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Muslims are searching. Go prepared.



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Speaking Like Jesus

Basic attitudes and foundational knowledge for sharing with Muslims

- Matthew 28:18-20
- Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of age.”

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SHOULD CHRISTIANS CONVERT MUSLIMS?

A new flock of missionaries has launched a campaign to take the Gospel to Islamic countries. But will they inspire more backlash than belief?




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- 2 Corinthians 5:20
- We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God

- What is an ambassador?
 - Represents his country
 - Our job is to share. God makes people Christians, not us.

1.Loving

Show unconditional love

Be compassionate

Be respectful

We came to Christ because we saw His love

2.Friendly

To create a friendly environment:

First, we do not argue

You can win the argument, but lose the person.

Second, we do not criticize

Do not criticize Muslim beliefs, the Prophet Muhammad or the Quran.

3. Bridging

Sharing the Gospel with Muslims is not reserved for the “experts.”

Christians can share their faith effectively using biblical bridges.

This training will help you learn how to build bridges with Muslims.

4. Biblical

“Life without words is a mystery; Words without life is hypocrisy.”

It is imperative that we use a Bible-based approach.
The Bible is God’s word and is effective.

TYPES OF MUSLIMS

- CULTURAL
- Constitutes the majority of Muslims worldwide
- They only have traditional information about Islam
- They are open to hearing the Gospel



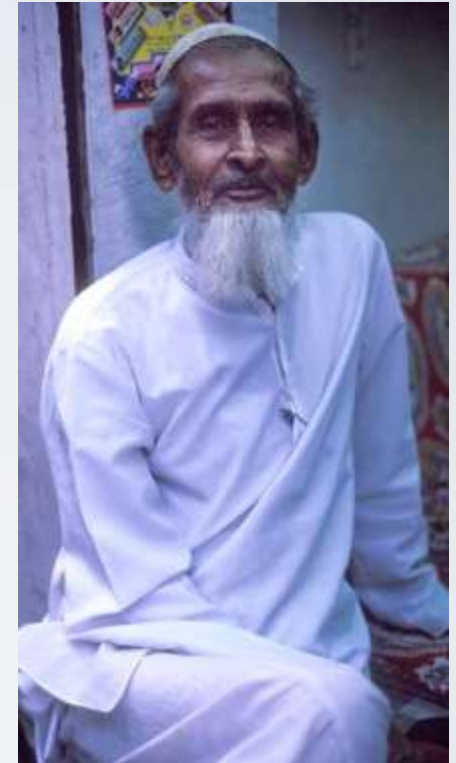
TYPES OF MUSLIMS



- CONVERTS
 - Variety of backgrounds
 - Ask them “Why did you become a Muslim?”

TYPES OF MUSLIMS

- DEVOUT
- Well-informed and able to discuss Islam with an open mind.
- Highly involved in the religious rituals, but may have no formal education.
- Show love and understanding rather than an argumentative spirit.



Go and Make Disciples!

Matthew 28:18-20

Is this command an option?

If your thirst has been quenched,
you will share the living water!!!

Pray: “ Lord I am ready to share about you ,
please open the door!”

What is the Good News?

“The angel said to them, ‘I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born.’” – Luke 2:10-11

Jesus the Messiah is the Good News!

His life is our Model

His teachings are our guidance

His death is our redemption

His resurrection is our justification

All this is written in the Injeel (The New Testament)

John 4:1 Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard, "Jesus is making and baptizing more disciples than John"² --although it was not Jesus himself but his disciples who baptized--³ he left Judea and started back to Galilee.⁴ But he had to go through Samaria.

Fanatic Jews used to avoid going through Samaria.

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.

6 Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

7 A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8(His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)

Jesus took the initiative

The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)

She is now at a religious level--Jew vs. Samaritan

10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." 11 The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? 12 Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"

**Miraculous level! Are you a miracle worker ?
Are you greater than Jacob? Are you greater
than Muhammad?**

13 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty.

The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." 15 The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

She saw Jesus as a powerful prophet and requested a miracle.

16 Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." 17 The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" 19The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet.

She saw Christ as a true prophet and asked him a spiritual question.

