

# Is Jesus Christ *really* the Answer?

Why not accept Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior? Because that is not what Jesus told us to do. When a scribe asked him which commandment was the most important of all, Jesus answered as a Jew with the first thing a Jew utters as his declaration of faith:

*And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; the Lord our God is **one Lord**: (Mark 12:29)*

For Christians, this commandment is impossible to follow. Why? Because most modern-day Christians believe in the “trinity,” a concept completely unknown to Jesus Christ the Messiah. Another fallacy is the Christian belief that his message was sent to all mankind. When we read the statement attributed to him in Matthew, *I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel (15:24)*, it becomes readily apparent that he was sent as a prophet of guidance to those Jews who had become obsessed with the *letter* of the Jewish Law rather than the *spirit* of the Mosaic Law. Jesus also instructed his disciples to not preach to anyone but Jews:

*These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not: But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. (Matthew 10:5-6)*

## Only Begotten Son?

In the Book of Psalms, God allegedly says to David,

*I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. (Psalms 2:7)*

We all learn in Sunday school and church that God is the Almighty, the Omnipotent. So, why is God in need of a “divine sacrifice” to forgive us of our sins? We have all heard stories of regular mortals like ourselves who have found it within themselves to forgive others guilty of heinous crimes against their own families. Are Christians asking us to believe that God the Almighty is incapable of this simple act which so many of His creatures might find difficult but achievable?

## The Puzzling Dichotomy

Anyone who reads the Bible, the book which most Christians profess to be the “Word of God,” will find a multitude of puzzling contradictions between this “Word” and the Christianity being propagated by missionaries.

Where in the Bible does Jesus tell us to pray to him? Where in the New Testament does he tell us to celebrate Christmas? Did Jesus ever eat pork or change the Law making it permissible to his followers? *Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled (Matthew 5:17-18).*

Often we hear from those who call us to accept Christ as our savior that their religion is a religion of “peace,” “love,” and “tolerance.” Jesus is portrayed as a gentle shepherd, very Gandhi-like. Yet we read, *Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword (Matthew 10:34)*. Historically, Christianity has been associated less with tolerance and human rights than it has been with wars, the Crusades waged against Muslims, Jews, and fellow Arab-Christians in the

Holy Land, the plight of Jews and Muslims in Spain in 1492, and the genocide of the indigenous peoples of both North and South America, the latter of which smacks of a Christianity “spread by the sword.” The focus of Christian hostility and belligerence is not confined to just “infidels” but has often been directed towards other Christians over both religious and secular issues: The Thirty Years’ War (1618-1648), various European wars for gaining power and/or territory, the French Revolution, the American Revolution, World War I, and World War II, etc. The latter two wars are actually misnomers, because they were mainly wars between Christian nations (with the exception of Japan) over wealth and territory. Moroccans were not fighting the Spanish. The Cubans were not fighting the Haitians. Neither the Sudanese were fighting the Egyptians, nor the Iranians the Afghanis, nor the Panamanians the Colombians. To be fair, Christians should really reflect on the real numbers of innocent civilians killed during their wars against themselves and others when contemplating issues of human rights abuses.

**Women’s issues** is yet another paradoxical subject with respect to their scriptures, but nevertheless a favorite topic of Christians nowadays when attacking other religions. How can television evangelist Joyce Meyer reconcile the following verses of the New Testament with her ministry?

*Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law.*

(1 Corinthians 14:34-35)

*Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.*

*But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was first formed, then Eve.*

*And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.*

(1 Timothy 2:11-14)

*But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven. (1 Corinthians 11:5)*

*In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;*

*But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works. (1 Timothy 2:9-10)*

To be honest, we have to say that most, if not all, Christian churches have devolved into social groups embracing secular humanism with just a taint of religion, in which the tradition of common liturgy, hymns, and a handful of allegories from the Bible are the primary cohesive forces rather than real creed or belief. The outward slogan is to “save souls,” but the covert agenda is to market a western consumer lifestyle, complete with acceptable linguistic norms, politically correct topics of discussion (homosexuality is OK to discuss, but never talk about economic and military aid to Israel or mention the word “Zionism” without being ostracized), and official dress codes that all work in unison against pluralism, multiculturalism, or any basic right to *really* practice any non-Christian religion. One can gain employment as a homosexual or atheist, but not as a practicing Orthodox Jew or Orthodox Muslim, because their dress codes and dietary laws do not conform to our “Christian” society. Keep in mind, most Ultra-Orthodox Jews vehemently oppose the current State of Israel.

