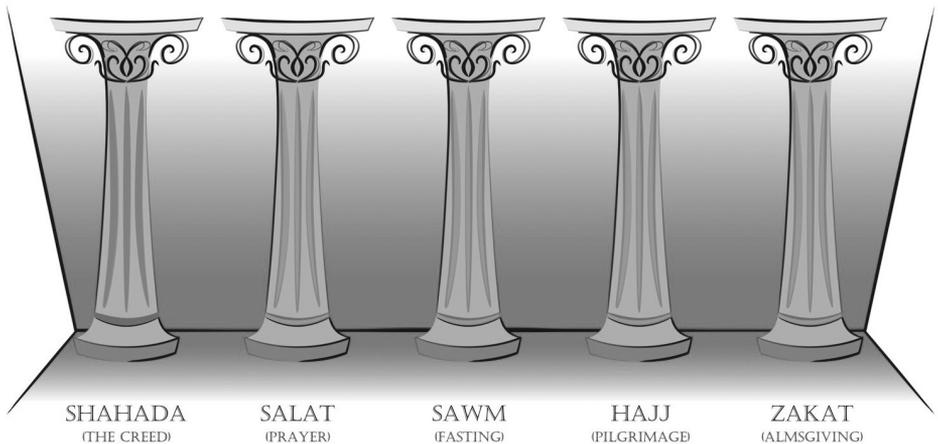


# THE FIVE PILLARS OF

I S L A M



**T**he function of a pillar is to support the roof and structure itself. But God need not be supported by man [Surah Ibrahim 14:8], so these are actually the five duties of a Muslim, not pillars!

As a matter of fact it is required to keep only two in order to call yourself a Muslim, simply that you maybe a too poor to give alms, or too sick to fast or both and therefore unable to travel to Mecca.

The real five pillars or support columns of Islam are the 5 central criticism of Christian scriptures:

1. Today's Torah is corrupted.
2. The Qur'an is from the same God who gave the Torah.
3. Abraham built Ka'ba in Mecca and Muslims are worshipping to God of Abraham correctly by prostrating towards the Ka'ba. Islam is a continuation of the faith of Abraham.
4. Muhammad and Meccans Arabs are physical descendants of Ishmael and Abraham and therefore under the blessing of God.
5. Muhammad received the message of Allah

from the Angel Gabriel the same way Moses received it.

Entire Islam as a religion is resting upon these 5 pillars. If anyone one of them would fall Islam will be proven wrong.

## #1: THE TORAH

According to early Qur'anic commentator **Muqatil bin Sulaiman**:

The leaders of the **Jews in Medina** erased the descriptions and traits of Muhammad peace be upon him from the Torah, and they wrote other traits and descriptions.

Muslim scholar **Bassam Zawadi** regarding the Torah:

Thus, it is not a surprise for a Muslim to find that the predictions of Muhammad (peace be upon him) are vague and some how isolated from the context of the entire Bible. The reason for this is because there is also **falsehood in the Bible, which would distort the truth.**

Thus, the Muslim is not required in any way to prove that Muhammad is clearly predicted in the Bible by taking all the verses in the Bible into consideration.

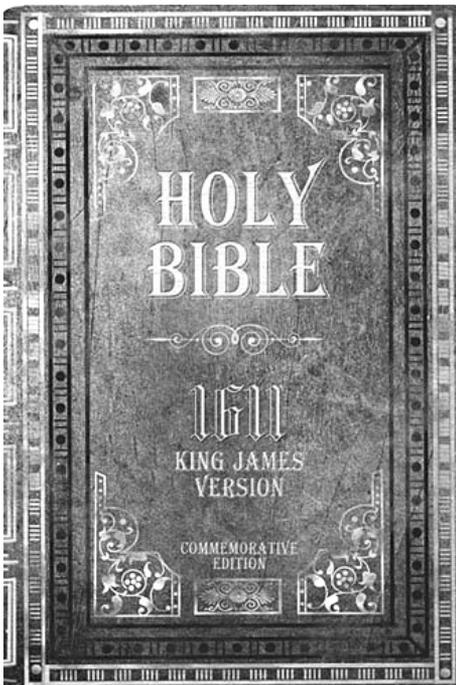
**This is simply the Muslim position regardless of one likes it or not.**

