

If Islam is true, then ...

- Why are so many Muslims having dreams of Jesus and turning to Christianity?

If Allah is the true God, then ...

- Why don't Muslims show confidence that their true God will protect his people from apostasy, instead of forcibly stopping Christians from presenting their faith, not allowing their own people to ask questions of their Islamic faith, and threatening them with death if they leave Islam?

If living under Sharia law is the ideal, then ..

- Why do so many Muslims choose to immigrate to countries that don't have Sharia law? Why do so many countries living under Sharia law not thrive in peace and prosperity?

If the Quran has been given to Mohammad, uncorrupted from heaven, then ...

- Why are there over 30 different Qurans in existence, containing 1000s of differences (that are not dialectical)?
- Why do the oldest Quran manuscripts differ from each other, and show evidence of correction and erasure?
- Why were none of Uthman's original AD652 Quran copies preserved? (when there are plenty of preserved Bible texts dating from as early as the AD300s)?
- Why did the Egyptian government in 1924 have to make a decision that the Hafs version was the right version among many that were in existence at the time? And why did that version then have to be corrected several times?
- Why did the Saudi Arabian prince only in 1985 make a decision to confirm the Haf's version as the standard Quran text for all Muslims?
- Why is the Hafs text in Nabatean Arabic, and not the Arabic of the Hijaz where Mohammad lived, especially since Uthman was said to have commissioned the compilation of the Quran in the Quraishi script of the Hijaz area?
- Why does the Quran contain stories that circulated prior to Islam in Christian and Jewish folk tales, and Gnostic writings? Examples:
 1. The Christian folk story of sleepers in a cave (Sura 18:8-25).
 2. The gnostic story ('Infancy Gospel of Thomas' – 2nd Century) of the child Jesus shaping a bird from clay and making it fly (Sura 3:49).
 3. The gnostic account that it wasn't Jesus who died on the cross, but someone who looked like him (Sura 5:157).

- Why does the Quran contain **scientific errors**? Examples:
 1. The Quran says that Allah formed the bones of the human embryo before then adding flesh onto the bones (Sura 23:14).
 2. The Quran says that the sun went down in a pool of muddy water (Sura 18:86). The Arabic does not indicate the sun just 'seemed' to set in a pool of muddy water.
- Why does the Quran contain **historical errors**? Examples:
 1. The Quran says that a Samaritan helped Aaron build the golden calf, but Samaritans didn't exist until 100s of years later (Sura 20:85).
 2. The Quran confuses Mary, the mother of Jesus, with Miriam, sister of Aaron who lived hundreds of years earlier (Sura 19:27-28 & 66:12).
 3. Sura 34:10 talks about King David being given iron to make chain mail armour. Kind David lived about 1000BC, but chain mail was only invented 200BC.
 4. Sura 7:121, 12:41, and 20:71 referring to the time of Moses and then Joseph, has people being threatened with crucifixion. But crucifixions never happened back then (1400-1800BC), they were only invented by the Phoenicians around 500BC.

- Why does the Quran **contradict** itself, leading to what is called the Islamic Dilemma? The Quran says that Allah gave the gospel to the Christians (Sura 3:3-4; 5:68), that Allah preserves his word (Sura 6:34), and that Mohammad should check with the Christians as to the truth of what Allah says (Sura 10:94-95). But the Quran also says that Jesus didn't die on a cross (Sura 4:157), is not the Son of God, and that God is not 3, the very things the gospel says. Why would Allah direct Mohammad to check with the Christians of his day if their gospel was corrupted? If their gospel was corrupted, how could it be true that Allah preserved his word?

If Mohammad unified much of the Arabian peninsula under the Islamic faith by the time of his death in 632AD, and if the Rushidun Caliphate (the 4 leaders that followed Mohammad) greatly expanded Arabic Islamic control into current day Syria and Iran by 661AD, and if the Umayyad Caliphate from 661AD further expanded Islamic rule, then ...

- Why do the coins minted in Syria and surrounding areas during the Rushidun Caliphate (632-661AD) show Christian crosses?
- Why do the coins minted in the eastern areas continue to show Zoroastrian fire altars?
- Why does the Umayyad Muslim Caliph Mu'awiyah (661-680AD) continue to mint Christian coins with crosses on them?

- Why did Mu'awiyah have a rock inscription made with a cross at the top left, in which he states he is 'Servant of God', and 'Commander of Believers'? Does this not point to Mu'awiyah being a Christian? Why is Mohammad not mentioned?
- Why is it that only in 692AD does the Umayyad Muslim Caliph Ab-dal Malik (685-696AD) mint a coin that has the Shahada on it (but also still has his image on it)?
- Why is it that only in 696AD does Ab-dal Malik mint a coin without any images on it, that includes both the Shahada and the 'Say not three for God is one and has no Son' on it?
- Why is it that only from 690AD does the name Mohammad start to show up on rock inscriptions?
- Why it is that only from 710AD do the Muslim rites of Haj, prayer and fasting show up on rock inscriptions?
- Why is it that only from 720AD do the words 'Muslim' and 'Islam' start showing up on rock inscriptions?

