did not appear to have a good understanding or belief of the Jewish Scriptures since these theological concepts are not *clearly stated* in the **Qur'an** [Ku-ron] (Koran-developed by Mohammed).



- At the age of 25, Mohammed married his employer, a wealthy widow named Khadija [Ha(Ka) de-ja], who was 40 years of age.
- After his marriage, Mohammed spent much of his time in solitary meditation during the next 15 years.



- At the age of 40, Mohammed received his first revelation while contemplating in a cave on Mount Hira [He-ra] near Mecca.



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- Mohammed said the Angel **Gabriel** came to him in a dream and brought him the following command of God:
 - “Read in the name of thy Lord who created, who created man of blood coagulated. Read! Thy Lord is the most beneficent, who taught by the pen, taught that what they knew not unto men.”



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- From the command “read” comes the word “Qur’an” [ku-ron] which means “the reciting” or “the reading.”



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- Since Mohammed could not read or write, the Qur'an is his reciting of **revelations**.
- Through encouragement, Mohammed began to preach in the streets and marketplaces in Mecca.
- Mohammed never proclaimed to be divine but did believe Allah called him to be a **prophet**.

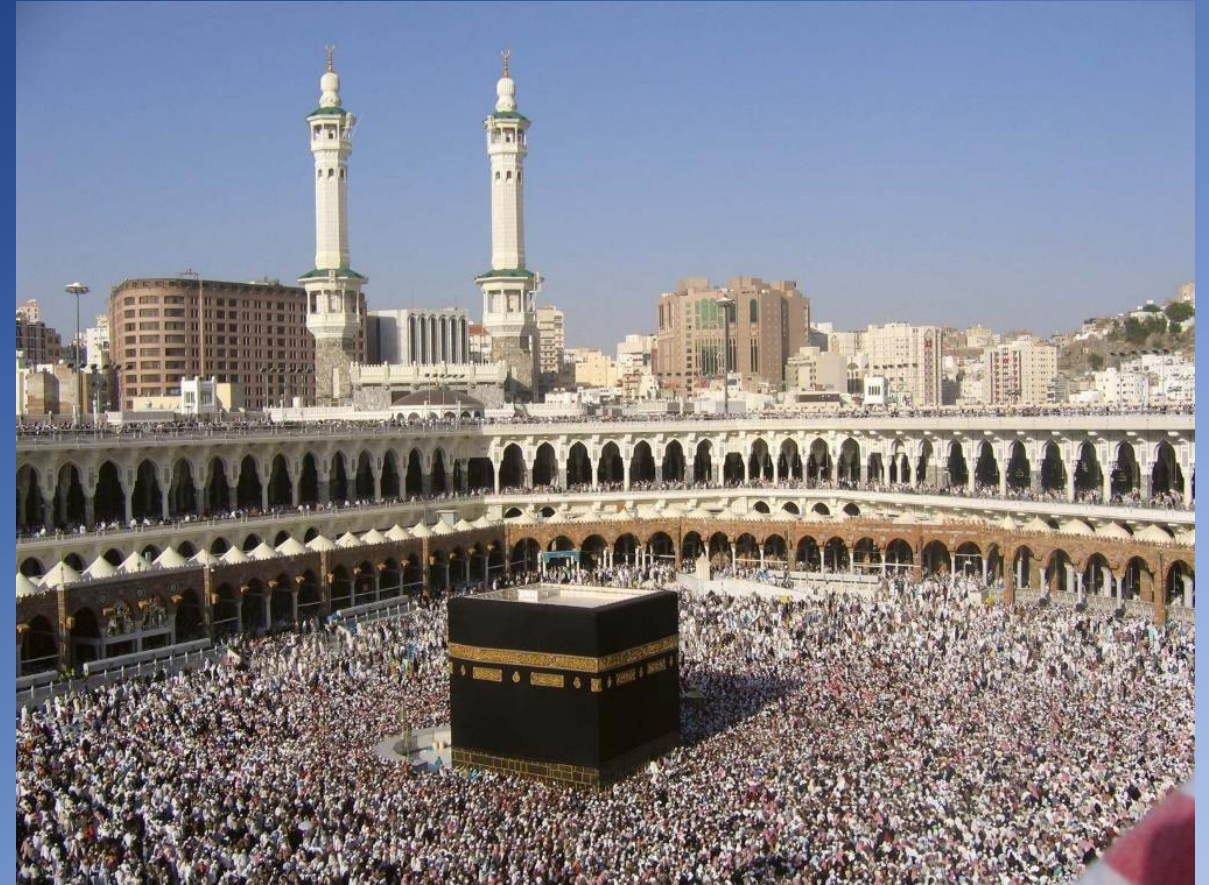


- Mohammed hated the idolatry and **immorality** of the Arabs who lived in Mecca and of those who came to trade their goods. Mohammed was grieved over the treatment of the poor and was met by bitter opposition.
- On July 16, 622 A.D., Mohammed was forced to flee to Yathrib (Ya-thrib now Medina). This flight was called the “hegira” (he-ga-ra) and marks the beginning of the Islamic **calendar**.



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- Yathrib was eventually renamed “**Medina**” and Mohammed became the religious and political leader of the city.
- After a fight between the Meccans and Mohammed and his followers, Mohammed entered Mecca victorious and destroyed every idol in the “Kaaba” [**ka**-ba] (the main temple). Since that time, **Kaaba** has been the spot toward which all devout Muslims direct their prayers.



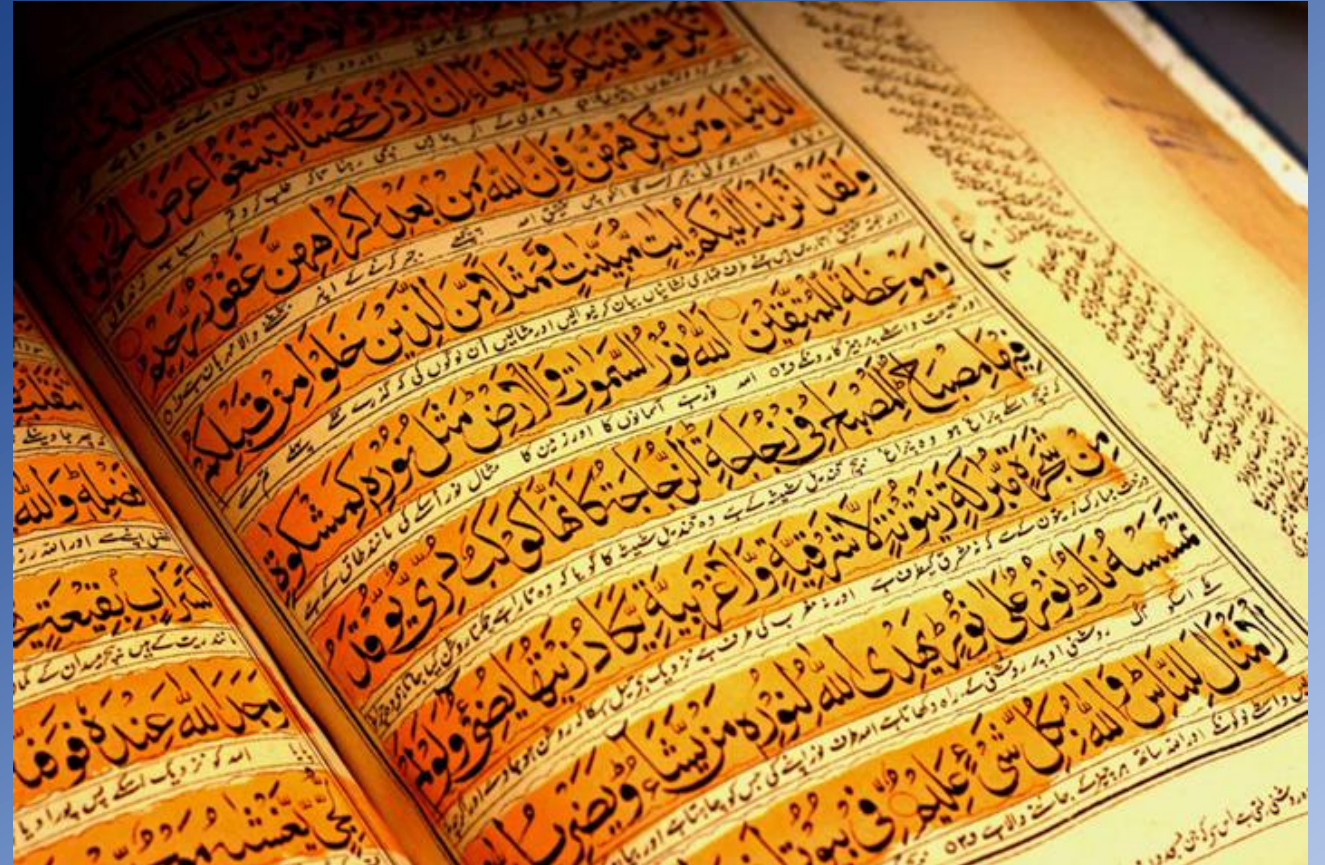
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- During the next two years, Mohammed became the leading prophet and ruler of **Arabia**. Mohammed united the tribes into a vast army to conquer the world for Allah. (Compare to Matthew 28:19-20) [*]
- Mohammed died in 632 A.D. but his followers continued spreading the message of Islam.



