

The Christian Arsenal

www.christianarsenal.com

Christianity, Cults and World Religion Definitions

The following choices below will give you a basic outline of some of the key doctrines of Christianity and what other cults and sects believe about them. If you are interested in a cult or religion that is not listed below, please [email us](#).

Select Religion from list:

Islam

[Founder/Leader](#) | [Foundational Documents](#) | [God is...](#) | [Jesus is...](#) | [The Holy Spirit is...](#)
[Method of Salvation](#) | [Death and Beyond](#) | [Other Beliefs](#) | [Peaceful Religion ?!?!](#)

Religion:	Islam
Category:	World Religion
Founder/Leader:	
The founder is Muhammad (570? - 632). Islam was founded around A.D. 610, in Mecca and Medina. The headquarters is in Mecca, Saudi Arabia. The two main sects are the Sunni and the Shi'ite.	
Back to Top	
Foundational Documents:	
The Qur'an (Koran) is the ultimate scripture it was originally written in Arabic. The Hadith (Muhammad's words and deeds) are sacred to Islam. Portions of their Bible are referred to. They are Law of Moses, Psalms, and Gospel of Jesus (the Injil) are accepted by Qur'an, however, they are considered "corrupted" by Muslims.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "This is indeed a Qur'an most honorable, a Book well-guarded... a Revelation from the Lord of the Worlds." (Koran 56:77-80)• "This Qur'an is not such as can be produced by anyone other than God." (10:37)• "Do they not ponder on the Qur'an? Had it been from other than Allah, they would surely have found therein much discrepancy." (Sura 4:82)• "It (the Koran) is an invincible book. Falsehood does not invade it neither from before it nor from behind it, a revelation from a Mighty, Praised." (Koran 41:41, 42)	
Please see the following web site for a list of discrepancies and other problems with the Koran: http://www.rim.org/muslim/quranproblems.htm and http://www.answering-islam.org/Quran/Text/	
Back to Top	
God is...	
God (Allah) is one. God revealed the Qur'an to Muhammad through the angel Gabriel. God is a severe judge (though sometimes merciful) and is not depicted as a loving God. There is no Trinity. Islam is monotheistic (Koran 3:64).	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "I bear witness that there is no God but the Almighty God and that Mohammad is a messenger of God."¹• "For God hath said, 'Take not to yourselves two Gods, for He is one God.'" (Sura 16:53;	

The Christian Arsenal

www.christianarsenal.com

cp. 20:7)

- "Verily God will not forgive the union of other gods with Himself." (Sura 4:51)

Islam rejects the concept of the Trinity. The Koran misrepresents the teaching of Christianity regarding the Godhead, claiming Christians believe in "three Gods" - Father, Mother, and Son. (Sura 5:116, 5:73-75; cp. (Koran 5:114)

[Back to Top](#)

Jesus is...

Jesus is one of up to 124,000 prophets who was sent by God to many different cultures. Abraham, Moses, and Muhammad are others. Jesus was born of a virgin, but is not the Son of God. He was sinless, but not divine or God Himself. Jesus was not crucified instead he ascended to heaven without dying. Jesus is referred to as a messiah or an ayatollah (ayat Allah, sign of God). Jesus will return in the future to live and die.

Mohammad and the Arabs are descendants of Ishmael, which Islam claims Jesus said by their interpretation of Matthew 21:42-44 would supersede the Israelite nation.

[\[5\]](#)

Islam rejects the divinity of Jesus Christ:

- "The Messiah, Jesus the son of Mary, was no more than Allah's apostle and His Word which He cast to Mary; a spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His apostles and do not say: 'Three.' ...Allah is but one God...." (Koran 4:171)
- "...Then Allah will say: 'Jesus, the son of Mary, did you ever say to mankind: 'Worship me and my mother as gods beside Allah?'" (Koran 5:114)
- "No son did Allah beget, nor is there any god along with him. [if so] then behold, each god would have taken away what he had created, and some would have lorded it over others! Glory to Allah! from things they attribute to Him." (Koran 23:91)
- "And they say, 'The Most Gracious Has betaken a son!' Indeed you have put forth a thing most monstrous! At it the skies are about to burst, the earth to split asunder, and the mountains to fall down in utter ruin: That they attributed a son to the Most Gracious. For it is not consonant with the majesty of the Most Gracious that He should beget a son. Not one of the beings in the heavens and the earth but must come to the Most Gracious as a servant. He does take an account of them [all], and numbered them exactly, and everyone of them will come to him singly on the day of judgment." (Koran 19:88)

[Back to Top](#)

The Holy Spirit is...

