Paulus VS Mohammed

Voor deze video hebben we uitvoerig gekeken naar de Paulus vs Mohammed- serie van David Wood.

Dit document bevat eerst wat notities dat we zelf hebben gemaakt van deze serie, en daarna de gehele (automatisch gegenereerde) transscript van de serie van David.

Notities

Moslims: de Bijbel is vervalst. Maar, Jezus was een Moslim en zijn discipelen ook. Zij kunnen dus niet de reden voor deze vervalsing zijn. Paulus is de enige grote NT auteur die Jezus niet persoonlijk op aarde heeft ontmoet. Daarom vallen Moslims precies hem vaak aan met de beschuldiging dat hij het woord van Jezus vervormt heeft.

Mohammed spreekt Paulus steeds tegen. Moslims zeggen dat dit komt door de onbetrouwbaarheid van Paulus. Wie is er betrouwbaarder, Mohammed of Paulus?

Sources

Verhalen over Mohammed pas geschreven vele generaties na z'n dood

Scholary Ability

Paulus had een hoge opleiding

Mohammed kon niet lezen of schrijven. Had geen opleiding

Mohammed: sterren zijn raketten God gebruikt om demonen mee neer te schieten

Paulus vs Mohammed is het verschil tussen een Tenure Professor en een Internet Trol.

Old Testament Knowledge

Paulus was een farizeeër, studeerde onder Gamaliel. Een van de grootste Joodse geleerden van de eerste eeuw. Daarom quote hij het OT zo vaak.

Dit is belangrijke kennis omdat Jezus zegt de profetieën in het OT te verwezenlijken. Dat kan je alleen beoordelen als je het OT door en door kent.

Mohammed wist weinig van het OT. Hij begreep het verschil tussen verhalen in de Thorah en commentaren van eeuwen later. Hij quotte daarom verzen over:

- Kain die van een Raaf leerde hoe hij doden moest begraven
- Salomon luistert naar een toespraak van een mier

Mohammed had kunnen weten dat hij geen profeet kan zijn als hij het OT had gekend. Zo had hij bijvoorbeeld 'satanische verzen' in de Koran gebracht over het aanbidden van andere goden, iets wat Mohammed en zijn volgers voor een periode echt deden.

De bijbel zegt duidelijk in het OT dat iedere profeet die je verteld andere goden te aanbidden, gestenigd moet worden.

Paulus was een tijdsgenoot van Jezus, Mohammed niet

Paulus was veel in Israel. Zo kon hij veel betrouwbare informatie over Jezus leren.

Mohammed woonde in een land ver weg van Israel, en wist weinig van Jezus. Niet veel betrouwbaarder van de Davinci Code

Kennis van talen: Mohammed vs Paulus

Moslims denken dat openbaringen van God alleen in hun originele taal begrepen kunnen worden. Paulus was vloeiend in Hebreeuws, Aramees en Grieks. Dat hielp hem de lessen van Jezus in hun originele taal te bestuderen.

Mohammed kende niets van die talen en was afhankelijk van interpretaties en uitleg van anderen.

Jezus zond Paulus, maar veroordeelde Mohammed

Paulus en Mohammed vertelde beide over Jezus. Slechts een was door Jezus zelf gezonden.

1 kor 9:1: Paulus heeft op de weg naar Damascus Jezus gezien. Jezus vertelde hem om over Hem te praten. Daarom is Paulus een apostel.

Mat 7:15: Je herkent valse profeten bij hun vruchten.

Mohammed was een warlord die mensen die het niet met hem eens waren vermoordde. Islamitische landen zijn nog steeds de meest gevaarlijke landen voor vrouwen

Paulus testte zijn openbaringen, Mohammed niet

Zowel Paulus als Mohammed ontvingen openbaringen die getest kunnen worden. Maar alleen Paulus testte ze door het te vragen aan ooggetuigen.

Allah vertelde Mohammed letterlijk de mensen van het boek te vragen over twijfels die hij had over zijn eigen openbaringen.

Maar: de bijbel was corrupt? Ze hadden toen al dezelfde bijbel. Dus Allah vroeg Mohammed zijn vragen te stellen aan mensen met een corrupt boek?

Psychologie, vooroordelen en transformatie

De apostelen zelf waren het eens met de woorden van Paulus. Datzelfde konden ze niet doen voor Mohammed omdat hij nog niet geboren was, maar als ze gehoord hadden over zijn woorden over Jezus en hoe Hij niet uit de dood opgestaan zou worden is het gemakkelijk te zien dat ze het niet eens geweest waren.

1 john 2:22-23: ledereen die ontkent dat Jezus de Zoon van God is, is een Antichrist.

Mohammed ontkende dat Jezus de zoon van God was.

Gehele Serie Transscript

Vanaf hier het transscript van de gehele serie van David.

Transscript

according to the Quran Jesus was a prophet of islam his followers were muslims and the gospel is the inspired

preserved authoritative Word of Allah but when we go to our earliest records we find Jesus claiming to be the Divine Son of God who would die on the cross for sins and rise from the dead Jesus

followers proclaimed him as their risen Lord the gospel that Christians have been reading for nearly 2,000 years

tells us that anyone who claims to be a prophet but rejects Jesus death resurrection and deity is a false

prophet and an antichrist so if the Quran is right about Jesus why does all of the available evidence tell us that the Quran is wrong about Jesus well our Muslim friends have an answer the reason our earliest evidence so thoroughly contradicts Islam they insist is that

our earliest evidence was corrupted but who corrupted it notice that their options here are quite limited Muslims can't blame Jesus for corrupting the evidence since Jesus was a Muslim

prophet according to the Koran nor can they blame Jesus original disciples for corrupting the evidence since Jesus original disciples were devout Muslims according to the Quran so they need a villain who wasn't Jesus or one of his original disciples but who was still powerful enough to corrupt Christianity in the first century who had that kind

of power in the first century the only name that Muslims have been able to come up with here is Paul so if you've ever wondered why Muslims spend so much time attacking Paul it's not because Paul is somehow especially untrustworthy are controversial it's because they have no one else to blame for Mohammed's abundant historical blunders but there's

a problem here it only makes sense to blame Paul for all of the evidence that contradicts Muhammad's claims if

Mohammed is Sigmund definitely more reliable than Paul if Mohammed is less reliable than Paul it

makes no sense to point a finger at Paul whenever Mohammed gets something wrong in other words if I catch person a

making numerous false statements and I ask him how I can trust him when he's making so many false statements and he

says it's person B's fault he corrupted all of the evidence and made my statements seem false but person B turns

out to be far more trustworthy than person a it becomes impossible to take person a seriously so the question we

should be asking is this whose claims about Jesus are more reliable Paul's or Muhammad's in this series I'm going to offer a few reasons to trust what Paul says about Jesus over what Mohammed says about Jesus and when I say a few reasons I mean 25 of them some of these reasons taken individually wouldn't be enough to reject what Muhammad says but when we consider all of the reasons together it's pretty clear that Muhammad's claims about Jesus are about as reliable as a CNN special on the origins of Islamic terrorism

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we have much earlier records for Paul's life than for Muhammad's life when we try to assess the reliability of two historical figures one of the first questions that comes up is how much do we really know about them and the answer to that question will depend on how early our sources are our records of Paul's life are much earlier than our records of Muhammad's life and here I don't just mean that Paul came centuries

before Mohammed and so we have earlier sources for Paul's life I mean that when we talk about the teachings and deeds of Paul the biographical sources we use are much closer to the events they report than the biographical sources we use when we talk about the teachings and

deeds of Mohammed our earliest biographical sources on Paul were

written during the lifetime of Paul the book of Acts was written in the early 60s before Paul was martyred and it was

written by a travelling companion of Paul who was an eyewitness to many of the details he reports we also have

numerous letters written by Paul himself our earliest detailed biographical source on Mohammed is ebony socks Surratt Russell Allah which was written more than a century after Mohammed's death and we don't even have what I Banasik actually wrote we have an abridged version that was sanitized by a later scholar and we shouldn't forget that many Muslims don't trust even Assad when Muslims quotes stories about Muhammad they're usually getting their information from sources like sahih

al-bukhari and sahih muslim which were written two centuries after the time of muhammad but it gets worse the main reason for composing works like sahih al-bukhari and sahih muslim was that Muslims were composing so many false stories about Muhammad people didn't

know what to believe scholars like Bukhari decided that they needed to collect stories they thought

were accurate in order to distinguish them from the ever increasing supply false narrations now if Muslims during

the time of Bukhari were inventing stories about Muhammad what about the generation before that and the

generation before that and the generation before that two centuries is

a lot of time to make things up that's why it's always good to have sources written within the lifetime of the

person you want to know about or at least within the lifetimes of the eyewitnesses when we learn about Paul we

learn about him through first generation eyewitness accounts when we learn about Mohammed we learn about him through late sources written by people who didn't know him whose parents didn't know him and whose grandparents didn't know him people who were fishing for historical facts in a sea of fabrication and deception a few years ago the crumbling historical foundations for the life of Muhammad led the Islamic scholar Muhammad Sven Kalish to conclude that Muhammad probably never existed I don't

agree with dr. kailash's conclusion about Muhammad's existence but when even

Muslim scholars are starting to recognize how difficult it's become to take Muslim sources seriously our

confidence in the historical Muhammad vanishes faster than a Muhammad cartoon posted on Facebook in Pakistan

