

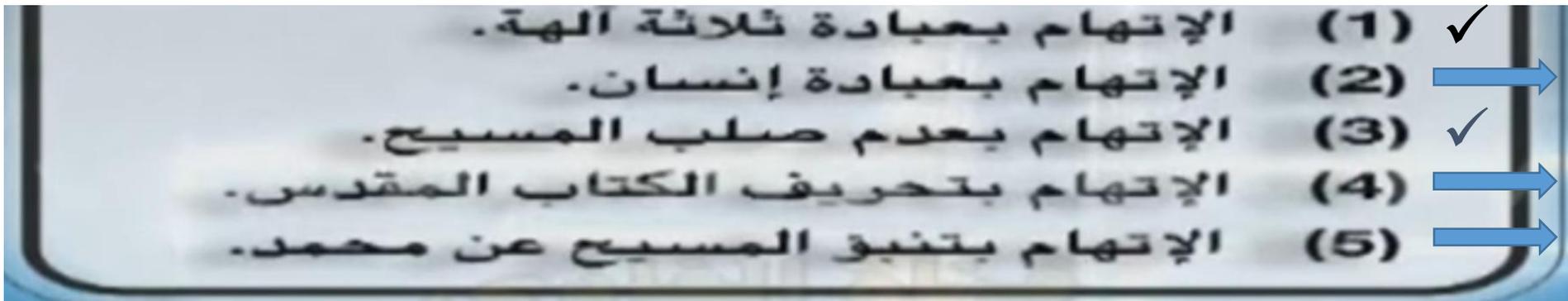
**Accusations Against
Christianity
Part (2)**

**Summary of What Has
Been Covered in
Part (1)**

What Accusations Against Christianity?

- Accusations against basics/principals & beliefs of Christianity (Dogma) →
- Accusations against roots & history of Christianity ??
- Accusations against the Bible →
- Accusations against Christians (morals, appearance, etc.) X
- Accusations against the church & its practices X

- Most Important Accusations are:



Part (1) - Agenda

- What are the accusations against Christianity?
- Holy Trinity (عقيدة الثالوث الأقدس) إثبات ايماننا المسيحي
- Does the Son Know? معرفة الابن باليوم والساعة
- If it is Your Will, Take this Cup away from Me إن أمكن فلتعبر هذه الكأس
- God, Why You Have Forsaken Me? إلهي إلهي لماذا تركتني؟

Accusations Against Principles of Christianity (Dogma)

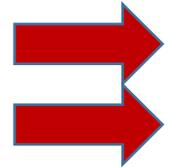


Accusations Against the Bible

**Authenticity
of the bible**



**Falsification
of the bible**



Questions Answered in **Part (1)**

Dilemma with Essence of God

- **How come you believe in 3 gods?**
- **Why God has only one son, not 2 or 3? !!!**
- **Why God has a son, not a daughter? !!!**
- **If He is really one God why we keep mentioning 3 i.e. an « expression corruption »?**
- **Is Christ God or Son of God (which)? Or how come He is both?**
- **Christians are multithiests (worship many gods)!!!**
- **How can we differentiate between the Son and the Holy Spirit, as both came out from the Father, as we claim? Are they 2 sons then?**

Dilemma with Knowledge of the Son & Holy Spirit

- **The Son did not know the « Hour » so He is not God!!!!**
- How come the Holy Spirit doesn't know the hour while Christians claim He is also God?

Dilemma with Suffering of Christ

- Christ asked God to take this cup away from Him, what does it mean?
- Is this a proof of His humanity i.e. He is not God?
- Was He afraid?
- Wasn't He sure of consequences?
- Did Jesus change His mind and tried to escape the cross (in Gethsemany & on the cross)?
- Was that an evidence that God responded to his request and relieved Him from crucifixion!!!!
- Why did the angel come to strengthen Him then?

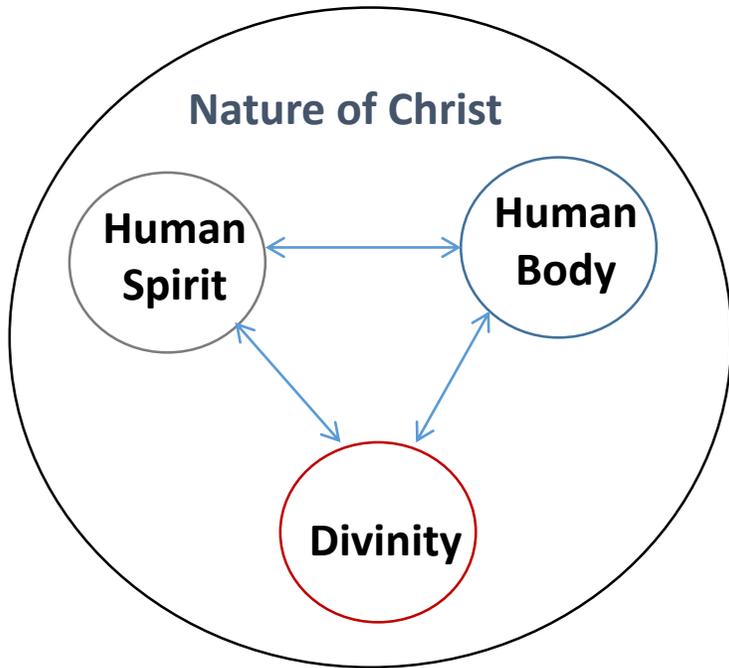
Dilemma with Suffering of Christ (cont.)

- If Christ is God, why did He scream: My God, why have you forsaken Me?
- If Christ has suffered then He is not God!!!
- If Christ is really God then His suffering was not real (i.e. docetic)
- How could God curse His Son?
- Does God leave His son to death?
- Was there a separation between the Father & the Son?
- Was there a separation between the 2 natures of Christ (Divinity & Humanity)?

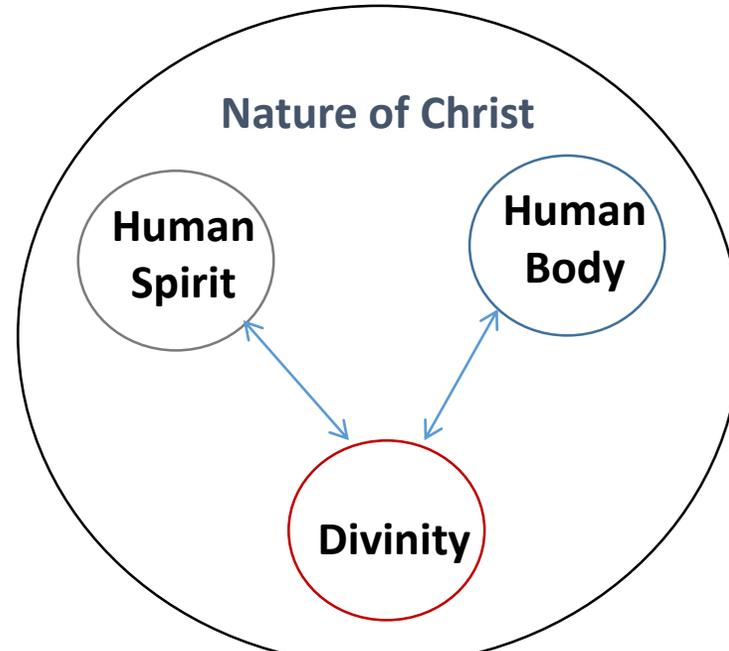
Dilemma with Suffering of Christ

- So, if there was No separation between the 2 natures of Christ (Divinity & Humanity), then how did He die & how did He resurrect?

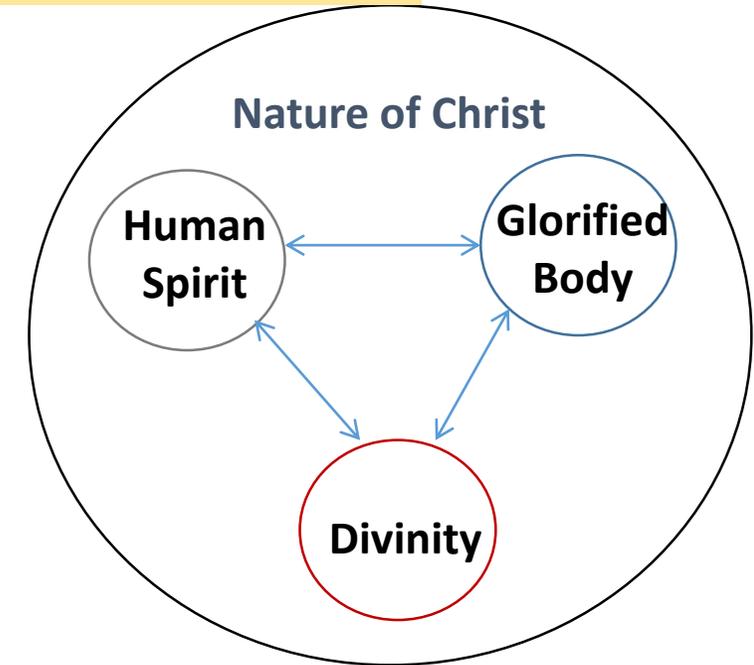
لاهوته لم يفارق ناسوته لحظة واحدة ولا طرفة عين



