



DO CHRISTIANS AND MUSLIMS
WORSHIP THE SAME GOD?

God in Christianity and Islam

Dispute not with the People of the Book save in the fairer manner, except for those of them that do wrong; and say, "We believe in what has been sent down to us, and what has been sent down to you; our God and your God is One, and to Him we have surrendered."

(Qur'an 29:46)

God According To . . .

CHRISTIANITY

Creator

(Genesis 1:1; Revelation 4:11)

All-Knowing

(Isaiah 46:9-10; Hebrews 4:13)

All-Powerful

(Jeremiah 32:27; Luke 1:37)

Omnipresent

(Psalm 139:7-10; Colossians 1:17)

ISLAM

Creator

(Qur'an 7:54)

All-Knowing

(Qur'an 49:16)

All-Powerful

(Qur'an 2:106)

Omnipresent

(Qur'an 2:115)

God According To . . .

CHRISTIANITY

Holy

(Isaiah 6:3; Revelation 4:8)

Just

(Genesis 18:25; Romans 3:26)

Merciful

(Psalm 145:8; James 5:11)

Loving

(Psalm 36:5; 1 John 4:8)

ISLAM

Holy

(Qur'an 62:1)

Just

(Qur'an 11:45)

Merciful

(Qur'an 24:21)

Loving

(Qur'an 85:12-16)

God's Love in Christianity and Islam

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love *your neighbor* and hate *your enemy*.’ But I say to *you*, love *your enemies* and pray for those who persecute *you*, so that *you* may be sons of *your Father* who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. For if you love those who love *you*, what reward do *you* have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? If *you* greet only *your brothers*, what more are *you* doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Therefore *you* are to be perfect, as *your heavenly Father* is perfect.”

(Matthew 5:43-48)

God's Love in Christianity and Islam

Say [O Muhammad]: "If you love Allah, then follow me. Allah will love you and forgive you your faults, and Allah is Forgiving, Merciful." Say: "Obey Allah and the Apostle; but if they turn back, then surely Allah does not love the unbelievers."

(Qur'an 3:31-32)

God According To . . .

CHRISTIANITY

Heavenly Father

(Isaiah 64:8; Matthew 6:9)

Trinitarian

(Genesis 1:26; Matthew 28:20)

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Father to No One

(Qur'an 19:88-93)

Unitarian

(Qur'an 5:73)

Islam and the Trinity

They surely disbelieve who say: "Lo! Allah is the third of three," when there is no God save the One God. If they desist not from so saying a painful doom will fall on those of them who disbelieve.

(Qur'an 5:73)

Islam and the Trinity

And when Allah will say: "O Isa son of Marium! did you say to men, 'Take me and my mother for two gods besides Allah'?" he will say: "Glory be to Thee, it did not befit me that I should say what I had no right to (say); if I had said it, Thou wouldst indeed have known it; Thou knowest what is in my mind, and I do not know what is in Thy mind, surely Thou art the great Knower of the unseen things."

(Qur'an 5:116)

Jesus According To . . .

CHRISTIANITY

Virgin Born

(Matthew 1:18-22)

Miracle Worker

(Luke 19:37)

Messiah

(Matthew 1:1)

Word of God

(John 1:1-14)

ISLAM

Virgin Born

(Qur'an 3:47)

Miracle Worker

(Qur'an 3:49)

Messiah

(Qur'an 3:45)

Word of God

(Qur'an 4:171)

Jesus According To . . .

CHRISTIANITY

Son of God

(Mark 14:61-62)

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Not Son of God

(Qur'an 9:30)

How Can Allah Have a Son?

And they make the jinn associates with Allah, while He created them, and they falsely attribute to Him sons and daughters without knowledge; glory be to Him, and highly exalted is He above what they ascribe (to Him). Wonderful Originator of the heavens and the earth! How could He have a son when He has no consort, and He (Himself) created everything, and He is the Knower of all things. (Qur'an 6:100-101)

Jesus According To . . .

CHRISTIANITY

Son of God

(Mark 14:61-62)

Died by Crucifixion

(Mark 15:37)

ISLAM

Not Son of God

(Qur'an 9:30)

Wasn't Crucified

(Qur'an 4:157)

Jesus in Islam

“They said (in boast), ‘We killed Christ Jesus the son of Mary, the Messenger of Allah’—but they killed him not, nor crucified him, but so it was made to appear to them.”

(Qur’an 4:157)

Jesus According To . . .

CHRISTIANITY

Son of God

(Mark 14:61-62)

Died by Crucifixion

(Mark 15:37)

Died for Sins

(Mark 10:45)

ISLAM

Not Son of God

(Qur'an 9:30)

Wasn't Crucified

(Qur'an 4:157)

Didn't Die for Sins

(Qur'an 4:157)

Salvation in Islam

Say: What! shall I seek a Lord other than Allah?
And He is the Lord of all things; and no soul earns
(evil) but against itself, and no bearer of burden
shall bear the burden of another.

(Qur'an 6:164)

Salvation in Islam

And those who disbelieve say to those who believe:
“Follow our path and we will bear *your wrongs*.” And
never shall they be the bearers of any of their wrongs;
most surely they are liars. And most certainly they shall
carry their own burdens, and other burdens with their
own burdens, and most certainly they shall be questioned
on the resurrection day as to what they forged.

(Qur'an 29:12-13)

Salvation in Islam

Allah's Messenger said: "When it will be the Day of Resurrection, Allah would deliver to every Muslim a Jew or a Christian and say: 'That is your rescue from Hell-Fire.'"

(Sahih Muslim 6665)

Salvation in Islam

Allah's Apostle said: "No Muslim would die but Allah would admit in his stead a Jew or a Christian in Hell-Fire."

(Sahih Muslim 6666)

Salvation in Islam

Allah's Messenger said: "There would come people amongst the Muslims on the Day of Resurrection with as heavy sins as a mountain, and Allah would forgive them and He would place in their stead the Jews and the Christians."

(Sahih Muslim 6668)

Salvation in Islam

Allah's Messenger said: On the Day of Resurrection, my Ummah (nation) will be gathered into three groups. One sort will enter Paradise without rendering an account (of their deeds). Another sort will be reckoned an easy account and admitted into Paradise. Yet another sort will come bearing on their backs heaps of sins like great mountains. Allah will ask the angels though He knows best about them: Who are these people? They will reply: They are humble slaves of yours. He will say: Unload the sins from them and put the same over the Jews and Christians: then let the humble slaves get into Paradise by virtue of My Mercy.

(110 Ahadith Qudsi #8)

For Further Study

- Allah brags about being the “best of deceivers” (Quran 3:54; 8:30; cf. 7:99).
- Allah prays (Quran 2:157; 33:43; 33:56).
- The Spirit of Allah is a divine person that is sent by Allah and takes the form of a man (Quran 19:17).
- The Quran is an eternal book that appears as a pale man to intercede for Muslims (Sahih Muslim 1874; Musnad Ahmad; Sunan ibn Majah).
- The Quran is multi-personal (Sunan Abu Dawud 1400; Sahih Muslim 1874).