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pretty big difference between Paul and Mohammed in terms of their intellectual ability Mohammed taught his followers

that the testimony of a woman is only half as reliable as the testimony of a man when he wanted to explain why a woman's testimony is less reliable than a man's he said that it's due to the deficiency of a woman's intellect so according to Mohammed the reliability of a person's testimony is directly proportional to the person's intellectual ability good to know Muhammad the Apostle Paul was a brilliant scholar who defended his views in Athens the intellectual capital of the ancient world and in other major

cities he had discussions with the stoic and epicurean philosophers of his day and he could quote their sources to them even Antony flew one of the 20th century's most impressive critics of Christianity

said that the Apostle Paul possessed a first-class philosophical mind Muhammad by contrast was an illiterate 7th century Caravan trader now being an illiterate 7th century Caravan trader doesn't make you wrong just as being a brilliant scholar doesn't make you right

but when we're dealing with claims about history and theology and various other topics having some sort of education helps not having an education leaves you open to obviously false revelations because you don't know enough to recognize them as false this is why we

find Mohammed telling his followers that dhul-qarnain traveled so far west he found the play where the Sun sets and that stars are missiles that allow uses to shoot demons and that semen is formed between the

backbone and the ribs these are exactly the sort of absurdities we would expect from someone who has no clue what he's talking about and who therefore has no clue whether his revelations line up

with reality so in terms of intellectual prowess Paul is to Mohammed what a tenured theology professor at Oxford is to an internet troll whose most careful investigations begin and end with a

Google search

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while Paul understood the Old Testament Mohammed certainly didn't why is this important stay tuned

both Paul and Mohammed claimed that their revelations were consistent with the Old Testament but only one of them

had actually read the Old Testament can you guess who it was the Apostle Paul

was a Pharisee who studied under Gamaliel one of the greatest Jewish rabbis of the 1st century

Paul knew the Old Testament inside and out which is why he quotes the Old Testament so frequently in his writings

this is important because Jesus claimed to fulfill a variety of Old Testament prophecies and you can't really examine this claim if you don't know what the Old Testament says Muhammad was almost

completely ignorant of the Old Testament because his knowledge of the Jewish Scriptures was limited to what he heard

in conversations not surprisingly despite Muhammad's numerous interactions with Jews in Arabia the Quran contains

very few quotations from the Old Testament due to his ignorance of the scriptures Muhammad couldn't tell the

difference between stories that were in the Torah and therefore divine revelation and stories from later Jewish

writings and commentaries some of which were so late and so obviously fabricated they weren't far beyond the level of bedtime stories imagine how amusing it must be for someone who specializes in Jewish literature to read the Quran and find so many fables being presented to Muslims

as revelation came being taught how to bury the dead by a raven solomon listening to a speech by an ant as a general rule if you're going to plagiarize history you don't start with mother Goose or the Brothers Grimm but Muhammad just didn't know enough to distinguish Scripture from non Scripture Muhammad's ignorance of the Old Testament is also noteworthy because like Jesus he claimed to fulfill Old

Testament prophecies if Mohammed had been more knowledgeable of the Torah he would have known that he couldn't possibly be a prophet for numerous reasons for instance Muslim sources

report that Mohammed once delivered what are now called The Satanic Verses to his followers these verses promoted prayers to three pagan goddesses alot Alisa and manat Mohammed bowed down in honor of these polytheistic verses and his followers bowed down with him but a little later gabriel confronted muhammad about his sin muhammad confessed in the history of october t volume 6 page 111 i have fabricated things against God and have imputed to him words which he has not spoken so Mohammed admitted that he delivered a revelation that didn't really come from God why is this important well in Deuteronomy 18 verse 20 God declares but a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods is to be put to death Muslims claim that they respect Moses

but if Mohammed had delivered the Satanic Verses during the time of Moses Moses would have ordered the people to pick up stones and stone him to death as the most obvious false prophet in history Mohammed didn't realize this due to his lack of familiarity with the Jewish Scriptures which is why the motto of Islam has always been and always will

be ignorance is bliss

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Paul was in a perfect position to learn the truth about Jesus as from Mohammed Paul and Mohammed both told their followers about Jesus but only one of them was a contemporary of Jesus then guess who was the Apostle Paul was a contemporary of Jesus and he spent much of his time in first century Israel this put Paul in a perfect position to gain accurate historical information about Jesus if you want reliable information

about a person it's pretty helpful being a member of the person's own generation and Paul was right there Muhammad was

born more than half a millennium after Jesus death in a completely different country since he couldn't read apart

from divine revelation his knowledge of Jesus was limited to whatever stories were popular in 7th century Arabia this is why when we read the Quran we find so many stories about Jesus that are known to be forgeries Mary giving birth under a palm tree Jesus preaching when he was

still a baby Jesus giving life to clay Birds we know where these stories come from and they don't come from the first century now don't get me wrong the Quran is an excellent history book if you're looking for a history of 2nd through 7th century Middle Eastern forgeries but if you're looking for historical information about Jesus the Quran is a

few conspiracy theories shy of The Da Vinci Code

about to see how

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Islam's silly theory of language comes back to haunt Muslims

Muslims claims that a revelation from God can only be understood in its original language since Jesus came with

revelations from God we have to ask who could understand those revelations in the original language Paul or Muhammad

the Apostle Paul was fluent in Hebrew Aramaic and Greek all of the languages necessary for understanding the Old Testament the claims of Jesus and the earliest Christian writings Muhammad

couldn't speak any of the relevant languages so any attempt to understand the Old Testament the claims of Jesus or

the earliest Christian writings would have required the help of interpreters I

normally wouldn't bring this up as a problem but since Muslims are obsessed with reading the Quran in the original

Arabic we can only assume that the writings of Moses the teachings of Jesus and the writings of Jesus followers can

only be understood in the original languages Paul could do that Muhammad couldn't Muhammad's ignorant of the original languages leads to further problems for example the Quran refers to the book revealed through Jesus as the injeel but the Arabic word injeel is ultimately derived from the greek word UN gillion meaning good news so according to the quran the book revealed through jesus was written in greek this makes absolutely no sense if jesus was only sent to his fellow Jews as Islam claims but it makes perfect sense if Jesus message was for the rest of the world as well since Greek was the international language of the time

interestingly the New Testament Gospels were written in Greek exactly what we

would expect given the qur'an's use of the term injeel but quite unexpected given Muhammad's notion of Jesus life

and mission not to mention Muhammad's conviction that revelations can't be translated welcome to Islam the religion that shoots its own foot off with its ridiculous view of language

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Jesus himself Paul or Mohammed Paul and

Mohammed both taught their followers about Jesus but only one of them met Jesus and was sent by Jesus the other not so much in 1st Corinthians 9:1 Paul writes am I not free am I not an apostle have I not seen Jesus our Lord Paul met the Risen Jesus on the road to Damascus where Paul was on his way to hunt down Christians and bring them to Jerusalem to face punishment as he was riding he saw a light that was brighter than the Sun all around him he fell to the ground and heard a voice say Saul Saul why do

you persecute me it is hard for you to kick against the goads Paul cried out who are you lord and the voice replied I am Jesus whom you are persecuting now get up and stand on your feet I have appeared to you to appoint you as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen and will see of me I will rescue you from your

own people and from the Gentiles I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light and

from the power of Satan to God so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me an apostle is one who is sent Paul was sent by Jesus himself hence we call him the Apostle Paul but Jesus warned his followers to beware of people like Mohammad in matthew 7 jesus said beware of false prophets who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves you will know them by their fruits no one in history fits this description of a false prophet more perfectly than Muhammad Muhammad came to Jews and Christians and claimed to be their friends sheep's clothing but when he became powerful enough he called for their violent subjugation ravenous wolf Jesus said that we can recognize false prophets by their fruits whether we look at Muhammad's life or the impact he's had on the world Muhammad's fruits are not good a 2014

study by the World Economic Forum concluded that 18 of the 20 worst countries in the world in terms of the

gender gap between men and women were Muslim majority countries there have been more than 30,000 deadly Islamic

terrorist attacks just since 9/11 concerning human rights abuses one of the most Pro Islamic news sites on the planet The Huffington Post writes of the countries with a high risk of violations Syria Egypt Libya Mali and Guinea Bissau feel free to look up the religious demographics of those countries have seen the worst deterioration of their human rights situation geographically speaking nations in the Middle East and North Africa account for the vast majority of the countries in the extreme

risk category nations in the Middle East and North Africa now what could they possibly have in common belief in Mohammed is what they have in common so

if we know false prophets by their fruits as Jesus claimed we know that Muhammad was a false prophet the same way we know that this is an orange tree except that we have far far more evidence for our conclude Asian about Muhammad hi everyone thanks for watching in case you stumbled upon this video while browsing or searching I wanted to let you know that it's part of a series comparing Paul and Mohammed so if you'd like to see the full series be sure to click on the playlist if you're already in the playlist you are about to see an interesting difference between Paul and Mohammed namely that Paul tested his revelations while Mohammed didn't

when a revelation from God can be confirmed or disconfirmed by doing some research we say that the

revelation is testable both Paul and Mohammed received revelations that are testable but only one of them actually tested his revelations to make sure they correspondent to reality and guess who was even though Paul received revelations telling him what to believe about Jesus he was able to test these revelations by going to the eyewitnesses some Muslims actually looked down on this if Paul really believed his revelations why would he test them but Paul was smart enough to realize that

lots of people think they're getting revelations from God when they aren't so if you think God is speaking to you one day and you have an opportunity to verify the message by taking a trip and

asking a few questions why not do it intriguingly Allah invited Mohammed to test his revelations by going to the people of the book Jews and Christians in order to make sure that his

revelations lined up with our revelations Mohammed occasionally doubted the divine origin of the Quran

and insert a 10 verse 94 of the Quran Allah responded to Muhammad's doubts by saying but if you are in doubt as to what we have revealed to you ask those who read the book before you so Muhammad could go to the people of the book Jews and Christians to confirm his revelations but if Muhammad had actually done that Jews and Christians would have told him that his revelations contradict what's in the Torah and the gospel on a fundamental level this is when Muslims jump in and say but the Torah and the gospel have been corrupted really so Allah was inviting Muhammad to confirm his revelations by going to people who've been reading corrupt books

