

Heaven and Prayers from the Origins of the Koran & Bible



On September 11, 2001, 19 militants associated with the Islamic extremist group al-Qaeda hijacked four airliners and carried out suicide attacks against targets in the United States. Two of the planes were flown into the towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, a third plane hit the Pentagon just outside Washington, D.C., and the fourth plane crashed in a field in Pennsylvania. Often referred to as 9/11, the attacks resulted in extensive death and destruction, triggering major U.S. initiatives to combat terrorism. Over 3,000 people were killed during the attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C., including more than 400 police officers and firefighters.

Today, we are still dealing with the terrorism of the "new" ISIS, who used to be al-Qaeda in Iraq. With such violent and brutal killings, even here in my home state, Oklahoma, where a muslim man cut off the head of co-worker, plus the current tragedies of killing 26 Israelis

by Muslims, plus 54 wounded in Israel, and 130 people killed, plus 368 injured in Paris, France, brings great concern to America.

I believe Americans MUST understand what Muslims believe and why they act these beliefs out. Grieved in my heart due to these tragic events, I thought I would present additional study of Jesus & Muhammad: origins of their teachings; the Koran and Bible, their prayers, and reactions to events.

Separating each Leader from the followers, education on the beliefs of the original authors of Christianity and Islam, can shed light on current events, give wisdom for government, church, and individual decisions, and affect our heart to action for ministry to the lost. Hopefully, this will encourage you to study more yourself, and to pray for those who persecute Israel, the Jews, and us.

This short teaching has emphasis and insight on Jesus and Muhammad's God, prayer, and the afterlife. Additional series of teachings to come will cover their life timelines, their message, women, and attitudes, plus statements and goals of each leader.

Origins of the Bible & Koran

Muhammad & the Koran

The Koran was written and compiled by followers who said they "memorize" the words of Muhammad. His revelations were written on different materials such as bones, deer skin, etc, but were not kept or collected for safe keeping, thus it had to come from "memory". Although Muslims proclaim they have a Koran that dates to the time of Muhammad, that no word or dot has been unchanged, the Reality is different! The Koran Is supposed be Revelations of Muhammad from the Angel Gabriel compiled from memory from followers.



There are NO original ancient Manuscripts to study. They only have three (3) partial documents of the Koran.

One partial Koran is the Samarqand MSS in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, and one MSS Koran is housed in the Topkapi Museum in Istanbul, Turkey, which Muslims state are 7th century copies from 3rd Leader, Uthman, who compiled the Koran. What many Muslim's do not reveal, is these two manuscripts were written in a script style called "Kufic", a style originated in Kufah, Iraq, & used from the late 8th to the 11th century. *Practicing Muslim scholars* generally date these manuscripts no earlier than 250 years after Muhammad died (870AD or later). Had these two manuscripts been compiled any earlier, they would have been written in either the *Ma'il* or *Mashq* script style. (John Gilchrist, *Jam' Al-Qur'an*, Jesus to the Muslims, 1989) The third Koran in Ma'il form, dated 790AD by their own Muslim curator, is in the British Museum in London, so it is reasonable to believe the previous two are 870AD – 1200AD. This makes their OLDEST MANUSCRIPT close to 160 years old AFTER Muhammad's DEATH!



Jesus was a Jew and followed the Hebrew Bible

Jesus accused the scribes of being guilty of killing the prophets sent by God from Abel (Genesis) to Zechariah (2 Chronicles), the last book of the Hebrew Bible. The Hebrew Bible contained 39 books; The Torah (First 5 books of OT), the Psalms, & the Prophetical Books (in different order in our English bible but same books), and were collected and canonized (put together) by the time of Ezra in 5 B.C. Different Parts of the original manuscripts have been found, but not until the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls had a complete set of the torah and N. T. manuscripts, except Book of Esther, proving the profound accuracy of our bibles today. Only a few small coping errors were discovered, yet No Biblical teaching or meaning of the text, were altered.

