genuine student of the Qur'an realizes the Qur'an holds the Bible in the highest regard. The Qur'an speaks with reverence of the earlier Scriptures and testifies of their genuine inspiration

and truthful message. Following are 10 reasons why the Bible should be acknowledged as the true Word of God based on direct quotations from the Qur'an.

- The Qur'an gives the Bible many noble titles and honorable characteristics.
 - "A guidance and light" "هُدًى وَنُوَرٌ" (Surah 5:44)
 - "A guidance and mercy" "هُدًى وُرَحْمَة" (Surah 28:43)
 - "The book of enlightenment" (Surah 3:184)
 - "Insight to men" "بَصَابَرَ لِلنَّاس (Surah 28:43)
 - "The Book, the Power of Command, and Prophethood" (Surah 45:16) (أَلْكِتُبَ وَالْخُكُمَ وَالْنُبُوَّةُ
 - "Allah's book" "كَتْبِ اللهِ" (Surah 5:44)
 - "The word of Allah" "كَلَامَ اللهِ" (Surah 2:75)
 - * A Guide to mankind" "هُدًى لَلْنَاس" (Surah 3:3).
- 2. The Qur'an states that all parts of the Bible were given by God.
 - "He has sent down upon you, the Book in truth, confirming what was before it. And He revealed the Torah and the Gospel." (Surah 3:3)

نَزَّلَ عَلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ مُصَدِّقًا لَمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ وَأَنزَلَ التَّوْرَاةَ وَالإِنجِيلَ. (سورة 3:3)

- "...and to David we gave the Psalms..." (Surah 4:163). ...وَآتَنْيْنَا دَاؤُودَ زَبُورًا... (سورة 163:4)
- 3. The Qur'an teaches all scripture should be respected the same way and that no distinction is to be made between any of the holy books.

"We believe in Allah, and in what has been revealed to us and what was revealed to Abraham, Isma'il, Isaac, Jacob, and the Tribes, and in (the Books) given to Moses, Jesus, and the prophets, from their Lord: We make no distinction between one and another among them,..." (Surah 3:84).

قُلْ آمَنًا بِاللَّهِ وَمَا أَنزِلَ عَلَيْنَا وَمَا أَنزِلَ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَإِسْمَاعِيلَ وَإِسْحَقَ وَيَغَفُوبَ وَالأَسْبَاطِ وَمَا أُوتِيَ مُوسَى وَعِيسَى وَالنَّبِيَّونَ مِن رَبِّهِمْ لاَ نُفَرِّقُ بَيْنَ أَحَدٍ مِّنْهُمْ وَنَحْنُ لَهُ مُسْلِمُونَ. (سورة 84:3) 4. The Qur'an demands that people must obey the Bible as the revelation of the Lord.

> "O, People of the Book! Ye have no ground to stand upon unless ye stand fast by the Law, the Gospel, and all the revelation that has come to you from your Lord.' It is the revelation that cometh to thee from thy Lord..." (Surah 5:68).

قُلْ يَا أَهْلَ الْكِتَابِ لَسْتُمْ عَلَى شَيْءٍ حَتَّى تُقِيمُواْ التَّوْرَاةَ وَالإنجِيلَ وَمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْكُم مَن رَّبَّكُمْ وَلَيَزِيدَنَّ كَثِيرًا مَّنْهُم مَّا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْكَ مِن رُبِّكَ ... (سورة 68:5)

5. The Qur'an declares that the Scriptures of the Jews and Christians are for all mankind and not to be made obscure.

"And remember Allah took a covenant from the People of the Book, to make it known and clear to mankind, and not to hide it; but they threw it away behind their backs..." (Surah 3:187).

وَإِذَ أَخَذَ اللَّهُ مِبِثَاقَ الَّذِينَ أُوتُواْ الْكِتَابَ لَتُبَيَّنُنَّهُ لِلنَّاسِ وَلاَ تَكْتُمُونَهُ فَنَبَدُوهُ وَرَاء ظُهُورِ هِمْ وَاشْتَرَوْاْ بِهِ ثَمَناً قَلِيلاً فَبِنْسَ مَا يَشْتَرُونَ. (سورة 187:3)

6. The Qur'an encourages those who follow the revelation of the Bible and declares that they will have a reward.

"Those who believe (in the Qur'an), and those who follow the Jewish (scriptures), and the Christians and the Sabians,any who believe in Allah and the Last Day, and work righteousness, shall have their reward with their Lord; on them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve." (Surah 2:62).