**Islam-Sikhism.info** also got into the mix:

In addition, we can also confirm that there exists evidence in the historical tradition of Islam to suggest that **the Torah in the hands of the Jewish community in Arabia during the time of Muhammad** (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) **must have gone through some textual corruption given that it differs to the Torah we have today.**

Zawadi observes that **"it is also possible that parts of the true Torah and Injeel [Gospel] existed until the 7th century[during Muhammad's time] and are not found in the Bible today".**

He supports this claim by citing five authentic Islamic traditions that point to references and injunctions



apparently present in what the Jews in that area and epoch referred to as the Torah, but which "we don't find ... today with us in the Bible", and "[t]herefore ... **must have been removed**, thus indicating **textual corruption**".

The Torah is found in Hebrew Scrolls in each and every Synagogue around the Globe, and in translation in every Christian Bible. Is there any proof that the Torah was ever changed?

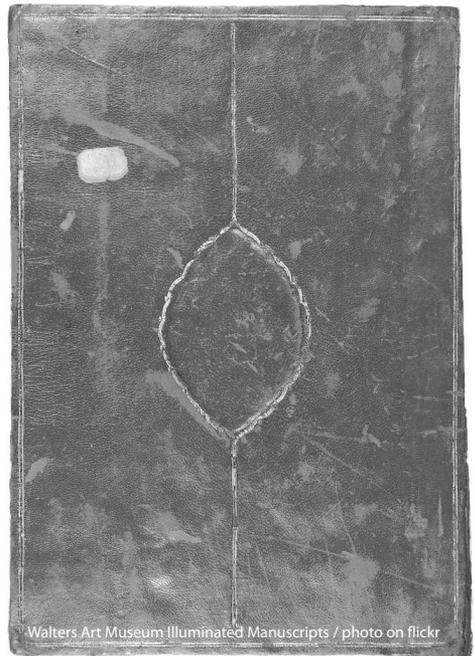
### **1. The Qur'an and Muhammad CONFIRM the Divine origin of the Torah**

Based on the Qur'an and the Hadith, one can easily see that the Hebrew Scriptures, that is, the Torah during the time of Mohammed, was trustworthy as well.

The Qur'an has **thirty-nine** references to the Old Testament and the Hadiths (Sahih Bukhari, Sahih Muslim, Abu Dawud and Malik's Muwatta) have **thirty-five** references.

Here are some ayats from the Qur'an:

[Qur'an, Sura 3:3] He hath revealed unto thee



(Muhammad) the Scripture with truth, confirming that which was (revealed) before it, even as **He revealed the Torah and the Gospel.**

**[Qur'an, Sura 3:48]** And He (Allah) will teach him (Jesus) the Scripture and wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel,

**[Qur'an, Sura 3:50]** And (I come) confirming that which was before me of the Torah and to make lawful some of that which was forbidden unto you. I come unto you with a sign from your Lord, so keep your duty to Allah and obey me.

So, according to the Qur'an, Jesus came and taught the original teachings of the Torah.

**[Qur'an, Sura 3:93]** All food was lawful to the children of Israel except that which Israel had forbidden to himself, before the Taurat was revealed. Say: **Bring then the Taurat and read** [present tense] it, **if you are truthful.**

Here is an interesting challenge to Jews in the days of Muhammad – bring the Torah if you are truthful and read it! By why read a corrupted book?

**[Qur'an, Sura 10:94]** And if thou (Muhammad) art in doubt concerning that which We reveal unto thee, **then question those who read** [present tense] **the Scripture (that was) before thee.** Verily the Truth from thy Lord hath come unto thee. So be not thou of the waverers.

**[Qur'an, Sura 29:46]** And argue not with the People of the Scripture unless it be in (a way) that is better, save with such of them as do wrong; and say: We believe in that which hath been **revealed unto us and revealed unto you; our Allah and your Allah is One,** and unto Him we surrender.

