

**CHRISTIANITY**  
**VS**  
**ISLAM**

*A Comparison of Beliefs*

# ORIGIN OF NAME

## Christianity

“Christian” derives from the Greek word “Christos”

First called Christians at Antioch

## Islam

Derived from the Arabic words “Submission” and “peace”

“Muslim” Followers of Islam means to submit to Allah



# HOLY BOOKS

## Christianity

**Bible**

Written over 16 centuries by many inspired authors

## Islam

**Quran**

Given to Muhammad by the angel Gabriel and completed after 23 years

# PLACE OF WORSHIP

## Christianity

Church

We come together the first day of the week in remembrance of Christ

## Islam

Mosque

Muslims are to pray 5 times daily and their holy day is Friday



# WORLD POPULATION

**Christianity**

30-33%

**Islam**

20-23%

# DIVISIONS

## Christianity

There is only one true church

Christ is not divided

## Islam

Sunni and Shia: Dispute over  
the successor to Muhammad



# NATURE OF GOD

## Christianity

One God who exists in 3  
distinct persons

## Islam

One God, Allah... Godhead  
not accepted

# JESUS CHRIST

## Christianity

Second part of the Godhead  
Born of the Virgin Mary

## Islam

A prophet sent by God, born  
to the Virgin Mary



# PURPOSE

## Christianity

Reconciliation of man through  
His death on the cross

## Islam

To serve and submit to the  
will of Allah

To proclaim the Gospel but in  
its non-corruption

# PRACTICES

## Christianity

New Testament Practices

Gather on the first day of the week:

Lords Supper

Preaching

Singing

Praying

## Islam

5 Pillars:

Shahada: Profession of faith.

Salat: Prayer 5 times daily

Zakat: Giving alms

Sawm: Fasting during Ramadan

Hajj: Pilgrimage to the Holy city Mecca



# OTHER HOLY BOOKS

## Christianity

None.

Many spurious writings that are not inspired and not accepted

## Islam

Hadith: Sayings from Muhammad used for daily living of Muslims. Not direct word of God

# AFTERLIFE

**Christianity**

Eternal life in heaven or hell

**Islam**

Eternal life in paradise or hell



# JUDGMENT DAY

## Christianity

Jesus will return and there will be a day of judgment

## Islam

Believe Jesus returns but He is just a sign that the end is near. Others believe He is just a minor figure in the return.

# OTHER RELIGIONS

**Christianity**

Not accepted

John: 14: 1-6

**Islam**

Not Accepted



# HOMOSEXUALITY

**Christianity**

Not accepted

Romans 1:22-27

**Islam**

Not accepted

# CLOTHING

**Christianity**

Dress Modestly

1 Timothy 2:9

**Islam**

Dress Modestly



# MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

## Christianity

Leave mother and father, two become one... What God joins together let man not separate

## Islam

Can marry up to 4 as long as they can afford it and treat them all fairly.

# **3 MAIN DIFFERENCES**

**The Godhead**

**The Crucifixion**

**Justified through Christ**



# 3 MAIN POINTS TO CONSIDER

True Believer

Concept of God

Love of God