Islam would only lie up with corrupt books if Islam itself were a corruption thank you my Muslim

friends for insisting yet again that your religion is a corruption of God's true message I couldn't agree with you more

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Paul's message and authority were confirmed by Jesus original apostles and that Muhammad's weren't

both Paul and Mohammed claimed that Jesus original disciples agreed with their revelations but only one of them actually received a stamp of approval from the disciples themselves and guess

who was we know from first century

sources not only that Paul went to Jesus original apostles to test his revelations but also that the Apostles

confirmed Paul's message and his authority James Peter and John recognized that Paul had been sent by God to preach the gospel among the Gentiles and they gave Paul what he

called the right hand of fellowship in 2nd Peter 3:15 to 16 the Apostle Peter one of Jesus closest companions refers to Paul as our beloved brother and he puts Paul's letters in the same category as Old Testament scripture now the Apostles couldn't explicitly confirm Muhammad's message because Muhammad wasn't born for another five centuries

but since the gospel preached by the apostles of Jesus was a message about his sacrificial death his resurrection from the dead and his divine nature all of which contradict the Quran it's safe to say that they would have regarded Muhammad as an obvious heretic and a

false prophet according to the Apostle John any preacher or teacher or prophet who denies that Jesus is the Son of God is an antichrist Muhammad denied that Jesus is the Son of God I hope I don't need to complete the syllogism for you hi everyone thanks for watching in case you stumbled upon this video while browsing or searching I wanted to let you know that it's part of a series comparing Paul and Mohammed so if you'd

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Muhammad's other so-called revelations about historical figures destroy his credibility

Paul and Mohammed both talked about historical figures but one of them was exceptionally careful while the other was extraordinarily sloppy care to guess which is which

in surah 18 Allah tells us that dhul-qarnayn usually identified as Alexander the Great traveled so far west he found the place where the Sun sets not only can I guarantee that Alexander the Great never found the place where the Sun sets we know that this was a

popular story during muhammad's lifetime the story was even circulating in a Syriac work titled the glorious deeds of alexander towards the end of Muhammad's life earlier in Sura 18 we read about the Companions of the cave a group of people who supposedly went to sleep in a cave and woke up three hundred years later this myth goes back to Bishop

Stephen of Ephesus around the middle of the fifth century it seems that Mohammed simply took the stories that were popular during his lifetime gave them an Islamic twist and included them in the Quran what's interesting is that even the pagans of Mecca were better at recognizing fiction then Muhammad was in Sura 6 verse 25 Allah says to Muhammad when they come to you to argue with you the unbelievers say these are nothing but fables of the men of old here we have pagans saying Muhammad you don't really believe these stories do you so we know that Muhammad was extremely sloppy and gullible when it came to stories about historical figures which means that there's no way we can accept him as a reliable source of information about Jesus Paul by contrast was far more careful in transmitting stories as a Pharisee Paul was obsessed with preserving and passed authoritative tradition Paul describes his life as a Pharisee by saying I was

advancing in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries among my countrymen being more extremely zealous for my ancestral

traditions Paul's obsession with tradition doesn't go away when he

becomes a Christian he just changes the source of authority as a Pharisee he

would have passed on traditions he obtained from respected rabbis as a Christian he passed on traditions he

obtained from Jesus apostles when we read what Paul says about Jesus were

reading the words of a man who was trained all of his life to carefully and zealously preserve and pass on

authoritative tradition from respected sources he's the polar opposite of Muhammad one of whose contemporaries

said of him in even a sock page 243 Muhammad is all ears if anyone tells him anything he believes it a guy who has a reputation for believing anything anyone

tells him is not the sort of guy you want telling you what to believe about the most important man in history

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history supports Paul's view of Jesus not Muhammad's view of Jesus

historians have a variety of tools that can help us learn about historical figures since Paul and Mohammed both

made claims about Jesus the tools of the historian can help us decide whom to trust when Mohammed preached in Arabia

there weren't a lot of historians around and the early Muslim community didn't

know much about first century Christianity so in this atmosphere of ignorance Mohammed could say whatever he

wanted to say about Jesus and his followers wouldn't know that he was wrong Mohammed could say for instance as he

does in Sura 4 verse 157 of the Quran that Jesus wasn't killed and wasn't

crucified Muhammad could say that Jesus claimed to be nothing but a prophet and

that Jesus disciples were Muslims seventh century Arab Muslims wouldn't

know any better and even if they had it wasn't exactly safe to question Muhammad's teachings but we are not in

that position we have tons of ancient sources we have a never-ending supply of

historical Jesus scholars and we have the freedom to go where the evidence points and when we apply the historical

method and the tools of textual criticism to the ancient records we find that the Muslim view of Jesus as a man

who claimed to be nothing but a prophet who was never killed who never rose from the dead and whose followers were

Muslims this view reflects the historical Jesus about as much as a

Huffington Post article claiming that Muhammad was a world-class feminist reflects the historical Muhammad but

Paul's claims about Jesus line up perfectly with everything we can learn about Jesus historically and because

Paul was a contemporary of Jesus and knew Jesus original apostles if Paul had preached a non historical Jesus he would have been condemned by the early church and exposed as a false teacher the

reason he wasn't condemned and opposed was that the Jesus preached by Paul was the same Jesus who walked along

the shores of the Sea of Galilee who performed miracles who made claims that no mere prophet should ever make who

died on the cross for sins and who rose from the dead the Islamic Jesus is a kind of Frankenstein monster pieced together from 7th century Arabian fables filtered through Muhammad's 7th century Arabian theology a theology that was only one step removed from its pagan roots if you've ever wondered why there are Christian historical Jesus scholars Jesus scholars atheists historical Jesus scholars and

agnostic historical Jesus scholars but no Muslim historical Jesus scholars it's because Muslims are bound by the methods and ideas of Muhammad the world's greatest authority on how not to do

history

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influenced by paganism

as human beings we are inevitably influenced by the culture we grow up in but when someone grows up in a pagan culture and suddenly claims to be receiving revelations from God we'd

better not see the imprint of pagan theology on those revelations during the time of the judges and the kings of ancient Israel the Jews often turns to pagan gods and pagan forms of worship but by the 1st century AD the time of Jesus and Paul the Jews were done flirting with false gods they had utter contempt for the beliefs and practices

of the pagans the Apostle Paul had a strict Jewish upbringing and would have therefore shared the general Jewish view

of polytheism but Paul was no ordinary Jew he was a Pharisee a member of the most rigid sect and even among Pharisees Paul was considered especially zealous why is this relevant well there are Muslims who try to explain the origin of Christianity by claiming that Paul was influenced by greco-roman polytheists Paul was so mesmerized by all of the

gods of the pagans that he deified Jesus as a form of compromise and that might make sense to certain people assuming they know absolutely nothing about the Apostle Paul especially the fact that he

would have rather died a hundred thousand horrible bloody deaths than compromise his worship of the one true

God Paul became a Christian because he met Jesus and his encounter with Jesus caused him to re-examine Old Testament prophecies about the Messiah ultimately convincing him that the law and the

prophets were all looking forward to the life death and resurrection of Jesus there's no room in Paul's reasoning for even a hint of pagan influence but there was no shortage of pagan influence on Muhammad for instance one of the five pillars of Islam is the Hajj the annual

pilgrimage to Mecca which is saturated with paganism and idolatry before

Mohammed conquered Mecca the pagans would take a pilgrimage to Mecca where they would visit the Kaaba and walk

around it seven times they walked seven circles around the Kaaba to honor the seven planetary

deities which they believed circled the earth they would kiss the black stone one of the many stones in the ancient Near East that received worship they would run back and forth between the hills of Safa and Marwah remind me what do Muslims do when they take the pilgrimage to Mecca they visit the Kaaba and walk around it seven times just like the pagans did they kiss the black stone just like the pagans did they run back and forth between the hills of Safa and Marwah just like the pagans did but let me guess if it looks like paganism and walks like paganism and talks like paganism it must be pure monotheism in disguise right

