

**Righteousness: Jesus or Muhammad**  
**Romans 5:6-8; Colossians 1:15-18; 1 John 4:9-10**

- I. EXHIBIT: "Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:6-8)**
- A. Sinners:** "while we were still helpless" (v.6)
  - B. Standouts:** "a righteous man...the good man" (v.7)
  - C. Savior:** "God demonstrates His own love" (v.8)
- II. EXALTATION: "the image...of God" (Col. 1:15-18)**
- A. Representative:** "the image of the invisible God" (v.15)
  - B. Creator:** "by Him all things were created" (v.16)
  - C. Sovereign:** "He is before...head...first-born" (vv.17-18)
    - 1. Eternal: "He is before all things"
    - 2. All-powerful: "in Him all things hold together"
    - 3. Superior: "He is also head of the body, the church"
    - 4. Preeminent: "first-born...first place in everything"
- III. EXPIATION: "sent...into the world" (1 John 4:9-10)**
- A. Savior:** "God has sent His only...Son" (v.9)
  - B. Satisfaction:** "the propitiation for our sins" (v.10)

*Next Week: "Resurrection: Jesus is Alive!"*  
*Read: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

## Is Muhammad a prophet of God?

Islam and the Qur'an, the Muslim holy book, present both **Muhammad** and **Jesus** as prophets of Allah. But **Muhammad** is seen as the superior prophet because he alone delivered Allah's final and best revelations through the Qur'an. The Qur'an describes **Jesus** as the Messiah, the son of Mary, virgin born (3:45-47; 21:91) and a pattern for the children of Israel (43:57-59), but He is presented as being lower than **Muhammad**. The **Jesus** of the Qur'an is not the **Jesus** of the Bible. The following comparison highlights the differences between these two men, revealing the true **Jesus** - our Lord and Savior.

### Muhammad of the Qur'an

Muhammad is considered the last and best prophet of Allah, but he could not work miracles (Surah 30:52-53 [2:118; 3:183]).

Muhammad was a mortal man (Surah 41:6), was a sinner (9:43; 40:55; 47:19; 2). 1 Pet. 2:22).

Muhammad and Jesus were only human messengers/slaves (Surah 4:157-158,171; 5:75; 116-118; 19:30; 43:57-59; 61:6).

Muhammad taught that Allah created Jesus (3:59), who was only human, "a Prophet" among many prophets (2:136; 19:30).

Muhammad taught that Allah has no son (4:171; 9:29-31; 19:35).

Muhammad created nothing, it was all done by Allah alone (Surah 31:10-11, 25).

Muhammad believed that Jesus worked miracles as a baby (Surah 5:110).

Muhammad came as a conqueror, forcing submit to Allah with the sword. Jesus was never crucified, it only appeared that way (Surah 4:157).

Muhammad was never prophesied about anywhere, nor is it said that he was the promised Messiah of the world.

Muhammad has died and is in the grave. He never rose from the dead - he is Medina, Saudi Arabia. [Predicted in Surah 19:33]

### Jesus Christ of the Bible

Jesus is the only Son of God and did many signs and miracles (Matt. 14:2; John 11:47 [See Surah 2:252-253]).

Jesus was the God-man (John 1:1-4, 14) and never sinned (2 Cor. 5:21; Heb. 4:15; 7:26; 48:1-

Jesus was God on earth (Isa. 9:6; Matt. 1:23; John 1:1; 8:58; 14:9; Col. 2:9; Tit. 2:13), & Lord over all (Rom. 10:9; 1 Cor. 1:9; 8:6).

Jesus is all-knowing (John 2:25; 16:30; 21:17), eternal (Isa. 9:6; John 8:58), as well as unchanging (Heb. 13:8).

Jesus is the Son of God (Psalm 2; Matt. 3:17; 17:5; Heb. 1:1-8; 1 John 4:15). (Surah

Jesus created all things Himself (John 1:3,10; 1 Cor. 8:6; Col. 1:15-17; Heb. 1:2).

Jesus did His first miracle as a man at Cana of Galilee (John 2:11).

Jesus came as the world's Savior, offering salvation to all men by His sacrifice. Jesus was crucified for the sins of all men (Isa. 53; Luke 23:33-49; Rom. 5:8).

Jesus was prophesied about many hundreds of times in the Bible. He is the promised Messiah of the world (John 1:41).

Jesus has died, was buried and then arose from the dead - He ascended to His Father (Matt. 27-28; Mark 16:19; 1 Cor. 15).

## Is Allah the God of the Bible?

The religion of Islam states in the Qur'an, the sacred book of the Muslims, that Allah is the same God who is revealed in the Bible: *"There is no God save Allah"* (Surah 3:62; 27:26); *"Allah is able to do all things"* (Surah 2:284); *"Allah is the only One God... His is all that is in the heavens and all that is in the earth"* (Surah 4:171);

*"...your Lord is Allah Who created the heavens and the earth in six days"* (Surah 7:54).

But after a close comparison of the Qur'an with the Bible, the true Word of God, we discover that this claim is clearly false - Allah is not Yahweh/ Allah is a false god.

### Allah of the Qur'an

Allah can do anything - he has no restrictions (Surah 3:29; 5:17-18,40,120); He does as he pleases (Surah 74:31).

Allah is not a father and Jesus is not his son (Surah 4:171; 19:88-92).

Allah is unknowable because he is too great to be known (Surah 4:171).

Allah does not love sinners (Surah 2:190; 3:32, 57; 5:87; 16:23; 22:38; 28:77; 30:45) or his enemies (2:98; 30:43-45).

Allah has no special relationship with Jews, the Nation of Israel or its promised land. Abraham was not a Jew (Surah 3:67).

Allah is never called Yahweh in the Qur'an.

Allah is never called Elohim in the Qur'an.

Allah hates the Jews (Surah 3:32,57; 4:46; 5:41,51,57,64; 22:38; 30:45; 59:2-4; 60:1; 62:5-6; 98:6).

Allah made his covenant thru Ishmael (Surah 2:133; 14:39; 19:54; 38:49).

Allah was originally the "moon god", becoming Muhammad's only god.

The Qur'an never mentions Jerusalem and never claims it as a holy site for Muslims.

### Yahweh of the Bible

Yahweh has restrictions - He cannot lie (Heb. 6:18), He cannot break promises (1 Sam. 15:29; 1 Kings 8:56) or sin (Ps.11:7; 145:17).

Yahweh is the Father (John 3:35; 5:18) and Jesus is His Son (Hebrews 1:2-8).

Yahweh is knowable (John 17:3) and wants us to know Him (Jer. 9:24; 1 John 4:7-8).

Yahweh loved us as sinners (Romans 5:8). He is love (1 John 4:8), not willing that any should perish (2 Peter 3:9).

Yahweh is "the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob" (Ex. 3:1-6). The Jews are His chosen people (Ps. 135:4). The land is promised to Israel (Gen. 12:1-3; 15:18).

Yahweh (self-existent one, "I AM") is used in the Bible almost 7,000 times.

Yahweh is called Elohim (the strong and faithful one) some 2500 times.

Yahweh loves the Jews (Deut. 7:6-8) and offers them redemption (Psalm 130:7-8). And His love is everlasting (Jer. 31:1-4).

Yahweh made His covenant thru Isaac, his only son (Genesis 17:17-21; 21:12; 22:1-2).

Yahweh is real, eternal, self-existent and never-changing (Psalm 90:2; Mal. 3:6).

Yahweh chose Jerusalem as His holy city (Psalms 122; 137; Zechariah 8:14), the "City of David" (2 Sam. 5:6-10; Isa. 22:9).