

ISLAM & CHRISTIANITY

Message by Jay Smith

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1. Is there anything from Jay Smith's presentation which stands out? Any further questions it raises? New insights?
2. What kinds of interactions have you had with Muslims, or do you know any? In what way?
3. What do you think our approach should be in discussing faith with moderate Muslims? (should we?)
4. What are some difference between how Muslims use the Koran and how Christians use the Bible?
5. Why do you think many Muslims seem to be attracted to radical groups like ISIS/ISIL?
6. Consider what it means to be a 'radical' Christian. How does this compare to being a radical Muslim?
7. Jay said that as believers in Jesus we can have a greater impact on radical Islam than governments. Why is this the case?
8. One significant difference between our beliefs and those of Muslims is the doctrine of the Trinity? Why is this an important issue?
9. How do the differing views on the equality of women affect Islam's ability to be part of North American culture? Compare this to the Christian view of women.
10. How should we respond to reports of ISIS/ISIL terrorism, especially those that involve the persecution of Christians.
11. What are some ways that you can become better informed about these issues?

Recommended viewing -

www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Unz-SqS2pA

This is a 50 minute question and answer session with Jay Smith from when he was in California in 2013. He gives some more practical advice on specific ways to interact with Muslims.

Feelings & Faces

When you consider the challenges of Islam how do you feel? Choose a face that describes how you feel, or draw a face that shows how you are feeling. Then tell the group why you chose the face that you did.



happy



anxious



frustrated



excited



thrilled



in love



jolly



ambivalent



peaceful



sad



angry



great



stressed



lonely



unsure



lousy



cautious



draw your own