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Muhammad's message flowed directly from his surroundings and his psychological state while Paul's message required a

radical transformation

human beings are biased in favor of certain positions and biased against other positions when a man simply gives in to his bias this doesn't tell us much but when a man is hopelessly biased

against a position and suddenly changes his course and becomes one of its chief defenders that's when we have to ask

what just happened

Muslims believe that Muhammad's revelations were sent down from heaven but we find all of the building blocks

of Islam in teachings and practices that were common in Arabia during the 7th century there was Jewish monotheism in Arabia along with countless Jewish stories about various prophets some of these stories ended up in the Quran there were heretic elision groups in Arabia along with various stories about Jesus Mary and others some of these stories ended up in the Quran the sabi UNS who are mentioned in the quran prayed at all five of the times muslims pray during their daily prayers and they were cited a creed la ilaha illa Allah there is no god but Allah many of the

polytheists of Arabia performed ablutions these are ceremonial washings they took an annual pilgrimage to Mecca

they circled the Kaaba they kissed a black stone that supposedly fell from heaven what we know as Islam is a collection of beliefs and practices that were already circulating in Arabia when Muhammad was born in Mecca but not all of the beliefs and practices that were circulating in Arabia became part of Islam so why did Muhammad accept some

beliefs and practices but reject others what was the selection process to answer this question we turn to psychology Muhammad's father died before he was born shortly after his birth the future prophet of a was sent to live with a foster family when he was around four years old he was taken away from the foster family and returned to his mother his mother died

when he was six and custody then fell to his grandfather who died when he was

eight psychological studies show that young children who experienced so many broken relationships tend to exhibit certain patterns of behavior later in life they often rebel against Authority

and tradition and they frequently have a problem with father figures especially with viewing God as a Heavenly Father so how did Muhammad's psychological framework express itself given the materials available in 7th century Arabia not surprisingly he rebelled

against Authority and tradition Muhammad attacked his own people theologically socially morally and economically and he violently subjugated his own tribe and his own City as part of his rebellion against polytheistic mekin culture

Muhammad initially aligned himself with Jews and Christians but since Jews and Christians view God as our Heavenly Father and Christians believe that there's an eternal father-son

relationship within the very nature of God Muhammad's psychological hostility towards father figures compelled him to part ways with the judeo-christian concept of God his revelations mocked

Jews and Christians for calling God father and eventually demanded our violent subjugation due to our

theological views all of this is exactly what we would expect given Muhammad's traumatic childhood experiences so Muhammad's claims about Jesus don't seem to be a matter of divine revelation or even a matter of historical investigation they're a matter of

psychological manifestation in other words Muhammad's childhood experiences left him with some psychological predispositions and these predispositions made certain beliefs and

practices seem more appealing than others when the beliefs and practices of seventh century Arabia are filtered through Muhammad's psychological framework we get Islam why is this

relevant well it's difficult to trust what Mohammed says about Jesus when his view of Jesus is the product of his childhood trauma scrounging through the materials available in seventh century

Arabia to find the beliefs and practices that were most soothing to his damaged psyche by contrast Paul's claims about

Jesus aren't simply a matter of wishful thinking on Paul's part in fact they're just the opposite Paul at first despised

Jesus and his followers and the message they were preaching Paul was convinced that God would only bless Israel if the religious leaders eradicated heresy and so he set out to destroy what he regarded as the Christian heresy as he was on one of his journeys to round up Christians Paul suddenly began preaching the faith that he was trying to destroy

and he claimed that he had changed course because Jesus had appeared to him Paul's conversion is significant because he was initially extremely skeptical of the claims of Christianity to the point of wanting to see it utterly wiped out he was so utterly confident that Jesus

was a false messiah he was willing to kill people who followed Jesus so we can't accuse Paul of believing in Christianity because he was biased in favor of it and this adds another

dimension to the evidence for Jesus resurrection Jesus appeared to a lot of people after his death by crucifixion more than 500 people were witnesses of the Risen Jesus but many of them were followers of Jesus during his earthly ministry so someone could argue that they can't be fully trusted because they were already loyal to Jesus maybe they just saw what they wanted to see they were grieving after Jesus death and suddenly he appeared to them perhaps they were only experiencing grief

hallucinations it would be extraordinarily odd for so many people to experience the same hallucination but it's still an objection that critics raise Paul

however wasn't grieving over Jesus so he wasn't in the frame of mind to experience grief hallucinations and yet

he saw the same thing the other witnesses saw so Muhammad's message

flowed directly from his eclectic religious surroundings and his abnormal psychological state which raises further

suspicions about his reliability Paul's message required a radical transformation something that shook him

out of his previous view of Jesus and brought him insuline with what Jesus followers were already saying this

transformation cries out for explanation and I've never seen a better explanation than that Paul really met the Risen Jesus

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Mohammed lived a morally reprehensible life Paul didn't

as a general rule if you can't trust a man with your daughter you can't trust him with your salvation how does this affect our views of Paul and Mohammed let's find out our Muslim friends assure

us that Mohammed was the greatest man who ever lived I have no clue what sources they're reading when they say this and I strongly suspect that they aren't reading any sources they simply

hear wonderful things about Mohammed from their leaders and they assume that these wonderful things are true without ever bothering to investigate according to Muslim sources Mohammed had sex with a nine-year-old girl he would brag to his followers about having sex with nine women and girls in a single day he allowed his followers to rape their female captives and to beat their rebellious wives into submission he told

his followers that women are stupid and immoral and that their testimony is unreliable he tortured a man for money

he supported his religion through robbery he had people assassinated for making fun of him he ordered his followers to execute anyone who leaves Islam he bought owned sold and traded black African slaves he referred to Ethiopians as raisin heads and said that Satan looks like a black man not the sort of person you'd want as your next-door neighbor what about Paul well before Paul became a Christian he was violent he persecuted Christians and had them put in prison and sentenced to death but apart from his early affinity for forcing people to obey his interpretation of the Torah Paul just wouldn't do anything wrong in

Philippians three six he says that according to the righteousness under the law he was blameless this doesn't mean

that he was sinless but it does mean no one could point a finger and accuse him of violating God's

commands if you really wanted to criticize Paul for something after he became a Christian you could reasonably say that he was extremely sarcastic at times and that when people challenged

his status as an apostle he would boast about his accomplishments and about working harder than any of the other

apostles people who have a problem with sarcasm and boasting I happen to love them usually don't like Paul's personality but let's face it Paul isn't the sort of person you'd need to hide your nine-year-old daughter from now to be fair Mohammed did share certain positive characteristics with Paul they both emphasized helping the poor for instance but telling your followers to help the poor doesn't magically erase the centuries of spousal abuse and child marriage and rape and robbery and

torture that Mohammed justified through his revelations and example Adolphe Hitler was an excellent painter that doesn't mean he gets a free pass on the millions of lives he destroyed

likewise Mohammed abolished female infanticide but that admittedly positive accomplishment can never silence the centuries of blood that's calling out to us from the ground you hear calling

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important difference between Paul and Mohammed when Paul sinned he confessed his sins and repented Mohammed justified his sins and continued in them real men admit when they're wrong real servants of God really admit when they're wrong so what happens when someone claims to be a servant of God but just won't admit that he's done

something horribly wrong let's find out

we can learn a lot about a man by how he reacts when his worst deeds are exposed does he acknowledge his sin and turn away from it or does he justify it and continue hurting others and even himself Mohammed had an adopted son named Zayin who was called Zayed bin Mohammed zeod son of Mohammed one day Mohammed went to visit him and was greeted by zade's wife Zeynep who was one of the most beautiful women in Arabia and who was wearing very little clothing at the time here's what happened according to the Muslim historian tom body she jumped up in haste and excited the admiration of The Messenger of God so that he turned away murmuring something that could scarcely be understood however he did say overtly glory be to God the Almighty glory be to God who causes hearts to turn when Zayed found out that his wife had excited the admiration of his adopted father and prophet he decided to divorce her so that Muhammad could have her Mohammed however understood that taking your adopted son's wife was frowned upon by everyone in history

so he told Zayed now keep your wife but by that time zeyneb had found out that Muhammad was attracted to her and seeing the opportunity to move up in the world she began despising her husband zeod wanting to give his adopted father and prophet whatever he desired divorced his wife and Mohammed married her not surprisingly people started complaining what sort of man marries a woman who's been having sex with his own adopted son

how did Mohammed respond to the criticism he started receiving revelations to justify the marriage Allah revealed Sura 33 verses 4 to 5 abolishing adoption in Islam from that point on Zayed was no longer called Muhammad's son Allah also revealed Sura

