

Twelve Qur'an (Koran) Teachings Every Christian Should Know

Introduction: I am the Apostle Edward and I write for God Almighty. I am a disciple of Jesus Christ and I obey his teachings. I worship the God that our Lord Jesus taught me to worship in Matthew 4:10. I do not worship Jesus, who taught me that he was a man in John 8:40. I do not worship Mary for it is idolatry and the same as worshipping Jesus.

This writing explains my statements above and addresses the question I have received: "What about Islam?" On the nature of God being ONE and the reality that Jesus is not divine, the Qur'an has it correct. One only needs to read and accept the simple teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ over Church dogma to come to this understanding.

There are significant differences between Christianity and Islam. So many that reaching a common understanding about the nature of God may be impossible to reach between these two great religions without spiritual revelation. I have written extensively about such a revelation within Christianity. The material is free to read online in the form of three books. References to the documents are included at the end.

There are many issues between Orthodox Christianity and Islam that are unbridgeable. Having said that, in 2007, Islamic scholars wrote an open letter to the Pope seeking common ground between the faiths. The letter is at <http://www.acommonword.com>. The common ground is "love of the ONE God" and "love of neighbor." You may recognize these as the two great commandments that Jesus referred to.

Jesus said: " 'You shall **love the LORD your God** with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it; 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandment hang all the law and the Prophets." Matthew 22:37-40 NKJV

Jesus said: "The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O' Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is ONE.'" Mark 12:29

Jesus said: "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship **the LORD your God**, and HIM only you shall serve.' " Matthew 4:10

Jesus said: "But now you seek to kill me, a **man** who has told you the truth which I heard from God." John 8:40

Jesus said: "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to my FATHER, but go to my brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to my FATHER and your FATHER, and **to my God** and your God.' " John 20:17

What Did Our Lord Jesus Christ Teach Us Above?

1. To love the ONE God that Jesus himself worshipped and served.
2. That God's identity is the FATHER. [Paul confirms this in 1 Corinthians 8:6]
3. That Jesus' identity is that of a man, who hears from God.

I believe Muslims would agree with these teachings of Jesus Christ even if the Orthodox Christian Church currently teaches against them with their trinity doctrine.

So, I agree with the Qur'an when it states that God is ONE and that Jesus is not divine. I do not look at the Qur'an for these teachings. I look to my Lord Jesus Christ whom I have cited above for these teachings. The Orthodox Church preaches apostasy with its trinity doctrine. If not for the false trinity doctrine, unsupported by the Holy Bible, then more progress might be made in bridging the faiths of Christianity and Islam.

However, I find the Qur'an has many teachings that are incompatible with the God of the Bible [YAHWEH] that I know. The following is a list of teachings in the Qur'an that every Christian should know. Many, but not all, are incompatible with the teachings in the Bible. NOTE: A Christian is a person who obeys our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, such a person would also obey the five teachings of Jesus that I opened this report with.

What You Need To Know About The Qur'an

#1: God changes His mind and abrogates [repeals or does away with] miracles.

Sura II: 106

"When we abrogate any miracle, or cause it to be forgotten,
we produce a better miracle, or at least an equal one.

Do you not recognize the fact that GOD is Omnipotent?" Sura 2:106^{5, 6}

Issue: In the Bible, God does not change His mind after the fact. The Qur'an teaches Muslim believers that God can change His mind and abrogate (repeal) anything.

"For I am the LORD [YAHWEH], I do not change." Malachi 3:6 NKJV

"I know that whatever God does,
It shall be forever.

Nothing can be added to it,
And nothing taken from it.

God does it, that men should fear before HIM." Ecclesiastes 3:14 NKJV

#2: You can deny your faith if you are under compulsion [threat of harm].

Sura XVI: 106

"Those who disbelieve in GOD, after having acquired faith, and become fully content with disbelief, have incurred wrath from GOD.