The New Testament was written by his Apostles – Most Attested Document in the World.

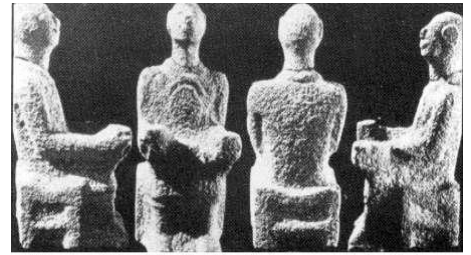
The N.T. written about Jesus during and after his death were all written by the Apostles or the backing of the Apostles such as Peter endorsed Mark, and Paul endorsed Luke. More than 5000 manuscripts of the 27 books of the N.T. exist today which makes the N.T. the best-attested document of all ancient documents! There are 2,000 lectionaries (church documents containing scripture) and 86,000 quotations found from the Bible in Syrian, Egyptian and Latin translations dating from the 1st century. With this proof, we have the most reliable, accurate text of the New Testament. All the 66 books, O.T. & N.T., had multiple authors, (40) yet were unified in thought and teaching, which is amazing in itself!

Is God of the Bible the same God the Muslims called "Allah"?

The Ideology of Islam has as its focus of worship a deity by the name of "Allah." The Muslims claim that Allah in pre-Islamic times was the biblical God of the Patriarchs, prophets, and apostles. The issue is thus one of continuity. Was "Allah" the biblical God or a pagan god in Arabia during pre-Islamic times? The Muslim's claim of continuity is essential to their attempt to convert Jews and Christians, for if "Allah" is part of the flow of divine revelation in Scripture, then it can be presented as the next step in biblical religion.

If Allah was a pre-Islamic pagan deity, then its core claim is proved false. Religious claims often fall or stand before the results of hard sciences such as archeology. We can endlessly speculate about the past, or go and dig it up, and see what the evidence reveals! This is one of the ways to find out the truth concerning the origins of "Allah". As archeology proves, the hard evidence demonstrates that the god "Allah" was a pagan Moon-God deity, and was allegedly married to the sun goddess, and the stars were his daughters. The following is taken from Archeology Today:

During the nineteenth century, archeologist Amaud, Halevy and Glaser went to Southern Arabia and dug up thousands of Sabeian, Minaean, and Qatabanian inscriptions which were subsequently translated about the Moon God. In the 1940's, the archeologists G. Caton Thompson and Carleton S. Coon made some amazing discoveries in Arabia. During the 1950's, Wendell Phillips, W.F. Albright, Richard Bower and others excavated sites at Qataban, Timna, and Marib (the ancient capital of Sheba). Thousands of inscriptions from walls and rocks in Northern Arabia have also been collected. Reliefs and votive bowls used in worship of the "daughters of Allah" have also been discovered. The three daughters, al-Lat, al-Uzza and Manat are sometimes depicted together with Allah the Moon-god represented by a crescent moon above them. The archeological evidence demonstrates that the dominant religion of Arabia was the cult of the Moon-god.



The moon-god from all four sides. Note the crescent moon carved on his chest.

According to Archaeological discoveries, in Old Testament times, Nabonidus (555-539 BC), the last king of Babylon, built Tayma, Arabia (by Medina) as a center of Moon-god worship. Many scholars have also noticed that the Moon-god's name "Sin" is a part of such Arabic words as "Sinai," the "wilderness of Sin," etc. When the popularity of the Moon-god waned elsewhere, the Arabs remained true to their conviction that the Moon-god was the greatest of all gods. While they worshipped 360 gods at the Ka'bah (Black Stone) in Mecca, the Moon-god was the chief deity. Mecca was in fact built as a shrine for the Moon-god. This is what made it the most sacred site of Arabian paganism.