33 verse 37 where he explains why he wanted Mohammed to marry zeyneb Allah says and remember when you Muhammad said to him to whom Allah had shown favor and to whom you had shown favor keep your wife to yourself and be careful of your duty to Allah and you concealed in your soul what Allah would bring to light and you feared men and Allah had a greater

right that you should fear him but when Zayed had accomplished his want of her ie divorced her we gave her to you as a wife so that there should be no difficulty for the believers in respect of the wives of their adopted sons when they have accomplished their want of them and Allah is command shall be performed Muslims defend Muhammad by

offering all kinds of explanations for his marriage to Zeynep but in the Quran we have a law's explanation Allah says to Muhammad we gave her to you as a wife so that there should be no difficulty for the believers in respect of the wives of their adopted sons when they have accomplished their want of them so Allah gave zeyneb to Muhammad's so that other Muslim men would know that it's okay to marry the divorced wives of

their adopted sons three quick problems with a law's explanation one how many men really struggle with whether or not they should be marrying the divorced wives of their own adopted sons

apart from Muhammad I've never heard of anyone who needed divine guidance on this issue and yet Allah is convinced that lots of us are sitting around scratching our heads thinking to

ourselves Wow my adopted sons wife is so hot I wonder if God wants me to have her second assuming that Allah wants men to know that it's okay to marry the divorced wives of their own adopted sons does he really need Mohammed to go out and do it wouldn't be enough for a lot

to say in the Quran hey guys in case you're wondering yes it's perfectly acceptable in Islam to start lusting after your adopted sons wives until your adopted sons divorce them and then you can marry them is this such an incredibly important issue that Allah not only had to reveal a Quran verse about it but also needed Mohammed to

break up a marriage and show us how it's done third Allah abolished adoption in Sura 33 verses four to five Muslims are still free to take care of orphans but they don't adopt them into their families so if there's no more adoption in Islam why in the name of common sense is Allah telling Muhammad that he has to marry zeyneb so that other Muslim men will

know that it's okay to marry the divorced wives of their adopted sons there aren't going to be any more adopted sons so the situation isn't going to exist for Muslims why would

Allah tell Muhammad to do something in order to set an example for other Muslims facing the same problem when

there aren't going to be any other Muslims facing the same problem the only conclusion to draw is that Muhammad was criticized for doing something really bad having adulterous thoughts

about his adopted son's wife causing his adopted son to divorce his wife and then marrying the woman he was lusting after but instead of admitting that he had

done something wrong he justified what he had done and abolished one of humanity's most humane practices in the

process worst adopted father ever

how did Paul reacts when his sin was exposed Paul was a violent persecutor of the church when he realized that he was wrong he confessed his sins turned away from persecution and blasphemy acknowledged that he could only be forgiven through God's grace and spent

the rest of his life showing people how to live for God once they've been forgiven years later Paul said I thank

Christ Jesus our Lord who has given me strength that he considered me faithful pointing me to his service even though I

was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man I was shown mercy because I acted in

ignorance and unbelief the grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly along with the faith and love that are

in Christ Jesus here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners of whom I am the worst but for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me the worst of sinners Christ Jesus might display his unlimited

patience as an example for those who would believe on Him and receive eternal life now to the king eternal immortal

invisible the only God we honor and glory forever and ever amen so with Paul we have a pattern for people who have committed terrible acts turn away from those acts seek forgiveness don't make excuses with Mohammed we have a very different pattern justify your terrible acts and continue doing them now here's a quick question for our Muslim friends I was once a violent man and I did some of the worst things a human being can do but I turned away from violence and followed the pattern laid down by Paul what sort of person do you think I would be right now if I had instead followed the pattern laid down by Mohammed would I be

peacefully discussing theological claims on YouTube or would I be slaughtering people in the name of Allah you know the answer which means that you understand the real-world impact your prophets teachings have on people

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like to see the full series be sure to click on the playlist if you're already in the playlist you're about to see that Muhammad's revelations were self-serving Paul's work one of the classic signs of a false prophet is that his revelations are self-serving the revelations give the prophet in question special moral privileges how does this affect our views of Paul and Mohammed let's find out am I the only one who gets

suspicious when a guy who's supposedly receiving revelations ends up getting all kinds of special moral privileges

from God let's consider three examples that should raise some eyebrows first the Quran says in surah 4 verse 3 that Muslim men can marry up to 4 women but according to sahih al-bukhari and numerous other Muslim sources Muhammad had at least nine wives at one

time if Muslims are allowed to have no more than 4 wives why did Muhammad get more lucky him

Allah decided in Sura 33 verse 50 that Muhammad and only Muhammad could have as many wives as he wanted how convenient second when Muhammad wanted to marry Asia who was 6 years old at the time he said that Allah had given him dreams about marrying her Sahih al-bukhari 3895 narrated Asia that the Prophet said to her you have been shown to me twice in my dream I saw you pictured on a piece of silk and someone said to me this is your wife when I uncovered the picture I saw that it was yours I said if this is from Allah it will be accomplished I think I speak for most men when I say if you have a dream about marrying your best friend's six-year-old daughter that dream didn't come from God you're a pervert and you need to go see a psychiatrist third one day after Mohammad got caught having sex with his slave girl in his wife Hafez bed he swore to his wives that he would

stop having sex with his slave girl but a little later in sirs 66 verses 1 & 2 Allah rebuked Muhammad for making that oath and he gave him permission to break it and to start having sex with his slave girl again since most people aren't familiar with this story let's

read about the historical background of Sura 66 verse 1 of the Quran Sunnah none SI 3411 it was narrated from honest that the messenger of allah had a female slave with whom he had intercourse but Aishah and Hafsa would not leave him alone until he said that she was forbidden for him then Allah the mighty and sublime revealed Oh prophet why do you forbid for yourself that which Allah has allowed to you

that's Sura 66 verse 1 until the end of the verse you can read more of the juicy details in tuffsy air jal Elaine Muhammad eventually got the slave girl pregnant over the years Aisha picked up

on the fact that whenever Muhammad wanted something he got a special revelation from Allah saying that he could have it in sahih al-bukhari 47 88 Muhammad receives one of his morally convenient revelations and Aishah says to him I feel that your lord hastens in

fulfilling your wishes and desires indeed there are times when Allah seems like he has nothing better to do than to encourage and justify Muhammad's sexual adventures what about Paul well there's not much to say about Paul's sex life because he was apparently celibate from his birth until his death Paul knew that his life would be painful and difficult and dangerous and that he would probably be killed for his preaching and he just

didn't want to get married and put his wife through all of that were there any special moral privileges for apostles no God called apostles to a higher moral standard and a more difficult life not to a lower moral standard and an easier Paul describes the life of an apostle in 1st Corinthians 4 to this very hour we go hungry and thirsty we are in rags we are brutally treated we are homeless we work hard with our own hands when we

are cursed we bless when we are persecuted we endure it when we are slandered we answer kindly we have become the scum of the earth the garbage of the world right up to this moment become an apostle it's a great life and Paul knew what he was getting into from the beginning of his Christian journey when Jesus sent Ananias to Paul shortly after his

encounter on the road to Damascus Jesus said I will show him how much he must suffer for my name now suppose you meet two different men both of whom claim to speak for God one of them says God told me to preach and that I would be horribly treated for the rest of my life but that I must remain faithful anyway

the other says God has spoken to me and he says that he wants me to have lots of women and girls and sex slaves and that I get to rob people and subjugate them and break my oaths obviously there are

many other factors to consider in evaluating their reliability but if you had to choose based solely on the lives their revelations call them to which of these two men would you trust more yeah me too I trust a revelation from Mohammed about as much as I would have trusted a revelation from Hugh Heffner hi everyone thanks for watching in case you stumbled upon this video while browsing or searching I wanted to let you know that it's part of a series comparing Paul and Mohammed so if you'd

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Paul's revelations made him a better person and how Muhammad's revelations made him a worse person

someone who's chosen by God for some important task may go through difficult times he may become depressed if people

don't listen to him he may become arrogant he may even rebel against God but it would be odd for a person to

receive revelations from God that have a corrupting influence on him revelations that make him a worse person

how is this relevant to our evaluation of Paul and Mohammed let's find out Paul and Mohammed went through some profound changes during their lifetimes but they eventually settled into their final views on various topics we can get to the hearts of their culminating ethical positions by asking each of them a simple question as far as ethics is

concerned what's the greatest thing in the world we have Paul's answer in 1st Corinthians 13 where he writes if I speak in the tongues of men and of angels but have not love I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal if I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have a faith that can move mountains but have not

love I am nothing if I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames but have not love I gain nothing love is patient love is kind it does not envy it does not boast it is not proud it is not rude it is not self-seeking it is not easily angered it keeps no record of wrongs love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth it always protects always trusts always hopes always perseveres love never fails but where there are prophecies they will cease where there are tongues they will be stilled where there is knowledge it will pass away for we know in part and we prophesy in part but when perfection comes the imperfect disappears when I was a child I talked like a child I thought like a child I reasoned like a child when I became a man I put childish ways behind

me now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror then we shall see face to face now I know in part then I shall know fully even as I am fully known and now these three remain faith hope and love but the greatest of these is love according to Paul what's the greatest thing you can do love now for Muhammad's answer to the question what's the greatest thing in the world Sahih al-bukhari 2795 the Prophet said nobody who dies and finds good from Allah in the hereafter would wish to come back to this world even if he were

given the whole world and whatever is in it except the martyr who on seeing the

superiority of martyrdom would like to come back to the world and get killed again in Allah's cause the only thing

that would be worth coming back to this world for after seeing paradise is getting killed while waging jihad