From Birth to
Crucifixion



Death on Cross
**Separation of the 2 Elements
of Humanity**
But both kept united to His
Divinity



Resurrection to Ascension
**Reunion of the 2 Elements of
Humanity**
But now it's with the glorified
Resurrection Body

Part (2) - Agenda

➤ **Impossibility of Bible Falsification**

إستحالة تحريف الكتاب المقدس

➤ **Parakliet (Is He the Holy Spirit?)**

من هو البارقليط؟

➤ **Does Christ Have 1 or 2 Wills?**

هل للمسيح مشيئة واحدة أم مشيئتين؟

➤ **Why Christians Believe in Trinity?**

من أين أتى المسيحيون بالإيمان بالثالوث؟

➤ **Do Christians Worship a mere man?**

هل يعبد المسيحيون مجرد إنسان؟

➤ **Are Christians Politheists?**

هل المسيحيون مشركون؟

➤ **Were the Jews Skeptical about Christ's Genealogy?**

هل تشكك اليهود في نسب المسيح؟

➤ **Dilema with Credibility of Christianity**

ما مدى مصداقية المسيحية؟

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Proofs of Impossibility of Bible Falsification

الأدلة على إستحالة تحريف

التوراه والعهد القديم

والإنجيل والعهد الجديد

Dilema with the Bible

- **Jews & Christians must have falsified their Bible because the Quran mentioned that & God is not a liar!!!**

الرد على القائلين بالتحريف

- (1) الوعد الصريح من الله على حماية كلمته: "أنا ساهر على كلمتي لأجريها" (أر ١ : ١٢)
- (2) التسلسل التاريخي لتسليم التوراه (من الله إلى موسى إلى يشوع إلى القضاة إلى شيوخ إسرائيل إلى الأنبياء إلى السنهدريم الذي أسسه عزرا)
- (3) التحذير في العهد القديم من الإضافة أو الحذف أو التغيير
 - (a) إحترس في القضاء
 - (b) علم كثيرين
 - (c) كن حصناً حصيناً للتوراه
- (4) دقة الكتابة وعلماء التلمود والماسوريين في نسخ التوراه
Sufriem + Talmud Men (100-500 AD) + Masourees (500-900 AD)
- (5) تعليم المجمع ب ٣ وصايا: التوراه والعبادة والعمل الصالح - الاستعداد للموت لحماية الكتب المقدسة

Rabbis Traditions

تقليد الرابينيين اليهود

- ❑ Talmud : Mishna (oral law) + Gimarah (additional complementary interpretation)
- ❑ Mishna: summary of verbal law
- ❑ Gimarah: complementary
- ❑ Palastinian & Babylonian Talmuds
- ❑ Midrash (dogmatic study & interpretations): Halaka + Hagada
- ❑ Targum (translations)

➤ التلمود: المشنا + الجيمارا

➤ المشنا: خلاصة الشريعة الشفهية

➤ الجيمارا : تكميل أو إنجاز

➤ التلمود الفلسطيني والبابلي

➤ المدراس: تفسير

➤ المدراس: الهلاك والهاجادا

➤ الترجوم : ترجمة

الرد على القائلين بالتحريف

(6) الترجمة السبعينية بمصر تبعد شبة إختفاء الأسفار أثناء الغزو اليوناني لليهودية

(7) مخطوطات قمران بالبحر الميت من القرن الثالث ق.م.

(8) شهادة السيد المسيح وتلاميذه للعهد القديم

(9) القول بتأليف توراة ممسوخة هو إنكار للوحي الإلهي

(10) الطعن في العهد القديم طعن في الجديد أيضاً (التناغم بينهما) - ثبوت صحة العهد القديم يرجح صحة الجديد أيضاً لاقتباس النبوات من القديم

(11) زيف الادعاء بوجود نسخ عديدة من التوراة (هي ترجمات عديدة فقط)

(12) نبوات العهد القديم عن المسيح

(13) رغم العداوة للمسيح لم يجرؤوا على حذف النبوات الخاصة به

(14) احتواء العهد القديم على ويلات ولعنات للشعب اليهودي

(15) خطايا الأباء

الرد على القائلين بالتحريف

- (16) ما هي المصلحة من التحريف؟
- (17) البينة على من ادعى - أين النسخة الأصلية التي لم يصبها التحريف؟
- (18) تحقق النبوات الخاصة بالشعوب والممالك القديمة
- (19) الادعاء بالتحريف يخالف التاريخ
- (20) الادعاء بالتحريف يخالف المنطق والعقل
- (21) صحة المعلومات العلمية والتاريخية والجغرافية والطبية والفلكية والقانون واللغات .. إلخ.
- (22) شهادة علم الآثار والحفريات

الرد على القائلين بالتحريف

(23) متى حدث التحريف المزعوم؟ هل قبل المسيح؟ أم بعده؟

□ إذا قيل قبل مجيء المسيح:

➤ فكيف يستشهد بكتب محرّفة؟

□ إذا قيل بعده: فمن حرّفة؟

➤ اليهود؟

➤ المسيحيون؟

➤ أم كلاهما؟ كيف اتفق الفريقان مع وجود النبوات عن المسيح؟

الرد على القائلين بالتحريف

(23) متى حدث التحريف المزعوم؟ هل قبل القرن السابع؟ أم بعده؟

□ إذا قيل قبل القرن السابع:

❖ كيف يحيل الله المسلمين على كتاب محرف؟

❖ كيف ينزل القرآن مهيمناً على كتاب محرف؟

❖ كيف يعجز الله عن حماية كتابه؟

❖ ما ذنب المخدوعين كل هذه المدة؟

□ إذا قيل بعد القرن السابع:

❖ كيف يعجز الله عن حماية كتبه بعد أن وعد بذلك؟

❖ كيف يعجز القرآن عن الهيمنة على كتاب مقدس وحفظه

وحراسته؟

❖ كيف يعجز المسلمون عن الاحتفاظ بنسخة أصلية غير محرفة؟

١٠ - شهادة قرآن المسلمين لوحي التوراة والعهد القديم: —
أن الإسلام نفسه يدافع عن سلامة التوراة والقرآن يُحمل الله مسئولية
المحافظة عليه. ومن أمثلة ذلك:

(١) "فإن كنت في شك مما أنزلنا إليك فأسأل الذين يقرأون الكتاب من
قبلك" (سورة يونس).

(٢) "وأنزل التوراة والإنجيل من قبل هدى للناس" (سورة آل عمران).

(٣) "وكيف يحكمونك وعندهم التوراة فيها حكم الله" (سورة المائدة).

(٤) "قل من أنزل الكتاب الذي جاء به موسى نوراً وهدى للناس، قل الله"
(سورة الأنعام).

(٥) "إنا نحن أنزلنا الذكر وإننا له لحافظون" (سورة الحجر).

(٦) "لا تبديل لكلمات الله" (سورة يونس).

(٧) "وما أرسلنا قبلك إلا رجالاً نوحي إليهم فأسألوهم أهل الذكر إن كنتم
لا تعلمون" (سورة الأنبياء).

(٨) "قولوا آمنا بالله وما أنزل إلينا وما أنزل إلى إبراهيم وإسماعيل
وإسحق ويعقوب والأسباط وما أوتي به موسى وعيسى وما أوتي به
النبيون من ربهم لا نفرق بين أحد منهم" (سورة البقرة).

(٩) "الذين كذبوا بالكتاب وبما أرسلنا به رسالنا فسوف يعلمون إذ
الأغلال في أعناقهم والسلاسل يُسحبون في الجحيم" (سورة المؤمن).

القرآن يؤيد معظم قصص التوراة التي أسماها بالأساطير مثل الطوفان
ونوح ولوط وإبراهيم وأسحق ويعقوب ويوسف وموسى، إذا فالطعن في
التوراة هو طعن في الأديان الثلاثة اليهودية والمسيحية والإسلام معاً!!
أليس هذا دليلاً قاطعاً على أن توراة موسى والعهد القديم وأسفار
الأنبياء، هو كلام الله الموحى به وأن الله مسئول عن المحافظة عليه،
وأنه كان سليماً كاملاً لغاية مجئ الإسلام في القرن السابع الميلادي
على الأقل. أما بعد القرن السابع فكان قد أنتشر في العالم كله وترجم إلى
جميع لغات الأرض، وهو مطابق لما بين أيدينا حتى هذه الساعة، وهو
هو الموجود بين أيدي المسيحيين واليهود رغم أن بينهم عداوة ودم،
سبب قتلهم المسيح؟ فلو غير اليهود التوراة والعهد القديم لحذفوا منه
اللعنات التي ضدّهم ولحذفوا منه النبوات الصريحة التي تكينهم بجريمة

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24) حتى الهراطقة لم يدعوا التحريف فالاختلاف كان على تفسير وفهم الآيات المؤكد صحتها

25) كيف استطاع الرسل بفقركم وعجزهم ومناداتهم بعقائد صعبة أن ينشروا المسيحية وسط المجتمع الروماني القاسي؟

26) لو حرف العهد الجديد بواسطة اليهود فلماذا لم يعترض المسيحيون؟ ولماذا لم يحذف اليهود ما يدينهم في الإنجيل مثل قتل المسيح؟

