

## **Revelation: Bible or Qur'an**

**Psalm 19:7-11; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:19-21**

### **I. EXACT: "The law of the LORD" (Ps. 19:7-11)**

#### **A. Trustworthy: "perfect...sure...right..." (vv.7-9)**

1. Flawless: "perfect, restoring the soul" (v.7a)
2. Faithful: "sure, making wise the simple" (v.7b)
3. Fair: "right, rejoicing the heart" (v.8a)
4. Far-sighted: "pure, enlightening the eyes" (v.8b)
5. Fresh: "clean, enduring forever" (v.9a)
6. Fixed: "true...righteous altogether" (v.9b)

#### **B. Treasured: "more desirable than gold" (v.10)**

#### **C. Triumphant: "by them...warned...reward" (v.11)**

### **II. EXPLICIT: "inspired...profitable" (2 Tim. 3:16-17)**

#### **A. Gift: "inspired of God" (v.16a)**

#### **B. Good: "profitable" (v.16b)**

#### **C. Goal: "adequate, equipped" (v.17)**

### **III. EXCLUSIVE: "prophetic word" (2 Pet. 1:19-21)**

#### **A. Certainty: "made more sure" (v.19)**

#### **B. Clarity: "know this first of all" (v.20)**

#### **C. Consistency: "moved by the Holy Spirit" (v.21)**

*Next Week: "Reconciliation: Christian or Muslim"*  
*Read: Acts 11:19-26; Romans 5:9-11; 2 Corin. 5:17-21*

## Is the Qur'an the Word of God?

The Qur'an (which means, "reading or reciting") is considered the sacred word of Islam. As the primary book of Muslims, it is said to have been orally revealed to the prophet Muhammad, through the angel Gabriel, over a 23 year period. It contains 114 chapters, called "suras", with no chronological order or logical sequence. It describes itself as "*glorious*" (Surah 85:21), "*decisive*" (Surah 43:4) and as "*good news*" (Surah 17:105).

But after a close comparison of the Qur'an with the Bible, the true Word of God, we discover that the Qur'an is confusing and illogical, often contradicting the Bible.

### The Qur'an

The Qur'an claims to be without error (Surah 11:1; 17:82; 25:1; 26:10; 29:49; 39:6; 46:30; 52:28; 60:4; 66:9; 78:27; 81:26; 85:22; 96:4; 108:1-2). It has been revealed as the very words of Allah (Surah 10:38, 65; 39:1-2).

The Qur'an was given orally by one angel, Gabriel, in clear revelations (Surah 2:97; 3:7; 18:1; 20:2-4; 27:6; 39:1-2).

The Qur'an was given to Muhammad alone, in successive revelations [over a 23 year period] (Surah 17:106; 25:32).

The Qur'an provides guidance to mankind so that they will submit to Allah (works), and maybe rewarded (Surah 2:2,185; 17:9).

The Qur'an is considered to be equal to the Torah and Gospels (Surah 9:111), and as a guardian over the Bible (Surah 5:48).

The Qur'an presents a false god (Surah 3:32; 4:46,171; 19:30-35) and a false gospel (Surah 3:57-59,64; 4:124-125,157-58).

The Qur'an denies that one person can die for another (Surah 17:13-15; 35:18).

The Qur'an encourages children to not honor their parents if they are enemies of Allah (Surah 9:114,123).

The Qur'an has contradictions: compare 7:54 and 32:4 (world created in 6 days), with 41:9-12 (world created in 8 days).

The Qur'an does not allow sinners to believe on their deathbed (Surah 4:17-18).

### The Bible

The Bible is without error (Psalm 19:7-11; 18:1), having John 17:17; James 1:22-25), having been inspired by Yahweh (2 Timothy 3:16).

The Bible is described as the Word of God, given by Yahweh Himself, angels, Jesus and the Holy Spirit (Heb. 1; 2 Pet. 1:19-21).

The Bible was given to 40 different writers, in special revelations [over a 1500 year period] (Ex. 17:14; 2 Tim. 3:16; Heb. 1:1-2).

The Bible provides guidance to mankind so that they will trust in Yahweh (faith) and be redeemed (John 1:12; 20:31; Acts 16:31).

The Bible is superior to the Qur'an as the true Word of God (Psalm 19:7-11), and it ended with the book of Revelation (22:18-19).

The Bible reveals the one true God (eternal, self-existent, love, holy, just) (Ps. 90:2; Mal. 3:6; 1 John 1:9; 4:8), and the true gospel.

The Bible reveals that Jesus died for all men, providing salvation (Rom. 5:6-8; 1 Pet. 3:18).

The Bible teaches children to honor their parents, period, even if they are enemies of Yahweh (Ex. 20:12; Eph. 6:2).

The Bible has no contradictions of any kind: God created everything in 6 days (see Gen.1-2; Ex. 20:8-11; Heb. 4:4).

The Bible reveals the promise of salvation to the thief on the cross (Luke 23:43).