The Teachings of Islam

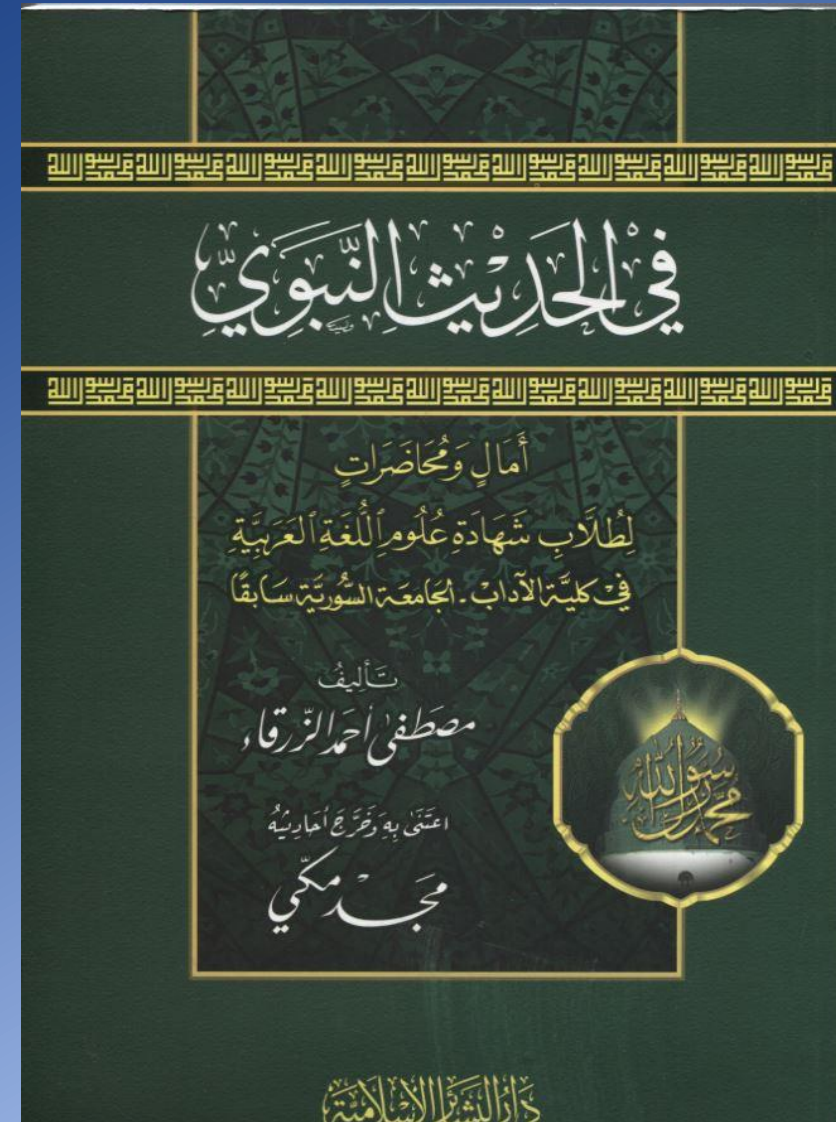
- The Qur'an is the sacred **scriptures** of Islam. While the Qur'an is credited to God, Mohammed dictated parts of it while the rest came from the writings of disciples who remembered his oral teachings after he died.



- Muslims believe the Qur'an is copied from the original in Arabic and now resides in **Heaven**.
- In addition to the Qur'an, Mohammed developed teachings and sayings called "**Sunnah**" [Sun-a or Sun-a] (literally, "path").



- The Sunnah became the foundational base for traditions built on Mohammed’s conduct as a prophet as well as how he managed things while being a guide, judge, and ruler of his Muslim followers.
- The Sunnah were gathered into one body of work called the “**Hadith**” [Ha-deeeth] which supplements the Qur’an.



- The “**Shariah**” [Sha-riah] is another important source of Islamic teaching. The “Sharaiah” is a combination of legal interpretations of the Qur’an and the Sunnah. Shariah means “law,” and sets the parameters for a strict lifestyle of Muslim living.



<http://www.themuslimtimes.org/2013/04/americas/most-muslims-want-shariah-law-split-on-interpretation-study/attachment/shariah>

- The Shariah sets guidelines against eating pork and drinking alcoholic beverages. The Shariah also sets **punishments** for stealing, adultery, apostasy (denying Islam) and blasphemy (saying anything derogatory about Islam or Mohammed).



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The Six Doctrines of Islam

The following are doctrines every Muslim is required to believe:

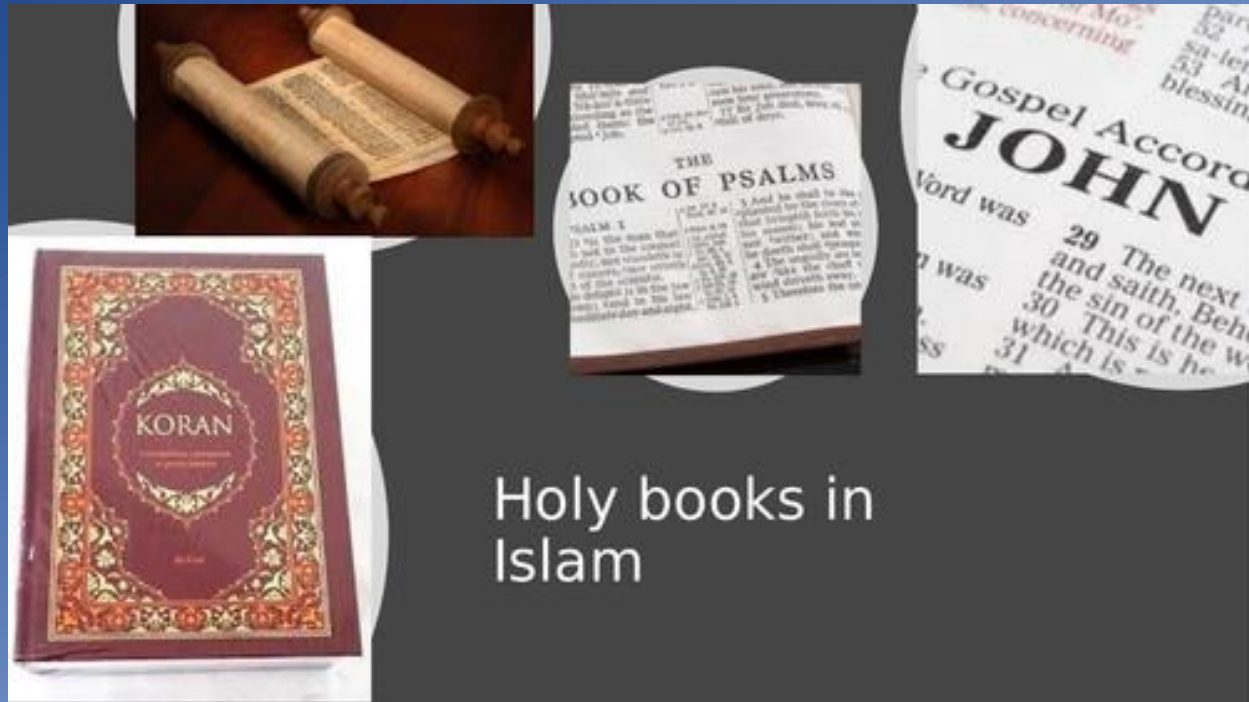
- God-There is only one true God and His name is Allah. Allah is all-seeing, all-knowing and all-powerful.
- Angels-Gabriel is the chief angel; Shaitan [Shi-ton] (from the Hebrew “Satan”); and Jinns [Jen] (demons).