If the Torah was already lost in the days of

Muhammad, it would have been absolutely impossible to say that Muslims believe in what hath been revealed unto Jews and Christians. This means that the Torah's revelation was still uncorrupted and Jews and Christians had them at least in 600 AD.

To further this point, Muhammad constantly accused the Jews of misinterpreting the Torah and he used the Torah itself to prove his point!

**[The Hadith of Al Bukhari, volume 8, book 82, number 809]**

**Narrated Ibn 'Umar:**

A Jew and a Jewess were brought to Allah's Apostle on a charge of committing an illegal sexual intercourse. The Prophet asked them. "What is the legal punishment (for this sin) **in your Book (Torah)?**" They replied, "Our priests have innovated the punishment of blackening the faces with charcoal and Tajbiya." Abdullah bin Salam said, "O Allah's Apostle, tell them to **bring the Torah.**"

Torah was brought, and then one of the Jews put his hand over the **Divine Verse of the Rajam** (stoning to death) and started reading what preceded and what followed it. On that, Ibn Salam said to the Jew, "Lift up your hand."

Behold! The **Divine Verse** of the Rajam was under his hand. So Allah's Apostle ordered that the two (sinners) be stoned to death, and so they were stoned. Ibn 'Umar added: So both of them were stoned at the Balat and I saw the Jew sheltering the Jewess.

**[Sunan Abu Dawud, book 38, number 4435]**

**Narrated Abu Hurayrah:**

A man and a woman of the Jews committed fornication. Some of them said to the others: Let us go to this Prophet, for he has been sent with **an easy law.** The Prophet said: So I decide **in accordance with what the Torah says.** He then commanded regarding them and they were stoned to death.

We can see clearly that Mohammed called the

Torah to witness against the Jews and their practice. Clearly, the True Torah was present and available in his time. Here is yet another example of the existence of the uncorrupted Torah during Mohammad's day.

**[Sunan Abu Dawud, book 38, number 4434**

Narrated Abdullah Ibn Umar:

A group of Jews came and invited the Apostle of Allah to Quff. So he visited them in their school. They said: AbulQasim, one of our men has committed fornication with a woman; so pronounce judgment upon them. They placed a cushion for the Apostle of Allah who sat on it and said: **Bring the Torah**. It was then brought. He then withdrew the cushion from beneath him and **placed the Torah on it saying:**

**I believed in thee and I Him Who revealed thee.**

These Hadith quotations reveal to us that Mohammed never condemned the written Torah; he condemned only the wrong interpretation of the Torah by the Jews. Thus, it is becoming for a muslim to believe in the Torah. But was the Bible changed after Mohammed?

**2. Archaeological discoveries of the last century confirm that the Torah has never been changed**

There is clear proof that the Torah has not been changed in the last 2260 years.

The *Dead Sea Scrolls* provide this proof.

Common Era (CE), the Scrolls include some 207 biblical manuscripts representing nearly all of the books in the Hebrew Bible (Christian Old Testament) except the book of Ester. Approximately 900 Scrolls were discovered.

**The Scrolls are important to Judaism, Christianity and Islam** because they contain the earliest accounts of the Biblical eight patriarchs and prophets who are known to all three of the Abrahamic faiths.

Some of the biblical **Dead Sea Scrolls** are almost **1000 years older than the next-oldest-known copies** of the Hebrew Bible.

The copies of Genesis among the **Dead Sea Scrolls** are extremely similar to the traditional Hebrew text.

Unless someone has any physical evidence that the Torah was changed at any given point in time, there is no authority to state otherwise. In fact, without an accurate Torah Mohammed's teachings have no foundations. And here we find the problem with Islam: the Bible-Qur'an contradictions.

**#2: QUR'AN-BIBLE COMPARISON**

The Word of God is supposed to be perfect and unchangeable. Both the Qur'an and the Bible confirm this truth.

