

Christian Apologetics

**Sharing Christ
with our Muslim
Neighbours**



Islam
“submission”

Muslim
**“one who
submits”**

1 in every 5
people is
a Muslim



Islam recognizes 2 sources of authority

- **1. The Qur'an (or Koran)**

composed of 114 chapters called “surahs”
(about size of New Testament)

written in Arabic

considered to be the eternal Word of God
(“Allah” in Arabic)

chronologically disorganized, arranged by
longest chapter to shortest

- **2. The Hadith**

- traditions of what Muhammad said and did

The Sira = Biography of Muhammad

Qur'an + Hadith + Sira = Sunnah

Sunnah = Model of the Prophet

**“Ye have indeed in the Messenger of Allah
a beautiful pattern (of conduct) for anyone whose
hope is in Allah and the Final Day, and who
engages much in the praise of Allah.” (Qur'an 33:21)**

**“And verily, you (O Muhammad) are on an exalted
standard of character.” (Qur'an 68:4)**





- **Muhammad is the prophet of Islam.
His dates are 570 AD to 632 AD**
- **610 AD – Muhammad receives “the call”**
- **622 AD - the Flight to Medina**
- **Muslims believe that Muhammad is the “Seal of the Prophets”**



5 Articles of Faith

One God

Prophets

Angels

Books (*Scriptures*)

The Last Day



5 Pillars

1. “Shahada” (*confession that Allah is one and Muhammad is his messenger*)

2. Prayer 5 times a day facing Mecca

3. Fast (during the month of Ramadan)

4. Giving Alms (“zakat”)

5. Pilgrimage (“al-hajj”)



Jesus Christ

Jesus	Muhammad
Virgin born	Natural birth
Sinless	Sinful
Died for Sinners	Died for no one
Performed Miracles	No Miracles
Son of God	Only a Man
Worshipped	Not Worshipped
Resurrected from the Dead	Died and stayed dead
Fulfilled OT Prophecies	Fulfilled no Prophecies
Ascended into Heaven	Did not ascend to heaven
Jewish (Messiah)	Arab (not Messiah)
Mediator/Intercessor/Saviour	No mediator/saviour
Personal Relationship	No personal relationship
Second Coming	No Second Coming
Gives eternal life	Gives no eternal life

Qur'an 29:46

“And argue not with the People of the Scripture unless it be in (a way) that is better, save with such of them as do wrong; and say: We believe in that which hath been revealed unto us and revealed unto you; **our God and your God is One**, and unto Him we surrender.”

**“The Religion in
the sight of Allah
is Islam.”**

Qur'an 3:19

**If anyone desires a religion
other than Islam Never
will it be accepted of him;
and in the Hereafter he will
be in the ranks of those
who have lost."**

Qur'an 3:85

Men are in charge of women, because Allah hath made the one of them to excel the other, and because they spend of their property (for the support of women). So good women are the obedient, guarding in secret that which Allah hath guarded. As for those from whom ye fear rebellion, admonish them and banish them to beds apart, and scourge them. Then if they obey you, seek not a way against them. Lo! Allah is ever High, Exalted, Great.

Qur'an 4:34

**O ye who believe!
Take not the Jews and the
Christians for friends. They
are friends one to another.
He among you who taketh
them for friends is (one) of
them. Lo! Allah guideth not
wrongdoing folk.**

Qur'an 5:51

**And because of their saying:
We slew the Messiah, Jesus son
of Mary, Allah's messenger - they
slew him not nor crucified him,
but it appeared so unto them;
and lo! those who disagree
concerning it are in doubt thereof;
they have no knowledge thereof
save pursuit of a conjecture;
they slew him not for certain.**

Qur'an 4:157

**They surely disbelieve who say:
Lo! Allah is the Messiah, son of
Mary. The Messiah (himself)
said: O Children of Israel,
worship Allah, my Lord and
your Lord. Lo! whoso ascribeth
partners unto Allah, for him
Allah hath forbidden paradise.
His abode is the Fire. For evil-
doers there will be no helpers.**

Qur'an 5:72

**They surely disbelieve who
say: Lo! Allah is the third of
three; when there is no Allah
save the One Allah.**

**If they desist not from so
saying a painful doom will fall
on those of them who
disbelieve.**

Qur'an 5:73 (Pickthal translation)

**They do blaspheme who say:
Allah is one of three in a
Trinity: for there is no god
except One Allah. If they
desist not from their word (of
blasphemy), verily a grievous
penalty will befall the
blasphemers among them.
Qur'an 5:73 (Yusuf Ali translation)**

And when Allah saith: O Jesus, son of Mary! Didst thou say unto mankind: Take me and my mother for two gods beside Allah?

he saith: Be glorified! It was not mine to utter that to which I had no right. If I used to say it, then Thou knewest it. Thou knowest what is in my mind, and I know not what is in Thy Mind. Lo! Thou, only Thou, art the Knower of Things Hidden?

I spake unto them only that which Thou commandedst me, (saying): Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. I was a witness of them while I dwelt among them, and when Thou tookest me Thou wast the Watcher over them. Thou art Witness over all things.

Qur'an 5:116-117

Sahih al-Bukhari Vol. 1, p. li

“Any Jews or Christians who heard about me [Muhammad] and did not believe in me and what was revealed to me of the Holy Quran and my traditions, his ultimate destination is the [Hell] Fire”