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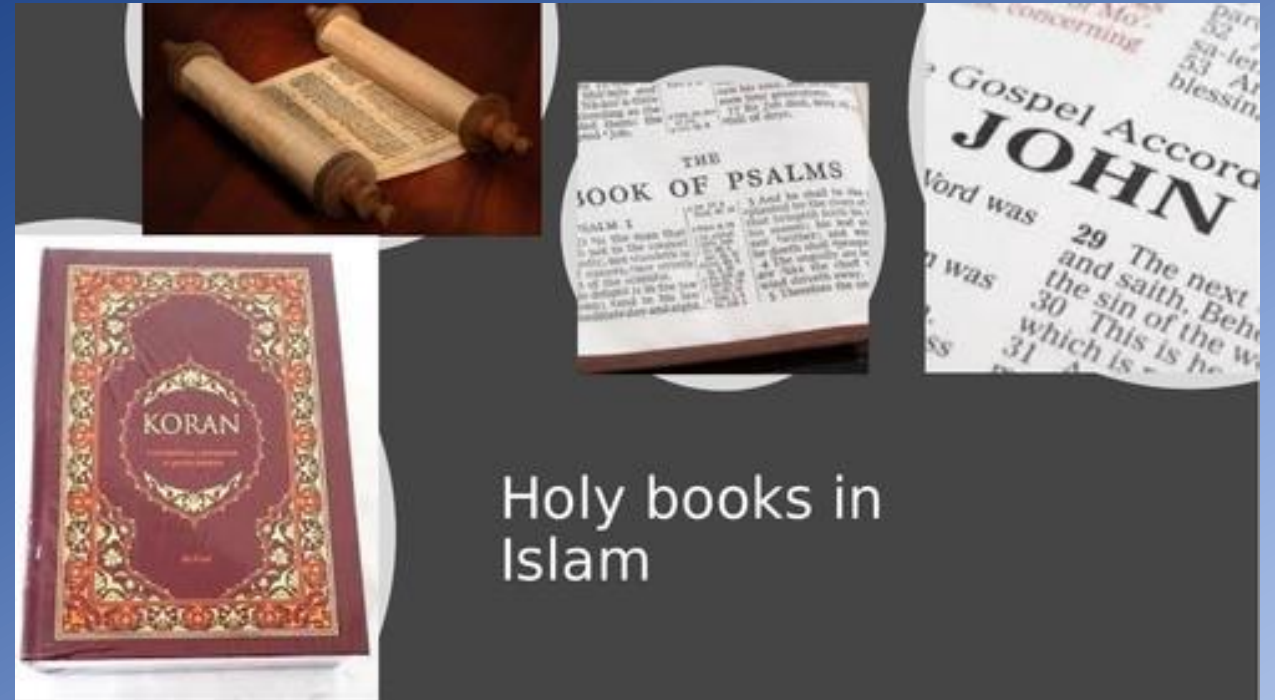
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- Scripture-There are four holy books Muslims believe are God-inspired: the Torah of Moses (what Christians call the **Pentateuch**), the “Zabur”[Za-bu-r] (Psalms of David), the “Injil” [In-jill] (Gospel) of Jesus, and the Qur’an. Muslims believe the Jews and Christians corrupted their Scriptures and therefore believe the Qur’an is Allah’s final word to mankind.



Holy books in Islam

- Mohammed-Mohammed is the last and **greatest** of 28 prophets which include: Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, David, Jonah, and Jesus.



Holy books in Islam

- The End Times-The dead will be resurrected on the “**last day**.” Allah will judge each person who then will be sent to heaven or hell. Heaven will be a place of sensual pleasure and Hell will be for those who oppose Allah and his prophet Mohammed.



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- Predestination-God has determined what He pleases, and no one can change what He has decreed. This is also known as “kismet,” [Kiz-met] the doctrine of fate. From this doctrine, Muslims state the most common Islamic phrase, “If it is Allah’s will.”



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The Five Pillars of the Faith

- Statement of belief-To become a Muslim, one has to publicly repeat the “**Shahadah** [Sha-ha-da]:” “There is no god but Allah and Mohammed is the prophet of Allah.”



<http://seek4paradise.blogspot.com/2010/08/five-pillars-of-islam.html>

- Prayer-Muslims must pray **five** times a day: at daybreak, noon, midafternoon, after sunset, and early evening. Muslims must kneel and bow in the prescribed manner in the direction of the holy city, Mecca.
- Alms-Muslims must give one-fortieth of their profit (**2.5** percent). The offering goes to widows, orphans, the sick, and other's in need.



<https://www.themonastery.org/blog/muslim-group-launches-campaign-for-time-off-work-on-fridays-for-prayers>

- Ramadan-Ramadan is the **ninth** month of the Islamic lunar year.
- *This commemorates when the Quran was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad. This is the highest of Muslim holy seasons. Muslims must fast the entire month from sunrise to sunset.



<https://www.wondriumdaily.com/hajj-pilgrimage-mecca/>

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*The crescent moon signifies the beginning of Ramadan.

*refinery29.com

The Crescent moon as a symbol of Islam may have come from the Ottoman leader, Osman, when he conquered Constantinople in 1453. The star might represent the five pillars of Islam.