27) لو حرف العهد الجديد بواسطة الوثنيين فلماذا لم يعترض المسيحيون؟ ولماذا لم يحذف الوثنيون ما يدينهم في الإنجيل مثل عبادة الأصنام ومعجزات المسيح؟

28) كيف استطاع بعض المسيحيين تحريف الإنجيل وهو متاح بثلاث لغات؟ ولماذا سكت باقي المسيحيين؟ مع أن عدد النسخ بلغ حوالي 30 ألف في القرن الثاني و 60 ألف في القرن الثالث

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- (29) وماذا عن مخطوطات العهد الجديد المكتشفة منذ نهاية القرن الثاني؟
- (30) حتى الوثنيين لم يدعوا علينا بالتحريف
- (31) إتفاق كل الطوائف المسيحية على نفس نسخة الإنجيل الحالية
- (32) وعود المسيح بعدم زوال حرف واحد من كلامه Matthew 5: 18
- (33) تحذير الرسل من تغيير أي من التعاليم المسلمة للمسيحيين
- (34) شهادة المجامع المسكونية
- (35) شهادة الشيطان نفسه باقتباسه من الكتاب المقدس

الرد على القائلين بالتحريف

(36) الادعاء بالتحريف يخالف أئمة المسلمين

الادعاء بالتحريف يخالف ، ليس المنطق والعقل والقرآن فقط ، بل آراء أئمة المسلمين أنفسهم. فيقول الرازي " أن تحريف التوراة والأنجيل معنتع لأنهما كانا كتابين بلغا من الشهرة والتواتر إلى حيث يتعذر ذلك فيهما " . وقال البيضاوي " ومهيمننا عليه أي رقيباً بحفظه من التغيير "

وجاء في تفسير الجلالين للأية ٩ من سورة الحجر (انا انزلنا الذكر وأنا له لحافظون) " ان يحفظ ما أنزله من التبديل والتحريف أو الزيادة أو النقص " .

The Quran Never Mentioned that the New Testament was Falsified by Christians

- No single Ayah (verse) in the Quran mentioned that Christians falsified their book (New Testament)
- Only 4 verses in Quran mentioned something about what Jews did with their book (Torah); Islam accused them of change of interpretation, not wording of the Old Testament**
يحرّفون الكلام عن موضعه
- Proofs of Authentication of the whole Bible (both Testaments) have been explained before

Why Don't Jews & Christians Believe in « Islam », Nor its Prophet, Nor Quran, that all seem to be from God?

- ❑ Since God is the truth, and cannot be a liar, both Christians & Jews cannot believe in a book like Quran to be from the same God, simply because God will not change His previous commandments in the Bible by a completely opposite & non-spiritual law from god of Islam
- ❑ Both religions don't believe that their God is the same one of Islam (they are completely opposite characters).
- ❑ Because the NT was sealed in the OT & the OT was revealed in the NT by fulfilling the prophecies in Jesus Christ, the Messiah (Christian belief)
- ❑ For Jews, even though they did not believe in Jesus as the Messiah, yet they are still waiting for their Messiah who should also be from Jews as promised by God, and his criteria are not like Islam's prophet at all
- ❑ Jesus never mentioned that there will be any other prophet to follow Him, since He completed & sealed the Plan of the father by His salvation & His cross sacrifice
- ❑ On the contrary, Jesus warned us of the false prophets who will come after Him, even if they look like lambs [but even, what about the blood-shed & religious fighting-basis of Islamic movement (simply this cannot be from our loving God)]?

So, if the Bible is Authentic, then How Could You Explain Why it Did Not Mention Another Prophet to Follow Jesus?

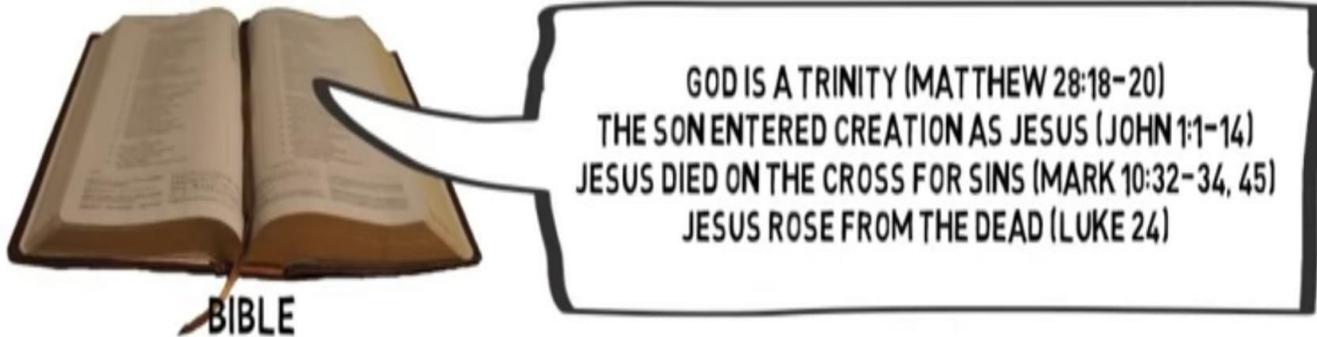
- ❑ Simply, because there is None to follow Jesus the Messiah who fulfilled the purpose of relationship of God with man by:
 - ✓ Making the redemption & salvation
 - ✓ Forgiveness of man's sin that caused that long history of mankind's suffering
 - ✓ Completing the reconciliation between God & humans & the body with spirit
 - ✓ Offering eternal life in heaven for those who believe in Him
- ❑ Christians don't need any other religion after they got salvation, Joy and real freedom in Christ, who intercedes on their behalf before the Father
- ❑ What could Islam offer Christians & Jews that they may be missing in the Bible?
 - ✓ Islam could not find a solution of "Sin" problem
 - ✓ Never promised his followers with spiritual eternal life (but a materialistic lusty end)
 - ✓ Islam goes backwards with humanity after such spirituality of Christianity that raised mankind from filth of paganism & grew man from spiritual childhood of Judaism

But Islam is the Human-Appealing Religion!!! الإسلام هو دين الفطرة

- ❑ In addition to what previously explained, Islam opposes completely the principles of Christianity since it:
 - ✓ Denied the Holy Trinity of God
 - ✓ Denied the Divinity of Christ & consider Him as only a prophet
 - ✓ Denied the Logos incarnation in Man-form as Christ
 - ✓ Denied the crucifixion of Christ
 - ✓ Denied the need for salvation
 - ✓ Did not find a solution to the “Sin” dilemma that annoyed mankind for centuries
 - ✓ Did not add any spiritual advantage to what humanity achieved in Christianity e.g. hatred in place of love (even to enemies) - revenge & killing instead of forgiveness – violence instead of meekness – allowed lying & sneaky behavior, in place of honesty - approved defiles by canonization of fleshy lusts, unlike the superior virtues of Christianity e.g. chastity, purity, etc.
 - ✓ Came with swords & terrorization
 - ✓ Forced people on joining it
 - ✓ Never respected women, children & minority people, even though it claimed otherwise
 - ✓ Quran is full of contradictions that prove its man-made origin & not from God
- ❑ Question should be: Why would Christians believe in Islam & its prophet?