The only ones to be excused are those who are forced to profess disbelief, while their hearts are full of faith." Sura 16:106⁵

"Anyone who after accepting faith in Allah utters unbelief **except under compulsion** his heart remaining firm in faith but such as open their breast to unbelief on them is Wrath from Allah and theirs will be a dreadful Penalty." (Abdullah Yusuf Ali) text⁷

Issue: Faith denied under pressure is not faith. Christ taught us to be faithful even unto our death. The Qur'an teaches Muslim believers they do not have to stand firm on their faith as long as their "heart" is true. Yet, a true heart/faith is unwavering even to death!

Jesus said: "Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, any you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life." Revelation 3:10 NKJV

Jesus said: "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear HIM who is able to destroy both soul and body in Hell." Matthew 10:28

#3: There should be no compulsion [force] used in to [establish] religion.

Sura II: 256

"There shall be no compulsion in religion: the right way [truth] is now distinct from the wrong way. Anyone who denounces the devil and believes in GOD has grasped the strongest bond; one that never breaks. GOD is Hearer, Omniscient." Sura 2:256^{5, 7}

Issue: Some practitioners of Islam ignore the teaching in the Qur'an that says no force

or compulsion should be used in religion. That truth should stand on its own foundation and let everyone "choose" faith. God gives us free will and the Qur'an teaches this fact. However, it's an historical fact that Islam has been and is currently "forced" upon many people, even today. In Islam, free will does not exist from a practical standpoint. Just ask what happens to a Muslim who converts to Christianity in a Muslim dominated country like Saudi Arabia. It usually results in a death sentence and at the very least family and community estrangement. If Islam were a religion of peace, it would respect everyone's free will and allow him or her the freedom to choose the religion they believe in. It would also be reflected in a society that was tolerant of different religious beliefs. This is what God has commanded in Holy Scripture concerning the freedom to choose.

"He who is unjust, let him be unjust still, he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still."
Revelation 22:11 NKJV

#4: You cannot challenge God or the Prophet's decisions.

Sura XXXIII: 36

"No believing man or believing woman, if GOD and His messenger issue any command, **has any choice** regarding that command. Anyone who disobeys GOD and His messenger has gone far astray."
Sura 33:36 ^{5, 7} [Ali translation states there is no option regarding decisions, but to obey]

Issue: God has taught us to come and reason with HIM. The Qur'an teaches blind obedience and the inability to challenge decisions. Yet we know that Godly wisdom has the ability to be reasoned with. It is the ungodly cult leader or dictator who demands blind obedience and refuses to be reasoned with or to have his decisions challenged. This is a characteristic of man; it is not of God. Therefore, the Qur'an speaks from a human perspective in this regard and not from a God guided or inspired perspective. God does not teach against HIMSELF in preexisting Holy Scripture.

History shows that the Prophet backed up his demands with force and death to those who disobeyed. For example: Is there really freedom of religion in Saudi Arabia or are Christians treated differently than Muslims? The above teaching in the Qur'an ignores what God HIMSELF teaches us in Isaiah 1:18. Therefore, we can reason with the God [Yahweh] found in the Holy Bible, but not the God [Allah] found in the Qur'an?

God says: "Come now, and let us reason together." Isaiah 1:18 NKJV

One of my favorite stories in Scripture is between Abraham and God, and is found in Genesis 18. You may recall God's decision to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah?

Abraham says to God: "Suppose there were fifty righteous with the city; would You also destroy the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous that were in it?" Of course, God relents and says he won't destroy if fifty righteous people are in the city. Then Abraham keeps lowering the count down. What about 45, 40, 30, 20 and then only 10? This is a remarkable dialogue of reason between God Almighty and a human man. It is found in Genesis 18 starting at verse 20. It confirms what God has taught us in Isaiah 1:18.

If you can reason with God Almighty, you should be able to reason with any religious leader. If you can't, then it is a religious power play and politics are more important than spiritual truth. Therefore, Islam as it appears, is more interested in political power than spiritual truth. It is more interested in controlling people than in guiding them in spiritual matters. Doesn't Islam have more in common with dictatorships, in these regards, than with a God who respects every person's free will?