Sahih al-bukhari 27 96 the Prophet said a single endeavor of fighting in Allah's cause in the afternoon or in the forenoon is better than all the world and whatever is in it a single attack by a jihadi is better than the entire world and everything in it and we wonder why Muslim mothers send their kids off to join terrorist groups they're just doing what's best for their children according to Mohammed Suhail Bukhari

2797 Mohammed said by him in whose hands my soul is I would love to be martyred in a laws cause and then come back to life and then get martyred and then come back to life again and then get martyred

and then come back to life again and then get martyred according to [__] what's the greatest thing you can do die while slaughtering unbelievers in the name of Allah in John 10 verse 10 Jesus says the thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy I have come that they may have life and have it to the full if the forces of evil come to steal and kill and destroy and the pinnacle of Muhammad's hierarchy of good deeds is

getting killed while slaughtering people but Jesus came so that people would have life to the full and the pinnacle of

Paul's hierarchy of good deeds is loving people whose ethical system would Jesus affirm Paul's or Muhammad's whose ethical system would Jesus condemn if you muslims' know that Jesus would condemn Muhammad why do you keep telling us that you respect Jesus

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while Paul won converts through peaceful preaching Mohammed 1 converts primarily through bribes and threats

Paul and Mohammed were amazingly effective in their preaching but what were the messages that made them effective let's find out

Mohammed preached in Mecca for more than a decade at first in private and then publicly but he didn't win very many converts through preaching submission to Allah we don't see large numbers of converts to Islam until Mohammed modified his message and his tactics after years of unconvincing messages about Islam Muhammad made an enticing guarantee to those who waged jihad for him a message that resonated with many seventh century Arabs in sahih al-bukhari 2787 Muhammad says the

example of a Mujahid a jihadi in Allah's cause and Allah knows better who really strives in his cause is like a person who observes Psalm fasting and offers salat prayer continuously Allah guarantees that he will admit the MU Jaya in his cause into paradise if he is

killed otherwise he will return him to his home safely with rewards and war booty Mohammed guaranteed that if you wage jihad for him you'll either die in which case you'll enter paradise and get your virgins or you'll survive in which case you'll return home safely with Rewards and war booty which includes sex slaves so either way whether you live or

die it's to your financial and sexual advantage to fight from Mohammed Mohammed clearly understood that the

quickest way to the hearts of his listeners was through their wallets or their pants for example when Mohammed

was accused of distributing the spoils of war on evenly favoring potential converts he replied are you disturbed in mind because of the good things of this life by which I win over a people that they may become Muslims while I entrust you to your Islam in Sahib 33:44 Muhammad divides a piece of gold among four chiefs of a different tribe watch what happens so the Quraish and the Unser became

angry and said he I II the Prophet gives to the Chiefs of najin and does not give to us the Prophet said

I give to them so as to attract their hearts to Islam so for the early Muslims the importance of money and captives as a motive for conversion can hardly be overstated but Muhammad also knew how to

convert people who didn't want to accept Islam just to get gold or sex slaves he would fight them until they converted in Sahih Muslim 1:29 Muhammad declares I have been commanded to fight the people until they bear witness that none has the right to be worshipped but Allah and

that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah and they establish the salaat and pay the zakat if they do that then their blood and wealth are protected from me except for a right that is due and their reckoning will be with Allah Muhammad made it very clear that if you didn't convert to Islam you were a target for jihad now think about the alternatives

for a seventh century pagan arab if you converted and fought for muhammad you'd get rewards and war booty if you didn't convert he was coming to kill you was this method successful let's read Abu Bakr's summary of Muhammad's life and work in the history

of Atteberry volume 10 page 55 abu bakr declares verily god may he be exalted sent Muhammad with his truth to his creation as a bearer of good tidings and as a warner and as one calling others to god with his permission and as a light bringing lamp

so that he might warn all who live and so that the saying against the unbelievers might be fulfilled so god

guided with the truth whoever responded to him and the apostle of god with his permission struck whoever turned his back to him until he came to islam willingly or grudgingly so muhammad preached but the secret to his success was intimidation and bribery the apostle paul after his conversion relied strictly on peaceful preaching rather than on bribes or threats of physical violence paul presented his listeners

with a simple message jesus died on the cross for sins his crucifixion was a public event but he didn't stay dead he rose and appeared to numerous witnesses both friends and foes Jesus resurrection confirms his message so you need to submit to him as Lord this was the same message preached by Jesus original apostles indeed when Paul preached in various cities he would share the earliest Christian Creed which he had received from the Apostles themselves Paul writes to the Christians of Corinth

in 1st Corinthians 15 for I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received this is where the Creed starts that Christ died for our sins according

to the scriptures and that he was buried and that he was raised on the third day according to the scriptures and that he

appeared to Cephas ie Peter then to the twelve after that he appeared to more than 500 brethren at one time most of whom remain until now but some have fallen asleep then he appeared to James then to all the Apostles and last of all as to one untimely born he appeared to me also scholars even critical scholars date this Creed within just a few years of Jesus death which makes it extremely early material and what does it say that

Jesus died on the cross for sins that he rose from the dead that there are lots of witnesses and that this was all

prophesied centuries beforehand Paul's listeners understood that this message was different from other religious messages Paul's preaching was grounded in evidence and observation and people converted to Christianity wherever he went the for Christianity was so persuasive that within just a few centuries Christianity conquered the most powerful empire the world had ever seen without Christians ever needing to turn

to violence or bribery it seems that when you have a good argument you don't need to kill and rape until people are forced to agree with you hi everyone thanks for watching in case you stumbled upon this video while browsing or searching I wanted to let you know that it's part of a series comparing Paul and Mohammed so if you'd

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Paul endured far far greater persecution than Mohammed anyone can proclaim his views when life is easy but when the sword is at his throat that's when we see his true conviction Paul and Mohammed were both persecuted Paul was persecuted for preaching the gospel Muslims think that Mohammed was persecuted for preaching Islam but that's not what their sources say Mohammed was persecuted for mocking

the gods and goddesses of the pagans of Mecca we read in the history of october t volume 6 page 93 The Messenger of God proclaimed God's message openly and declared Islam publicly to his fellow tribesmen when he did so they did not withdraw from him or reject him in any way as far as I have heard until he spoke of their gods and denounced them when he did this they took exception to it and United in

opposition and hostility to him except for those of them whom God had protected from error by means of Islam a few pages

later Muhammad's tribesmen described Muhammad's general approach towards reaching polytheists with the message of

Islam we have never seen the like of what we have endured from this man he has derided our traditional values abused our forefathers reviled our religion caused division among us and

insulted our gods we have endured a great deal from him now that's strange Muslims in the West tell me that it's wrong and immoral to criticize another person's religious beliefs and yet their

favorite prophet viciously mocked other people's religious beliefs so the polytheists of Mecca responded by

persecuting Muhammad Muslims tend to exaggerate the level of persecution Muhammad faced however the pagans threw pebbles at him they spit on him they eventually decided to kill him but this persecution only lasted a few years until mohamad moved to Medina that's when the

persecuted Muhammad became Muhammad the persecutor in comparing the lives of Muhammad and Paul we quickly realized that the persecution Muhammad suffered was a joke compared to the persecution

Paul suffered Paul gives us a partial overview of his trials in 2nd

Corinthians 11 I have worked much harder than in prison more frequently been flogged more severely and been exposed to death again and again five times I received from the Jews the 40 lashes - one three times I was beaten with rods once I was pelted with stones three

times I was shipwrecked I spent a night and a day in the open sea I have been constantly on the move I've been in

danger from rivers in danger from bandits in danger from my fellow Jews in danger from Gentiles in danger in the

city in danger in the country in danger at sea and in danger from false believers

I have labored and toiled and have often gone without sleep I have known hunger and thirst and have often gone without

food I have been cold and naked Paul wrote these words in the mid-50s ad he still had years of beatings and imprisonments ahead of him so by the end of his life most of his body would have

been covered in scar tissue the reason this is important is that the more you're persecuted the more you'll be inclined to stop and think was that really a revelation from God that I received I need to be sure because it's costing me a lot we know that Paul had complete confidence in his revelations because he endured outright torture over and over and over again Mohammed was persecuted but given the endless supply of lives and sex slaves and money and special moral privileges that only

applied to him we'll just never know how long he would have endured if he had faced anything remotely resembling what

Paul faced on a side note I'm always amazed at the Muslim reaction to the persecution Mohammed in Mecca Muslims look to this period and complain about the intolerant

pagans how could they persecute our beloved prophet why were they so bigoted and Islamophobic but let's be consistent for just a moment Muhammad preached openly against the religious beliefs of the people of Mecca for about ten years and he survived if I went to Mecca today

and preached openly against the religious beliefs of the people who live there now would I last 10 years would I

last 10 months 10 days 10 hours if I

stood outside the Kaaba and began openly preaching against the religious beliefs of the people of Mecca today would I

last 10 minutes Muslims complain about the intolerance of the pagans who opposed Muhammad and

yet the pagans were far far more tolerant than the man who subjugated them welcome to Islam where tolerance much like Muhammad's sexual attraction to his child bride Asia is a one-way street