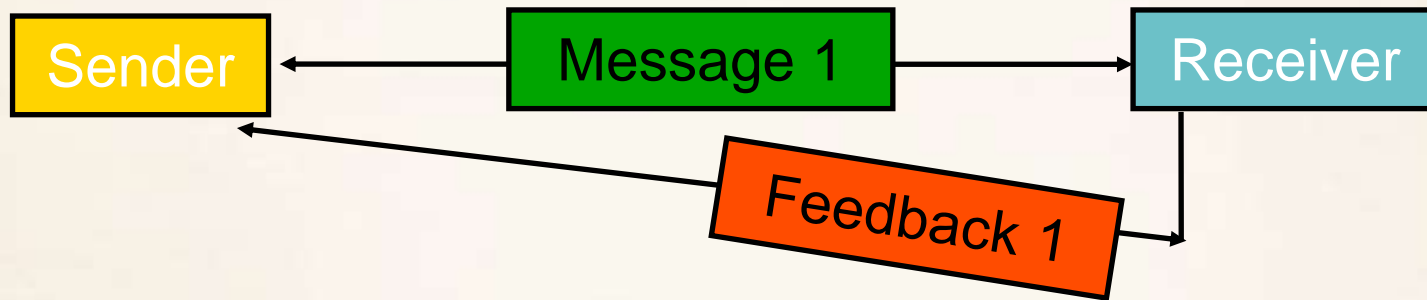
20 Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem."21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.22 You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.23 But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

The level is now spiritual focusing on God's expectations, Salvation from Sin and sincere worship.

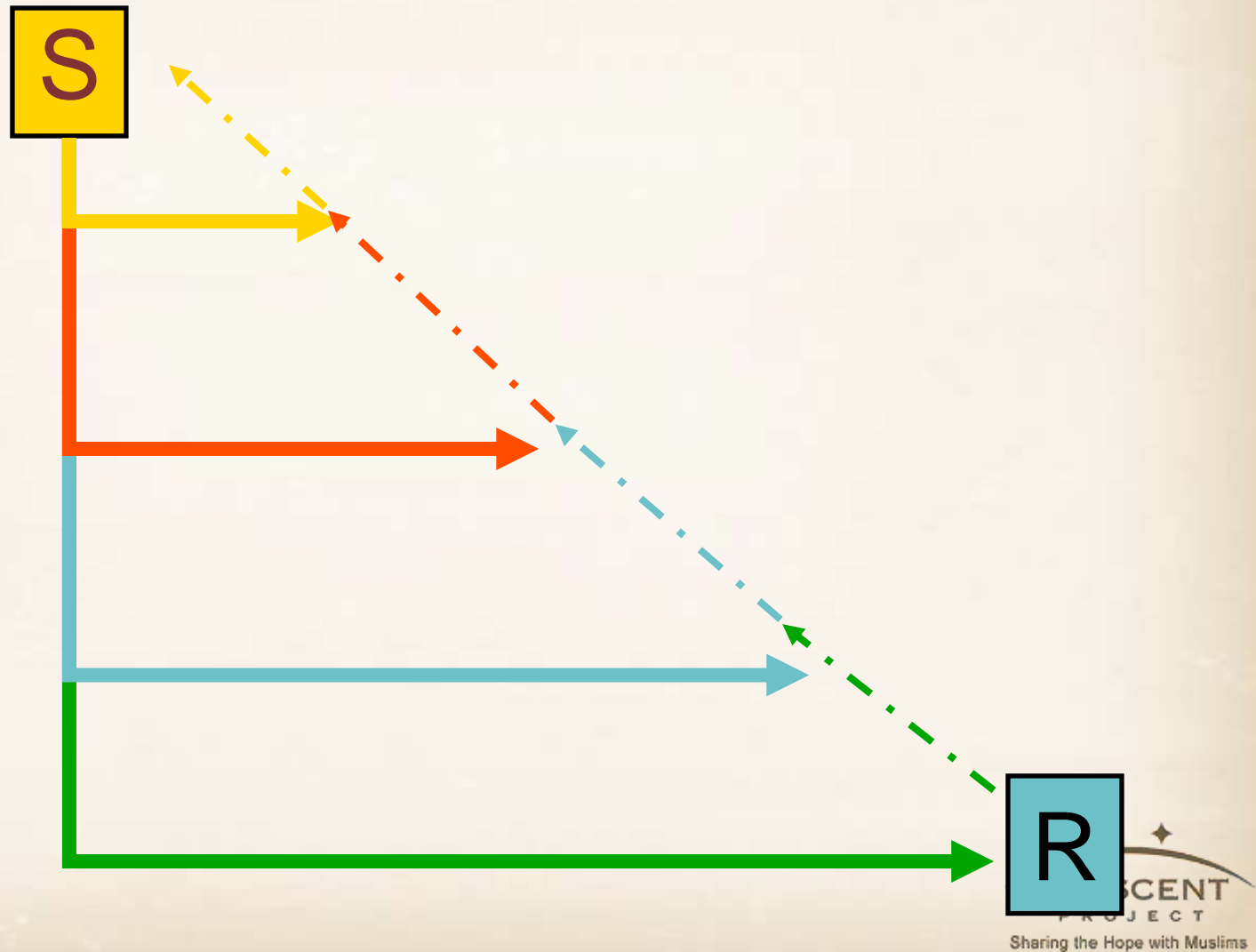
The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us."26 Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Jesus is the messiah. The savior the awaited prophet and leader.