It also ignores what the Apostle James taught about wisdom.

"But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, willing to yield [to reason], full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy."
James 3:17 NKJV

#5: God gave Moses the Law and Muslims should not doubt this fact.

Sura VI: 154

"And we gave Moses the scripture,
complete with the best command-
ments, and detailing everything,
and a beacon and mercy,
that they may believe
in meeting their LORD." Sura 6:154^{5,7}

Sura XXI: 48-50

"We gave Moses and Aaron the
Statute Book, a beacon, and a
reminder for the righteous.
The ones who reverence their Lord,
even when alone in their privacy,
and they worry about the Hour.
This too is a blessed reminder that
we sent down. Are you denying it?" Sura 21: 48-50^{5,7}

Sura XXXII: 23

"We [God] have given Moses the scripture-
do not harbor any doubt about
meeting Him-and we made it
a guide for the Children of Israel." Sura 32:23^{5, 7}

Issue: Islam ignores the Torah even though the Qur'an states it came from God and teaches Muslims to obey it and not to doubt the Torah.

#6: God gave David the Psalms and Muslims should not doubt it.

Sura IV: 163

"We have inspired you, as we inspired Noah
and the prophets after him.
And we inspired Abraham,
Ismail, Isaac, Jacob, the Patriarchs,
Jesus, Job, Jonah, Aaron, and Solomon.
And we gave David the Psalms." Sura 4:163^{5, 7}

Sura XVII: 55

"Your Lord is the best knower of
everyone in the heavens and the
earth. In accordance with this know-
edge, we preferred some prophets
over others. For example, we gave
David the Psalms." Sura 17:55^{5, 7}

Sura XXI: 105

"We have decreed in the Psalms,
as well as in other scriptures,
that the earth shall be inherited
by My righteous worshipers." Sura 21:105^{5, 7}

Issue: Islam ignores the Psalms even though the Qur'an states it came from God and that Muslims should respect and obey the writings of David.

#7: Mary was a virgin when she gave birth to Jesus.

Sura III: 47

"She said, "My Lord, how can I have a son,
when no man has touched me?"
He said, "GOD thus creates whatever He wills.
To have anything done,
He simply says to it, 'Be,' and it is." Sura 3:47^{5, 7}

Issue: Islam ignores many teachings of Jesus even though the Qur'an verifies the New Testament's account of who he was and of his virgin birth.

#8: God gave Jesus the Gospel and Muslims should not doubt it. Jesus confirms the Torah, is a messenger and an apostle of God and should be obeyed and listened to.

Sura III: 3, 45-51, 55-60

"He sent down to you this scripture,
truthfully, confirming all previous
scriptures, and He [God] sent down
the Torah and the Gospel." Sura 3:3^{5, 7}

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The angels said, "O Mary, GOD gives you  
good news: a Word from Him whose name is  
'The Messiah, Jesus the son of Mary.  
He will be prominent in this life  
and in the Hereafter, and one of those closest to Me.'" Sura 3:45<sup>5, 7</sup>

"He will speak to the people  
from the crib, as well as an adult;  
he will be one of the righteous." Sura 3:46<sup>5, 7</sup>

"She said, "My Lord, how can I have a son,  
when no man has touched me?"  
He said, "GOD thus creates whatever He wills.  
To have anything done,  
He simply says to it, 'Be,' and it is." Sura 3:47<sup>5, 7</sup>

"He will teach him the scripture,  
wisdom, the Torah, and the Gospel." Sura 3:48<sup>5, 7</sup>

"As a messenger to the Children of  
Israel: "I come to you with a sign  
from your Lord-I create for you  
from clay the shape of a bird, then I  
blow into it, and it becomes a live  
bird by GOD's leave. I restore vision  
to the blind, heal the leprous, and  
I revive the dead by GOD's leave.  
I can tell you what you eat,  
and what you store in your homes.  
This should be a proof for you,  
if you are believers." Sura 3:49<sup>5, 7</sup>