**The Qur'an:**

[Sura 6 Yusuf 115] The word of thy Lord doth find its fulfilment in truth and in justice: **None can change His words:** for **He is the one who heareth and knoweth all.**

**The Bible:**

[Psa 12:6-7] **The words of the LORD [are] pure words:** [as] silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.

Thou shalt keep them, **O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.**

Let us read a few passages from the Qur'an and the Bible. Pay careful attention to the bold words in both passages.

**The Qur'an:**

[Sura 12 Yusuf 16-18] And **they** came to their father at nightfall, **weeping.**

**They said:** O our father! surely we went off racing and left Yusuf by our goods, so the **wolf devoured him**, and **you will not believe us** though we are truthful.

## 2000 year of copy of Psalms

<http://www.ibiblio.org/expo/deadsea.scrolls.exhibit/full-images/psalm-b.gif>



And they brought his shirt with false blood upon it. **He said: Nay**, your souls have made the matter light for you, but patience is good and Allah is He whose help is sought for **against what you describe**.

### Summary:

- The Brothers told their father that Joseph was dead.
- His father accused the brothers of lying.
- The brothers were crying about Joseph's demise, not their father.

### The Bible:

**[Genesis, Chapter 37:31-34]** And they took Joseph's coat, and killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the coat in the blood; And they sent the coat of many colors, and **they brought** it to their father; and **said this have we found**: know now whether **it be thy son's coat or no**.

And **he knew it**, and said it is my son's coat; **an evil beast hath devoured him; Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces**.

And Jacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and **mourned for his son many days**.

### Summary:

- The brothers did not tell their father that Joseph was killed.
- Jacob concluded on his own accord that Joseph was dead.
- Joseph's father cried over Joseph's death.

- The brothers did not cry and were unsuccessfully trying to comfort him.

There is a clear contradiction of the storyline here. But the story doesn't end here. Qur'anic and Biblical stories have their own logical conclusion, based on the text above. As different as in the beginning of the story. Pay careful attention to the red words in both passages.

### The Qur'an:

**[Sura 12 Yusuf 93-98]** Take this my shirt and cast it on my father's face, he will (again) be able to see, and come to me with all your families.

And when the caravan had departed, their father said: Most surely **I perceive the greatness of Yusuf**, unless you pronounce me to be weak in judgment.

They said: By Allah, you are most surely in your old error.

So when the bearer of good news came he cast it on his face, so forthwith he regained his sight. He said: **Did I not say to you that I know from Allah what you do not know?**

They said: O our father! ask forgiveness of our faults for us, surely we were sinners.

He said: I will ask for you forgiveness from my Lord; surely He is the Forgiving, the Merciful.

### Summary:

- In the Qur'an their father said that Joseph was still alive.

- His sons or other from the family accused him of having Alzheimer disease.
- After learning that Joseph was alive, his father boasted that he knew it all along.
- His sons admitted their sin.

### The Bible:

**[Genesis, Chapter 45:25-28]** And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their father,

And told him, saying, **Joseph is yet alive**, and he is governor over all the land of Egypt. And **Jacob's heart fainted**, for he believed them not.

And they told him **all the words of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and when he saw the wagons** which Joseph had sent to carry him, **the spirit of Jacob their father revived: And Israel said, It is enough; Joseph my son is yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.**

#### Summary:

- In the Bible, Jacob, even after being told by his sons that Joseph was alive, did not believe them right away.
- It took him time to accept the fact that Joseph was alive and well.

Again in the Qur'an the father told his sons that Joseph was alive, they did not believe him, but in the Bible it is the other way around, sons told the Father that Joseph is alive but he did not believe them!

As you clearly see, the Qur'anical story is absolutely different from the Biblical account. They are opposite.

How can the perfect words of God contradict one another?

### #3: HAJJ AND THE TORAH

#### Did Abraham go to Mecca?

#### The Qu'ran:

**[Hadith Sahih Bukhari Volume 4, Book 55, Number 583]**

#### Narrated Ibn Abbas:

Abraham **brought her and her son Ishmael while she was suckling him, to a place near the Ka'ba under a tree on the spot of Zam-zam**, at the highest place in the mosque. She lived in that way till some people from the tribe of Jurhum or a family from Jurhum passed by her and her child, as they (i.e. the Jurhum people) were coming through the way of Kada'.

