The Cross & The Crescent Part Two

Intro: This is a comparative study of the differences in the teachings of the Koran & the Holy Scriptures of the Old & New Testament.

Who is God?

The Koran Teaches...

Islam is monotheistic. (sura 3:64; & 4:51) Islam rejects any concept of the Trinity. Islam says Christianity believes in 3 gods-Father, Mother, & Son (sura5:116, 5:73-75, 114)

Islam teaches God is transcendent and unapproachable Allah reveals his will not himself (sura2:97, 98)

Allah did not create man in his own image. Allah is beyond knowing, totally transcendent. (sura5:40; & 112:3)

Koran teaches that Allah is the God of the Xians & Jews. (sura 29:46) (sura 4:171)

Who is Jesus

The Koran teaches... Denies Jesus was the Son of God. (sura112:2-3) God has no sons (sura 4:171; 19:92; 112:3) Denies His atoning death on the cross (sura 4:157) Jesus is only an apostle of Allah (sura 4:171) Jesus never asked to be worshiped (sura 5:114)

Allah never begot a son (sura 23:91& 19:88)

Koran says Jesus was a created being.(sura3:55,58)

The Scriptures teach...

"Plural of Majesty"=God spoken of as "us" Gen1:26, 27; Gen. 11:7 Isaiah6:3, 8 The Christian Bible teaches that the Godhead consists of three persons in one. Is. 11:1-5=messiah; Is. 63:9, Matt.3; 16, 17, John 1:1; John 8:58, John 20:28; Matt. 28:20; Rom.1:1, 3, and 4

God is revealed fully in Christ His Son. Col.1:13-17; 2Tim 3:16; Heb 1:3

Man is created in God's image Gen. 126-27

The New Testament says God is manifested in His only Son, full of grace & truth. Phil. 2:6-11; John 1:1&14

The Scriptures teach...

Jesus was more than a prophet: He is the Son of God.

Mark 1:1, Luke1:35, Matt.17:5 Jesus claimed to be God: John 8:23

Jesus accepted worship: Matt.8:2; 9:18; 14:33; Mark5:6; Luke 24:52; John 5:22; John 20:28

Jesus forgives sins: Matt. 9:6; Mark2:7

Jesus died for our sins: Matt.20:28 Fulfilled prophecy

dying on a cross. Psalms 22; Gal.3:13.

Jesus was pre-existent to creation.John1:1; 1stCor.8:6; Heb1:2; Rev.3:14

Virgin Birth: Both the Koran & the Bible proclaim Jesus' (messiah) was born of a virgin. Koran 19:16-26; and Isaiah 7:14, Micah 5:3; Luke 2

Note: scholars of the Koran, claim that Paul is a false teacher, not an apostle to be believed, it was Paul to created the idea of "Isa" (Jesus) being the Son of God and equal to God. The Koran says Isa (Jesus) never intended such teaching or worship.