

WAS JESUS A MUSLIM?

John 1:1-34

What does the Qur'an say about Jesus?

- Jesus is referred to many times in the Qur'an *Surah 2:87*
- Jesus/Isa was born of the virgin Mary through the word of Allah *3:45-47*
- Jesus/Isa is NOT referred to or viewed as the "son" of Allah *39:4*
- Jesus was NOT God in the flesh and the Trinity does not exist *4:171*
- Jesus was sent as a messenger of Allah, one of many prophets of Islam, to proclaim belief in Allah and submission to His will *3:84*
- Jesus performed miracles *3:49*
- Jesus did NOT die on the cross *4:157*
- Jesus did not die nor rise from the dead but was taken up to Allah *4:157*
- Jesus will return to earth to fight the Anti-Christ and help Muslims convert the world to Islam

The Testimony of John the Disciple

1. Jesus was the Uncreated, Pre-Existing, Eternal, Living **WORD**—fully God—Who participated in the creation of the world – **vv. 1-3**
2. Jesus was **GOD**, and also was *with God*. He shares the essence and nature of God, but is distinct from God – **vv. 1-2**
3. Jesus is the True Source of **LIFE** and **LIGHT**, and brought both into the world – **vv. 4-9**
4. Jesus was God in the **FLESH**—fully God and fully human—Who came to reveal what God is really like – **vv. 14-18**
5. Jesus, the Word made flesh, came offering **HIMSELF** to all who would receive Him for Who He was, graciously bringing believing sinners into the family of God – **vv. 10-16**

The Witness of John the Baptist

1. John the Baptist was insistent that he was not the Messiah but instead deflected attention and praise to **JESUS** – **vv.6-8, 20**
2. John claimed to only be the promised herald who would prepare the way for the Messiah, and readily declared that Jesus was **SUPERIOR** to him – **vv.15, 23, 26-27**
3. John proclaimed Jesus as the **LAMB** of **GOD** Who would Remove Sin – **v.29**
4. John testified that **GOD** the **FATHER** spoke directly to Him and identified Jesus as His Son – **vv.32-34**

Did Jesus Agree?

John 6:40 *"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."*

John 5:25 *"Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live."*

John 10:36 *"... do you say of him whom the Father consecrated and sent into the world, 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'?"³⁷ If I am not doing the works of my Father, then do not believe me;³⁸ but if I do them, even though you do not believe me, believe the works, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father."*

John 8:56 *"Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad."⁵⁷ So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?"⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am."*

John 14:8 *Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us."⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father."*