If Mecca was where Adam and Eve came to live on earth; if Mecca was where Abraham lived 1000s of years ago, and if it has been a continually occupied holy city where the holy people were buried, and if it is called the 'mother of cities', then...

- Why does archaeology reveal absolutely nothing?
- Why does the ancient world not know of Mecca, even though it knew plenty of other towns and sites in Arabia?
- Why do Islamic rock inscriptions in the Hijaz area only begin to appear in the 8th century?
- Why do the Qiblas of all mosques built up until 725AD face Petra, not Mecca, even though Mohammad in 624AD (Sura 2:144) is supposed to have changed the direction of Qiblas from Jerusalem to Mecca? It is only from 822AD that the qiblas of mosques all face Mecca.
- Why is Mecca only mentioned once in the Quran?
- Why is Mecca so unlike how Mecca is described in Islamic literature. For example, why is it a dry barren desert, not a lush, green productive landscape?
- Why are most of the 65 geographical areas mentioned in the Quran 1000km or more to the north of Mecca?

If Islam is the religion of peace then ...

- Why does it say that Allah has determined that Muslims should kill and be killed in service to him? (Sura 9:111)
- Why did Muslim Arab armies invade way beyond Arabia?
- Why did Muslims for 13 centuries buy and sell slaves, and castrate male slaves?

- Why do so many Muslim ruled countries act oppressively toward non Muslims, and particularly persecute Muslims who become Christian, or join other faiths?
- Why do so many terrorist groups such as Boko Haram, Isis, Al Qaeda, Al Shabab, Hamas, Hezbollah, claim to be followers of Islam?
- Why do more moderate Muslims not denounce the violence being done in the name of Islam?
- Why is the most dangerous person to a Muslim another Muslim who says the other is not committed enough to Allah, and who subsequently kills them, often in suicide attacks?
- Why are Muslims so quick to erupt into mob violence?
- Why do Muslims often show so little capacity for peaceful self control in the face of ridicule?
- Why does Islam say that apostates should be killed?
- Why does Islam espouse hatred for Jews, and seek to destroy them?

If the Zam Zam well is where Hagar found water in the desert, having been cast out by Abraham, then...

- Why is the well less than 30m from the Kaaba?

If the Zam Zam well produces special holy water that can heal, then...

- Why was it the cause of cholera outbreaks all over the world for around 40yrs from the 1880s?

If the Zam Zam well is a miracle of an inexhaustible and abundant water supply, then ...

- Why was an aqueduct commissioned by Queen Zabaydah (Mosul Iraq) and built between 791-801AD to bring water from the Wadi Numan 38km away? Why does Saudi Arabia now pump desalinated water into the well, and then extract it again?

If Islam honours and protects women better than any other religion then...

- Why can girls as young as 6 be given in marriage?
- Why does the Quran give instructions about divorcing pre-pubescent girls? (Sura 65:4)
- Why is heaven spoken of as a place where men will be rewarded with beautiful virgins? (Sura 55:56)
- Why does the Quran say that women can be hit? (Sura 4:34) And how is it that Mohammad will call women who complain of the beating and

bruises, 'Not the best of women'? (Mishkat Al-Masabih 3261; bk 13, no 178)

- Why did Mohammad say that most of the people in hell will be women? (Al Bukhari 3241)
- Why are so many women in Islamic countries denied the right of education and work?
- Why does the 'honour killing' of women still happen to this day in Islamic societies?
- Why is it said in the hadith that a woman's testimony is worth half that of a man because her mind is deficient?
- Why do Muslim men enter into 'hotel marriages', effectively treating women as prostitutes?

Ever since God the Father presented his Son Jesus Christ to the world, to be its saviour, the Devil has sought to diminish the Son in the eyes of people to destroy the good news of who he is, and what he has done for all humanity. Right from the start the revelation that **God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit**, and that **Jesus is the divine Son**, has been attacked, and still is to this day. Islam is not new. It is just another expression of the 'Jesus is not God' claim, that started well before Islam, and which continues in multiple forms today. In the world conquered by Arab armies non-trinitarian and gnostic 'Christian' groups existed, and it is very likely that these became the starting point for Islam. Whereas the Arab ruler Mu'awiyah (661-680AD) seems to have been some sort of a Christian, it is the Arab ruler Ab-dal Malik who ultimately develops the Islamic faith, turning the long known MHMD (the blessed or praised one – Jesus) into a new Arabian prophet MoHaMaD. He creates an Arabic religion to unify his people and to supplant Christianity with his own version of a prophet, a holy book, and a holy city.

There is only one Jesus. He is the Son of God. *'For God so loved the world he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him would not perish but have eternal life.'* John 3:16

Check out online: Jay Smith; Cira International; Answering Islam; Artefactum; Search for Mecca; Robert Spencer; David Wood.

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