

Is There
A Really
Difference?



Understanding Islam

THE BASICS OF ISLAM

1. Basic Statistics

- Islam encompasses over _____% of the world's population (over 1.6 billion)
- Islam is the fastest growing religion in the world
- Islam has increased _____% in the last 50 years
- In the U.S. there are more Muslims than _____ and _____ combined
- The number of Muslims in the U.S. has more than _____ since September 11, 2001 (1 million to 2.6 million)

2. Basic Terms

- *Islam* = _____ to the will of God
- *Muslim* = _____ who submits to the will of God
- *Allah* = Arabic term for _____
- *Muhammad* = the final _____, founder of Islam, 570 – 632 A.D.
- *Qur'an* (Koran) = Muslim _____

3. Basic Beliefs

- The 5 Pillars Of Faith
 - _____ (Shahada)
 - _____ (Salaat)
 - _____ (Zakaat)
 - _____ (Fasting)
 - _____ (Hajj)

THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ISLAM AND CHRISTIANITY

1. They Differ In Beliefs About _____

- Islam teaches that God is _____
- Christianity teaches that God is personal (knowable) – 1 John 4:7-8; 16-17

- Islam teaches that God is _____ manifested in a trinity – Surah 5:73
- Christianity teaches that God is _____ in one – John 6:27; John 1:1, 14; Acts 5:3-4
- Islam teaches that God’s love is _____ – Surah 3:57
- Christianity teaches that God’s love is _____ – Romans 5:7-8

2. They Differ In Beliefs About _____

- Islam teaches that people are born basically good
- Christians teaches that people are bent toward _____ – Romans 3:23

3. They Differ In Beliefs About _____

- Islam teaches that Jesus was a prophet, sinless, a miracle worker, and born of a _____
- Islam teaches that Jesus isn’t God’s _____, he didn’t die on the cross, or rise from the dead – Surah 4:157
- For Christians the identity of Jesus as God’s Son who died for our sin and rose again from the dead is _____ – Philippians 2:8-11

4. They Differ In Beliefs About _____

- Islam teaches that a person is saved by faith in Allah and his prophet Mohammed plus _____ – Surah 47:2
- Christians believe that a person is saved by _____ through _____ in Jesus alone – Ephesians 2:4-10

REACHING THOSE IN ISLAM

1. Show Much _____
2. Respect Their _____ and _____
3. Stress The Keys

- _____ of God
- _____ & _____ of Jesus
- Salvation by _____ alone