In 1944, G. Caton Thompson revealed in her book, "The Tombs and Moon Temple of Hureidha", that she had uncovered a temple of the Moon-god in southern Arabia. The symbols of the crescent moon and no less than twenty-one inscriptions with the name Sin were found in this temple. An idol which may be the Moon-god himself, was also discovered.

The worship of the Moon god "Sin" was widespread and common during Abraham's time, contrary to Muslim claims. Abraham was asked to leave Ur of the Chaldees, where the moon god, Sin (Allah), was worshipped and migrate to Canaan and Worship Jehovah. The Ur of Chaldees is located the region of Babylon.

Evidence gathered from both North and South Arabia demonstrates that Moon-god worship was clearly active even in Muhammad's day and was still the dominant cult. According to numerous inscriptions, while the name of the Moon-god was Sin, his title was al- ilah, i.e. "the deity," meaning that he was the chief or high god among the gods. As Coon pointed out, "The god Il or Ilah was originally a phase of the Moon God." The Moon-god was called al- ilah, i.e. the god, which was shortened to Allah in pre-Islamic times. The pagan Arabs even used Allah in the names they gave to their children. For example, both Muhammad's father and uncle had Allah as part of their names. The fact that they were given such names by their pagan parents is another proof that Allah was the title for the Moon-god in Muhammad's day.

The Muslim's claim that Allah is the God of the Bible, and that Islam arose from the religion of the prophets and apostles, is refuted by solid, overwhelming archeological evidence. Islam is nothing more than a revival of the ancient Moon god cult. It has taken the symbols (the Moon Crescent), the rites (the black stone), the ceremonies (pilgrimage to Mecca & worship Black Stone), and even the name is the Moon god of the ancient pagan religion.

Jesus was born into a Jewish family with bloodline descendent from David on both parents side. He was David's son through the bloodline on Mary's side and David's son through the legal side of Joseph. He practiced the Jewish faith which taught worship and faith in "Yahweh", meaning "I am that I am" or "God is He who is" revealed to Moses. The One True God demonstrated His Presence through acts of great miracles and deliverance of the Jewish people from Egypt, heard around the world. Archeology and documents overwhelmingly prove this fact. Since then, we use God's name before ours – I am (your name).

Result: Christians and Muslims are Praying to different Gods!

Jesus prayed to Yahweh, the God of Israel. Muslims pray to Allah, the Moon God. Many have tried to teach this is the same God. As history proclaims, "They are NOT!" Interestingly, the Quran teaches that Allah had no Son. So how can a God who had no son, be the same God of Jesus, the Christ, and the Son of the Living God?



Teachings on Prayer from Jesus and Muhammad.

Understanding WHO Jesus and Muhammad prayed to, can help in understanding their "revelations", their situations and reactions. We will start with Muhammad.

Muhammad taught Prayer is a duty, a command, not an option!

Muhammad taught his vision, called "Night Journey", a requirement of Allah was to pray 5 times a day. He said the angel Gabriel took him to Allah in heaven in a dream, where Allah told him that all are required to pray 50 times a day. Muhammad negotiated it down to five times a day, and the angel Gabriel taught Muhammad the correct way to pray. From that day on, Muhammad led prayers 5 times a day, in specific detail. Muhammad taught prayer is the covenant and no one is considered a Muslim if

they do not pray 5 times daily. Not praying also opens one up to being converted and Muhammad was very stern with his followers about prayer. *An Example* is when the evening prayer was attended so poorly, Muhammad asked, where is this person and that person? The reply was, "They are still in their homes!" Muhammad's response was to speak "a direction from heaven" to these men to collect fire-wood, designate someone to lead prayer while he went behind the homes of the men, who had not attended, and burned their homes down with them in it.

