

Muslims and Christians alike believe that their holy books were revealed by God, are without error, and were never changed. Instead, these books were protected and preserved by God.

Reading the two books, the Bible contains no reference to the Quran; however, the Quran speaks with great reverence and esteem of the Bible and declares it to be a true word and revelation of God (Surah 2:40–42, 126, 136, 285; 3:3, 71, 93; 4:47, 136; 5:47–51, 69, 71–72). In fact, the Quran states that all parts of the Bible were given by God (Surah 5:68) and NO ONE can change the Word of God (Surah 6:34; 10:34). Thus, the Bible is the pure, authentic, Word of God without any blemish or corruption. How, then, can some Muslims claim the Bible to be corrupted?

Furthermore, Muslim rejection of the Bible is contrary to the overwhelming manuscript evidence. The existence of thousands of ancient manuscripts of the New Testament makes it by far the most accurately preserved ancient writing in existence today. For example, all the Gospels are preserved in the Chester Beatty Papyrus, dated to about 250 AD, and the vast majority of the New Testament exists in the Vaticanus Manuscript, which dates from about 325–350 AD.

Were those copies throughout the civilized world collected and then changed? Reasonable answers must be given to simple questions.

Where was the Bible changed?

In what city or location did these supposed corruption take place? Was this “corruption” a local phenomenon or worldwide? To be plausible, it would have to stretch worldwide.

Where was the original text of the Bible changed as claimed?

Can we find the original Bible in that location and compare it with the current Bible? Why wouldn't Muslims keep a copy of the “original” Bible that they claim has been changed to show the specific differences between this “original” Bible and the one that exists today?

Why was the Bible changed?

Why would any God-fearing Christian want to change the life-giving enlightenment of his own Holy Book? Why would any real Christian ever attempt to change the Gospel of God when he knows that the penalty for such an action would be his own eternal damnation (Revelation 22:19)?

More Questions ...

- How could all of the different sects and denominations of both Jews and Christians arrive at complete agreement over which changes should be made to the Bible? Would the true Christians ever allow such a thing?
- How could Christians possibly gather together all of the manuscripts of the New Testament to change them? By 325 AD, there were already churches with manuscripts of the Injil scattered everywhere from as far away as India, Ethiopia, Turkey, Germany, and Ireland. How could Christians from all over the world suddenly make thousands of copies of the original Injil

disappear without a trace and then rewrite a new Bible?

- How could God still be merciful if He allowed Christians to live in ignorance of His Word for almost 600 years before Islam?
- How could God still be just if He allowed His Gospel to be changed when it clearly states that it is the very words of Jesus that will be used as the standard by which all mankind will be judged on the day of judgment (John 12:48)?
- How is it that Muslims cannot give the name of even one historian who reports changes made to the Bible? If the Bible had been seriously changed or compromised in 325 AD or at any other time in history, wouldn't this important fact have been widely publicized at that time?
- How could God still be almighty if He allowed Satan to exalt himself over God and thwart the purpose and power of God by corrupting God's holy book. Isn't God able to stop Satan's scheme to corrupt His word?
- How can Muslims honestly believe Jesus is a prophet and not read or obey Jesus' words as they are recorded in the Injil? According to the Quran, Jesus is a prophet to be honored and followed until the Day of Resurrection (Al-i Imran 3:55). As there are no direct quotations of Jesus found in the Quran, how can Muslims be certain they are following what Jesus said? By refusing to believe or even read Jesus' own words as they are recorded in the Injil based on the pretext of corruption, how would it be possible for a Muslim to avoid being counted as a disbeliever or a “kafir” on the Day of Judgement (Al-i Imran 3:3–4)?

Who Changed the Bible?

For the Bible to be changed there must be a person, group, or organization responsible for plotting this change. What are the names of these traitors to the faith and what would motivate them to change the Bible? Would God-fearing Christians all over the ancient world stand by and let evil men get away with such a diabolical plan without a fight?

What books or parts of the Bible were changed?

Was the corruption of the Bible total or partial? Which parts were affected? What percentage of the Bible was changed? What is the criteria for determining which parts were changed? Does a copyist error (an added or deleted letter) constitute a change?

When was the Bible changed?

Was the "corruption" of the Bible before or after the time of Muhammad? If it was before Muhammad, then why does Muhammad affirm the Injil of his day as the Word of God instead of saying that it was changed? If it was after Muhammad, then why do more than 5,300 Greek manuscripts of the Bible and over 10,000 Latin manuscripts that pre-date Islam all say the same thing? If anyone wanted to corrupt the Bible, he would have had to have access and authority to collect all these manuscripts to change them. That is next to impossible.

My Muslim Friend,

These questions are not in any way an attack on Muslims. They are a sincere invitation for you to consider reading the Bible as well as a genuine prayer that God will open eyes to reveal the truth so others can follow the path that leads to heaven.

Jesus said, "You are wrong, because you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God."

— Matthew 22:29

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