Islam is increasingly a topic of interest. From billboards on buses advertising that Islam is just another Abrahamic faith, to church discussion, pondering the same. Books are available but some unnecessarily complicate the subject. It is not difficult to understand Islam. A single verse from the Quran summarizes the religion:

Surah 4:157 That **they said** (in boast), "**We killed Christ Jesus** the son of Mary, the Messenger of Allah"; **but they killed him not, nor crucified him**, but so it was made to appear to them, and those who differ therein are full of doubts, with no (certain) knowledge, but only conjecture to follow, **for of a surety they killed him not:-**

Through this one verse it becomes apparent that Islam is the direct opposite of Christianity, rejecting all of the prophets and apostles, and the whole subject of the New Testament. No crucifixion, death and resurrection, in spite of even the secular historical record of the crucifixion. The following verse is perhaps the most descriptive of, and widely quoted in, Christianity:

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

No surprise then that Mohammed recited:

Surah 19:88 They say: "(Allah) Most Gracious has begotten a son!" 89 **Indeed** ye have put forth a thing most monstrous!

The most important fundamental in Islam ("shirk") requires denying that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. If a Muslim were to confess that Jesus is the Son of God, he will have committed the only sin in Mohammed's religion, for which one cannot atone with a temporary stop-over in hell.

But Mohammed didn't stop there

Surah 9.30 The **Jews call 'Uzair a son of Allah**, and the **Christians call Christ the son of Allah**. That is a saying from their mouth; (in this) they but imitate what the unbelievers of old used to say. **Allah's curse be on them:** how they are deluded away from the Truth!

"Allah's" curse is on Jews and Christians. If the "Allah" of Islam were the same as the God of the Jews and Christians he would seem both schizophrenic and bi-polar! In order for a Muslim to believe Mohammed's Quran, and follow his 7<sup>th</sup> century stand-alone religion, it is necessary to believe that the bible has been corrupted. Is it reasonable to suggest that the Gospel was **so** corrupted, that its whole subject, was added later? That the bible had somehow become the **opposite** of what it had been?

We have over 5300 partial or complete manuscripts of God's Word that were penned, even prior to 300AD, in every popular language of the day, that were read all over the known world. Discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls at Qumran also helped to confirm the textual integrity of God's Word as we have received it down through the ages. Could all those copies circulating for centuries have somehow been changed?

What does the Quran say regarding the Gospel?

Surah 5:47 Let the people of the Gospel judge by what Allah hath revealed therein. If any do fail to judge by (the light of) what Allah hath revealed, they are (no better than) those who rebel.

So Christians are instructed to judge by what Allah revealed in the Gospels! In order to support any suggestion of corruption of the Gospel, it would have had to have taken place **after the 7**<sup>th</sup> **century**, when "Allah" was supposed to have inspired that verse - a preposterous notion.

Mohammed used the term "People of the Book" in reference to Christians and Jews.

Surah 5:68 Say: "O People of the Book! ye have no ground to stand upon unless ye stand fast by the Law, the Gospel, and all the revelation that has come to you from your Lord." It is the revelation that cometh to thee from thy Lord, that increaseth in most of them their obstinate rebellion and blasphemy. But sorrow thou not over (these) people without Faith.

Thus "Allah" confirms the textual integrity of the Old Testament ("the Law") as well as the Gospel. Otherwise it would be pretty foolish of him to

recommend standing "fast" on "all the revelation" that our Lord gave to us through a corrupt book! Any suggestion that Jesus' Crucifixion, and the hundreds of verses detailing the relationship between God the Father and His Son, were added after the 7<sup>th</sup> century, or any other century, is absurd.

What instruction did "Allah" give Muslims regarding the Word of God?

Surah 4:136 O ye who believe! **Believe in** Allah and His Messenger, and the scripture which He hath sent to His Messenger and **the scripture which He sent to those before (him). Any who denieth** Allah, His angels, **His Books, His Messengers,** and the Day of Judgment, **hath gone far, far astray.** 

Muslims are supposed to "believe in" "the scripture" that God gave to those before Mohammed, and to not deny the prophets and apostles of those scriptures. Yet Muslims must deny all of the prophets and apostles and the whole subject about which they witnessed and wrote. Quite a conundrum!

What does God's Word say on the subject?

1John 5:10 He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.

1Jo 2:22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? **He is antichrist, that denieth** the Father and **the Son**. 23 **Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father:** [(but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also].

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