<https://http4281.wordpress.com/2018/05/08/letter-to-a-muslim-lady/>

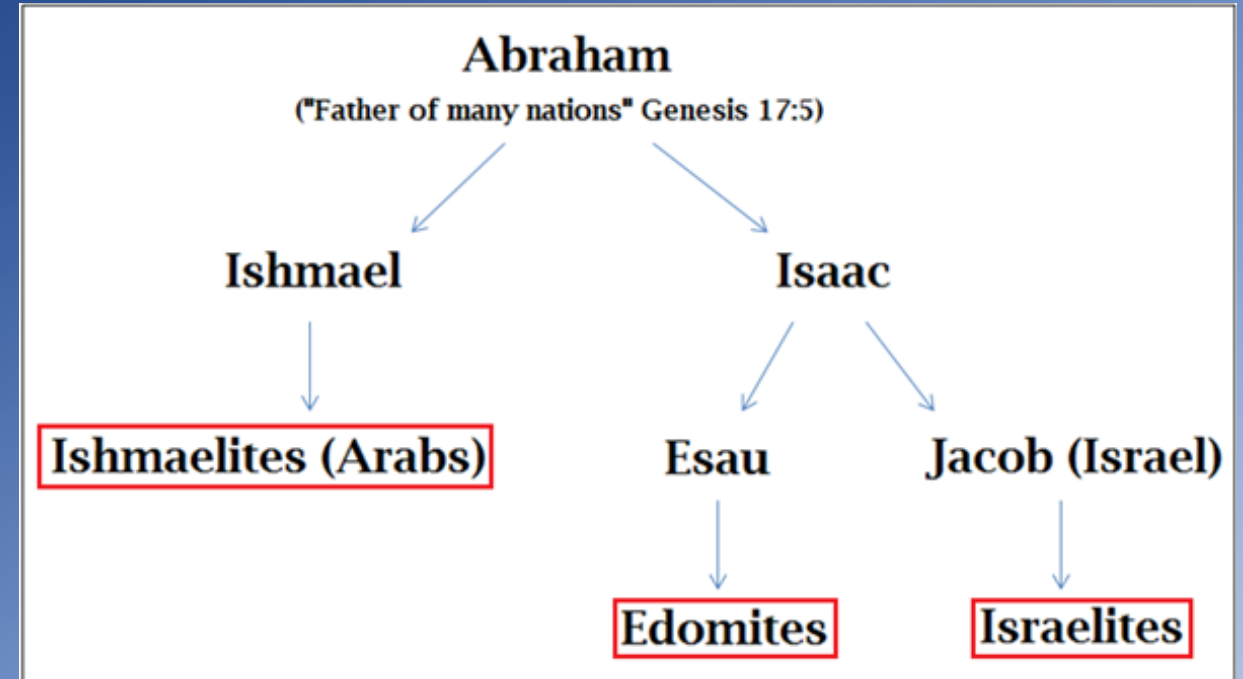
Pilgrimage to Mecca-This pilgrimage is called the “**Haji**” [Haj] and must be performed at least once in a Muslim’s lifetime. If, however, the pilgrimage is too difficult or dangerous, they can send someone in their place.



How the Qur'an Contradicts the Bible

Similarities between the Qur'an and the Bible

- Muslims trace their ancestry to **Ishmael**, a son of Abraham (Genesis 16, 21).
- Muslim beliefs about the nature of God, the resurrection of the body and judgment are similar to the Bible.



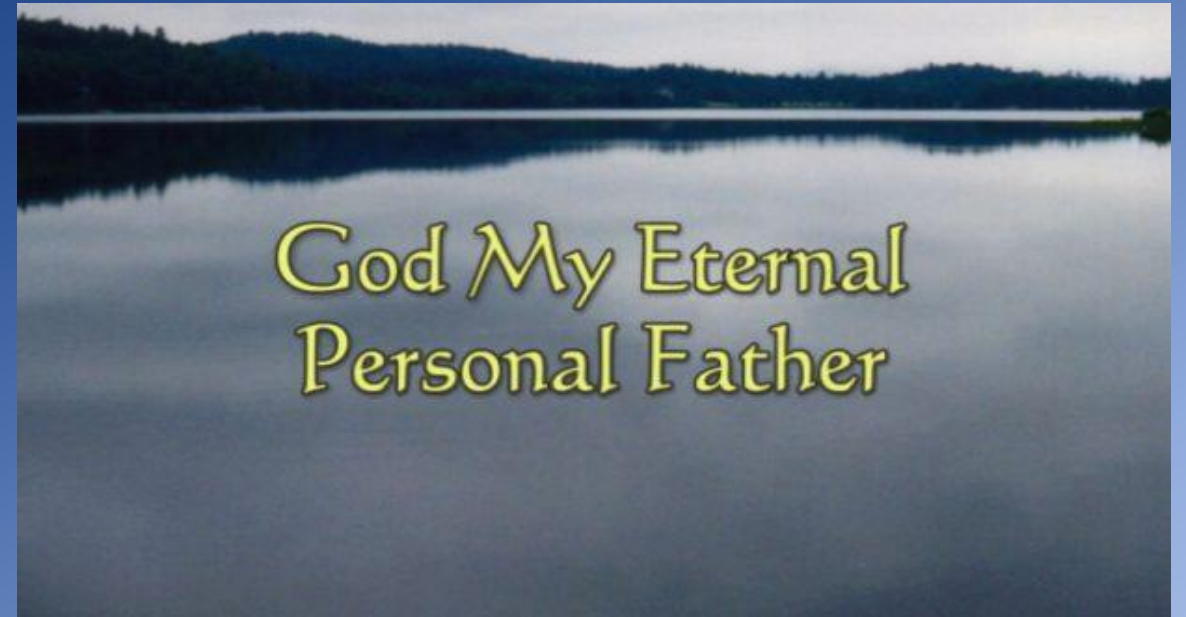
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Differences between the Qur'an and the Bible

- The Qur'an teaches God is one and does not allow for the **Trinity**. They feel anyone who ascribes “partners” to God is committing the sin of *shirk* (blasphemy).



- Muslims believe Allah is transcendent (all-powerful) and relatively impersonal.
- Muslims do not ascribe the name of “**father**” to God since this would convey a Father and Son relationship.
- The Bible and Jesus’ teaching states God is our personal heavenly Father (Mark 14:36; Romans 8:15 [^{*}]).