Islamic Dilemma & How Quran Testifies for The Bible

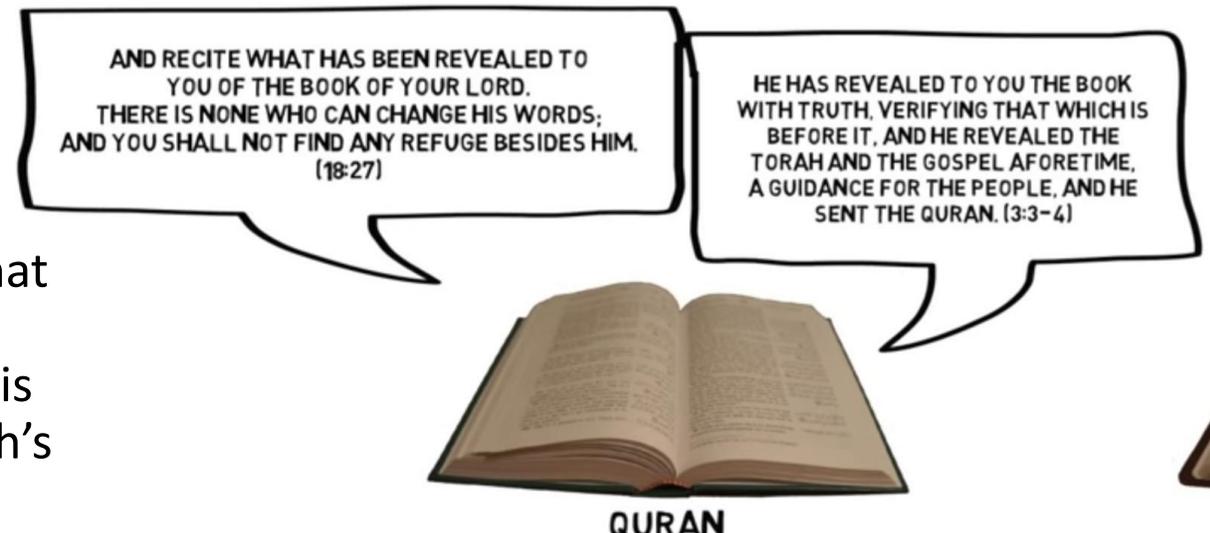
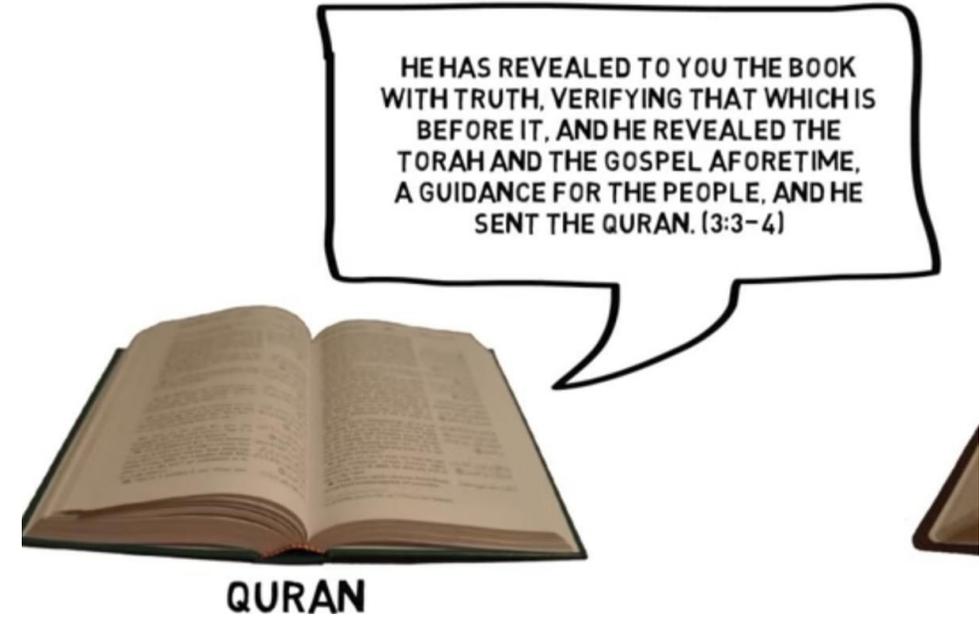
- ❑ If in Soura 29:46, the Quran commands Muslims to say to Christians: we believe in what has been revealed to us & to you, as our Gods is one, yet they say to us that they don't believe in the Bible, because it is corrupted, and that our God is false
أما بما أوحى إلينا وأوحى إليكم، وإلهنا وإلهكم واحد
- ❑ If they believe in what has been revealed to us, why they don't believe in the Bible, the only book we have?
- ❑ If they are commanded to say that their God & ours is the same, why they instead say that our God is a false god?
- ❑ Muslims denied what the Bible says about the Holy Trinity, the Incarnation of God as Jesus & Salvation of mankind by His crucifixion, because Quran teaches the opposite of that
- ❑ Muslims have to reject the Bible, as the Bible contradicts the Quran



THE QURAN, THE BIBLE, AND THE ISLAMIC DILEMMA

Islamic Dilemma (cont.)

- ❑ But Muslims have a problem here, since the Quran declares that Torah & Gospel are revealed to us by Allah (3:3-4) **أوحينا لك بالكتاب الحق مصدقاً لما قبله، وأوحينا بالتوراة والإنجيل هدى للعالمين**
- ❑ So, Allah sent Torah & Bible as guidance
- ❑ But Muslims say that God could not protect Torah & Gospel, as both were corrupted by men !!
- ❑ So, Allah tried to guide people but ended up that he misguided people, because Christians believe in Trinity & Salvation by Christ (which the Islamic Allah rejects, as per Muslims saying)
- ❑ Christians should be puzzled to hear that their books were corrupted by change, because Quran itself says otherwise in Soura 18:27 **لا مبدل لكلماته**
- ❑ If Muslims say that what Allah meant here is only the Quran & not the Torah & Bible, we can object saying that the verse did not say that “no one can change the Quran” but says “no one can change Allah’s words” (this definitely include the Torah & Bible too, which are Allah’s words, as per reference from the Quran itself)



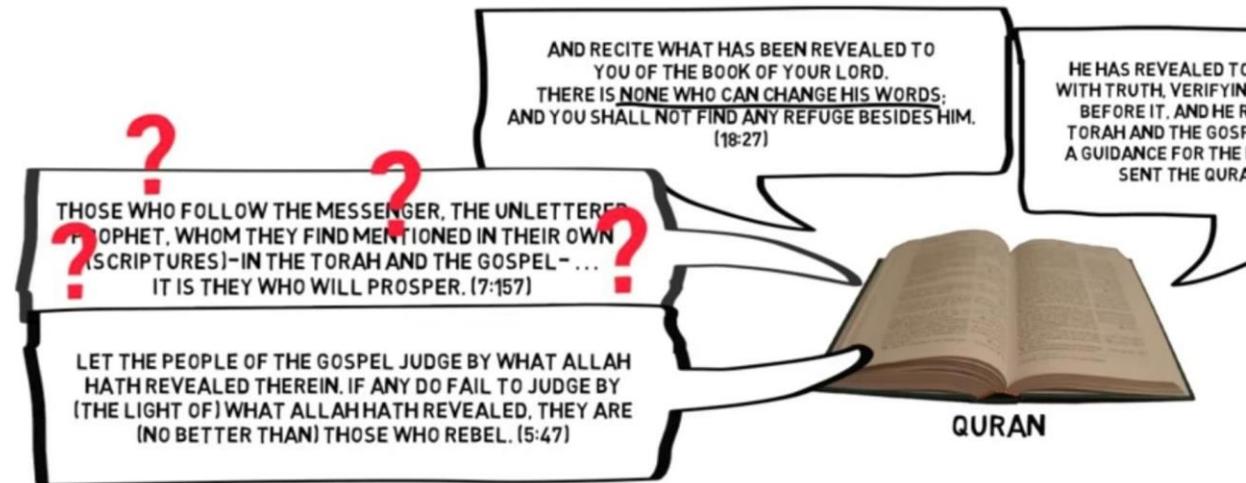
Islamic Dilemma (cont.)

- ❑ Also, Muslims believe that the Gospel has been corrupted by Christian leaders, but then we should wonder why Quran said that Christians had the (right) Gospel at the time of Mohammed (7:157)
- ❑ How could possibly Christians find out what in the Bible about Mohammed, if the gospel was corrupted centuries earlier?
- ❑ Is Allah saying: we will find Mohammed mentioned in our corrupted scriptures?
- ❑ But we don't find him mentioned in our scriptures at all, except for the general warning from Jesus about the false prophets who come to lead people away from the gospel
- ❑ Even if we did find Mohammed mentioned in our scriptures, how would we possibly know for sure, that this wasn't one of the corrupted parts?!!!



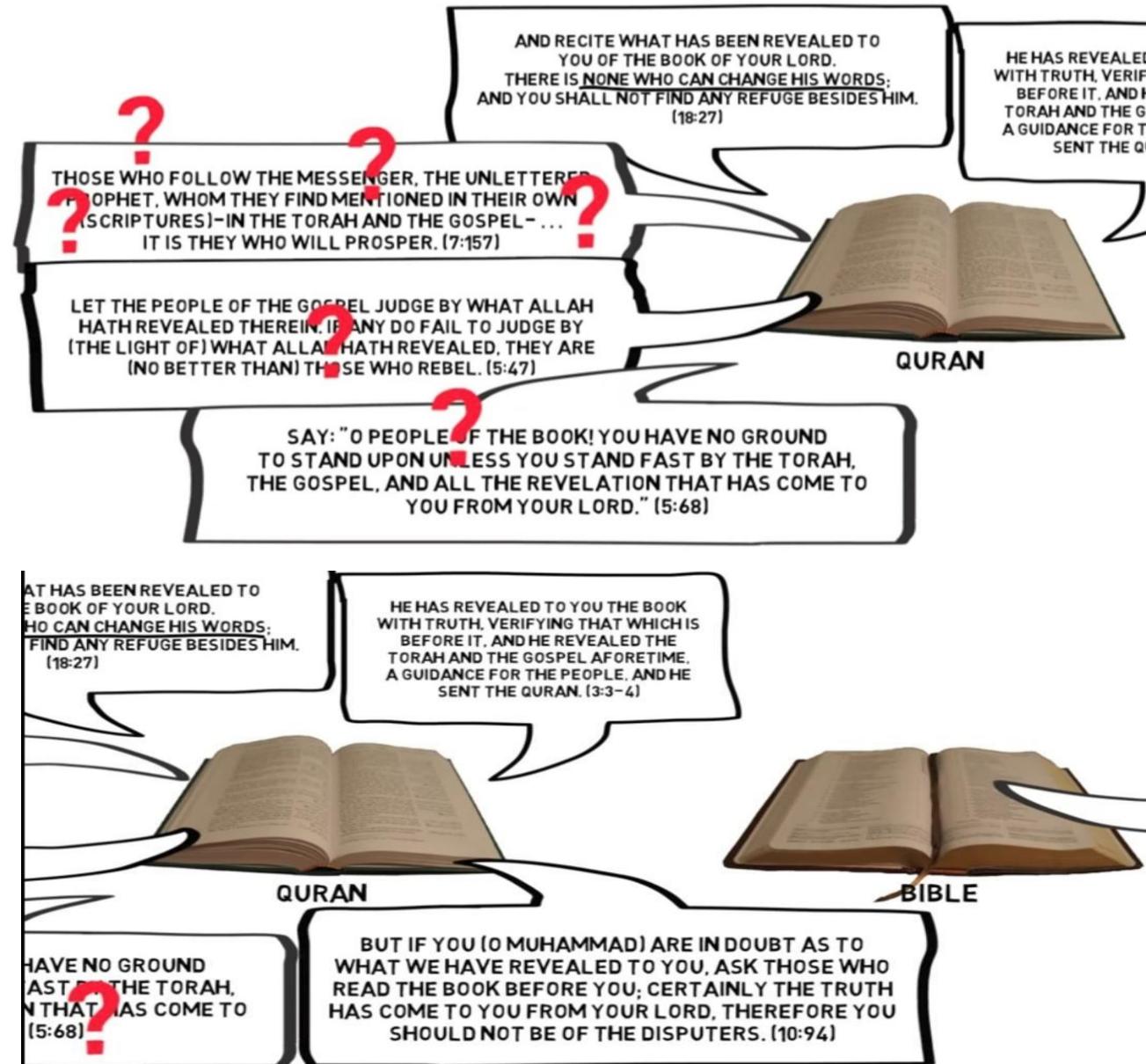
Islamic Dilemma (cont.)