### The Bible:

**[Gen 21:14-16]** And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and **a bottle of water**, and gave [it] unto Hagar, putting [it] on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the **wilderness of Beersheba**.

And the **water was spent in the bottle**, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs.

And she went, and sat her down over against [him] a good way off, as it were a bowshot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sat over against [him], and lift up her voice, and wept.

Again, another contradiction. Hagar could not have travelled so far having only one bottle of water; the difference between these two distances is 28 days travel. This travel time contradiction occurs again concerning Abraham' attempt to sacrifice Isaac (Ishmael) on the hill of Mina close to Mecca.

**[Gen 22:2, 4]** And he said, Take now thy son, **thine only [son] Isaac**, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

Then **on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.**

- Between Gerar and Mecca - 31 days of journey.
- Between Gerar and Jerusalem — 3 days.

Another clear contradiction. And there are more.

descendants of Ishmael?

#### #4: ISHMAEL AND MECCAN ARABS

Now let us examine if Muhammad and Arab Muslims are descendants of Abraham and therefore have connection to the prophesy of the Torah.

Was Muhammad and Arabs of Quarish tribe

[Genesis 16:10-12] And the angel of the LORD said unto her (Hagar), I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude. And he will be a wild man; his hand [will be] against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his



color line / photo on flickr

brethren.

[Genesis 17:20] And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: **Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly;** twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.

[Genesis 21:12-13, 18] And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called.

**And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because he [is] thy seed.**

Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation.

Let us find out who was first to say that Ishmael and Muhammad together with Meccans and Arabs are connected by blood.

[Hadith Sahih Bukhari Volume 4, Book 55, Number 592]

The Prophet passed by some persons of the tribe of Aslam practicing archery Allah's Apostle said, "**O offspring of Ishmael! Practice archery as your father was a great archer.**"

[Hadith Sahih Bukhari Volume 4, Book 55, Number 607]

Allah's Apostle said, "On the night of my Ascension to Heaven, I saw (the prophet) Moses who was a thin person with lank hair, looking like one of the men of the tribe of Shanua; and I saw Jesus who was of average height with red face as if he had just come out of a bathroom. **And I resemble prophet Abraham more than any of his offspring does.**"

Let's read the Hadith describing how this theory starts:

[Hadith Sahih Bukhari Volume 4, Book 55,

Number 583]

Ishmael's mother went on suckling Ishmael and drinking from the water (she had). When the water in the water-skin had all been used up, she became thirsty and her child also became thirsty. She started looking at him (i.e. Ishmael) tossing in agony; She left him, for she could not endure looking at him, **and found that the mountain of Safa** was the nearest mountain to her on that land. She stood on it and started looking at the valley keenly so that she might see somebody, but she could not see anybody. Then she descended from Safa and when she reached the valley, she tucked up her robe and ran in the valley like a person in distress and trouble, till **she crossed the valley and reached the Marwa** mountain where she stood and started looking, expecting to see somebody, but she could not see anybody. **She repeated that (running between Safa and Marwa) seven times.**" The Prophet said, "**This is the source of the tradition of the walking of people between them (i.e. Safa and Marwa)**".

When she reached the Marwa (for the last time) she heard a voice and she asked herself to be quiet and listened attentively. She heard the voice again and said, 'O, (whoever you may be)! You have made me hear your voice; have you got something to help me?' And behold! **She saw an angel at the place of Zam-zam, digging the earth with his heel** (or his wing), till water flowed from that place. She started to make something like a basin around it, using her hand in this way, and started filling her water-skin with water with her hands, and the water was flowing out after she had scooped some of it."

[Hadith Sahih Bukhari Volume 4, Book 55, Number 583]

Narrated Ibn Abbas:

Abraham brought her and her son Ishmael while she was suckling him, to a place near the Ka'ba under a tree on the spot of Zam-zam, at the highest place in the mosque.

