

# GLAD TIDINGS

“And we bring you good tidings of the promise made unto the fathers...” (Acts 13:32)

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## THE KORAN CONTRADICTS THE BIBLE

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**T**hose who are trying to promote unity through tolerance, remind us that Christians, Jews and Muslims all come through Abraham. We should get along because we all claim to believe in and serve One God, the God of Abraham. Did the One God reveal both the Bible and the Koran? If so, then we should expect to find no contradictions, for they both claim to reveal the truth from the One true God.

Examining the Koran one finds some startling facts that contradict the clear teachings of the Bible. They deal with what we believe about Jesus, how we should treat one another, and what we should expect in the next world.

**The Koran claims that Jesus is not God's Son:** “God is but one God. Far be it from him that he should have a son!...Christ doth not proudly disdain to be a servant unto God” (Chapter 4). Again, “Christians say Christ is the son of God...May God resist them” (Chapter 9:130). Also, “It is not meet for God that he should have any Son” (Chapter 19:135). Do such statements seem like they

would come from the same God who at Jesus' baptism, and His transfiguration spoke from heaven saying, “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased” (Matthew 3:17, 17:5)? Jesus not only came to this earth to be God's servant, but in so doing, He claimed to be “the son of God” (Matthew 26:63-64, Jn. 10:36).

**The Koran contradicts the Bible in its claim that Jesus was not crucified and did not die:** “...yet they slew him not, neither crucified him, but he was represented by one in his likeness;... They did not really kill him; but God took him up unto himself” (Chapter 4:157-159). Conversely, the Bible clearly states, “they crucified Him” (Luke 23:33), and Jesus cried again with a loud voice, and yielded up his spirit” (Matthew 27:51). The same Jesus delivered up by Judas, tried by the Jews and Pilate, mocked by the soldiers, was the same Jesus crucified, who cried out “it is finished” before giving up His spirit in death (Jn. 19:30).

The Koran teaches that **believers should kill unbelievers:** “Kill the idolaters wherever ye

find them...attack them therefore God shall punish them by your hands” (Chapter 9:5,29). Again, “I will cast a dread into the hearts of the unbelievers. Therefore strike off their heads and strike off the ends of their fingers. This shall they suffer because they have resisted God...” (Chapter 8:38-41). Contrast this action of killing to the Lord's commandment to those who follow Him to “love your enemies, and pray for them who persecute you” (Matthew 5:44).

**The Koran teaches that there will be marriages in Paradise:** “But the pious will dwell among gardens and pleasures...and it shall be said unto them, Eat and drink with easy digestion...leaning on couches disposed in order: and we will espouse them unto virgins having large black eyes... we will join their offspring in paradise” (Chapter 52:20). Yet, Jesus clearly said, “For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor or given in marriage...” (Matthew 22:30).

There is no compatibility in clear contradictions!