- ❑ Since our scriptures contradict Islam, why would Allah appeal to them as evidence for Islam?
- ❑ But Allah goes further than that, as he commands Christian to judge by the Gospel (5:47)
- ❑ But people of the Gospel judge by what Allah has revealed in the Gospel !!!!
- ❑ Why Allah commands us to judge by a corrupt book, if the only book we have contradicts Islam?
- ❑ In order to obey God, we have to judge by the Gospel and therefore **concludes that Islam is false !!**



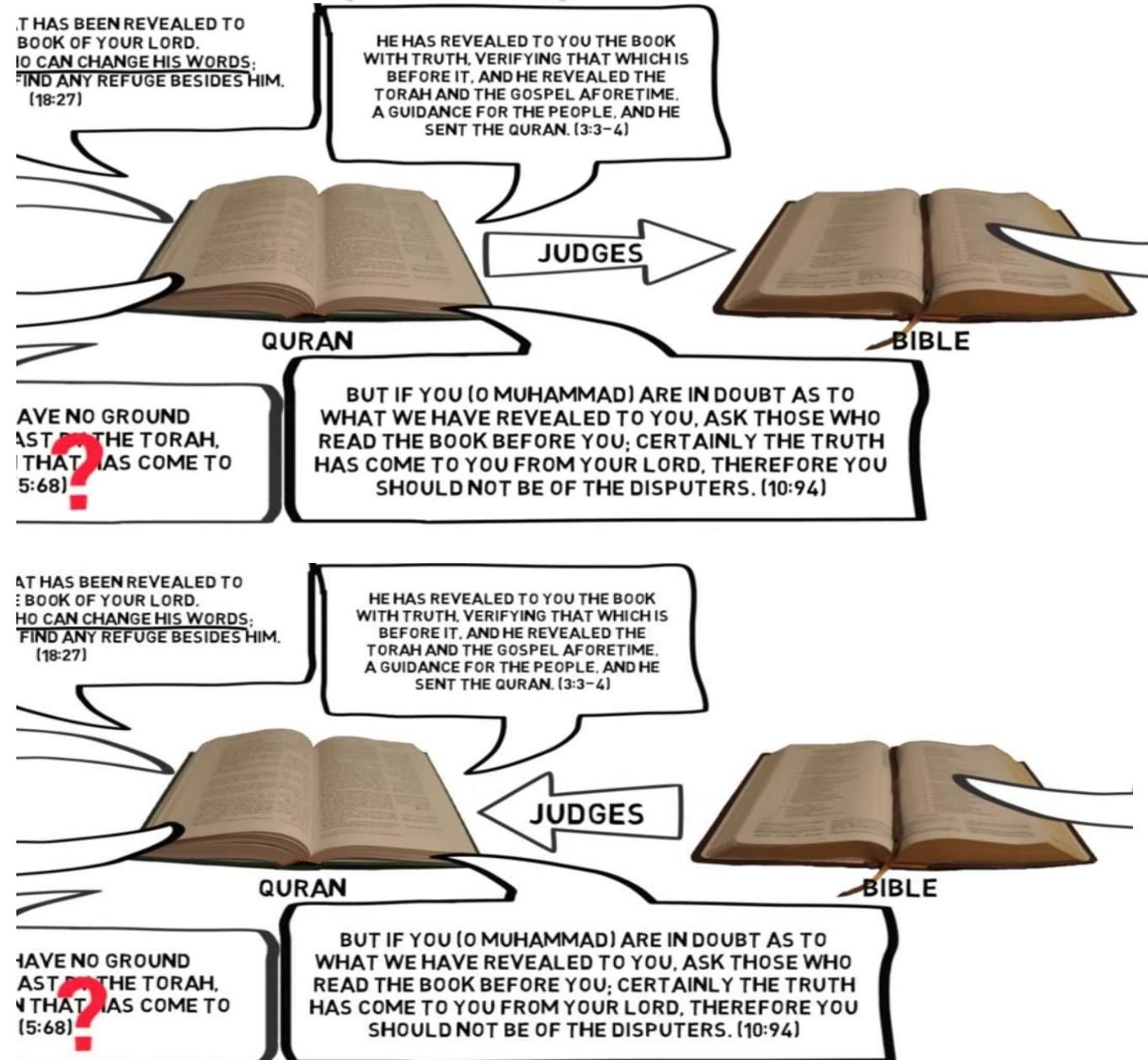
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- ❑ But why would Allah tell us we have no ground to stand upon except the ground of Torah & Gospel (Soura 5: 68), if the only ground we stand upon is a corrupt book?
- ❑ If the Gospel is corrupted, wouldn't Allah just tell us to get rid of it and believe in Quran?
- ❑ So, Quran clearly maintains that the Gospel is authoritative for Christians, which makes sense if the author of Quran believed that Christians have the word of God
- ❑ Accordingly, the Gospel was not only authoritative for Christians, but also authoritative for Muhammed himself & therefore for Muslims too.
- ❑ One day Muhammed started to have doubts regarding his revelation, but Allah commanded him that if he is in doubt he, should go & ask the people of the book (Jews & Christians) who had the book before him, for confirmation (10:94)
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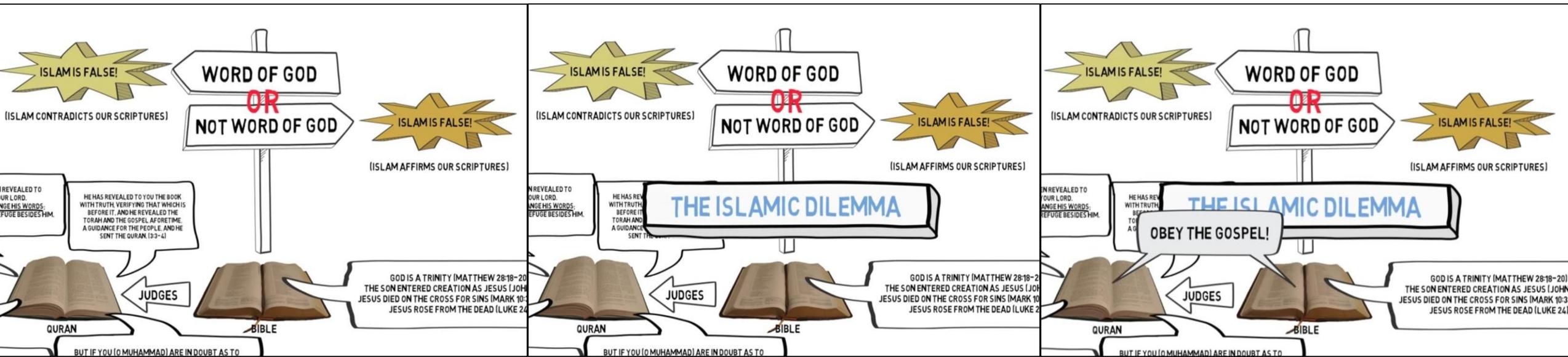


Islamic Dilemma (cont.)

