

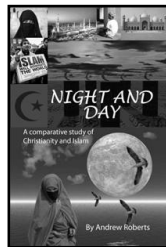
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Helpful Websites

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<http://www.neartheword.com>
<http://www.quranbrowser.com>
<http://www.spiritbuilding.com>
<http://www.thebibleway.org>
<http://www.thereligionofpeace.com>

If you'd like to learn more about the religion of Islam, Andrew has written a 13 lesson Bible class workbook on the subject entitled *Night and Day: A Comparative Study of Christianity and Islam*. You can get a copy at Florida College Bookstore, or go online to www.spiritbuilding.com.



Islam Vs. Christianity: The Crucifixion Controversy

There are fundamental differences between the religion of Islam and New Testament Christianity. While Jesus Christ figures into both religions – one honors him as a man, the other confesses Him as the Lord. The popular myth of Christian-Islamic homogeny is immediately dispelled with a case study of the crucifixion.

I. Who Is Jesus In The Qur'an?

- A. A paradigm for reading Jesus in the Qur'an.
1. Jesus is mentioned in _____ verses of the Qur'an.
 2. _____ of them belong to the Nativity Story.
 3. That leaves about _____ for the rest.
- B. The Muslim Jesus preaches in the Qur'an...
1. That he never taught others to _____ Him (Surah 5:72, 117; 19:36).
 2. That he never taught " _____ " (Surah 5:116-117; 4:171).
 3. That he never taught that he was God or the son of God (Surah 5:72).
 4. That he prophesied _____ was coming (Surah 61:6).
- C. The Qur'an denies that the crucifixion of Jesus happened (Surah 4:156-158).
- D. Muslims deny the crucifixion and argue that...
1. "You have _____ the Bible inaccurately. Jesus didn't die." (Surah 3:78) – the Swoon Theory
 2. "The Bible has been _____ by Satan. That's why it says Jesus was crucified and many other things contrary to the Qur'an" (Surah 22:52-53) – Satan's interpolations.
 - a. Allah gave the world both the O.T. & N.T. (Surah 3:3) but Satan polluted Allah's word.

b. Muhammad and Doctrine of Abrogation
(Surah 2:106).

3. "You have the _____ in the Bible.
Other gospels agree with the Qur'an." – such as the
Gospel of Barnabas

E. The Jesus of the Qur'an is a different Jesus than you
read about in the Bible.

II. Islam's Crucifixion: _____ Through _____

A. Muhammad said unique things about the crucifixion.
The Qur'an states...

1. Jesus was a created man - not divine in any way,
shape or form (Surah 3:59; 5:75).
2. Allah delivered Jesus, Jesus had no hand in it.
(Surah 3:55; 4:158).
3. Jesus went to paradise and he's still in paradise
(Surah 3:55; 5:117).

B. Let's closely read what the Qur'an says on the
crucifixion and explore the ramifications.

1. Surah 3:42-55
2. Surah 4:156-158

C. Question: Who crafted the deception that Jesus was
crucified? _____

D. Question: _____ could
Allah have deceived us about?

E. The crucifixion controversy makes it clear: Allah
_____. Unlike the Bible
(John 17:17; Titus 1:2; Heb. 6:18; John 14:6; 8:44).

III. Answering Muslim _____ To The Cross

A. Muslims object, "The crucifixion of Jesus is a-
historical."
1. This objection is simply _____.
2. There are at least 5 extra-biblical ancient
writings that report it.

B. Muslims object, "God let his prophet be killed. He
abandoned him to the enemies."

1. This objection misunderstands _____.

2. God did not LET Jesus die. God DETERMINED
that the Christ would be crucified (Acts 2:22-24;
26:22-23; 1 Cor. 15:3-4; Luke 18:31-33).

C. Muslims object, "Escape is a victory while death is a
loss. God's true prophets win."

1. This objection misunderstands _____.
2. Jesus' enemy was the devil, sin, and death.
3. The crucifixion and then resurrection of Jesus
conquered these enemies (Heb. 2:14-17;
Col. 2:12-15; 1 Cor. 15:25-26).

D. Muslims object, "This makes God bloodthirsty. He
wanted a human sacrifice for sins?"

1. This objection misunderstands _____.
2. God did not want a human sacrifice, He wanted a
sinless sacrifice.
3. Jesus came to be that sinless sacrifice
(John 1:29; Heb. 4:15; 5:7-9; 10:5-10).

4. Do you know that Muslims have _____
Savior?

- a. They have to save themselves
(Surah 11:114).
- b. No Savior leads men to act in the only way
the Qur'an assures Paradise: death in *Jihad*
(Surah 47:4-6; 3:157-158; 3:195).

E. Muslims object, "Why would God kill his son on
behalf of his enemies (sinners)? It makes no sense."

1. This objection misunderstands _____.
2. Allah doesn't love non-Muslims (Surah 3:32, 57).
3. The true God is love (1 John 4:8-10). We need
love to others.

F. Christians strive to _____ sinners while
Islam strives to _____ infidels.