

ISLAM

Christianity and World Religions - Part 4 of 6

BELIEFS OF ISLAM:

THE STORY OF MUHAMMAD
BASIC BELIEF'S OF ISLAM
THE KORAN
FIVE PILLARS OF ISLAM

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MUSLIMS AND CHRISTIANS:

1. HOW WE HEAR FROM GOD.

Islam: Koran is the direct word from God.

Christians: Jesus is God's word made flesh.

“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

John 1:14 (NIV)

Sura 4:157 *“They did not crucify Christ but only appeared so...”*

Sura 112:1-3 *“Say: He is Allah, the One and Only; Allah, the Eternal, Absolute; He begetteth not, nor is He begotten.”*

Sura 3:49 *“I create for you out of clay a likeness of a bird”.*

2. OUR VIEW OF SALVATION.

Islam: Achieved through the Shahada.

Christianity: Achieved through faith in the substitutionary sacrifice of Jesus for our sins.

“For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all men...”

1 Timothy 2:5-6 (NIV)

BRIDGE BUILDING:

1. Do not disrespect Mohammed.

2. Be a peacemaker.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.”

Matthew 5:9 (TNIV)

“Submit yourselves, then, to God...”

James 4:7 (NIV)

3. Move beyond hurt and fear into love.

Jesus: **“But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.”**

Matthew 5:44 (NIV)

“We're Christ's representatives. God uses us to persuade men and women to drop their differences and enter into God's work of making things right between them. We're speaking for Christ himself now.”

2 Corinthians 5:20 (Message)