- ❑ Muslim today act as if Quran stands in judgement over the Bible, but since the Bible contradicts the Quran, Muslims assume the Bible must be rejected
- ❑ But in Quran it is exactly the opposite, as it seems that Bible stands in judgement of Quran, and Mohammed himself can only confirm his revelation by checking to see if he is in line up with scriptures of those people of the book (Bible)
- ❑ Since Mohammed continue to preach Islam, apparently he never took this test seriously
- ❑ If he had gone to people of the book and searched for confirmation, he would have been forced to reject the Quran
- ❑ Accordingly, Quran puts Muslims in inescapable dilemma



Islamic Dilemma (Conclusion)



- There are only 2 possibilities: either Christians have the inspired, preserved & authoritative word of God or we don't
- If we have the inspired, preserved & authoritative word of God, Islam is false, because it contradicts what we have
- If we do not have the inspired, preserved & authoritative word of God, Islam is also false because Quran affirms the inspiration, preservation & authority of our book
- So, either way, if the Bible is or isn't the word of God, Islam is false
- By affirming scriptures that contradict its core teaching, Islam self destructs
- Muslims who don't want to believe in a religion that self destructs, need to find a new religion
- So, our advice to them, is to obey the Gospel as both of our religions (Islam & Christianity) command

Dilema with Bible Writing

- Why there is No Gospel written by Jesus Himself?
- If there was one, where is it (or was it falsified by early Christian leaders)?
- ❑ The word « **Gospel** » means the good news البشارة السارة أو المفرحة
- ❑ The concept of inspiration is different with the bible (Old & New Testaments) from Quran; it's mostly by revealing the divine truth in the hearts of the Bible's writers under the influence of the Holy Spirit
- ❑ Accordingly, there is no Gospel that has been descended on Jesus (as a prophet), in a similar way as Quran is calimed to be descended from heaven on Mohammed
- ❑ That's why, there was No Gospel written by Jesus Himself, with or without inspiration from heaven
- ❑ The most important point is that, all the Bible focuses on the character of **Messiah, the savior**, long waited for by Jews, as promised by **God (Elohim or Jehova)**
- ❑ Christians believe that the **Messiah is Jesus Christ, the Son of God** who is considered for the world the « **Good News** » = **the Gospel**, since He is the savior of mankind
- ❑ **Based on that, Jesus Christ Himself is the Gospel for Christians** & therefore He does not need any descending inspiration from God on Him, as **He Himself is the message from God** to us, for our salvation
- ❑ He is also God Himself who came to us to introduce the factual real loving God to mankind, so **Jesus is the Gospel itself**, not the writer of Gospel

Dilemma with Bible Writing (cont.)

➤ Why there are 4 Gospels? Which of them (if any) is the right one?

- ❑ Jesus commanded His disciples to preach this Gospel (the good news about His first coming for salvation of mankind) to all the world's nations
- ❑ After they preached the world & established the early church, the Christian congregations knew the verbal traditions, that included commandments / teachings of Christ, which spread out orally from the apostles to one Christian to another
- ❑ After 30 years of establishments of the early church, 3 out of the eye witnesses of Jesus life (Matthew, Mark, John) & one more of early preachers (a friend to apostles: Luke), moved by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and because of the request of early Christians to have a written record of Jesus life, they wrote the 4 gospels, to leave for the Church (over generations) a record of Jesus teachings & Christian faith, plus what God allowed us to know about Jesus life on earth
- ❑ This means the church existed for many years before the written gospels, because Christian life was based on the fortold experience of apostles who accompanied Christ & were eye witnesses of His life
- ❑ Since God did not dictate by words what to be written in these Gospels, as He respected the human dignity & freedom, so He inspired the 4 Gospel writers to write Jesus life as per their point of view, based on: their personal character, their purpose of writing & the audience concerned (Matthew for Jews, Luke for Greek, Mark for Romans & John for the whole world to confirm the Divinity of Christ)
- ❑ So, **they are all right** as they complement each other by covering different sides of Jesus life & mission

Do Christians Hate Islam & Muslims? And Why?

- ❑ On the contrary, Christians love even their enemies & consider all non-Christians as their brothers & sisters in humanity & love and care about them (as they are all created on the image of God)
- ❑ They care about salvation of everybody: don't look for adding extra members to a cult, or getting a reward in heaven for adding one member to their party, but only want salvation of Christ to reach all mankind, so they may be saved from eternal condemnation
- ❑ They only cannot accept or like the principles & teachings of Islam, since it is full of heresies, contradictions, wrong commandments, lusty life-kind, etc.
- ❑ Additionally, they believe it is a trap made up (by) to deceive mankind & destroy God's beloved creature

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The Parakliet

Dilema with the Bible

- **Who is the Parakliet, mentioned by Jesus?**
- **Did Jesus Prophesied of Another Helper for Mankind?**
- **Could this be the prophesy of Jesus about the Islam's prophet?**

What is the Claim / Problem?

X Περικλητος = Periklitos = Thanked = المحمود

Never mentioned in
the whole Bible at all

✓ Παρακλητος = Paraklitos = Parakliet / Comforter / Helper = المعزي / المعين

Παρακλητος : mentioned only in NT 5 times :

4 times about Holy Spirit (John 14, 15, 16) = Comforter / Helper = المعزي / المعين

Only 1 time about Jesus (1 John 2: 1) = Intercessor = الشفيع / المحامي / وكيل القضاء

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an **Advocate** with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

يَا أَوْلَادِي، أَكْتُبُ إِلَيْكُمْ هَذَا لِكَيْ لَا تُخْطِئُوا. وَإِنْ أَخْطَأَ أَحَدٌ فَلَنَا شَفِيعٌ عِنْدَ الْآبِ، يَسُوعُ الْمَسِيحُ الْبَارُّ.

Characteristics of The Holy Spirit

“And I will pray to the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.”

John 14: 16-17

16 وَأَنَا أَطْلُبُ مِنَ الْآبِ فَيُعْطِيكُمْ مُعَزِّيًا آخَرَ لِيَمْكُثَ مَعَكُمْ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، 17 رُوحُ الْحَقِّ الَّذِي لَا يَسْتَطِيعُ الْعَالَمُ أَنْ يَقْبَلَهُ، لِأَنَّهُ لَا يَرَاهُ وَلَا يَعْرِفُهُ، وَأَمَّا أَنْتُمْ فَتَعْرِفُونَهُ لِأَنَّهُ مَأْكُثٌ مَعَكُمْ وَيَكُونُ فِيكُمْ.

“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.”

John 14: 26

26 وَأَمَّا الْمُعَزِّي، الرُّوحُ الْقُدُسُ، الَّذِي سَيُرْسِلُهُ الْآبُ بِاسْمِي، فَهُوَ يُعَلِّمُكُمْ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، وَيُذَكِّرُكُمْ بِكُلِّ مَا قُلْتُهُ لَكُمْ.

“But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.” **John 15: 26**

«وَمَتَى جَاءَ الْمُعَزِّي الَّذِي سَأُرْسِلُهُ أَنَا إِلَيْكُمْ مِنَ الْآبِ، رُوحُ الْحَقِّ، الَّذِي مِنْ عِنْدِ الْآبِ يَنْبَتِقُ، فَهُوَ يَشْهَدُ لِي.»

Characteristics of The Holy Spirit

⁷ Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. ⁸ And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: ⁹ of sin, because they do not believe in Me; ¹⁰ of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; ¹¹ of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you. **John 16: 7-15**

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ذَهَبْتُ أَرْسَلُهُ إِلَيْكُمْ. 8وَمَتَى جَاءَ ذَاكَ يَبْكُتُ الْعَالَمَ
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Characteristics of this Helper

- The Father will give the disciples another Helper
- He is called the Helper
- He is the Spirit of truth
- He proceeds from the Father
- The Father will send this Helper, the Holy Spirit, in the Son's (Christ) name
- The Son will send Him to disciples from the Father
- He may abide with the disciples forever
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- Because the world neither sees Him nor knows Him
- But the disciples know Him
- He dwells with disciples and will be in them'
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- ❑ Of sin, because they (the world) do not believe in Christ
- ❑ Of righteousness, because Christ goes to His Father and The disciples see Christ no more
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- ❑ Christ still had many things to say to disciples (at that time), but they could not bear these things at that time
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- ❑ He (the Spirit of truth) will tell disciples things to come
- ❑ He will glorify Christ
- ❑ He will take of what is Christ's and declare it to disciples
- ❑ Because all things that the Father has are His (Christ's – the Son's), the Son said that He (the Spirit of truth) will take of Christ's and declare it to disciples

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Who is this Helper?

Christ had this talk with His disciples only the night before His crucifixion!!!!

