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**Religious Perspectives - Islam**

**How does the belief the Bible is truly inspired by God conflict with the Qur'an?**

“We believe that these books, and not to disrespect other books like the Bhagavad Gita or Ramayana, the Mahabharata or any other books, no. But in our faith we believe that it is all the same message. It's the same theme that started from Adam actually all the way to Abraham and others. And I also mentioned Torah and also Psalms, the Bible. We believe that the Qur'an is the last edition of the same message. But by the same token we believe that the Qur'an is unchanged by the way. It has not been changed a single letter. Muslims becomes very sensitive is there is but a little mispronunciation when you're leading prayers or following prayers. But we also believe that the Bible and the Torah changed, got changed a little bit according to the needs and the responses at the time. However the fundamental message in these books is maintained even to date. For example, the chapter in John is so beautifully presented. The Lord's Prayer in Catholicism is so exactly almost the same as the first starting prayer in Qur'an.

So, those are the similarities that we love to admire and stick with. Like we were talking earlier, we can't put the cart before the horse. It is good to agree on commonalities and then start discussing the differences. So yeah, we respect Torah and Bible even today.”

**What is the Muslim perspective on the Trinity?**

Like I said, Muslims become very sensitive when it comes to believing in more than one god. And so that is one point of difference, there is no doubt about it. But like the Deacon mentioned, that's one of the misconceptions. You started with that sentence, that it all leads to the god the father.

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