"I confirm previous scripture-  
the Torah-and I revoke certain  
prohibitions imposed upon you.  
I come to you with sufficient proof  
from your Lord. Therefore, you shall  
observe GOD, and obey me." Sura 3:50<sup>5, 7</sup>

"GOD is my Lord and your Lord;  
you shall worship Him alone.  
This is the right path." Sura 3:51<sup>5, 7</sup>

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Thus, GOD said, "O Jesus, I am terminating your  
life, raising you to Me, and ridding you  
of the disbelievers. **I will exalt those  
who follow you above those who  
disbelieve**, till the Day of Resurrection.  
Then to Me is the ultimate destiny  
of all of you, then I will judge among  
you regarding your disputes." Sura 3:55<sup>5, 7</sup>

"As for those who disbelieve, I will  
commit them to painful retribution  
in this world, and in the Hereafter.  
They will have no helpers." Sura 3:56<sup>5, 7</sup>

"As for those who believe and lead a righteous life, He will fully recompense them.  
GOD does not love the unjust." Sura 3:57<sup>5, 7</sup>

"These are the revelations that we recite to you, providing a message full of wisdom." Sura 3:58<sup>5, 7</sup>

"The example of Jesus, as far as GOD is concerned, is the same as that of Adam; He created him from dust, then said to him, 'Be,' and he was." Sura 3:59<sup>5, 7</sup>

"This is the truth from your Lord; do not harbor any doubts." Sura 3:60<sup>5, 7</sup>

#### **Sura IV: 171**

"O people of the scripture, do not transgress the limits of your religion, and do not say about GOD except the truth. The Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary, was a messenger of GOD, and His word that He had sent to Mary, and a revelation from Him. Therefore, you shall believe in GOD and His messengers. You shall not say, 'Trinity.' You shall refrain from this for your own good. GOD is only one god. Be He glorified; He is much too glorious to have a son. To Him belongs everything in the heavens and everything on earth. GOD suffices as Lord and Master." Sura 4:171<sup>5, 7</sup>

### **Sura V: 46-47**

"Subsequent to them, we sent Jesus, the son of Mary, confirming the previous scripture, the Torah. We gave him the Gospel, containing guidance and light, and confirming the previous scriptures, the Torah, and augmenting its guidance and light, and to enlighten the righteous." Sura 5:46<sup>5, 7</sup>

*"The people of the Gospel shall rule in accordance with GOD's revelations therein. Those who do not rule in accordance with GOD's revelations are the wicked."* Sura 5:46<sup>5, 7</sup>

### **Sura LXI: 6**

"Recall that Jesus, son of Mary, said, 'O Children of Israel, I am GOD's messenger to you, confirming the Torah and bringing good news of a messenger to come after me whose name will be even more praised (Ahmad) [Paraclete or Holy Spirit]\*\*.'" Then, when he showed them the clear proofs, they said, 'This is profound magic.' " Sura 61:6<sup>5, 6</sup>

**Issue:** Islam ignores Jesus' teachings even though the Qur'an teaches that Muslims should obey Jesus. \*\*The Qur'an mistakenly teaches that Islam's Prophet is the Paraclete [Holy Spirit] promised by Jesus in the New Testament.

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**#9: Muslims must obey the Torah (O.T.) and the Gospel (N.T) and unless they do their salvation has no basis or ground to stand upon.**

### **Sura V: 66, 68**

*"If only they would uphold the Torah and the Gospel, and what is sent down to them herein from their Lord, they would be showered with blessings from above them and from beneath their feet. Some of them are righteous, but many of them are evildoers."* Sura 5:66<sup>5, 7</sup>

*"Say, "O people of the scripture, you have no basis until you uphold the Torah, and the Gospel, and what is sent down to you herein from your Lord." For sure, these revelations from your Lord will cause many of them to plunge deeper into transgression and disbelief. Therefore, do not feel sorry for the disbelieving people." Sura 5:68*<sup>5, 7</sup>

**Issue:** Islam ignores the Torah and Gospel even though the Qur'an teaches Muslims that their faith is not grounded [no basis for salvation] unless they do obey them.