He mentioned (for the first time) news about another **Helper**

It is to Disciples' advantage that Christ goes away because:

This Helper:

1. Is also called the **Spirit of Truth** i.e. He is a **Spirit**
2. Will (at time of Christ) be given to the disciples
3. Will be given by the Father (Father's Will)
4. He **proceeds from** the Father (**His Origin**)
5. The **Father will send Him** in the Son's (Christ's) name
6. The **Son will send Him** to disciples from the Father
7. He may **abide** with the disciples **forever**
8. The **world cannot receive** Him
9. Because the **world neither sees Him nor knows Him**
10. But the **disciples know Him**
11. He will **dwell with discilpes and will be in them**
12. He will **testify of the Son**
13. He will **teach disciples all things**

If Christ does not go away, the other Helper will not come to them

But if The Son (Christ) departs, He will send this Helper to them

Christ still had many things to say to disciples (at that time), but they could not bear these things at that time (**reason for coming of this Helper**)

This Helper:

14. He will **remind** them of **all things** that **Christ said to them**
15. When He will come (**His Will**), He will guide disciples into all truth
16. He will **tell** disciples **things to come**
17. He will **glorify Christ**
18. He will **not speak on His own authority**
19. But **whatever He hears He will speak**
20. He will **take of what is Christ's** and **declare it to disciple**, based on the fact that all things the Father has are Christ's (the Son also has)!!
21. When He will come, He will convict the world of sin, righteousness & judgment:
 - **Of sin**, because the world does not believe in Christ
 - **Of righteousness**, because Christ goes to His Father and the disciples will Not see Christ (in flesh) again
 - **Of judgment**, because the ruler of this world (Satan) is judged

Conclusion

- ❑ This Helper cannot be a Human
- ❑ Clearly, He must be one of the 3 Hypostases of the Divine Deity
- ❑ With no doubt, He is the Holy Spirit:
 - ❑ He is a Spirit, not a simple man
 - ❑ He will come shortly after Christ will leave earth = came only 10 days after Christ's ascension (not centuries after Christ & death of apostles) – Jesus told them Not to leave Jerusalem because the arrival of this Helper was very near (Acts 1: 4-5)
 - ❑ He stays forever (eternal), so He definitely is not a man who is mortal (not dead like all mankind & even his corpse decayed)
 - ❑ The Holy Spirit stayed with apostles & church over ages by dwelling in Christians through Baptism
 - ❑ He will be another intercessor of Christians before the Father (like the Son, Christ), as long as this Helper is staying on earth
 - ❑ He will be sent by both The Father & The Son (meaning He is the 3rd Hypostasis of Divine Head)
 - ❑ If the world cannot see & recognize Him, this proves He is invisible Spirit
 - ❑ He will deal mainly with Christ's apostles:
 - Be recognized by them (when descended on them on Pentecost day)
 - Teaches them everything (must be of superior knowledge - aware of all the universe)
 - Proceeding from the Father = one of the 3 Hypostases of God

Conclusion (cont.)

- ❑ His relationship with Christ:
 - Witness for Christ (testimony through preaching the world & missionary work of the church)
 - Glorify the Son
 - Takes from what Jesus has & gives to the church (the apostles & there successors)
- ❑ He will convict the world of sin, righteousness & judgment: Rebuke the world for:
 - Disbelieving Christ
 - Missing His love / mercy that He offered them (but they never cared about)
 - Following Satan, chief of this world, who is already judged, so the sinful world will be judged likewise
- ❑ **The claimed person (leader of Islam) came with the same worldly (no) ethics (disbelieved in Christ as God, denied His Divinity, followed Satan by killing nations, destroying the true belief in Christ & persecuting Christians (he is an enemy of Christianity))**

Conclusion (cont.)

□ Who was the one killed by the workers in the vineyard? Mathew 21:37-39

³⁷ But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son.

³⁸ But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance. ³⁹ And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and **slew him**.

37 فَأَخِيرًا أَرْسَلَ إِلَيْهِمْ ابْنَهُ قَائِلًا: يَهَابُونَ ابْنِي! 38 وَأَمَّا الْكِرَامُونَ فَلَمَّا رَأَوْا الْابْنَ قَالُوا فِيمَا بَيْنَهُمْ: هَذَا هُوَ الْوَارِثُ! هَلُمُّوا نَقْتُلْهُ وَنَأْخُذْ مِيرَاثَهُ! 39 فَأَخَذُوهُ وَأَخْرَجُوهُ خَارِجَ الْكَرْمِ وَقَتَلُوهُ.

- God the Father sent first prophets & righteous people to rebuke Israelites, to pave the way before His First Coming (Incarnation) that people (Jew , then Gentiles) may believe in Him for Eternal Life.
- So, why He should send anybody after Him, particularly if that person's call is completely different & even contrary to His salvation mission?
- On the contrary, Christ even went farther & warned us of anybody who may come after Him, with any message that may direct people away from Christianity, that we should reject it & categorize it as a heresy that will lead its followers into eternal condemnation

The Holy Spirit

37 وَفِي الْيَوْمِ الْأَخِيرِ الْعَظِيمِ مِنَ الْعِيدِ وَقَفَ يَسُوعُ وَنَادَى قَائِلًا: «إِنْ عَطَشَ أَحَدٌ فَلْيُقْبِلْ إِلَيَّ وَيَشْرَبْ. 38 مَنْ آمَنَ بِي، كَمَا قَالَ الْكِتَابُ، تَجْرِي مِنْ بَطْنِهِ أَنْهَارُ مَاءٍ حَيٍّ». 39 قَالَ هَذَا عَنِ الرُّوحِ الَّذِي كَانَ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ بِهِ مُزْمِعِينَ أَنْ يَقْبَلُوهُ، لِأَنَّ الرُّوحَ الْقُدُسَ لَمْ يَكُنْ قَدْ أُعْطِيَ بَعْدُ، لِأَنَّ يَسُوعَ لَمْ يَكُنْ قَدْ مُجِّدَ بَعْدُ.

John 7: 37-39

37 On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. **38** He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.” **39** But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

[G]

**Does Christ Have One
Will or Two?**

**هل للمسيح مشيئة واحدة أم
مشيئتين؟**

#) Was His Will different from the Father's Will?

⁴¹ And He was withdrawn from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and prayed, ⁴² saying, “Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done.” **Luke 22: 41-42**

41 وَأَنْفَصَلَ عَنْهُمْ نَحْوَ رَمِيَةِ حَجْرٍ وَجَثَا عَلَى رُكْبَتَيْهِ وَصَلَّى 42 قَائِلًا: «يَا أَبَتَاهُ، إِنْ شِئْتَ أَنْ تُجِيزَ عَنِّي هَذِهِ الْكَأْسَ. وَلَكِنْ لَتَكُنْ لَا إِرَادَتِي بَلْ إِرَادَتُكَ.»

³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. ³⁹ This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day. ⁴⁰ And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day.”

John 6: 38-40

³⁸ لِأَنِّي قَدْ نَزَلْتُ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ، لَيْسَ لِأَعْمَلِ مَشِيئَتِي، بَلْ مَشِيئَةِ الَّذِي أَرْسَلَنِي. ³⁹ وَهَذِهِ مَشِيئَةُ الْآبِ الَّذِي أَرْسَلَنِي: أَنْ كُلَّ مَا أَعْطَانِي لَا أُتْلَفُ مِنْهُ شَيْئًا، بَلْ أُقِيمُهُ فِي الْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ. ⁴⁰ لِأَنَّ هَذِهِ هِيَ مَشِيئَةُ الَّذِي أَرْسَلَنِي: أَنْ كُلَّ مَنْ يَرَى الْإِبْنَ وَيُؤْمِنُ بِهِ تَكُونُ لَهُ حَيَاةٌ أَبَدِيَّةٌ، وَأَنَا أُقِيمُهُ فِي الْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ.»

³⁴ Jesus said unto them, My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work.

John 4:34

³⁴ قَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: «طَعَامِي أَنْ أَعْمَلَ مَشِيئَةَ الَّذِي أَرْسَلَنِي وَأَتِمَّ عَمَلَهُ.»

#) Was His Will different from the Father's Will?

¹⁹ Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he sees the Father do: for what things soever He does, these also does the Son likewise. **John 5:19**

19 فَأَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ لَهُمْ: «الْحَقَّ الْحَقَّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: لَا يَقْدِرُ الابْنُ أَنْ يَعْمَلَ مِنْ نَفْسِهِ شَيْئًا إِلَّا مَا يَنْظُرُ الْآبَ يَعْمَلُ. لِأَنَّ مَهْمَا عَمِلَ ذَاكَ فَهَذَا يَعْمَلُهُ الْابْنُ كَذَلِكَ.

❖ Christ did not have another will different from the Father's will:

The Son has No different will other than the Father's, since He said: "I and the Father are one"
30 أَنَا وَالْآبُ وَاحِدٌ

Theoretically, the unity of the Father & the Son is either, or both:

- In Essence: which is true absolutely, since the 3 divine hypostases are all united in the One Essence of God and/or
- In Will: this should come automatically based on the unity in Essence
- Therefore **the Father & the Son have the Same Will**
- Since the Will always follows the Essence, the Unity in Essence produces Unity in Wills
- On the other hand, the Unity in Wills could come from different Essences or from one united Essence

إِتْحَادِ الذَّوَاتِ يَنْتِجُ إِتْحَادَ الْمَشِيئَاتِ، أَمَّا إِتْحَادَ الْمَشِيئَاتِ فَلَا يَسْتَلْزِمُ إِتْحَادَ الذَّوَاتِ

3 Kinds of Union According to St. Athanasius

1. The Union of Father and the Son in the Divine Essence الجوهر (ousia) i.e. Union of 2 Hypostases in 1 Divine Ousia → **The same Will for both the Father & the Son**
2. The Incarnation of the Son/Logos where He became Man without dualism (taking our human nature as His own Humanity) i.e. Union of 2 natures/physes الطبيعة in 1 Hypostasis without mingling, nor confusion/change, nor alteration, nor engulfing/dissolution of one into the other → **The same Will of both Divinity & Humanity of Christ → One Will of the Incarnate Logos**
 - ❖ Athanasius was first to use the “Hypostatic Union” الإتحاد الاقنومي expression between Divinity and Humanity of Christ, to defend Christian faith
3. Adoption to God through our union with Christ the Savior, and His dwelling in our hearts (Godliness) i.e. Union of believer/Christian with Christ through Divine grace & Companionship in His Divine nature → **Not necessarily that my Will is the same as God’s Will, since there is no union of Essences → Therefore my Will could agree with (i.e. the same as) God’s Will, or could be against God’s Will**