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both Christianity and Islam teach that there are powerful dark forces at work all around us if someone is clearly being influenced by these dark forces how can we trust what he tells us about God according to Muslim sources when Muhammad received his first revelation in the cave on Mount Hira he believed that he was possessed by a demon and if

you read what the Muslim sources say about how Muhammad received his revelations he'll understand why he

thought he was possessed his encounters with Gabriel sound like something out of an exorcist film Mohammed's face would turn red his heart would race the veins in his neck would swell up his shoulders would tremble he would come down with a fever his lips would move rapidly he would hear ringing or voices he would sweat profusely even in the cold according to Muslim sources once Muhammad became convinced that he was demon-possessed he tried to commit suicide by hurling himself off a cliff according to Muslim sources Muhammad delivered revelations to his followers promoting polytheism the infamous Satanic Verses after a while he came back and said that Satan had tricked him into delivering these verses apparently Muhammad just couldn't tell the difference between inspiration from God and inspiration

from the devil according to Muslim sources Muhammad was the victim of black magic that gave him delusional thoughts and false beliefs this is crucial because the Quran tells us that magic is

taught by demons since magic was successful over Mohammed demons had power over Mohammed I can't imagine someone less reliable on a spiritual level than the Prophet of Islam Paul by contrast was not a this victim of demonic attacks demons were victims of Paul attacks Paul would cast them out Paul became so famous for his ability to cast out demons that other people tried to cast out demons by saying I cast you out in the name of Jesus whom Paul preaches this didn't work because you have to actually know Jesus in order to have that kind of spiritual authority but it shows that Paul's power over demons was known even among non-christians so Paul had power over demons demons had power over Muhammad transitive property whom should we be listening to

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Muhammad performed none

miracles some have them some don't

the Apostle Paul performed numerous miracles during his missionary journeys including healing a man who was disabled since birth and even raising a young man named eutychus from the dead Paul lived such a miraculous life that people would touch him with a cloth take the cloth to a sick person and the sick person would be healed many Muslims are convinced

that Mohammed performed miracles but it's important to note one that stories about Mohammed's miracles were written more than a century after his death to that they were written during a time

when Muslims were forging stories about their prophet like it was an Olympic sport and three that they were written

in response to repeated challenges from Jews and Christians who wanted to know why Muhammad couldn't perform miracles

our earliest Islamic source is the Quran and the Quran repeatedly admits that Muhammad couldn't perform any miracles other than delivering a Quran Sura 6 verse 37 and they say why has not a sign been sent down to him from his Lord say surely Allah is able to send down a sign but most of them do not know sir a 10 verse 20 and they say why is not a sign sent to him from his Lord say the unseen is only for Allah therefore wait surely I too with you M of those who wait sir a 13 verse 7 and those who disbelieve say why has not a sign been sent down upon him from his Lord you are only a Warner and there is a guide for every people sir a 13 verse 27 and those who disbelieve say why is not a sign sent down upon him by his Lord say surely Allah makes him who will go astray and guides to himself those who turn to him sir a 17 verse 59 and nothing could have hindered us that we should send signs

except that the ancients rejected them and we gave to some ood a she-camel a manifest sign but on her account they did injustice and we do not send signs but to make men fear sir at 29 vs. 52 51 and they say why are not signs sent down upon him from his Lord say the signs are only with Allah and I am only a plain Warner is it not enough for them that we

have revealed to you the book which is recited to them so Allah makes a variety of excuses for not giving Muhammad any miracles but embedded in these excuses is an admission that Muhammad couldn't perform miracles hence unless Muslims want us to reject

the Quran we're forced to conclude that the Prophet of Islam was about as miraculous as a can of Cheez Whiz as for

Muhammad's claim that the Quran itself is a miracle I give him an award for worst argument ever but I'm fresh out of blue ribbons

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bad people sometimes live easy lives good people sometimes die tragic deaths

but what happens when a man who claims to speak for God dies in precisely the way God says he'll die if he invents a false revelation let's find out

following his conversion the Apostle Paul spent about three decades preaching the gospel during that time there were

numerous plots to kill him the Romans eventually succeeded in the mid-60s ad because Paul was a Roman citizen he was executed by beheading rather than by crucifixion since Paul had been preaching to the Roman soldiers and leaders his martyrdom served as a

witness to the very people who executed him our word martyr comes from a Greek word meaning witness so Paul died an honorable death as a martyr how did Muhammad die well after Muhammad and his followers had attacked the Jewish settlement at Khaybar a Jewish woman whose father uncle and husband had

all been slaughtered by Muhammad's followers offered to cook a meal for Muhammad and his companions and as we

all know if a woman whose family you've just butchered offers to cook you a delicious meal you say yes so Muhammad

gladly accepted the invitation a woman poisoned the roasted lamb she was serving one of Muhammad's companions died from the poison Muhammad spit the food out and survived but the poison did some sort of internal damage that led to ongoing medical problems a few years

later Muhammad complained to the mother of the man who had died from the poison that he could feel the poison killing

him too the history of october t vol 8 page 124 The Messenger of God said during the illness from which he died the mother of bishop in alberta had come in to visit him boomba sure at this very moment i feel my aorta being severed because of the food I ate with your son at Kaiba Mohamed felt his aorta being severed because of the food he ate at Khaybar he said the same thing to Aisha as he was dying Sahih al-bukhari 44:28 the prophet in

his ailment in which he died used to say oh i seea i still feel the pain caused by the food i ate at Khaybar and at this time i feel as if my aorta is being cut from that poison i should point out that the words as if are not in the arabic mohammed doesn't say he feels as if his aorta is being severed he says that he feels his aorta being severed from the poison why are these references to Muhammad feeling his aorta being severed significant if we are examining the manner of his death well in the Quran Allah tells us how he would kill Muhammad if Muhammad ever forged a revelation let's read three translations of Sura 69 verses 44 to 46 to see how Allah would kill Muhammad for inventing revelations Helicon and if he Muhammad had forged a false saying concerning us we surely should have seized him by his right hand or with power and might and then certainly should have cut off his life

artery and in parentheses the translators add a Horta Pickthall and if he had invented false sayings concerning us we assuredly had taken him by the right hand and then severed his life artery MMH Shakir and if he had fabricated against us some of the sayings we would certainly have seized him by the right hand then we would

certainly have cut off his aorta what did Allah say that the penalty would be for fabricating revelations he said that the penalty would be cutting off Muhammad's a Horta and what did Muhammad himself say that the poison had done to him he said that it had cut off his aorta so while Paul died an honorable death as a martyr Mohammed died a disgraceful death as a false prophet given Muhammad's treatment of women Jews and followers of Jesus it's almost poetic that he was killed by a lamb given to him by a Jewish woman ultimately severing his aorta confirming his status as a false prophet humiliations galore

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the Quran affirms the reliability of Paul what Paul condemns Mohammed many Muslims today attack the Apostle Paul imagine our surprise when we turn to classic Muslim commentators and find them promoting Paul imagine our even greater surprise when we realized that the Quran itself affirms the reliability of paul allah confirms the reliability

of the apostle paul in chapter 61 verse 14 of the quran a law says that he aided the true followers of jesus until they became uppermost over those who rejected jesus allah says o you who believe be helpers in the cause of Allah as Jesus son of Mary said to his disciples who are my helpers in the cause of Allah the disciples said we are helpers in the cause of Allah so a party of the children of Israel believed and another party disbelieved then we aided those who believed against their enemy and they became uppermost in his commentary on this verse Yusuf Ali says that it refers to Allah aiding the Christians until they permeated the Roman Empire

but the Christians who permeated the Roman Empire were what Muslims would call Pauline Christians they believed in

the message and authority of the Apostle Paul so if Allah helped the true Christians rise to power and the Christians who rose to power believed in the message and authority of the Apostle Paul we

have a laws stamp of approval on the Apostle Paul one of the most respected Muslim commentators of all time court to be comments on Sura 61 verse 14 as follows it was said that this verse was revealed about the Apostles of Jesus may peace and blessings be upon him even a sock stated that of the apostles and disciples that Jesus sent to preach

there were Peter and Paul who went to Rome this is a Muslim scholar telling us that Paul was sent by Jesus the Muslim historian tabare agrees that Paul was a follower of Jesus he writes among the Apostles and the followers who came after them were the Apostle Peter and Paul who was a follower and not an apostle they went to Rome why would respected Muslim commentators list Paul among the true witnesses of Jesus who preached in Rome the reason they described Paul this way is that many classical Muslim commentators unlike Muslims today base their views on the Quran Allah said that

he sent the gospel as a guidance for mankind and that he would protect Jesus followers so these commentators realized

that to say that the Apostle Paul corrupted the gospel is to insult Allah if Allah sent the gospel as a guidance and promised to protect Jesus followers but was overpowered by the Apostle Paul

this would make Paul more powerful than Allah so when modern Muslims tell us that Allah is plans were foiled by the Apostle Paul they're not making Paul look bad they're making Paul greater

than their God these Muslims need to change the takbir from Allahu Akbar to bulla sue Akbar so the Quran affirms the reliability of Paul we can trust what Paul says according to Allah and what does Paul say Galatians 1 verses 8 to 9 but even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you

he is to be accursed as we have said before so I say again now if any man is preaching to you a gospel contrary to what you received he is to be accursed Paul says that anyone who preaches a gospel different from the one he preached to the Galatians is under God's curse but