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## **#10: Salvation belongs to the righteous, regardless of religion.**

### **Sura II: 62**

*"Surely, those who believe, those who are Jewish, the Christians, and the converts; anyone who (1) believes in GOD, and (2) believes in the Last Day, and (3) leads a righteous life, will receive their recompense from their Lord. They have nothing to fear, nor will they grieve." Sura 2:62*<sup>5, 7</sup>

**Issue:** Islam ignores the teaching of the Qur'an that says righteous Jews and Christians will also see God's salvation. Instead, many Muslims wage war on righteous Jews and Christians. In part this is due to conflicting teachings within the Qur'an itself. On one hand, the Qur'an teaches Muslims to treat Jews and Christians with respect. On the other hand, the Qur'an teaches Muslims to subjugate Jews and Christians and/or to kill them if they don't submit to Islamic authority. Ergo, Muslims are treated to conflicting approaches to the other righteous people of God within the Qur'an itself. Yet, when Muslims wage war on innocent righteous people, it is not of God. This, righteous people of all nations should know within their hearts and regardless of the religion they believe.

Ergo, the Muslim who wages war in the name of Islam brings shame upon Islam and the Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be unto him). Just as the trinity teacher brings shame upon the name of Yeshua [Jesus] – (peace and blessings be unto him).

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## **#11: The Qur'an denies the death of Jesus Christ on the cross.**

### **Sura IV: 157**

"And for claiming that they killed the Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary, the messenger of GOD. In fact, they never killed him, they never crucified him-they were made to think that they did. All factions who are disputing in this matter are full of doubt concerning this issue. They possess no knowledge; they only conjecture. For certain, they never killed him.\* Sura 4:157<sup>5, 7</sup>

"Instead, GOD raised him to Him; GOD is Almighty, Most Wise." Sura 4:158<sup>5, 7</sup>

**Issue:** The Qur'an states the doctrine of Docetism found in historic Christian Gnostic teachings in Sura 4:157. This doctrine was written centuries before the Qur'an was conceived. This Gnostic doctrine teaches that it only appeared that Christ was killed on the cross. Historic documents prove that Jesus Christ was actually crucified and this statement in the Qur'an has no inspiration from God, as it is a blatant historical error. I.E. Even Roman secular historical documents record the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ. Ergo, the crucifixion is indisputable even if the Qur'an teaches otherwise.

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## **#12: The Qur'an states that Christ did not teach that he was God or that the people should worship him instead of God.**

### **Sura V: 116**

GOD will say, "O Jesus, son of Mary,\* did you say to the people, `Make me and my mother idols beside GOD?' " He will say, "Be You glorified. I could not utter what was not right. Had I said it, You already would have known it. You know my thoughts, and I do not know Your thoughts. You know all the secrets." Sura 5:116<sup>5, 7</sup>

"I told them only what You com-  
mended me to say, that: `You  
shall worship GOD, my Lord and  
your Lord.' I was a witness among  
them for as long as I lived with  
them. When You terminated my  
life on earth, You became the  
Watcher over them. You witness  
all things." Sura 5:117<sup>5,7</sup>

**Issue:** The Qur'an is correct that Jesus Christ did not teach the world that he was God. The dialogue in the Qur'an at Sura 5:116, however imaginary in Christian minds, reflects the truth of what our Lord Jesus Christ taught. He taught the people to worship his God, who he identified as the FATHER in his teachings at John 20:17. Christ always exalted the FATHER and indicated that he would return to his God and our God, his FATHER and our FATHER. Jesus also taught us that he was only a man "who heard the truth from God" in John 8:40. Ergo, the ONE God that Jesus taught us to return to, is not the triune God taught by the Orthodox Christian Church since 325 C.E.