The Qur'an refers to Jesus as spirit of God. Muslim scholars see the angel Gabriel as the Holy Spirit. They deny the Holy Spirit is God and a part of the Trinity.

[Back to Top](#)

Method of Salvation:

Humans are basically good, but fallible and in need guidance. The balance between good and bad deeds determines eternal destiny in paradise or hell. God's mercy may tip the balances but it is arbitrary and uncertain.

Islam rejects the doctrine of man's original sin: [\[6\]](#).

- Mohammad said, "Every human being is born in a state of a pure nature; but through the influence of his parents, he may become non-Moslem." [\[7\]](#)
- "Whoever goes aright, for his own soul he goes aright; and whoever goes astray, to his own detriment he goes astray. And no bearer of a burden bears another's burden..."

The Christian Arsenal

www.christianarsenal.com

(Koran 53:38)

- "...no soul earns (evil) but against itself. Nor does a bearer of a burden bear the burden of another." (Koran 6:165)
- "So whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it and whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it." (Koran 99:7, 8)

Islam denies the crucifixion and death of Jesus:

- "They denied the truth and uttered a monstrous falsehood against Mary. They declared: 'We have put to death the Messiah Jesus the son of Mary the apostle of Allah.' They did not kill him, nor did they crucify him, but they thought they did... They have no knowledge thereof but the pursuit of a conjecture; they slew him not for certain, but God took him up to Himself." (Koran 4:154-158)

Salvation comes only through Allah and Mohammed his prophet.

- "If anyone desires a religion other than Islam (Submission to Allah), Never will it be accepted of him; and in the Hereafter he will be in the ranks of those who have lost ." (Koran 3:85; cp. 5:10; 25:68)
- Those who "believe not in Allah and His Messenger, He has prepared, for those who reject Allah, a Blazing Fire!" (Koran 48:13)

[Back to Top](#)

Death and Beyond...

Resurrection of bodies. Final day of reckoning and rewards. Eternal paradise for those who believe in Islam. Eternal hell for infidels, those who reject Islam.

On the future of the believer...

Those who kill or are killed by unbelievers will return to the garden of Paradise (Koran 9:111), where they will enjoy many lustful pleasures: sex with virgins, homosexuality, pedophilia (sex with young boys), pleasant food and drink:

- "They shall recline on jeweled couches face to face, and there shall wait on them immortal youths with bowls and ewers and a cup of purest wine... with fruits of their own choice and flesh of fowls that they relish. And theirs shall be the dark-eyes houris (celestial virgins), chaste as hidden pearls: a guerdon for their deeds." (Koran 56:15)
- "pure beautiful ones... goodly things, beautiful ones, pure ones confined to the pavilions that man has not touched them before..." (Koran 56:54, 67-71)
- homosexuality and pedophilia - "boys like hidden pearls" (56:24) and "youth never altering in age like scattered pearls" (Koran 76:19).

On the fate of unbelievers...

- "Those who invoke a god other than Allah not only should meet punishment in this world but the Penalty on the Day of Judgment will be doubled to them, and they will dwell therein in ignominy." (Koran 25:68)
- "Non-believers will go to hell and will drink boiling water" (14:17).
- "...the unbelievers... shall have a great punishment in world hereafter" (Koran 5:34).
- "We shall say: 'Lay hold of him and bind him. Burn him in the fire of Hell, then fasten him with a chain seventy cubits long. For he did not believe in Allah, the Most High...'"

The Christian Arsenal

www.christianarsenal.com

(Koran 69:28)

- "Would that you knew what the fire of Hell is like! It leaves nothing, it spares no one; it burns the skins of men. It is guarded by nineteen keepers." (Koran 74:19)

[Back to Top](#)

Other Beliefs:

Followers are called Muslims. Muslims attend mosque for prayers, sermons, counsel. Holy efforts to spread Islam (jihad).