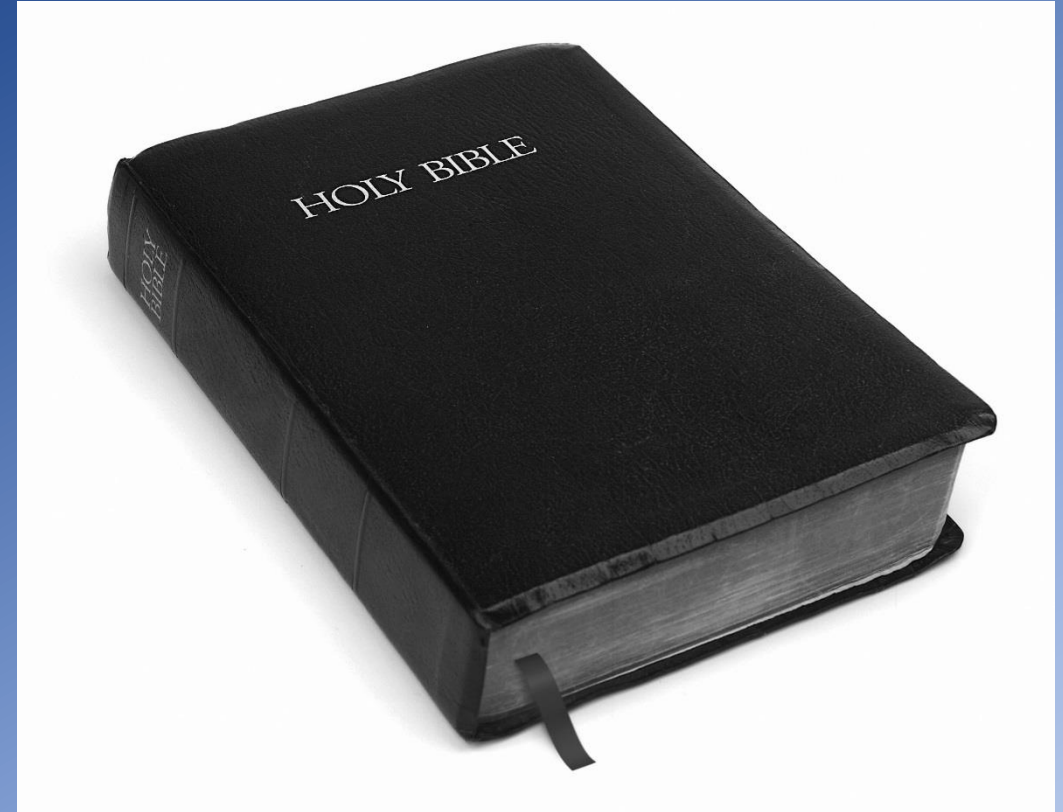


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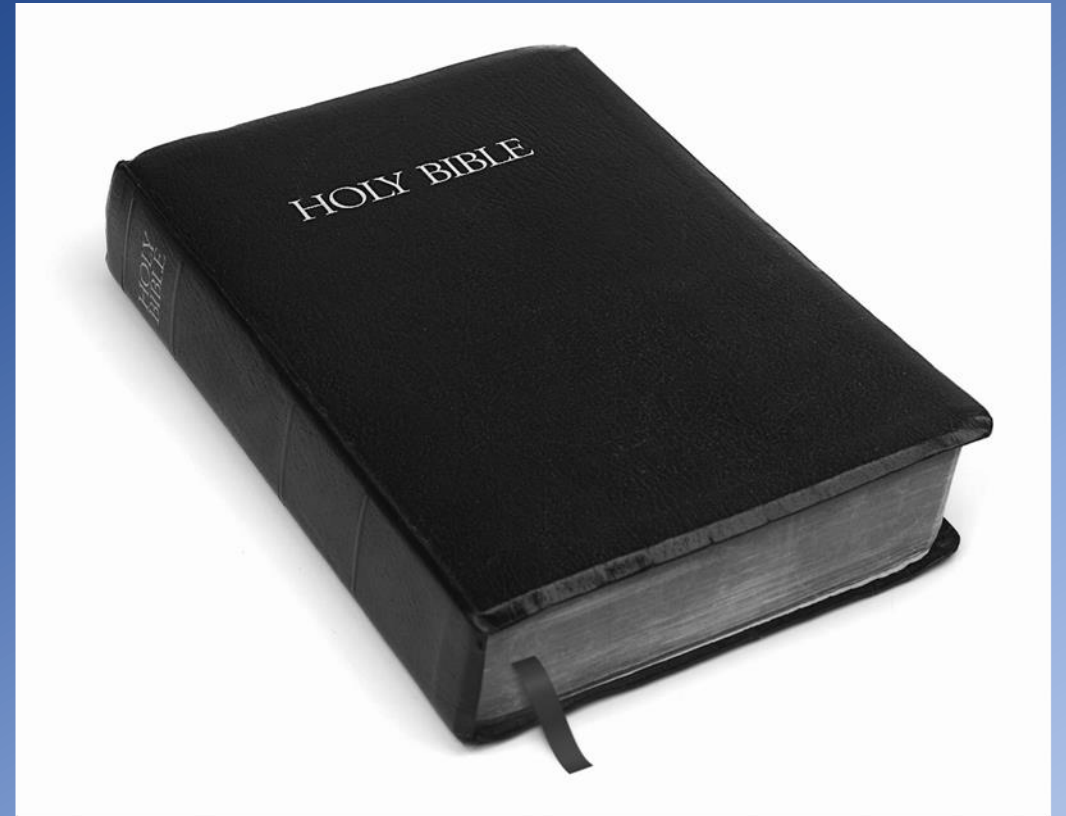
- Muslims refer to God as “**the Merciful**,” but He is not viewed primarily as a dispenser of love and grace but more as a righteous judge to whom the Muslim must give account.

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- Difference between grace and mercy.
 - Grace-stopping a judgment).
 - Mercy-comes after grace. It is a blessing that is given.



- The Bible teaches both God's greatness and His love:
 - God's greatness: Psalm 77:10-15 and Isaiah 43:13 [*]
 - God's love: Deuteronomy 7:8; Jeremiah 31:3; Ephesians 2:4; 1 John 3:1; 4:7. [*_]



<http://westerntradition.wordpress.com/2011/02/09/why-isnt-the-bible-in-the-great-books-collection/>

- The Qur'an denies Jesus is the **Son of God** but does describe the virgin birth in a passage similar to Luke 1:26-38 [*] (see Surah [Su-rah]-chapter in Qur'an 3:45-47).
- The Qur'an refers to Jesus as a **prophet** similar to Abraham, Jonah, and others. However, Muslims place Jesus below Mohammed (Surah [Su-rah] 4:171).



<http://free-wallpapers-desktop1024x768.blogspot.com/2012/02/jesus-on-cross.html>

- The Muslims do not recognize what the New Testament says about Jesus' **divinity** (Matthew 8:29; 17:5; John 1:1-5; 8:58; 10:30; 14:9; 20:28; Colossians 1:15-17; 2:9) [✳]



- Muslims feel Christians have changed the Bible to add the above references.
- The Qur'an states Christ never really died on the cross but that God took Him to Heaven before the **crucifixion** (Surah [Su-rah 4:157]).



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- Muslims say **Judas** died on the cross or possibly Simon of Cyrene and was made up to fool Jesus' followers.
- Some Muslims feel Jesus was taken from the cross before death and was later revived.



- To a Christian, the cross is the central point of **salvation**. There were eyewitness accounts of Jesus crucifixion: 1 Corinthians 1:23; 2:2; 15:3,4; Galatians 2:20; 6:12, 14; Ephesians 2:16. **Matthew 27** [*]



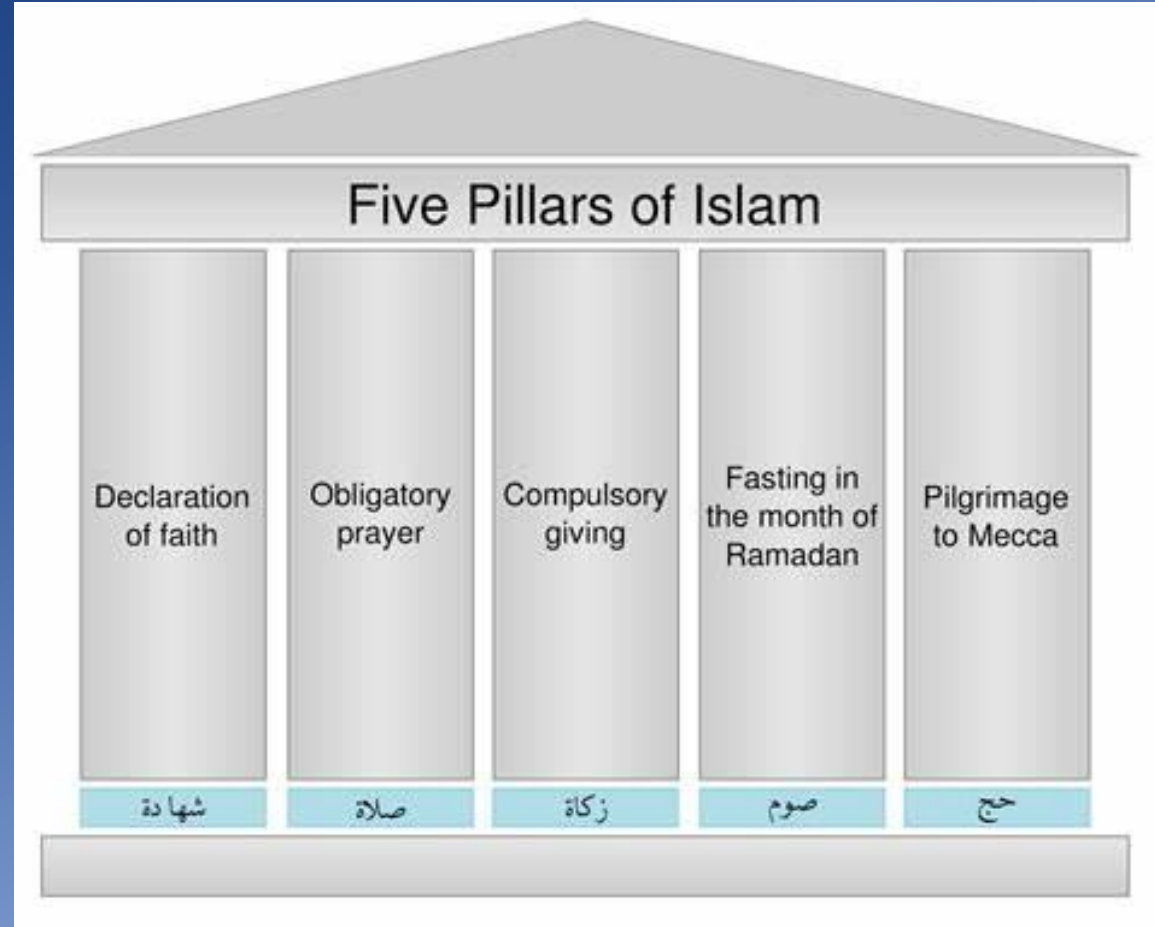
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- Jesus predicted His death many times: Matthew 16:21 [🔗*].
- Jesus died as a “ransom for many” (Mark 10:45) [🔗*]
- His blood would bring the “forgiveness of sins” (Matthew 26:28) [🔗*].
- Matthew 27:5 [🔗*] states Judas died by a rope, not on a cross.