She lived in that way till some people from the **tribe**

of Jurhum or a family from Jurhum passed by her and her child, as they (i.e. the Jurhum people) were coming through the way of Kada'. **The child (i.e. Ishmael) grew up and learnt Arabic** from them and (his virtues) caused them to love and admire him as he grew up, and when he reached the age of puberty **they made him marry a woman from amongst them.**

**[Genesis 21:20-21]** And God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer.

And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a **wife out of the land of Egypt.**

Ishmael's wife came out of Egypt; 0% Arab descent is possible. There is no scriptures stating he had multiple wives. But let us continue further and look into the location of Ishmael's dwelling.

**[Genesis 25:17-18]** And these [are] the years of the life of Ishmael, an hundred and thirty and seven years: and he gave up the ghost and died; and was gathered unto his people. And **they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur, that [is] before Egypt,** as thou goes **toward Assyria:** [and] he died in the presence of all his brethren.

**[1 Samuel 15:7]** And Saul smote the Amalekites **from Havilah [until] thou comest to Shur,** that [is] **over against Egypt.**

For more references that show why Muhammad did not descend from Ishmael through Kedar see: [Genesis 37:14], [Genesis 37:17], [Genesis 37:24-28], [Genesis 37:36] [Judges 8:22-24], [Genesis 37:14], [Genesis 37:17], [Genesis 37:25], [Genesis 21:21], [Genesis 25:18], [Hadith Sahih Bukhari Volume 4, Book 55, Number 583]

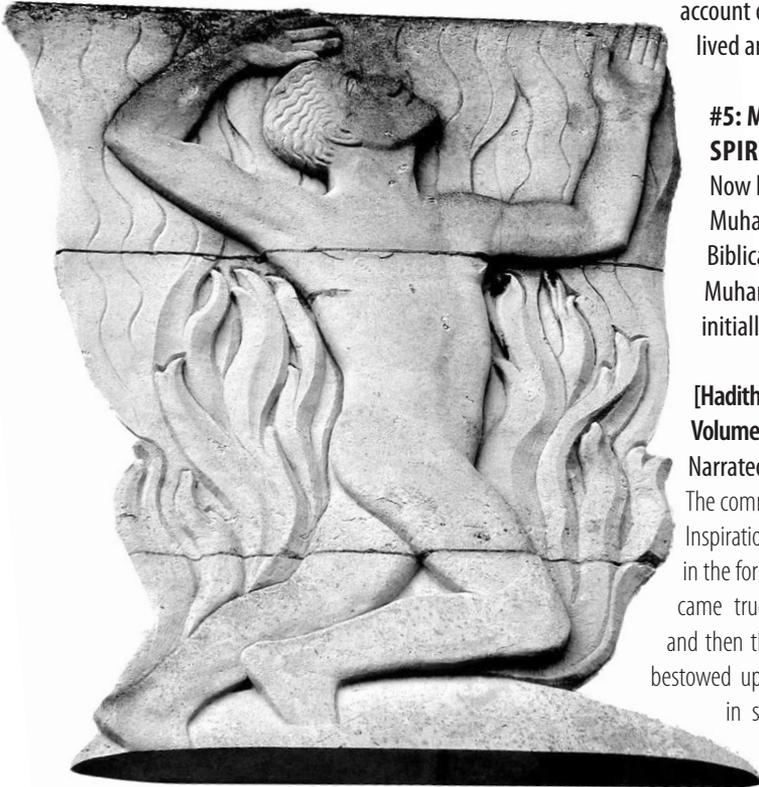
Muhammad could not be a descendent of Ishmael (Isaac) based on the Biblical account of where those families lived and died.

## #5: MUHAMMAD AND A SPIRIT

Now let us examine if Muhammad was called by Biblical God to be a prophet. Muhammad got it right initially.

