

WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?

Mt 16:15-16

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Jesus of the Bible

- Is the eternal Creator of everything (*Mic 5:2; Col 1:16—17*)
- Is the Lamb of God (*Jn 1:29*)
- Appeared to Saul (apostle Paul) after His ascension and will return for His children (*Ac 9:5, 1 Th 4:13-18*)
- Sent the Holy Spirit (Comforter) who came 50 days later, (*Jn 14:16; Ac 1:4-5, 2:33*), not 500 years later (*Muhammad was not born until 570 A.D.*)
- Salvation is found in no one but Jesus (*Ac 4:12, Ro 10:9*)
- Made Himself a voluntary servant (*Php 2:6-8*)
- By His death and resurrection, He saved people from their sins (*Jn 11:25, 1 Co 15:14, 20*)
- Is the Son of God, the Word made flesh, who dwelt among us (*Jn 1:14, 3:16*)
- It is commanded that He be worshiped (*Php 2:9-11*)
- Is the only Mediator between God and man (*1 Ti 2:5, Heb 8:6*)
- Is the name above all names (*Eph 1:21*)
- Returns arrayed in white (*Da 7:9, Rev 1:14-15*)
- Returns to Jerusalem and stands on the Mount of Olives (*Zec 14:4, Ac 1:11*)
- Destroys the Antichrist and rescues the Jewish people (*Zec 12; 2 Th 2:8; Rev 19:15, 20-21*)
- Was pierced for our transgressions (*Isa 53:5, Zec 12:10*)
- Will marry His Bride (the church) at the marriage supper of the Lamb (*Rev 19:7*)
- Breaks every curse of sin and death (*Isa 53:6, Gal 3:13, Rev 22:3*)
- Is alive forevermore (*Heb 7:24, Rev 1:18*)

There is no passage in the Qur'an or Hadiths that speaks of Jesus' love for the world. Only the biblical Jesus loves the world:

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. (Jn 13:34)

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Ro 8:38-39)

Jesus of the Qur'an, Hadiths and Islamic Teaching

- 1 Is a created human being and not eternal (*Surah 3:59*)
- 2 Is not the Lamb of God who was slain (*Surah 4:157*)
- 3 Will not return until Judgment Day (*Surah 43:61*)
- 4 Prophesied of, but did not send, Muhammad or the Holy Spirit (*al-Saff 61.6*)
- 5 Is not involved in salvation, which is found only in the Five Pillars of Islam (*Surah 4:124, 9:20-22*)
- 6 Is an involuntary slave to Allah (*Hadith: Narrated Anas, 009.093.532, Volume 9, Book 93, Number 507*)
- 7 Was never crucified and therefore was never resurrected (*al-Nisaa' 4:157-158*)
- 8 Is not God in the flesh or the Son of God (*al-Maa'idah 5:72-73; Maryam 19:34-38, 88-93; Surah 4:171*)
- 9 Cannot be worshiped (*Surah al-Maa'idah 5:116*)
- 10 Not fit to be an intercessor (*Hadith Vol. 9, Book 93, Number 507*)
- 11 Is simply another prophet (*Surah 2:136, 2:84*)
- 12 Returns in yellow garments (*Sunan Abu Dawud, Book 37, Number 4310*)
- 13 Lands on a minaret in Damascus, Syria¹
- 14 Destroys the Antichrist and exterminates the Jewish people and Christianity²
- 15 Was never pierced (*Surah 4:157*)
- 16 Will marry a woman and have children³
- 17 Will break every cross (*Mustadrak Hakim*)⁴
- 18 Will die 40 years after his return (*Sunan Abu Dawud, Book 37, Number 4310*)⁵

Endnotes

¹Mawdudi, A.A., *Finality of Prophethood*, pp. 58-61; Vol. 18, Hadith No. 814, Hadrat Hudaifa b. Yama relates (with reference to Dajjal)

²Traditions No. 21; No. 9-15-21, No. 10-14-15, No. 1-2-4-6; Muslim, *Dhikr Dajjal*; Abu Dawud, *Kitab ul-Malahim*, Bab: Khuruuj; Dajjal; Tirmidhi, *Abwab-ul-Fitna*; Bab: Fitna al-Dajjal; Ibn Majah, *Kitab ul-Fitna*, Bab: Fitna al Dajjal

³Wali ad-Din, *Miskat Al-Masabih* (tr. James Robson), Vol. II, p. 1159; Sahih Muslim, Vol. I, p. 92

⁴A brief version of this tradition has been recorded in Muslim. Hafiz Ibn Hajar in *Fath-ul-Bari* Vol. VI, p. 450 declares this tradition to be authentic.

⁵Wadi ad-Din, *Miskat Al-Masabih* (tr. James Robson), Vol. 2, p. 1159; Sahih Muslim, Vol. I, p. 92