

True followers of Jesus

(Peace be upon him)

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The Christianity we have today is not what it was during the time of Jesus (Peace be upon him).

None of his early followers believed and practiced it in the way as present day Christians do. In fact the teachings of Jesus (peace be upon him) has been subdued by the sayings of Paul (who never met Jesus (peace be upon him)). For example Jesus (peace be upon him) said, *“Do not think that I*

have come to destroy the Law of Moses or the PROPHETS. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For truly, I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or part of a letter will disappear from the Law, until all things are accomplished.” (Matthew, 17-20) but Paul said ... *“the law is no more and nailed to the cross because it was against us.”* (Colossians, 2:14)

According to the ancient church historian, Irenaeus (185 CE), the Ebionites (the early followers of Jesus (peace be upon him) believed in one God, the Creator, taught that Jesus was the Messiah, and rejected Paul as an

apostate from the Jewish Law. (The New Encyclopedia Britannica, Vol . 4, p. 344)

Moreover, the present-day beliefs/practices were incorporated into Christianity in the first Council of Nicaea in C.E 325, which was called by the emperor Constantine I. Over a period of time Bible was changed/corrupted and the earlier followers of Jesus' (peace be upon him) teachings were rejected and condemned by later followers of an adopted faith. This FACT has been acknowledged by eminent Christian Scholars. (for more **details** you can free download my

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Here are **some** of the **many** questions to my Christian brothers and sisters

1. Why does the Catholic Bible contain 73 books while the Protestant Bible has only 66? With both claiming to have the complete Word of God, which one should be believed and why?
2. Why does the Bible say that Jesus (peace be upon him) wanted to die on the cross (Luke 24:7), when the

one on the cross was crying “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” according to Matthew 27:45 and Mark 15:33?

3. Why do Christians claim that the present Bible is the WORD of God, while half of the New Testament is written by Paul who never even met Jesus in his lifetime?
4. Who gave Paul the right to abolish the laws of the mighty Prophets like Abraham, Moses and Jesus (peace be upon them)?
5. If my Christian brothers and sisters consider the Old Testament as God’s Word, why did they

cancel the parts of the Old Testament that dealt with punishment (example: the punishment for adultery)?

6. Why do the Christians call those books of the Old Testament “God’s Word” when the revisers of the RSV Bible say that some of the authors are UNKNOWN? (according to many Christian scholars, authors of many New Testament books are also unknown)
7. When there is no Biblical support for Sunday worship (it has pagan origin which means the **Day of the**

SUN) why does the church worship on Sunday, when the seventh day was established forever?

8. Why was Jesus (peace be upon him) in the tomb for only two and a half days at the most, whereas he said he would be there **three** days and **three** nights (Matthew 12:38-40)?
9. Why do the two genealogies of Jesus (peace be upon him) in Matthew and Luke differ? (Matthew 1:16, Luke 3:23)
10. Why the doctrine of the Trinity was established by **vote** in the first

council of Nicaea in 325 C.E,
instead of by revelation?

11. Why, for thousands of years, did none of God's Prophets teach his people about the Trinity?
12. (Moreover if Jesus (peace be upon him) was God then to whom he used to pray, because God is not supposed to pray to God. (Luke 5:16) (Luke 9:19) etc.))

In conclusion the belief and practices of the original followers of Jesus (peace be upon him) was corrupted by the later ignorant masses who were not even aware of Jesus' (peace be upon him) teachings, but

based their belief on the teachings of someone who never even met Jesus (peace be upon him).

Who are the TRUE followers of Jesus (peace be upon him)

The claim of the so called Christians as the true followers of Jesus (peace be upon him) is hollow as they reject him practically by neither obeying him nor copying him, whereas we Muslims revere and love him earnestly and regard him as one of the mightiest Prophets of Allah. A Muslim is NOT a Muslim if he does not believe in Jesus (peace be upon

him) and hence are the true followers of Jesus (peace be upon him).

Following are some of the point which proves that we Muslims are Jesus's (peace be upon him) true followers:

Jesus (peace be upon him) used to greet with *salaam alaikum*, Muslims do the same, whereas Christians don't. (Luke 24:36)

Jesus (peace be upon him) was circumcised, Muslims are circumcised, whereas Christians are not. (Luke, 2:21, Galatians, 5:2, Genesis, 17:10-14 (Covenant of Abraham (peace be upon him))).

Jesus (peace be upon him) was against the transaction of interest, Muslims acknowledge it's prohibited, whereas Christians don't. (Deuteronomy, 23:19, Exodus, 22:25-27)

Jesus (peace be upon him) was against the consumption of alcohol and pork, Muslims consider it's prohibited, whereas Christians don't. (Deuteronomy, 14:8, Leviticus, 11:7, Galatians, 5:19-21, Ephesians, 5:18)

Jesus (peace be upon him) had beard, Muslims sport it religiously, whereas Christians don't. (Leviticus, 19:27)

Jesus (peace be upon him) never claimed divinity; Muslims don't consider him divine, whereas Christians do. (Acts 2:22), (Matthew 12:40) (John 8:40) (Numbers 23:19)

No doubt Charles Leslie (1650-1722), Irish Anglican priest and non-juror rightly said, **“Mahomet (Muhammad) is much more Christian than these”**.