**[Hadith of Sahih Bukhari Volume 1, Book 1, Number 3]**  
Narrated 'Aisha:

The commencement of the Divine Inspiration to Allah's Apostle was in the form of good dreams which came true like bright day light, and then the love of seclusion was bestowed upon him. He used to go in seclusion in the cave of Hira where he used to worship (Allah alone)



continuously for many days before his desire to see his family.

He used to go in seclusion in the cave of Hira where he used to worship (Allah alone) continuously for many days before his desire to see his family. He used to take with him the journey food for the stay and then come back to (his wife) Khadija to take his food like-wise again till suddenly the Truth descended upon him while he was in the cave of Hira. **The angel came to him and asked him to read.** The Prophet replied, "I do not know how to read."

The Prophet added, **"The angel caught me (forcefully) and pressed me so hard that I could not bear it any more. He then released me and again asked me to read and I replied, 'I do not know how to read.' Thereupon he caught me again and pressed me a second time till I could not bear it any more.** He then released me and again asked me to read but again I replied, 'I do not know how to read (or what shall I read)?' Thereupon **he caught me for the third time and pressed me,** and then released me and said, 'Read in the name of your Lord, who has created (all that exists) has created man from a clot. Read! And your Lord is the Most Generous.'

Then Allah's Apostle returned with the Inspiration and with his heart beating severely. Then he went to Khadija bint Khuwailid and said, "Cover me! Cover me!" They covered him till his fear was over and after that he told her everything that had happened and said, **"I fear that something may happen to me."**

Then **Allah's Apostle returned with the Inspiration and with his heart beating severely.** Then he went to Khadija bint Khuwailid

and said, "Cover me! Cover me!" **They covered him till his fear was over** and after that he told her everything that had happened and said, "I fear that something may happen to me." Khadija replied, "Never! By Allah, Allah will never disgrace you. You keep good relations with your Kith and kin, help the poor and the destitute, serve your guests generously and assist the deserving calamity-afflicted ones."

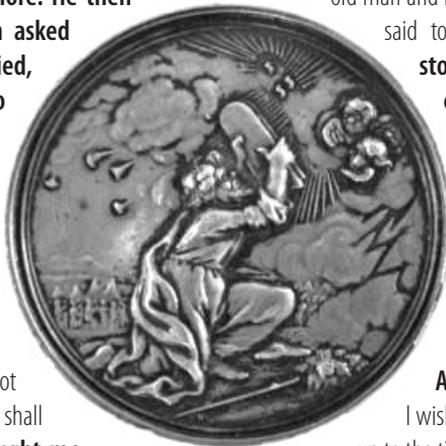
Khadija then accompanied him to her cousin Waraqa bin Naufal bin Asad bin 'Abdul 'Uzza, who, during the Pre-Islamic Period became a Christian and used to write the writing with Hebrew letters. **He would write from the Gospel in Hebrew** as much as Allah wished him to write. He was an old man and had lost his eyesight. Khadija

said to Waraqa, **"Listen to the story of your nephew, O my**

**cousin!"** Waraqa asked, "O my nephew! What have you seen?" Allah's Apostle described whatever he had seen. **Waraqa said, "This is the same one who keeps the secrets (angel Gabriel) whom Allah had sent to Moses.**

I wish I were young and could live up to the time when your people would turn you out." Allah's Apostle asked, "Will they drive me out?" Waraqa replied in the affirmative and said, "Anyone (man) who came with something similar to what you have brought was treated with hostility; and if I should remain alive till the day when you will be turned out then I would support you strongly." **But after a few days Waraqa died and the Divine Inspiration was also paused for a while.**

Narrated Jabir bin 'Abdullah Al-Ansari while talking about the period of pause in revelation reporting the speech of the Prophet "While I was walking, all of a sudden I heard a voice from the sky. **I looked up and saw the same angel who had visited me at the cave of Hira' sitting on a chair**



**between the sky and the earth.** I got afraid of him and came back home and said, 'Wrap me (in blankets)!' And then Allah revealed the following Holy Verses (of Quran):

'O you (i.e. Muhammad)! wrapped up in garments!' Arise and warn (the people against Allah's Punishment).... up to 'and desert the idols.' (74.1-5) **After this the revelation started coming strongly, frequently and regularly."**

This is the most important passage in the entire story. Waraqa said, "**This is the same one who keeps the secrets (angel Gabriel) whom Allah had sent to Moses."**

#### *Account of the Hadith:*

- Muhammad had a supernatural experience.
- He was afraid an unholy spirit visited him.
- His wife rejects this simply arguing that Muhammad is too good to be influenced by a demon.
- Waraqa told Muhammad with certainty that it is was the Angel Gabriel.
- Muhammad believed his wife and Waraqa. And Islam was born!