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- Muslims believe in order to earn salvation from sin, one must follow the Five Pillars of the Faith.



- The Bible teaches that one obtains salvation and the forgiveness of sins through **faith** in Jesus Christ: John 3:16; Acts 4:12; Romans 3:23-26; Ephesians 2:4-9 [*].
- Christianity does not place undue **burdens** on a person. Matthew 11:28, 30 states “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest....For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”



<http://fotos-de-jesus.blogspot.com/>

Loving in the West, Oppressive in the East

- A distinction needs to be made between the friendly image Islam projects in the **West** and the uncompromising and political nature of Islam in the **East**.
- Islam of Islamic countries by and large believe if Islam is to be practiced correctly, then all of society must submit to Islamic law (Shariah) [**Sha-re a**].

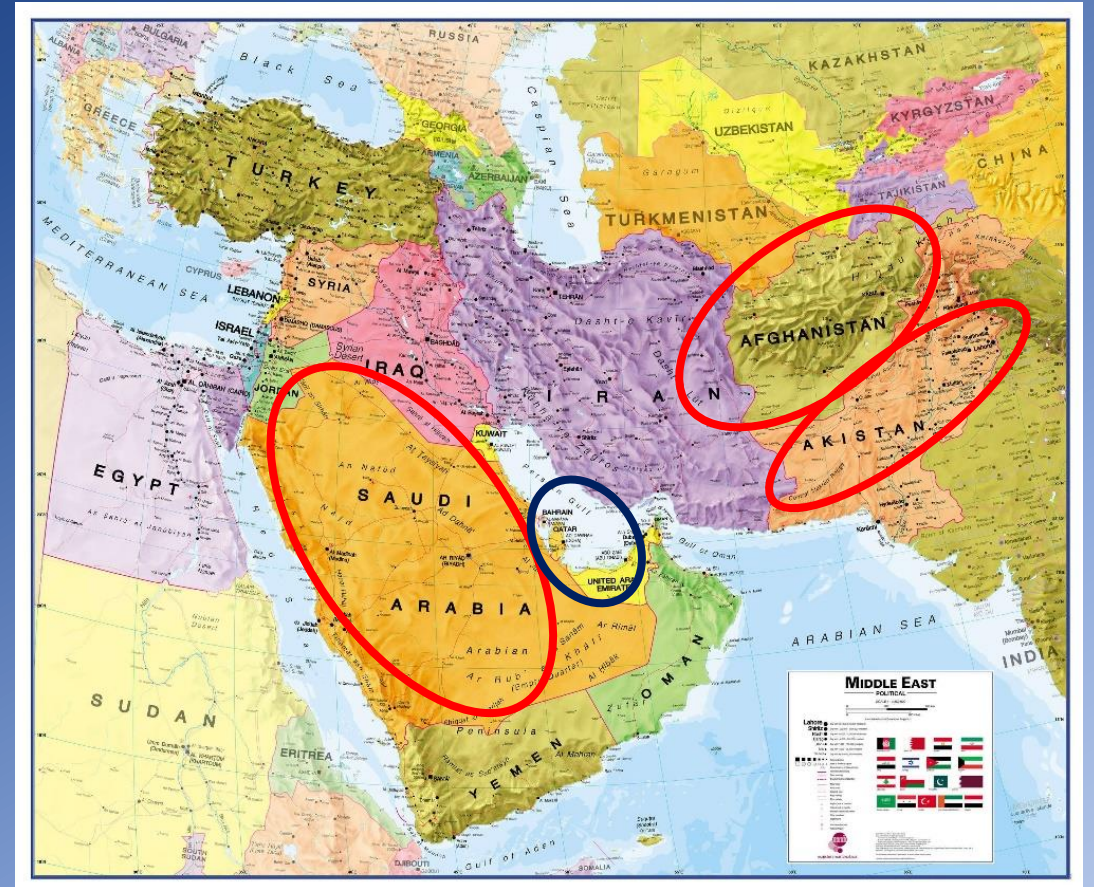


- Because of this belief, everyone in an Islamic society, including non-Muslims, must either conform to Islamic laws, economics, politics, and customs or suffer heavy consequences.
- This is **contrary** to what the Qur'an teaches as the Qur'an states there should be, "no compulsion in religion" (Surah [Su-rah] 10:99).



<http://ahmadiyyamalta.org/2011/04/12/muhammad-the-prophet-pbuh/holy-quran/>

- Islamic law is very strict in **Saudi Arabia**, Pakistan, and Afghanistan while others are more tolerant like Qatar and the United Arab Emirates.
- Islam in the West is very different from Islam in Muslim-dominated countries.



- Muslims who live in the Western democratic countries are entitled to all the benefits and privileges of freedom and democracy.
- Muslims in the West are protected as a minority religious group, their civil liberties are secure, and they may practice their religion freely.



<https://www.mapsinternational.com/political-middle-east-wall-map.html>

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What is ISIS?

- ***“The Islamic State, or ISIS, is a militant organization that emerged as an offshoot of al Qaeda [Al-ki-da] in 2014. It quickly took control of large parts of Iraq and Syria, raising its black flag in victory and declaring the creation of a caliphate and imposing strict Islamic rule.” [Over---**



*<https://www.nbcnews.com/storyline/smart-facts/what-isis-what-you-need-know-about-islamic-state-iraq-n859996>

- “The group is sometimes also referred to as ISIL — for the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant — or by its Arabic acronym, Daesh [Dash].”
- “It is largely made up of Sunni militants from Iraq and Syria but has also drawn thousands of fighters from across the Muslim world and Europe.”



<https://endtimeupgrade.org/ancient-mideast-turmoil-telescopes-into-modern-times-3i/>

- “Its tactics — including beheadings, the taking of slaves and bans on “un-Islamic” behavior such as music and smoking — are so brutal that it was even disowned by al Qaeda.”



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*The militants' goal is an ultra-conservative caliphate that strictly enforces Shariah, or Islamic, law.

ISIS was founded by Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi [*ah-boo bach-er all bag-daddy], an Iraqi.