The One Will of Incarnate Logos

□ Regarding the two natures in the Incarnate Logos (Jesus Christ):

- From the moment zero of incarnation, since the Logos had complete Humanity similar to ours (except sin), definitely there was a human will of this Man, however due to union of the 2 natures in His one entity, the Human Will submitted to the Divine Will of the Incarnate Son
- Jesus, meant that; **“As per my incarnation, I have a specific will, however due to the union of My Divinity with My Humanity, I no longer have a human will independent of My Divine will, so any deed I do should be owed to My full Entity”** → Therefore My Will be the same as your Will O God the Father
- This has been described before in the “Communicatio Idiomatum” section تبادل الخواص اللاهوتية والناسوتية في المسيح
- During the whole earthly life of the incarnate Logos, all deeds are no more attributed to His Divinity separately from His Humanity, nor to His Humanity separately from His Divinity, but to the **One Nature of Incarnate Logos** (produced from the union of the 2 natures, in a mysterious way)
- **Conclusion:** definitely Christ had a full Human Will but deeds were not attributed to this Will as a separate Will, but to the whole united Nature in which the Human Will united with & submitted to the Divine Will.
- There were no more 2 separate wills, but **just One Will of the Incarnate Logos.**

The One Will of Incarnate Logos (cont.)

□ If we consider **theoretically** 2 wills in Christ (one of Humanity & other of Divinity), it would be against our Biblical teaching:

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. **Philippians 2: 8**

وَأِذْ وُجِدَ فِي الْهَيْئَةِ كَانْسَانٍ، وَضَعَ نَفْسَهُ وَأَطَاعَ حَتَّى الْمَوْتِ مَوْتِ الصَّلِيبِ.

⁴⁶ Which of you convicts Me of sin? And if I tell the truth, why do you not believe Me?

John 8:46

⁴⁶ مَنْ مِنْكُمْ يُبَكِّتُنِي عَلَى خَطِيئَةٍ؟ فَإِنْ كُنْتُ أَقُولُ الْحَقَّ، فَلِمَ إِذَا لَسْتُمْ تُؤْمِنُونَ بِي؟

²² “Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth”;

1 Peter 2: 22

«الَّذِي لَمْ يَفْعَلْ خَطِيئَةً، وَلَا وُجِدَ فِيهِ مَكْرٌ»،

The One Will of Incarnate Logos (cont.)

□ If saints do the same will of God; what about the Son of God Himself?

¹⁶ For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the mind of Christ. **1 Cor. 2:16**

«لَأَنَّهُ مَنْ عَرَفَ فِكْرَ الرَّبِّ فَيُعَلِّمُهُ؟» وَأَمَّا نَحْنُ فَلْنَا فِكْرُ الْمَسِيحِ.

¹⁴ For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. **Romans 8: 14**

14لَأَنَّ كُلَّ الَّذِينَ يَنْقَادُونَ بِرُوحِ اللَّهِ، فَأُولَئِكَ هُمْ أَبْنَاءُ اللَّهِ.

□ How we should follow He as our raw model?

⁶ He that said he abided in Him ought himself also so to walk, even as He walked. **1 John 2:6**

6مَنْ قَالَ: إِنَّهُ تَابِتٌ فِيهِ يَنْبَغِي أَنَّهُ كَمَا سَلَكَ ذَاكَ هَكَذَا يَسْلُكُ هُوَ أَيْضًا.

The One Will of Incarnate Logos (cont.)

- ❑ The lower always follow the higher, so it should be the Will of Divinity (not the Will of Humanity) that will lead the whole entity
- ❑ Existence of 2 separate Natures after union denies the union in Essence وجود الطبيعتين منفصلتين ينفي الوحدة عن الذوات
- ❑ Existence of 2 separate Wills after union denies the union in Characters وجود المشيئتين منفصلتين ينفي الوحدة عن الصفات
- ❑ Therefore, existence of 2 separate Natures & 2 separate Wills after union denies the real union in Christ (Incarnate Logos) وجود المشيئتين والطبيعتين منفصلتين ينفي الوحدة في المسيح أساسا
- ❑ That's why **we believe in One Nature & One Will of the Incarnate Logos**

⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

Ephesians 4: 4-6

4 جَسَدٌ وَاحِدٌ، وَرُوحٌ وَاحِدٌ، كَمَا دُعِيتُمْ أَيْضًا فِي رَجَاءِ دَعْوَتِكُمُ الْوَاحِدِ. ⁵ رَبٌّ وَاحِدٌ، إِيْمَانٌ وَاحِدٌ، مَعْمُودِيَّةٌ وَاحِدَةٌ، ⁶ إِلَهٌ وَآبٌ وَاحِدٌ لِلْكَلِّ، الَّذِي عَلَى الْكُلِّ وَبِالْكُلِّ وَفِي كُلِّكُمْ.

⁵ For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus. **1 Timothy 2: 5**

⁵ لِأَنَّهُ يُوجَدُ إِلَهٌ وَاحِدٌ وَوَسِيطٌ وَاحِدٌ بَيْنَ اللَّهِ وَالنَّاسِ: الْإِنْسَانُ يَسُوعُ الْمَسِيحُ.

The One Will of Incarnate Logos (Conclusion)

- Therefore, the Lord's prayer to the Father: "nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done."
«لِتَكُنْ لَا إِرَادَتِي بَلْ إِرَادَتُكَ» does NOT mean 2 Wills at the end, but only one Will to be fulfilled, which is of course the Will of Divinity (which is also the Will of both the Father & the Son)

[H]

**Why Christians Believe
in Trinity?**

**من أين أتى المسيحيون بالإيمان
بالتثالوث؟**

Dilemma with Beliefs of Christianity

➤ The word « Trinity » was never mentioned in the bible !!!!

- ❑ The word « Trinity », as well as other words like « Incarnation » were not mentioned laterally in the bible, but introduced as new expressions/terms, in the first 4-5 centuries, to early church, by early Christian fathers, **to define & explain the old Biblical theological facts (and establish a structured orthodox dogma, in response to heresies)**; this also included what the eccumenical councils canonized
- ❑ But this doesn't mean a fantasy from the early church fathers; on the contrary they made up **these terms to describe what was already written in the bible & previously known & believed by early Christians**, since the time of Christ & apostles. So, there was no invention of new beliefs or dogma but only new appropriate/suitable words that can successfully define Biblical beliefs & facts
- ❑ For instance, Jesus commanded His disciples to preach the gospel to all nations & baptise them in the Name (only one name, not many names) **of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit** (3 hypostases of the One God); that was the essential belief of Christians from the beginning of the church, which Origen later (in 3rd century) described by shaping a suitable Greek word « **Trinity** » to describe (in a short way) what needs full detailed explanation. So where is the problem, if the Christian faith did not change?
- ❑ Similarly, St. John tells us that « the Logos/Word (of God) » became flesh & dwelt among us (John 1: 14); a fact that we used the term « **Incarnation** » to describe !! **والكلمة صار جسداً = التجسد**
- ❑ By asking the above question, Muslims only try to confuse Christians (particularly the spiritually weak or naive) by throwing such silly accusations & doubts, (considering that they themselves receive everything laterally, in specific words & letters exactly written as such in Quran) !!!!!

Dilemma with Beliefs of Christianity

- Claim that Christianity in concept of « Trinity » is an assimilation of pagan religions !!!!
- ❑ The Christianity concept of « Trinity » means the belief in One God of 3 hypostases, who **is** the **Only** & unique **Creator of the whole universe** & it does Not mean any belief in 3 gods !!!!
- ❑ This has no relationship with any polytheistic beliefs adopted by pagans; pagans believe in many gods who have human-like characters, fight each other, interact sexually & give birth to other gods, or marry humans & produce semi-gods !!!!
- ❑ In Christianity, Trinity or the 3 hypostases of the One God is:
 - ✓ Based on the continuous connection of the 3 hypostases in the **Same Essence of the One God**
 - ✓ Equality in Eternity: the 3 hypostases existed from the beginning together, no one came before or followed (in time) the other(s)
 - ✓ Non-materialistic: no physical or sexual relations to produce offsprings from parent gods
 - ✓ Equality in power, knowledge, characteristics, etc.
 - ✓ Complete harmony in function, will & goal within the same Essential One God

Dilemma with Beliefs of Christianity (cont.)

➤ Claim that Christianity in concept of « Trinity » is an assimilation of pagan religions !!!!

❑ Opposite to the unitheism of Christianity, the pagan polyseism shows:

- Many gods with different essences; each is a different being
- Physical separation of these gods; each can go or be present in opposite directions or different places
- Materialistic nature, with sexual relations among each other or with humans to give birth to junior gods or semi-gods
- Existence in both sexes; they are either males or females
- Inequality of eternity, as some existed before others; like parent god existed before child god
- Inequality of power, knowledge, etc.
- Difference/variability in functions; each has his/her specialty
- No harmony in action mostly, as they have different minds & goals
- Similarity of their characters to humans e.g. enmity, hatred to one another, jealousy, competition, even wars against each other
- Mostly in 2 Types; some are good gods & others are evil gods