Muslim Prayers are scripted and highly detailed to follow: Today, all Muslims are commanded to pray 5 times daily. In Islam, prayers are scripted Arabic words & movements. Each unit of prayer is called "raka'ah" (RA-Kuh-ah). The goal of prayers to Allah is to avoid Allah's punishment for disobeying the command to pray 5 times a day, and to be accepted on Judgment Day

& enter into paradise. If Allah is displeased with your prayers, he will punish you by taking away your health, finances or cursing you. Ultimately, he can punish you on Judgment Day by not allowing you to enter into paradise.

It is very important to perform all aspects of prayer in detail to gain Allah's favor. Below is the sequence of events for one "raka'ah" prayer.

Call to Prayer: Prayer Call rings out over the city. Everywhere activity stops.

Cleansing Ritual before prayer: One is impure if they have gone to the bathroom, *touched a woman or dog, etc.* (Women are considered unclean and if water is not available, sand or dust is ok to use.) When it's time to pray and you have just used the toilet or touched a woman, be sure to wash up. If you can't find any water, just rub some dirt on yourself. *Koran Surah (Chapter) 5:6*

He recites these words before washing: "I put my face to the true creator and I begin my washing."

He washes his hands to his wrist -3 times –starting with the right hand first, then left.

He rinses his mouth & rubs teeth with his finger – 3 times

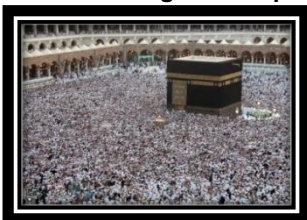
He rinses his nose – 3 times, he washes his face, behind ears and under chin – 3 times

He washes arms from wrist to elbow – 3 times – right arm first

He wipes over his hair with water – one time, He washes inside his ears with specific motions

He washes his feet up to ankles – 3 times

This cleansing ritual is performed in order to stand before Allah.



It is taught that Muhammad did this, so all Muslims must do this.

All enter Mosque and line up in straight rows facing Mecca (city in Saudi Arabia). Prayer leader starts with hands cupped behind his ears and yells "Allah is great". The people respond the same, "Allah is great". All cross their arms over their stomachs, with right arm on top, and recite the 1st chapter of the Quran in Arabic together. Time after this is allowed for additional memorized Arabic verses from the Quran to be quoted personally. They bow at waist with hands on knees. Leader yells, "Allah is great" and all in unison respond "I praise my great lord". All drop to their knees first, then hands, then heads to the floor, reciting, "I praise my Lord, the very high one" 3 times.

Muhammad taught that one is closest to Allah when his forehead was on the ground. At this time one can say prayers of request. One must pray fast – a few minutes for one can only pray until the leader directs to sit back on knees and heels with legs crossed. All are directed by the leader to sit back on their knees & heels. The process of forehead to ground and sitting back is repeated 3 times. To end the "raka'ah" the third time they sit back all recite from Quran Surah(chapter) 2:255. "The peace of Allah be with you. The peace and the mercy of Allah be with you." Muhammad did it this way and so all people do it this way, they proclaim.

The number of "raka'ahs" recited differs at the time of the prayers. Each raka'ah is exactly the same except where verses are personally recited. Below are (approx.) times of prayer and required "raka'ahs:

First	4:00a.m.	2 raka'ahs	D. Fourth	5:00p.m.	3 raka'ahs
Second	12:00p.m.	4 raka'ahs	E. Fifth	8:30p.m.	4 raka'ahs
Third	3:00p.m.	4 raka'ahs	F. Additional raka'ahs may be offered after each service to show devotion to Allah.		

Muslims NEVER expect Allah to Answer Prayer except once a year.

No Muslim through prayer expects Allah to answer him. A Muslim's only hope to hear from Allah comes once a year at the last night of Ramadan. Muhammad taught the angel Gabriel would visit one pious person waiting for him. Many Muslims stay in the Mosque all night hoping it may be them. Some other stipulations about Prayer: Muslims are not to pray if you are drunk, dirty, or have touched a woman lately. *Surah 4:43*

Muslims NEVER know if they make paradise until they die.