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Note: Above Qur'an verses are shown at <http://www.submission.org>, an Islam promotion site and are from the Khalifa translation available free to download and study. This translation is deemed more accurate than other translations by the Apostle Edward.

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## Summary

The Qur'an contains many good statements about God that I agree with. Its assertion that Christ was not God is true. Those who have studied the teachings of Jesus Christ realize that he was not God. However, when one examines the history surrounding the Qur'an, it can only be concluded that this was not a divinely inspired book like the Old Testament and New Testaments are even if God inspired Islam's Prophet.

It's a fact that the Qur'an speaks against itself in many areas. For example, The Qur'an acknowledges both the Torah and the Gospel as God given and inspired Scripture. It commands all Muslims to obey them. But then it claims that God changes His mind after the fact, that faith can be denied when under compulsion, etc. Such statements reflect the thoughts of a man and run counter to the teachings in the Torah and Gospel documents, which preexist the Qur'an by 500-600 years or more. Ergo, you cannot say that the Torah must be accepted and then claim that God changes. You cannot say you can deny your faith, when Jesus taught us you must "be faithful unto death."

It is a historical fact that the Prophet himself did not write the Qur'an. It was written 20 years or more after his death from the notes of two scribes that had "recorded" what the Prophet said. It means that the Prophet did not write the notes that were used as the basis of the Qur'an. They were notes of what two other people said the Prophet said. In a courtroom, this would be called hearsay. Ergo, no divine inspiration was given directly by God to these two scribes. Instead, they presumably recorded what the Prophet told them. The first version of the Qur'an created from these notes, after the Prophet's death, was subsequently destroyed and a new [second] Qur'an written again some ten years later than the first. The second rewriting involved others even further distanced from the words God supposedly gave Islam's prophet. Ergo, the Qur'an cannot be defined as a "divinely inspired writing" because it is not directly from the hands of whom God presumably divinely inspired and talked to.

This can be contrasted with the books of the Bible, whose authorship is identified and who wrote from God's inspiration. In those books where the authorship is unknown, such as Hebrews, notes clearly identify this fact. At the very least, the Qur'an should have a disclaimer that the Qur'an was not written by directly by Islam's Prophet, but by a group of individuals 20-30 years after the Prophet's death.

Instead of being a divinely inspired writing from God's Prophet, the Qur'an appears as a rationalization of the life of its founder written by others 20-30 years after his death.

The Qur'an indicates that God sanctions dictatorship, thievery, murder, plundering, slavery, divorce and even the incestuous marriage of the Prophet's adopted son Zaid's wife to the Prophet while Zaid was still alive.

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The Torah and Gospels explicitly condemn this type of behavior. God's teachings cannot be two ways and because the Qur'an writings reflect a man's [human's] way of thinking, the Qur'an cannot be considered as inspired by God. This is true even if parts of the Qur'an could be considered divinely inspired.

God is not the author of confusion and HE does not change. This is a fundamental truth in Scripture that predates the Qur'an by 500-600 years or more and of which the Qur'an endorses as God's truth. The Prophet states in the Qur'an that "nothing is new" from God; but the Qur'an as it currently exists, does teach different attributes of God.

In his historical analysis of the Prophet of Arabia, Islam and the Qur'an, author J.L. Menezes writes: "[The Qur'an is] a rehash of Bible and other narrations with such alterations and additions, as best suited [the Prophet's] own purpose, told in poetic rhythms and jingling sounds fit to captivate the ears of unlearned Arabs."<sup>1</sup>

For those interested in the historical background of Arabia's Prophet, Islam and the Qur'an, I would recommend obtaining a copy of Menezes' 1912 book.