Our Communication



Communication: Jesus Style



27 Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?"28 Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 29 "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?"30 they left the city and were on their way to him. 31 Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something."32 but he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about."33 So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?"

"34 Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. 35 Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting.36 The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together.37 For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.'38 I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

39 Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done."40 so when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed their two days.41 and many more believed because of his word. 41They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

**Jesus is the savior of the world.
They experienced Jesus!**

GOD IS AT WORK IN THE MUSLIM WORLD!

- God can and does win Muslims.
- More Muslims have come to Christ in the last decade than in the past 1400 years combined.
- Millions of nominal Muslims are questioning their faith due to the atrocities committed by militants.



Connecting with Muslims

A GUIDE TO COMMUNICATING EFFECTIVELY



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Do Christians Worship Three Gods?

Across the Muslim world it is common to believe that Christians worship three gods. Is this accusation unfounded? What does the Injeel teach about the God Christians say is Father, and Son and Holy Spirit? *Do Christians Worship Three Gods?* investigates these claims and uncovers one of the mysteries of the Christian faith.



Is Injeel Barnaba True?

When Injeel Barnaba appeared, many Islamic teachers trusted it as the only reliable record of Jesus' life. But is it historically accurate? Does it support both the Bible and the Quran? Can we trust the author of Injeel Barnaba? *Is Injeel Barnaba True?* unveils my research on the historical credibility of Injeel Barnaba.



Is Muhammad in the Bible?

Islam teaches that Muhammad is the greatest prophet. Some Muslims claim that his coming was prophesied in the Bible. While Christians may respect Muhammad and the position of Muslims, they claim the Bible never mentions the prophet or his coming. Join me as I investigate the question, "What does the Injeel say about the prophet of Islam?"



Is the Injeel Corrupted?

Both Muslims and Christians honor the Injeel, the book of Jesus the Messiah. But somewhere along the line, Muslims began viewing the Book of Jesus as unreliable and unimportant to read and obey. *Is the Injeel Corrupted?* tackles a critical question for skeptical Muslims and Christians who are eager to present truth.



Who Died on the Cross?

Islamic leaders across the Muslim world teach that Jesus did not die on the cross; to have done so would degrade Jesus as one of the greatest prophets. Did Jesus die on the cross? What if the Romans crucified the wrong person? Explore the research with me as we discover if Christians have been deceived.



Who is Isa bin Maryam?

Who is Jesus, son of Mary? Is he God? Christians revere Jesus as the Son of God and believe he is the Savior. Muslims also respect Jesus, but as a prophet equal to Moses, Abraham and David. But was Jesus more than a prophet? Or are Christians deceived? *Who is Jesus Son of Mary?* presents my search for the truth on Jesus, Son of Mary, about the Messiah.

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