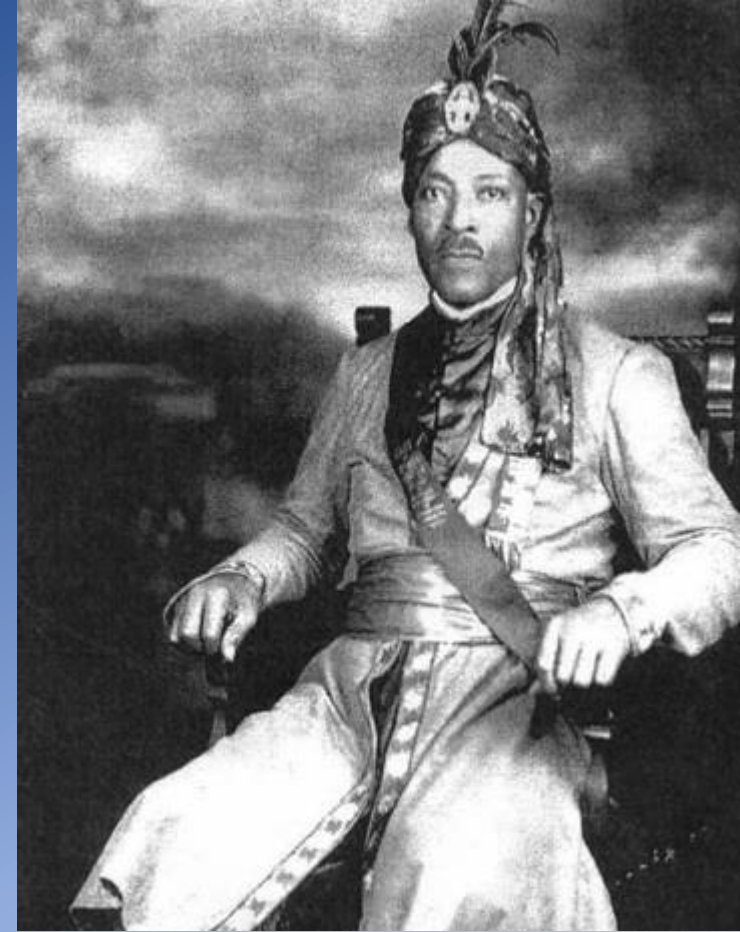
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*www.howtopronounce.com/abu-bakr-al-baghdadi-1

The Black Muslims are American in Origin

- An American adaptation of Islam is found in the **Black Muslim** movement.
- Timothy Drew, in 1913, taught that Blacks were originally from Morocco (not Ethiopia) and they have been enslaved by the “Caucasian Devil.” Drew changed his name to Noble Drew Ali and called for the overthrow of the tyranny of the White culture.



<https://blackthen.com/prophet-noble-drew-ali-founded-moorish-science-temple-america/>

- In 1919, after Ali died, Wallace Fard Mohammed claimed to be “Ali reincarnated” and formed the **Nation of Islam** in Detroit in 1930.



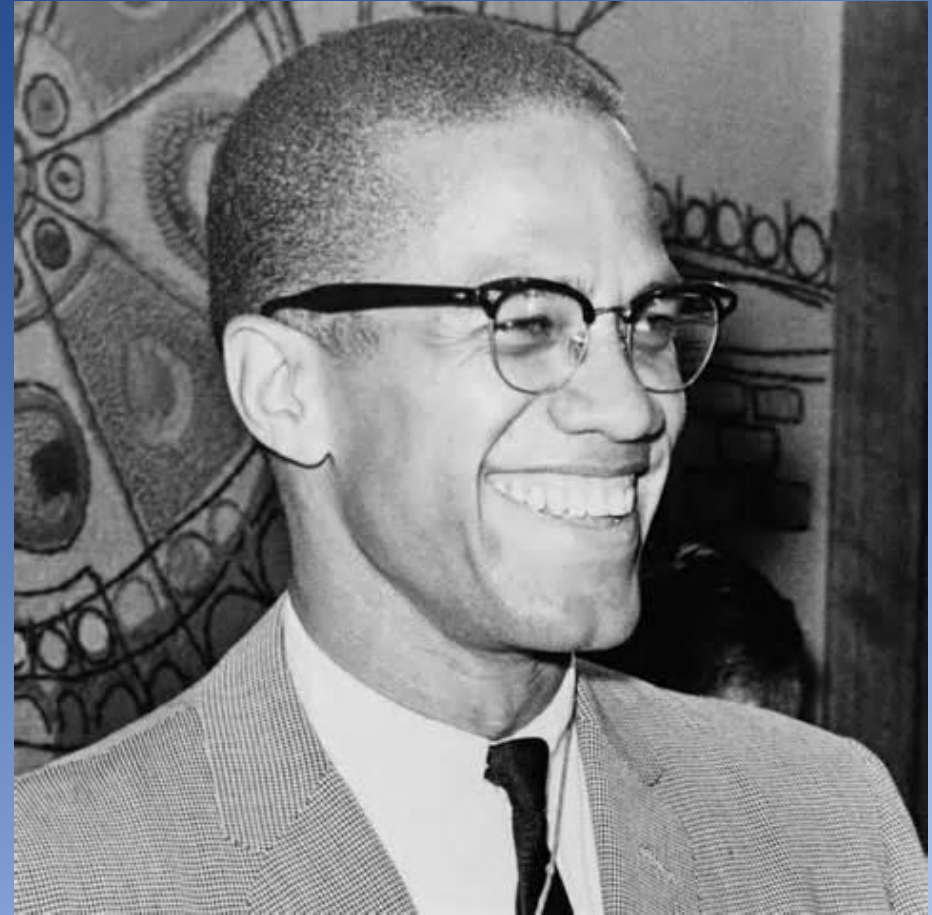
- After 1935, Elijah Mohammed assumed leadership of the movement. Elijah Mohammed taught that a mad Black scientist had created Whites and they would rule the earth for 6,000 years.
- Apparently Elijah felt 1914 had ended that 6,000-year rule and Blacks were now supposed to unite and bring sanity to the world.



- During the 1960s and 1970s, The Nation of Islam grew rapidly as Elijah focused on strict discipline and on bettering the education of Black people, while improving their **economic** and political conditions.



- During the 1950s and 1960s, **Malcolm X**, a leader in The Nation of Islam, began moving away from Elijah Mohammed's positions and teachings.
- **Malcolm X** followed the multiracial characteristics of orthodox (Sunni) Islam but was assassinated by Black Muslims in 1965.



<http://royalrepublic995.blogspot.com/2011/02/malcolm-x.html>

- By the 1970s, Black nationalism was disavowed by key Black Muslim leaders and non-Black members were admitted.
- Elijah's son Wallace D. Mohammed, took over after Elijah died and changed the groups' name to the **American Muslim Mission.** This movement relaxed the strict discipline and harsh rhetoric of the Black Muslim movements.



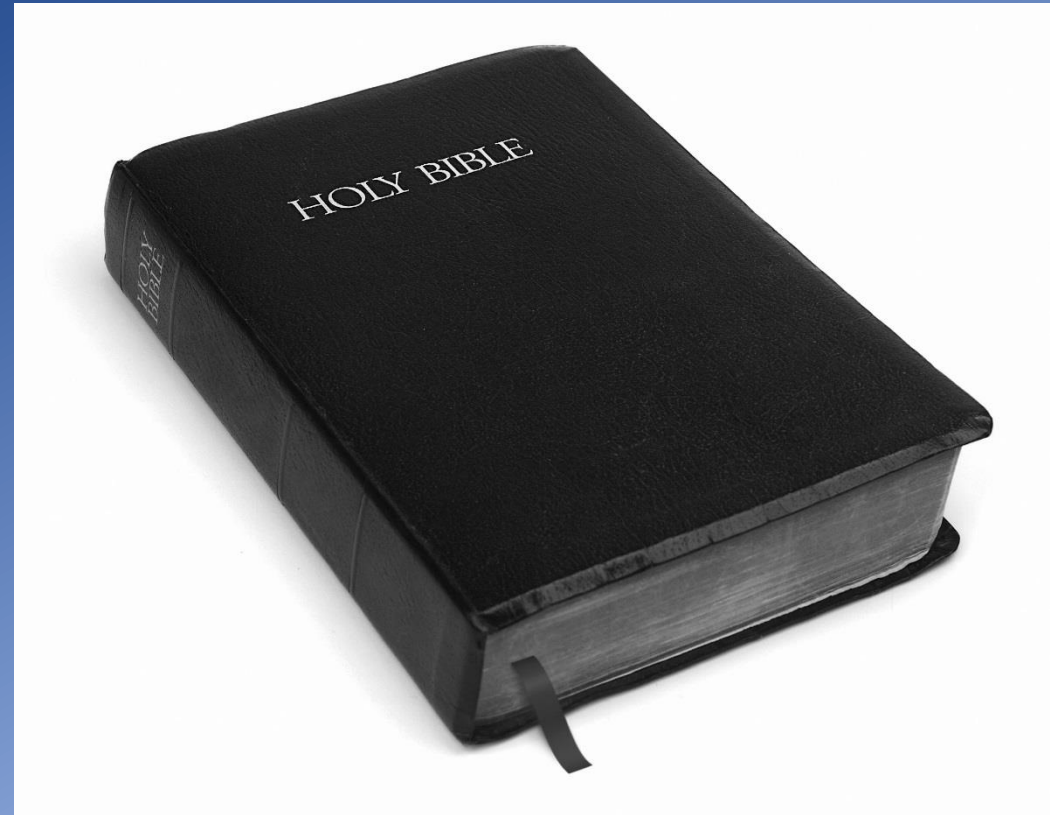
- Other Black Muslim's objected to Wallace Mohammed's policies **and Louis Farrakhan** resurrected the Nation of Islam in 1978 and taught the principles of Black separatism. Farrakhan's racist statements are considered "un-Islamic" by orthodox Muslims.



