

Islam

(The Muslim Religion)

Introduction:

1. The Muslim religion is the fastest growing religion in the United States, if not the world.
2. With the events that have taken place in the past month it is important that we know something of this growing religion.

I. Background

- A. Islam's founder was Mohammed (AD 570-632).
- B. Mohammed was born in Mecca.
- C. The name Islam means "submission" -- that is obedience to the will of Allah.
- D. Muslims declare two professions of faith:
 1. There is no God but Allah
 2. Mohammed is the messenger of Allah
- E. The Muslim articles of faith are as follows:
 1. There is one God, Allah.
 2. All events, whether good or bad are ordained by God, and every act carries out God's will.
 3. There are multitudes of angels, good and bad, constantly dealing with men.
 4. God has given a revelation in the Koran (a series of messages communicated to Mohammed through the angel Gabriel, though they were not collected until after the prophets death.
 5. God has sent inspired prophets to men, of whom the four greatest have been, Adam, Moses, Jesus, and, above all, Mohammed.
- F. Mohammed began his religion by relying on moral influences before turning to a warrior like mentality.
- G. To each land or tribe they gave the alternatives of Islam, tribute, or death.
- H. Whenever a city would resist Islam, the men would be put to death and the women were placed in harems and the children would be brought up in the Muslim faith.

II. The Bible vs. The Quran (Koran)

- A. Mohammed proclaimed the Quran as the miracle that proved his prophethood.
- B. Muslims believe the Quran is the infallible word of Allah.
- C. The Quran is the holy book of Muslims which was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad through the Angel Gabriel at the command of God.
 1. What about Galatians 1:6-9?
- D. The Quran is divided up into 114 Surahs or chapters
- E. The Quran contradicts the Bible in many places.
 1. When confronted with this information the Muslims claim that the

Bible has been altered.

Words of the Quran (Koran)	Words of the Bible
Pharaoh built the Tower of Babel in Egypt (Quran 28:38).	The Tower of Babel was built in the Mid-East (Genesis 11).
One of Noah's sons refused to enter the ark and was drowned. (Quran 11:42-43)	Noah and his three sons entered the ark with their families (Genesis 7).
Ark came to rest on Mt. Judi. (Quran 11:44)	It rested on Mt. Ararat (Genesis 8:4).
Jesus was born under a palm tree (Quran 19:23).	He was born in a stable (Luke 2:7).
There is no Godhead (Quran 5:76).	There is a Godhead (Matthew 28:19; Luke 3:21-23; John 14:26; Acts 5:3-4).
The Quran teaches that those who actively oppose their faith are to be defeated or destroyed (Quran 8:39, 47:4).	The Bible teaches that man should endure persecutions and overcome enemies with love and kindness (Matthew 5:10-12; 5:43-44; 1 Peter 3:14-16).
Under certain circumstances, personal retaliation and vengeance for wrongs do to you or your cause (Quran 22:39-40).	The teachings of Jesus and the apostles is that vengeance belong to God (Romans 12:19-21; Matthew 5:38-42).

F. Other teachings of the Quran (Koran)

1. Women have half the rights of men: in court witness and inheritance (Quran 2:282 & 4:11).
2. A man may beat his wife. (Quran 4:34).
3. A man may marry up to 4 wives at the same time (Quran 4:3).
4. A Muslim must not take a Jew or a Christian as a friend (Quran 5:51).
5. A Muslim apostate must be killed (Quran 9:12).
6. Mohammed said, "I was shown the Hell-fire and that the majority of it's dwellers are women. (Hadith, Vol. 1:28, 301; Vol. 2:161; Vol. 7:124.)
7. It commands Muslims not to befriend Jews or Christians (Quran 5:51).
8. The Hadith uses racial slurs (Sahih Al Bukhary vol. 1, no. 662 and vol. 9, no. 256; Sahih Moslem vol. 9 pages 46 and 47).

III. What Are They Thinking?

- A. The Koran commands Muslims to fight non-Muslims until they exterminate all other religions and Islam would be the only religion in the world (Quran 2:193).

- B. The Koran declares that Muslims who fight and die in battle are promised forgiveness and a sensual luxurious life in Paradise (Quran 3:157).
- C. Other Quran (Koran) teachings:
 - 1. "Strike terror (into the hearts of) the enemies of Allah and your enemies" (Quran 8:60)
 - 2. "Fight (kill) them (non-Muslims), and Allah will punish (torment) them by your hands, cover them with shame" (Quran 9:14)
 - 3. "I will instil terror into the hearts of the unbelievers, smite ye above their necks and smite all their finger-tips off them It is not ye who slew them; it was Allah" (Quran 8:12, 17).

IV. **Confronting Islam**

- A. Islam is a religion, a set of beliefs, that many people have no idea about.
- B. We need to be assured that Islam needs to be confronted.
- C. In confronting this confusing religion we must start with their book, the Quran (Koran).
- D. There are many errors in the Quran that will disprove the entire literary work.
 - 1. Was Pharaoh saved at the Red Sea? – Saved (Quran 10:92), drowned (Quran 28:40, 17:103, 43:55).
 - 2. How was man created? – A blood clot (Quran 96:1-2), water (Quran 21:30, 24:45, 25:54), "sounding" (i.e. burned) clay (Quran 15:26), dust (Quran 3:59, 30:20, 35:11), nothing (Quran 19:67) and this is then denied in 52:35, earth (Quran 11:61), a drop of thickened fluid (Quran 16:4, 75:37)
 - 3. How many angels spoke to Mary? – The Quran 3:42,45 speaks about (several) angels while it is only one in the Quran 19:17-21.

Conclusion:

- 1. Hopefully this lesson has provided a brief examination of the religion of Islam.
- 2. One thing for sure is that this religion is not understood.
- 3. As we understand it let's expose it (Ephesians 4:14; Matthew 7:15; Matthew 7:22-23; 2 Peter 2:1; 2 Peter 2:12-19; 2 Timothy 3:2; 2 Timothy 3:8, 1 Timothy 6:3-5; 2 Timothy 4:3,4; Matthew 7:15-20).

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