Muslims believe that Allah watches their prayers closely, so this is why such precautions are taken to execute each detail properly. It is taught that if a woman should walk by a man while praying "raka'ah", his prayers are defiled and he must start over with cleansing. Unfortunately, no Muslim can find out whether Allah was pleased with their prayers (and other good deeds) until Judgment Day! According to the Quran, those men who go to hell, and so does their wives, no matter how their wives behaved. Those who "did wrong" will go to hell, and their wives will go to hell with them. *Surah 37:22-23*

Only Exception -Muslims who kill or are killed in Jihad will make it to Paradise, a place of sexual rewards!

Those who kill or are killed by unbelievers will return to the garden of Paradise (Quran 9:111), where they will enjoy many lustful pleasures - sex with virgins, sex with children, pleasant food and drink, etc. (This is their heaven.) Below are some verses from the Koran: Female companions await those (husbands) who enter the Gardens of Eden on the Day of Reckoning. *Surah 38:52*

Allah will reward faithful Muslims after they die with "fair ones with wide, lovely eyes." *Surah 44:54*

Allah will reward those in the Garden with beautiful wives with wide, lovely eyes. *Surah 52:20*

Allah will give those in the Garden women of modest gaze whom neither man nor jinn (demon) have touched before them. *Surah 55:56* They also each get "wide eyed young boys"! (Shocking!)

Allah will reward believing men with "fair ones" (beautiful women) in heaven. *Surah 55:71-72*

Those in the Garden get "immortal youths with wide, lovely eyes." *Surah 56:17-23* (Sex with children) Allah made virgins to be lovers and friends to those on his right hand. *Surah 56:36-37*

Doom is about to fall on all disbelievers. Only worshippers (Muslims) and those who preserve their chastity (except with their wives and slave girls) will be spared from "the fires of hell" that are "eager to roast." *Surah 70:1-30*

They shall recline on jeweled couches face to face, and there shall wait on them immortal youths with bowls and ewers and a cup of purest wine... with fruits of their own choice and flesh of fowls that they relish. And theirs shall be the dark-eyes "houris" (celestial virgins), chaste as hidden pearls: a garden for their deeds." (Koran 56:15)



Muhammad's Hell: A Place of fire, boiling water, chains and burning skin.

Those who do not believe in Allah and accept Muhammad as his Prophet/Messenger will go to hell. Below some Koran verses: "Those who invoke a god other than Allah not only should meet punishment in this world but the Penalty on the Day of Judgment will be doubled to them, and they will dwell therein in ignominy." (Surah 25:68) "Non-believers will go to hell and will drink boiling water" (Surah 14:17). "...the unbelievers... shall have a great punishment in the world hereafter" (Surah 5:34). "We shall say: 'Lay hold of him and bind him. Burn him in the fire of Hell, then fasten him with a chain seventy cubits long. For he did not believe in Allah, the Most High...'" (Surah 69:28) "Would that you knew what the fire of Hell is like! It leaves nothing, it spares no one; it burns the skins of men. It is guarded by nineteen keepers." (Surah 74:19)

Jesus' Teaching on Prayer

Jesus taught followers they can pray WHEN they want to, not to pray in script and not in front of people to look good!

Jesus teaches us (when we pray) not to be like the hypocrites who stand in synagogues & street corners to be seen by men & women. (Looking pious) Go into your room in secret and pray to the Father and he will reward you! Jesus teaches us not to babble like pagans with MANY words.

Jesus tells us to pray WHEN we want to and GOD WILL ANSWER!

Matt 6:5-8, "And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. 6 But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. 7 And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. 8 Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. NIV

An example: After severe beatings, rejection, spitting in his face & false accusations, Jesus loved those who crucified him. On the tree nailed & dying, He cried out to the Lord, **"Forgive them Father, for they know not what they do!" Luke 23:32**



Jesus taught prayer through an example:

Our Father, who are in heaven. (Muslims would never pray this way. The Quran teaches Allah never had a son and Jews believe God is so holy, a person would not address the Almighty God in such familiarity.)