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُواْ وَالَّذِينَ هَادُواْ وَالنَّصَارَى وَالصَّابِئِينَ مَنْ آمَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْبَوْمِ الآخِرِ وَعَمِلَ صَالِحاً فَلَهُمُ أَجْرُهُمُ عِنَدَ رَبِّهِمْ وَلاَ خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلاَ هُمْ يَحْزَنُون. (سورة 62:2)

7. The Qur'an encourages Christians to judge any revelation by the truth of their Scriptures.

"Let the people of the Gospel judge by what Allah hath revealed therein. If any do fail to judge by (the light of) what Allah hath revealed, they are (no better than) those who rebel" (Surah 5:47).

> وَلْيَحْكُمْ أَهْلُ الإنجِيلِ بِمَا أَنزَلَ اللَّهُ فِيهِ وَمَن لَّمْ يَحْكُم بِمَا أَنزَلَ اللَّهُ فَأُوْلَئِكُ هُمُ الْفَاسِقُونَ. (سورة 47:5)

Note: Allah did not refer to "People of the Abrogated Scriptures" or "People of the Corrupted Scriptures" or "People of the Ascended Scriptures" as Christian Scriptures were considered true and divine during the prophet's time.

8. The Qur'an exhorted the prophet of Islam to test the truthfulness of his message against previous divine revelation.

"If thou wert in doubt as to what We have revealed unto thee, then ask those who have been reading the Book from before thee: the Truth hath indeed come to thee from thy Lord: so be in no wise of those in doubt." (Surah 10:94)

فَإِن كُنتَ فِي شَكِّ مَمًا أَنزَلْنَا إِلَيْكَ فَاسْلُلِ الَّذِينَ يَقْرَؤُونَ الْكِتَابَ مِن قَبْلِكَ لَقَدُّ جَاءكَ الْحَقُّ مِن رَبِّكَ فَلاَ تَكُونَنَّ مِنَ الْمُمْتَرِينَ. (سورة 94:10)

Note: The Qur'an demands Mohammed take the writings of Jews and Christians as a model, and when in doubt, he is to seek guidance in them. Surely, Allah would not advise his messenger to seek understanding from the People of the Book if their Scripture was comupt.

9. The Qur'an insists that God's revelation and words will never change.

"...there is none that can alter the words (and decrees) of Allah" (Surah 6:34). " ... no change can there be in the words of Allah. This is indeed the supreme felicity" (Surah 10:64).

> ... وَلاَ مُبَدِّلَ لِكَلِمَاتِ اللَّهِ.. (سورة 34:6) لاَ تَتْدِيلَ لِكَلِمَاتِ اللَّهِ ذَلِكَ هُوَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ. (سور 64:10)

Note: Claiming God's Word is corrupted is a severe insult to God, implying He could not keep His Word from forgery.

10. The Qur'an declares that the Bible contains commands from God which are the foundation of sound decision; whoever disbelieves the Bible has lost his way.

"But why do they come to thee for decision, when they have (their own) law before them? — therein is the (plain) command of Allah; yet even after that, they would turn away..." (Surah 5:43).

وَكَيْفَ يُحَكِّمُونَكَ وَعِندَهُمُ التَّوْرَاةُ فِيهَا حُكْمُ اللَّهِ ثُمَّ يَتَوَلَّوْنَ مِن بَعْدِ ذَلِكَ وَمَا أُوْلَئِكَ بِالْمُؤْمِنِينَ. (سورة 43:5)

My Muslim Friend

Because the Bible is a book from God containing a universal message to mankind, its great truths must not be disregarded. The Bible's truths include the following:

We all have sinned.

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23).

Note: The word "sin" means "to miss the mark." We have all, at some time, deliberately chosen to disobey God.

Sin brings a penalty.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:23).

Note: A "wage" is a payment for service. The payment for our sin is death, which is an eternal separation from God in a place called "hell."

Jesus paid the penalty.

"But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8).

Note: God proved His love for us by sending Christ to die on the cross for our sins.

Salvation is yours if you believe.

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." (Romans 10:9).

Note: Salvation is free if you repent of your sins and believe that Christ died for your sins on the cross and rose again on the third day. Your sins can be forgiven if you express your belief in Jesus. Please let us know of your decision if you receive Jesus Christ as your savior.

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