Louis Farrakhan

Reasons for the Western Tolerance of Islam

- A major reason why Islam is tolerated in the West is due to the West's Judeo-Christian heritage which provides a theological foundation for the dignity of each individual's freedom of conscience (Genesis 1:26, John 17:22) [*



Summing up Major Differences Between Muslims and Christians

Regarding God

- Muslims believe there is no God but **Allah** while Christians believe God is revealed in Scripture as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, **three** persons who are coeternally God (Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 3:13-17; 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14. [*])



Regarding Jesus Christ

- Muslims believe Jesus was **only** a man, who being only a man was below Mohammed in importance and did not die for man's sins.
- Christians believe Christ is the **Son of God** who died and rose again for mankind (John 1:13-14; 1 Peter 3:18) [[*](#)].



<https://www.westernjournal.com/here-are-8-reasons-to-believe-jesus-rose-from-the-dead/>

Regarding Sin

- Muslims believe humans are born **without** sin. If a person sins, the sin can be overcome by acts of the will.
- Christians believe we are born **corrupted** by sin, spiritually dead apart from God's grace, and that no one does good apart from faith in Jesus Christ (Romans 3:12; Ephesians 5:8-10 [[*](#)]).



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Regarding Salvation

- Muslims say Allah does not love those who do wrong and each person must **earn** their own salvation.
- Christian believe a loving god sent His Son to **die** for our sins (Romans 5:8; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4 [*]).

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Psalm 77:10-15

10 Then I said, "It is my grief, That the right hand of the Most High has changed." 11 I shall remember the deeds of the Lord; Surely I will remember Your wonders of old. 12 I will meditate on all Your work And muse on Your deeds. 13 Your way, O God, is holy; What god is great like our God? 14 You are the God who works wonders; You have made known Your strength among the peoples. 15 You have by Your power redeemed Your people, The sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah.

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Isaiah 43:13

13 "Even from eternity I am He, And there is none who can deliver out of My hand; I act and who can reverse it?" [*]

Deuteronomy 7:8

8 but because the Lord loved you and kept the oath which He swore to your forefathers, the Lord brought you out by a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

Jeremiah 31:13

13 "Then the virgin will rejoice in the dance, And the young men and the old, together, For I will turn their mourning into joy And will comfort them and give them joy for their sorrow.

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Ephesians 2:4

4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us...

1 John 3:1

1 See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

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1 John 4:7

7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. [*]

Luke 1:26-38

26 Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city in Galilee called Nazareth, 27 to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the descendants of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. [✶]

Matthew 8:29

29 And they cried out, saying, "What business do we have with each other, Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?"

Matthew 17:5

5 While he was still speaking, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!"

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John 1:1

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 8:58

58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am." (I am- *Yahweh* of the Old Testament-Exodus 3:14).

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John 10:30

30 "I and the Father are one."

John 14:9

9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been so long with you, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

John 20:28

28 Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!"
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Colossians 1:15-17

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation: 16 for by Him all things were created, *both* in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones, or dominions, or rulers, or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. 17 He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. [*]

1 Corinthians 1:23

23 but we preach Christ crucified, to Jews a stumbling block and to Gentiles foolishness...

1 Corinthians 2:2

2 For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.

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1 Corinthians 15:3-4

3 For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures...

Galatians 2:20

20 I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

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Galatians 6:12, 14

12 Those who desire to make a good showing in the flesh try to compel you to be circumcised, simply so that they will not be persecuted for the cross of Christ.... 14 But may it never be that I would boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Ephesians 2:16

16 and might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, by it having put to death the enmity. [*]

Matthew 16:21

21 From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised up on the third day. [*]

Mark 10:45

45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many." [✱]

Matthew 26:28

28 for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins. [[*](#)]

Matthew 27:3-8

3 Then when Judas, who had betrayed Him, saw that He had been condemned, he felt remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, 4 saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." But they said, "What is that to us? See to that yourself!" 5 And he threw the pieces of silver into the temple sanctuary and departed; and he went away and hanged himself. 6 The chief priests took the pieces of silver and said, "It is not lawful to put them into the temple treasury, since it is the price of blood." 7 And they conferred together and with the money bought the Potter's Field as a burial place for strangers. 8 For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. [✱]

John 3:16

16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

Acts 4:12

12 And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."

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Romans 3:23-24

23 ...For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
24 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus...

Ephesians 2:4-5

4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together in Christ with Christ (by grace you have been saved)... [*]

Deuteronomy 6:4

4 “Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one!
Lord (Yahweh-God’s sacred name); God (Elohim-
masculine plural noun meaning God)

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Matthew 3:13-17

16 After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and lighting on Him, 17 and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, "This is My Son, the Beloved My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased."

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Matthew 28:19

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit...

2 Corinthians 13:14

14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

[*]

John 1:13-14

- 13 ...who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. 14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

1 Peter 3:18

18 For Christ also died for sins once for all, the just for the unjust, so that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit...[*]

Romans 3:12

12 All have turned aside, together they have become useless; There is none who does good, There is not even one.“

Ephesians 5:8-10

8 for you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light 9 (for the fruit of the Light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth), 10 trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. [*]

Romans 5:8

8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

3 For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures...[*]

Mark 14:36

36 And He was saying, "Abba! Father! All things are possible for You; remove this cup from Me; yet not what I will, but what You will."

Romans 8:15

15 For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" [[*](#)]

Genesis 1:26

26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

John 17:22

22 The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one...[*]

Deuteronomy 18:21-22

21 You may say in your heart, 'How will we know the word which the Lord has not spoken?' 22 When a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the thing does not come about or come true, that is the thing which the Lord has not spoken. The prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him. [[*](#)]

Mathew 28:19-20

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” [✱]

Matthew 27

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole Roman cohort around Him...33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha, which means Place of a Skull...35 And when they had crucified Him, they divided up His garments among themselves by casting lots. 36 And sitting down, they began to keep watch over Him there. 37 And above His head they put up the charge against Him which read, "THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS..."

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44 The robbers who had been crucified with Him were also insulting Him with the same words. 45 Now from the sixth hour darkness fell upon all the land until the ninth hour...51 And behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth shook and the rocks were split. 52 The tombs were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; 53 and coming out of the tombs after His resurrection they entered the holy city and appeared to many.

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54 Now the centurion, and those who were with him keeping guard over Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the things that were happening, became very frightened and said, “Truly this was the Son of God!”

55 Many women were there looking on from a distance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee while ministering to Him. 56 Among them was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

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57 When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who himself had also become a disciple of Jesus. 58 This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him... 62 Now on the next day, the day after the preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered together with Pilate, 63 and said, “Sir, we remember that when He was still alive that deceiver said, ‘After three days I am to rise again.’”

64 Therefore, give orders for the grave to be made secure until the third day, otherwise His disciples may come and steal Him away and say to the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last deception will be worse than the first." [✱]

Our God

Water You turned into wine / Opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like You, None like You

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