Thy Kingdom come – Jesus was setting up a spiritual kingdom first, which will result in a physical one in the times to come.

Forgive others as we forgive our debtors – We have the privilege & miracle to forgive others because God has forgiven us first – He reaches out to us first, calls us first, loves us first. We get to forgive,

not have to forgive. What a blessing and freedom in life!

He teaches us to pray to be delivered from the evil one and not led into temptations. This teaches there is a real enemy who can entrap us! We wrestle with powers of the air and principalities, manifesting through human beings. In James 1:24, it is temptation to achieve something through our own lusts and conniving. This gives birth to sin. Here prayer to God can keep us from temptations and in freedom from evil.

Jesus teaches that God is like a Father that his son asks for a fish. No father would give him a snake, something that could harm him, instead. How **Much More will our heavenly father that perfectly loves us answer our prayers.**

Jesus teaches to love your enemy! You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you: **Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven.**

Jesus Teaches That We Become Family

We are his brother and sisters with equal access to Father God as he does in prayer! He teaches it is a way of communication to a God who loves, cares, and answers them. Jesus does not force man to Believe. Man and woman has free will. "Whosoever will, let him drink freely of the river of life" (Revelation 22:17; cp. John 3:15, 16; etc.) All can KNOW they are going to Heaven through faith - woman, man and child.

Heaven – A Place Where God Lives, A Place Without Sorrow, Disease, Death, Tears, Male Or Female.

Heaven is more of a person than a place – the presence of God. No more curse, and no night, with God as light. No sun, moon or sea. No more time! As true of God, it is beautiful in it's surroundings, has trees, fruit, and a river of life from the throne. It has a city person – New Jerusalem (this is us), looks like a beautiful bride, with glory, joy, and holy. Roads and Gates are made of Gold and Jewels. Full of love, for God is Love, with great music, singing, & worship. We will be able to recognize others and meet the apostles and prophets of the bible.

Jesus' Hell – A place of weeping and gnashing of teeth, of outer darkness, & torments with fire and brimstone. A place of sorrows & everlasting destruction, brought on by God's glory with no protection. A bottomless pit and lake where fire is not quenched, a place of hopelessness, & suffering. **A Place of NO REST! God desire that all escape hell through Jesus!** (Matthew 25:30) (Matthew 22:13). (Luke 16:23) (2 Samuel 22:6).



Conclusion

Jesus -We can KNOW TODAY we Will go to Heaven and Have Eternal Life! We can Hear from God!

Jesus teaches God is a father; full of love, mercy and grace. Eternal Life is to have a close relationship with God. Those who have believed on the Lord Jesus Christ and submitted their lives to His Lordship will enjoy eternal joy & contentment in heaven in full relationship with God. There their sins are forgiven and no pain or sorrow, disease or death, will affect anyone, with all equal before God! Jesus states He will prepare a place, a mansion, for every believer, so they may be where He is. **Jesus told us heaven was a gift of faith in God, not of works, for all men, women, and children. (Jesus encouraged Love, Forgiveness and Faith.)**

Muhammad -Will NOT Know if you go to Paradise, Only when you die, NO assurance! (He demands revenge for his reputation, sex, and violence)

Muhammad teaches that Allah is Hard Master and his followers are slaves constantly trying to win favor through their actions of prayer and deeds, never knowing if they have, until they die. They pray knowing that Allah's anger and judgment can be rendered if their prayers are not performed correctly. Muhammad also teaches that "Jihad", War, against the Jew, Christian and

unbeliever is acceptable, commanded, and killing them unless they convert is acceptable. Muhammad commands to spread the "truth" by lying and force and all will go to hell if they do not perform this. This lifestyle is full of works, violence, and sex.

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