# God’s True Message to *All* Mankind

Now that modern-day “Christianity” has been outed and its true colors have been exposed, let us look deeper into the obvious message from the One God, our Creator, in the Bible that pastors have purposely concealed. That message is who God really is, and who He chose as His final Messenger.

*And the Lord said unto me, they have well spoken that which they have spoken, I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.*

(Deuteronomy 18:17-18)

## 1. A Prophet From Among the Brethren of the Israelites

According to the Hebrew Dictionary of the Bible, *Brethren* is the “Personification of a group of tribes who were regarded as near kinsmen of the Israelites.” Jesus himself was an Israelite, therefore he was not of the “brethren” of the Israelites.

## 2. A Prophet like Moses

|   | Moses                 | Muhammad                 | Jesus                    |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Birth</b>                                    | Natural               | Natural                  | Miraculous               |
| <b>Family Life</b>                              | Married with Children | Married with Children    | No marriage, no children |
| <b>Death</b>                                    | Natural               | Natural                  | Unusual                  |
| <b>Career</b>                                   | Prophet and Statesman | Prophet and Statesman    | Prophet only             |
| <b>Forced Emigration</b>                        | To Median             | To Medina                | n/a                      |
| <b>Encounters with Enemies</b>                  | Hot pursuit           | Hot pursuit with battles | n/a                      |
| <b>Revelations written down in his lifetime</b> | Torah                 | The Qur’ān               | n/a                      |
| <b>Nature of Revelations</b>                    | Legal and Spiritual   | Legal and Spiritual      | Spiritual only           |

## 3. I will put my words in his mouth:

*your companion [Muhammad] is not misguided or misled; nor does he speak from whim. It is nothing but Revelation revealed, taught him by one immensely strong, possessing power and splendor (The Qur’ān 53:2-6).*

#### 4. **Islām, the only religion God will accept**

*And it shall come to pass, that whoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him (Deuteronomy 18:19).*

*If anyone desires anything other than Islām as a religion, it will not be accepted from him, and in the Next World he will be among the losers. (The Qur’ān 3:85).*

Over Fourteen-hundred years ago our Creator, the One God of the Heavens and the Earth, revealed His message to a man, Muhammad, the Final Prophet, may the peace and blessings of God be upon him, just as He revealed His message to other prophets who came before him:

*Say, “We believe in God and what has been sent down to Abraham and Ishmael and Issac and Jacob and the Tribes, and what Moses and Jesus were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.” (The Qur’ān 2:136)*

*They say, “Be Jews or Christians and you will be guided.” Say, “Rather adopt the religion of Abraham, a man of natural pure belief. He was not one of the idolators.” (The Qur’ān 2:135)*  
*The Jews and Christians will never be pleased with you until you follow their religion. Say, “God’s guidance is the true guidance.” If you were to follow their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would find no protector or helper against God. (The Qur’ān 2:120)*

**Women are honored and protected in Islām.** God has ordained upon them the veil, as you may recall in 1 Corinthians 11:5, as a means of protecting them from the lustful eyes of sinful or unbelieving men. The overwhelming majority of men mentioned in the Bible practiced polygamy as has been ordained by our Creator, who surely understands the true nature of man, whom He created. Christianity denies this part of His Divine Plan, forcing many men to seek out mistresses, “girlfriends,” or prostitutes. At least in Islām, a second, third, or fourth wife does not have to suffer the humiliation of leading a “secret life” and she has all the same legal, financial, and social rights as the “first” wife. Also, women in Islām are not forced to be slaves to their husbands. They are in no way obligated to cook, clean, or wait on their husbands hand and foot.

**Human rights and religious tolerance** have their origins in Islām. Were this not true, there would not be centuries-old synagogues and churches like the Church of the Holy Sepulture still standing in Palestine (Israel), the Eastern Orthodox Church would not be headquartered in present-day Turkey (since the fourth century), nor would the centuries-old communities of Sephardic Jews living in Muslim countries like Morocco, Yemen, or Iran have continued to thrive under Muslim rule. Christians and Jews are actually taxed less than Muslims under Islamic Law and are not required to serve in the armed forces. It is not permissible to fight Christian and Jewish *residents* who are living as *guests* in Muslim countries, destroy their synagogues or churches, or to defile their Holy Books. Even though the Torah and the Bible contain verses like this: *But Rabshakeh said unto them, Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee, to speak these words? bath he not sent me to the men which sit on the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you? (2 Kings 18:27),* it has never been permissible in Islām for a Muslim to desecrate either the Torah or the Bible by flushing them down a toilet or using them to clean one’s boots.

For more information on Islām, call or visit your local Mosque, or visit [www.whyislam.org](http://www.whyislam.org) on the Internet. Or, call 1-877-WHY-ISLAM toll-free.