### **Does this line up with the story of Moses and the Burning Bush?**

#### **God and Moses**

[Exd 3:4-6] And **the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire** out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush [was] not consumed. And Moses said, **I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.**

And when **the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush,** and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here [am] I.

And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest [is] holy ground.

Moreover he said, **I [am] the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.** And Moses hid his face; for **he was afraid to look upon God.**

[Exd 3:10] Come now therefore, and **I will send thee unto Pharaoh,** that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

[Exd 3:14-16] And God said unto Moses, **I AM THAT I AM:** and he said, **Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.** And God said moreover unto Moses, **Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you:** this [is] my name for ever, and this [is] my memorial unto all generations.

Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and **say unto them, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared unto me,** saying, I have surely visited you, and [seen] that which is done to you in Egypt:

[Exd 4:28-31] And **Moses told Aaron all the words of the LORD** who had sent him, and all the signs which he had commanded him.

And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel:

**And Aaron spake all the words which the LORD had spoken unto Moses,** and did the signs in the sight of the people.

**And the people believed:** and when they heard that the LORD had visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped.

#### *Account of the Moses' experience with God:*

- An angel (not Gabriel specifically) appeared as the fire in a bush.
- Moses turns to see the strange fire.
- Then God introduced Himself to Moses and several times mentioned His Name; it was not

the angel speaking to him.

- Moses came home being certain that he had met God of his fathers.
- Moses convinced Aaron.
- Aaron convinced the people of Israel.
- The people believed Aaron and Moses. And God delivered His people from slavery and gave them 10 Commandments.

## Comparison

*Muhammad meeting a spirit:*

Spirit visited Muhammad --> Muhammad was sure it was a demon --> Khadija was trying to convince Muhammad it was Allah --> Waraqa finally convinced Muhammad --> Muhammad had 'revelations' from then on

## Conclusions

Islam is inextricably rooted in the Torah and the New Testament. Without these scriptures Islam would not be. But, the interpretation and use of these scriptures by Muhammad and his followers is so contradictory to itself that, as a religion, it is impossible to follow.

What Muhammad truly experienced was as he originally understood it, he was attacked by a malicious spirit that desired the creation of a religion to oppress the True Gospel.

Unlike Allah, the true God of the Bible, Abraham and his seed is forgiving and will not cast a righteous believer in Christ into hellfire. The love for His children outweighs his desire to condemn.

Not only is it possible to leave Islam, but it is necessary if you desire to free yourself from the bondage of affliction and the ultimate condemnation of hell fire.

Find the strength to say these words:

*Jesus Christ, forgive me for my sins. I repent in your name that I might be saved and find the love of the truth. Show me the way out of Islam into the safety of your church and the open arms of God.*

*Let me not fall into the temptation of a lie, or the unrighteousness of false doctrine. Let no evil spirit overcome me and let my family follow behind me along the narrow path.*

*I pray these things in your name Jesus Christ, Amen.*

*Moses meeting God:*

An angel appeared as fire in a bush --> God called Moses and explained his mission --> Moses believed God --> Moses met with Aaron and convinced him --> Aaron convinced leaders of Israel

Waraqqa listened to Muhammad's story and somehow connected it with story of Moses. But as we see from the Scripture, it cannot be the same God, nor could it have been Gabriel. We can confidently say that Waraqa was wrong in his conclusion, he probably did not know the story of Moses well enough to see difference!

**It is Waraqa who should be correctly named the founder of Islam!**