A true prophet and messenger of God would not write against Scripture previously established which he commands all Muslims to obey. It is contradictory. This Scripture [the Torah and the Gospel] was firmly established 500-600 years earlier than the Qur'an. At the time of the Prophet's life, the Greek Septuagint [Greek translation of the Hebrew O.T.] was widely available and already in Jewish and Christian hands from centuries earlier and it remains unchanged today along with thousands of copies of Greek N.T. manuscripts used in textual analysis that show consistency in Scriptures.

Therefore, it cannot be said that the Torah or Gospel, which the Qur'an was based upon, has materially changed after the Prophet's life. This is true even if the Orthodox Church teaches against Scriptures. However, it can be said that the original Qur'an was destroyed and a new one created at a later date. And, it can be said that the writing was not by the Prophet, but from friends 20-30 years after his death. The Qur'an at best is what scribes said that God said to the Prophet (hearsay). Given the nature of human communications, the time lapse before the Qur'an was first compiled, the second Qur'an compilation and the discussion above, I do not believe God inspired the Qur'an.

I conclude that the Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessing unto him) may have been inspired, but the Qur'an is not of God's inspiration even if it contains some verses, which seem inspired by God. Having said this, I warn Christians that Christ is not God and never taught us that he was. Today, the idolatry of Jesus worship is rampant in the Christian Church. On the issue of Jesus not being God, the Qur'an speaks God's truth regardless of the source of this Qur'an truth. This singular fact may account for Islam's fast rise, because a simple study of the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ in the New Testament confirms the Qur'an's teachings about who God is and the fact that **Jesus himself taught us he was a man, who taught us the truth that he heard from God!**

## ***Jesus Taught Us God Was Our FATHER!***

**Jesus taught in John 20:17: "I return to my FATHER and your FATHER, and to my God and your God." Yes, Jesus had a God and taught us God's identity is the FATHER!**

## ***Jesus Taught Us He Was A Man!***

**Jesus taught in John 8:40: "But now you seek to kill me, a man who has told you the truth which I heard from God." Yes, Jesus was a man and taught us his identity!**

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May God bless you with His Truth,

The Apostle Edward

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Apostle of Yahweh (God)*

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*God's Case Against Orthodox Christianity*  
<http://www.christianmythology.org>

*Book of Edward: Christian Mythology*  
<http://www.bookofedward.org>

*Seven End-Times Messages From God*  
<http://www.sevenmessages.com>

*Trinity Dogma*  
<http://www.trinitydogma.com>

*Blog and Newsletter*  
<http://www.edwardtheapostle.org>

## **Other Online Resources**

Qur'an – <http://www.submission.org>

A Common Word — <http://www.acommonword.com>

## **Footnotes**

1. "*The Life And Religion of Muhammad, The Prophet Of Arabia*," 1912, Rev. J.L. Menezes, Roman Catholic Books, Harrison New York.

2. Sura is an Arabic word that means, "book." Therefore, the citation **Sura IV: 163** is properly read to indicate verse 163 in book four of the Qur'an (Koran).

3. If you do not know the God that or Lord Jesus Christ served, your salvation is indeed questionable and when Christ returns, he will take vengeance upon you. See Apostle Paul's teaching in 2 Thessalonians 1:8 for this spiritual reality untaught by the Church.

4. The date of my original writing was April 19, 2006. That writing followed an in depth study of Islam, the Prophet of Arabia and the Qur'an. The next version was dated in 2007, which followed another in depth study of Islam. A correction and some minor changes have been made to the version dated August 3, 2010. This is my final report on the Qur'an. For all of the reasons I've cited herein, I do not consider the Qur'an to be an inspired writing from God even if the Prophet of Arabia was inspired of God and/or even if some of the verses in the Qur'an appear as inspired of God [regardless of source].

5. The cited Qur'an text can be found and downloaded at [www.submission.org](http://www.submission.org). This is the Authorized English Version, Translated from the original by Dr. Rashad Khalifa.

6. The English translation of Abdullah Yusuf Ali differs from the cited English text.

7. The English translation of Abdullah Yusuf Ali has either identical text or similar text that renders the same or an equivalent meaning in English.

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