Muslims center their lives around the Five Pillars of Faith:

1. The acceptance of the confession of faith. "There is no god but the true God (Allah) and Muhammad is his prophet.
2. Prayer, 5 times in every 24 hours, facing Mecca.
3. Almsgiving.
4. Observe the sacred month of Ramadan by fasting from dawn to sunset.
5. A pilgrimage to Mecca, at least once in his lifetime.

Muhammad allowed marriage of up to four wives. (Koran 33:51)

- "Of women who seem good in your eyes, marry but two, or three, or four; and if ye still fear ye shall not act equitably, then one only."
- Islam also allows sexual intercourse with one's slave maids and as many 'captive' women as one desires (Koran 4:3) - even if those women are married.
- Part of the Koran, however, states that fornication is sin:
- "And go not nigh to fornication; surely it is an obscenity. And evil is the way." (Koran 17:32)

On Murder and Violence Condoned:

- The Koran instructs not to make friendship with Jews and Christians (Koran 5:51) but to war against them: "When the Sacred Months are over, kill those who ascribe partners to God wheresoever ye find them; seize them, encompass them, and ambush them; then if they repent and observe prayer and pay the alms, let them go their way (Koran 4:5). "Fight against those who believe not in God nor in the Last Day, who... refuse allegiance to the True Faith from among those who have received the Book, until they humbly pay tribute out of hand." (Koran 9:29) *Note:* These verses distinguish between warfare against pagans, and against Jews and Christians. ¹⁷⁷
- "...kill the disbelievers wherever we find them" (Koran 2:191); "fight and slay the Pagans, seize them, beleaguer them, and lie in wait for them in every stratagem" (Koran 9:5); "murder them and treat them harshly" (Koran 9:123).
- "Seize ye him, and bind ye him, And burn ye him in the Blazing Fire. Further, make him march in a chain, whereof the length is seventy cubits! This was he that would not believe in Allah Most High. And would not encourage the feeding of the indigent! So no friend hath he here this Day. Nor hath he any food except the corruption from the washing of wounds, Which none do eat but those in sin." (Koran 69:30-37)
- "Strike off the heads of the disbelievers"; and after making a "wide slaughter among them, carefully tie up the remaining captives" (Koran 47:4).
- "Instill terror into the hearts of the unbelievers"; "smite above their necks and smite all their finger-tips off them" (Koran 8:12; cp. 8:60).

The Christian Arsenal

www.christianarsenal.com

- "slay or crucify or cut the hands and feet of the unbelievers, that they be expelled from the land with disgrace..." (Koran 5:34).

On Murder and Violence Forbidden:

- "...If anyone killed a person not in retaliation for murder or to spread mischief in the land, it would be as if he killed the whole of mankind. And if anyone saved a life, it would be as if he saved the whole of mankind" (Surah Al-Maaida 5:32)
- "Fight for the sake of Allah those that fight against you, but do not attack them first. Allah does not love the aggressors." (Koran 2:190)
- "...when it is said to them; 'Make not mischief on the Earth', they say; 'We are only peace makers'. Indeed they are the ones who make mischief, but they perceive it not" (Surah Al-Baqarah 2:11-12)
- "And slay not the soul which God has forbidden except for the just cause..." (Koran 17:33)

The Jihad or Holy War is mandatory.

- "Unless we go forth, (for Jihad) He will punish us with a grievous penalty, and put others in our place" (Koran 9:39).
- Fighting "is good for us even if we dislike it." (Koran 2:216)
- "And what is the matter with you that you do not fight in the cause of Allah and for those weak, ill treated and oppressed among men, women and children whose only cry is; 'Our Lord, rescue us from this town whose people are oppressors...' (Surah An-Nisa 4:75)
- "Believers, when you encounter the armies of the infidels do not turn your backs to them in flight. If anyone on that day turns his back to them, except it be for tactical reasons, or to join another band he shall incur the wrath of Allah and Hell shall be his home: an evil fate." (Koran 8:12)

The present day coverage of Islam by the liberal media is giving the impression that Islam is a very peaceful religion. [Click here](#) to see an article prepared by a good friend of the Christian Arsenal.

For some excellent information on Islam see the following sites:

www.answering-islam.org
www.dianedew.com/islam.htm
www.rim.org/muslim/islam.htm
www.equip.org/free/DI200-1.htm
www.equip.org/free/DI200-2.htm
www.equip.org/free/DI200-3.htm

[Back to Top](#)