Muhammad preached a gospel different from the one Paul preached to the Galatians hence Muhammad is under God's curse the only way for Muslims to avoid this conclusion is to say that Paul was a Seaver who corrupted Jesus message but as we've seen the Quran affirms the reliability of Paul and since Allah

promised to protect Jesus true followers and claimed that no one can change his words the only way Paul could have

corrupted Jesus message and led his followers astray was to overpower Allah which brings Muslims back to their new takbir bula sue Akbar

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Muhammad's message self-destructs Paul's does it

rule number one if you're a false prophet don't affirm the inspiration preservation and authority of scriptures that contradict your revelations you'll only end up destroying your own religion

Paul's message about Jesus and the gospel is the same message we find prophesied in the Old Testament the same

message preached by Jesus and his original followers you are not good enough to enter the presence of God all our righteousness is as filthy rags before God if you think you're good

enough to meet God you have a pretty low view of God and that's part of the problem what this means is that if we

want to be accepted by God we need a righteousness that comes from God not from ourselves the gospel is a message about how God gives us this righteousness through Jesus Christ you might not like the message but there's nothing incoherent or illogical about it Muhammad's message by contrast self destructs because the Quran affirms the inspiration preservation and authority of scriptures that completely contradict

Islam in surah 3 verses 3 to 4 a law says that he revealed the Torah and the gospel in Sura 7 verse 157 a law says that Christians were still reading the gospel during the time of Muhammad we have copies of the gospel before the time of Muhammad during the time of Muhammad and after the time of Muhammad so we know what the gospel during Muhammad's time said we've still got it in Sura 6 verse 115 and sir 18 verse 27 Allah says that no one can change his words no one is powerful enough to change Allah's words recall that Allah already said that the Torah and the gospel are his words which means that the Torah and the gospel cannot be corrupted not surprisingly according to the Koran the gospel is still authoritative Scripture Allah even commands Christians to judge by what we

read in the gospel he says in surah 5 verse 47 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 so Allah says that he revealed the gospel inspiration he says that no one can change his words preservation and he commands Christians to judge by the gospel Authority a problem for Islam is

that if we judge by the gospel as Allah commands we have to reject Islam because the gospel plainly declares that Jesus is the Divine Son of God who died on the cross for sins and rose from the dead and that anyone who comes against this message is not from God there are only

two possibilities here my friends either Christians have the inspired preserved authoritative Word of God or we don't if we have the Word of God Islam is false because Islam contradicts our scriptures if we don't have the Word of God Islam is false because Islam affirms our scriptures if we have the Word of God Islam is false and if we don't have the Word of God Islam is false either way Islam is false unlike Paul's message Muhammad's message self-destructs in case you're wondering yes this would be an excellent time for our Muslim friends to start looking for a new prophet

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Muhammad's revelations insult Jesus Paul's don't

if Islam really promotes respect for Jesus why does it portray him as a total failure

Muslims maintain that Jesus was one of the laws mightiest prophets but if we take a closer look at their claims we can see that if Islam is true Jesus was the most stupendous failure in the history of the prophets since he started preaching Islam at birth according to the Quran he had more than 30 years to convince people to submit to Allah but

after his death the children of Israel were divided into two broad camps those who believed his message became Christians all of whom were guilty of the worst sin imaginable shirk or

associating a partner with Allah while those who rejected his message were guilty of rejecting one of our laws

mightiest messengers so whether people believed in Jesus or rejected him they would all ultimately be condemned and cast into the Hellfire Jesus didn't manage to win a single lasting convert to Islam his devout Muslim followers were all led astray who led them astray this is where Muslims like to claim that the Apostle Paul deceived the early Christian community notice that this would be an admission

that according to Islam all the work that Jesus did came crashing down due to corruption but it gets worse because Islam doesn't actually teach that Paul corrupted Jesus message islam teaches that allah corrupted jesus message when he tricked people into believing that jesus died on the cross according to the quran Jesus didn't die by crucifixion but all four Gospels say that Jesus died by crucifixion where did people get the idea that Jesus died by crucifixion they got it from Allah who miraculously disguised someone to make him look like Jesus so who's responsible for corrupting Jesus message Allah the poor Islamic Jesus spent his entire life preaching only to have his life's work sabotaged by the God who promised to protect his followers so according to Islam Jesus accomplished absolutely nothing of any lasting significance we have no record of his Muslim disciples or of Jesus preaching anything similar to Islam the Islamic Jesus was a total

failure and Muslims claim to respect Jesus what about Paul does Paul also insult and degrade Jesus with his message not at all we have a good summary of Paul's view in Philippians 2 where Paul quotes an early Christian hymn Paul tells the Philippians in your relationships with one another have the same mindset as Christ Jesus who being in very nature God did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage rather he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant being made in human likeness and being found in appearance

as a man he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death even death on a cross therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow in heaven and on earth and under the earth and

every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father Paul certainly isn't insulting Jesus here Paul says that Jesus being in very nature God didn't consider that equality with the Father something he had to hold on to he took on human nature and died on the cross he then returned to his glorified state and now every knee will bow before him and every tongue will confess that Jesus is Lord this means that Adam and Noah and Abraham and Moses and King David and especially Mohammed we'll all bow before their risen Lord on a related note since Paul was quoting a first century Christian hymn we know that the earliest Christians were already singing songs about the deity of Christ and the Incarnation but the hymn also draws a distinction between Jesus who is God and the father who is God which means that we can't understand the earliest Christian worship without the doctrine of the Trinity so for you Muslims who have been

told by your scholars that belief in the deity of Christ arose centuries after the time of Jesus you need some new scholars preferably some who don't constantly lie to you

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Paul's don't

in John 8:44 Jesus calls Satan the father of lies

if Satan is the father of lies why does Islam try to convince us that Allah deceives people for no reason and starts

false religions things that make you go hmm Muslims claim to have an impeccable theology but they believe in a God who deceives people for no reason as when he tricked people into believing that Jesus died on the cross starts false religions as when he accidentally helped start Christianity by convincing a bunch of first century Jews that Jesus had died

on the cross and overthrows the work of his prophets as when he corrupted Jesus message by turning it into a message about Jesus work on the cross Allah deceives people starts false

religions and overthrows the work of his prophets even though he calls himself the truth promises to protect those who

follow his prophets and boasts that no one can change his words although in his defense he does repeatedly call himself

the best of deceivers Allah sent Jesus with the gospel forgetting that he was just going to corrupt the gospel and allow it to be further corrupted by others and that he would deceive Jesus

followers and allow them to be further deceived by others if Islam is true God is ignorant and deceptive Jesus was irrelevant and incompetent and Jesus followers were weak willed and unreliable Islam is one massive insult to God as with so many of Islam's claims we find superficial reverence but deep blasphemy on the surface Islam sounds like it promotes reverence for God but

as soon as we dig a little deeper we find blasphemous incoherent nonsense this is exactly what we should expect from a false religion Reverend on the surface blasphemy below the surface superficial reverence deep blasphemy Paul by contrast honors God the God of the Bible is perfect in his attributes according to Christianity God's justice is perfect so all sin must be punished if God let some sin slide he wouldn't be perfect in his justice but God's love and mercy are also perfect which means that he's vastly more loving than we are so much so that he's willing to take the

punishment that we deserve upon himself God loves sinners so much that he entered into creation in order to pay the price for our sins as Jesus of Nazareth He fulfilled his mission perfectly and suffered for our sake so that we could stand before God with the

righteousness of Christ Jesus taught the good news the gospel to his followers he appeared to them as their risen Lord and he sent the Holy Spirit to fill them and empower them those followers endured torture and death to preach the gospel to people who were lost and to make sure that the gospel would reach us so according to Paul God was completely victorious Jesus was completely victorious and Jesus followers by God's grace were completely victorious Paul doesn't promote superficial reverence he promotes deep reverence jesus warned his followers that false prophets would come he also commanded us not to believe them one of the ways we can spot false prophets is by carefully discerning when their teachings insult and demean God

and diminish God's perfect attributes God is truth and God is love Islam when carefully examined would have us believe otherwise

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happens when we put all of this together

so we have much earlier records for Paul's life than for Muhammad's life
Paul was a brilliant scholar Mohammed was an illiterate 7th century Caravan
trader Paul knew the Old Testament backwards and forwards Mohammed wouldn't
know the Old Testament from a phonebook Paul was a contemporary of Jesus
Mohammed was born more than five centuries later in a different country Paul spoke all of
the relevant languages

Mohammed spoke none of the relevant languages Jesus sent Paul as an apostle but condemned Mohammed as a false prophet Paul tested his revelations Mohammed didn't test his revelations even when Allah told him to Paul's message and authority were confirmed by

Jesus original apostles Jesus original apostles condemned Muhammad's teachings as the teachings of an antichrist Muhammad's other revelations about historical figures destroy his

credibility Paul's don't the historical method supports Paul's view of Jesus and refutes Muhammad's view of Jesus

Muhammad's teachings were heavily influenced by paganism Paul's weren't Muhammad's message flowed directly from his surroundings and his psychological state Paul's message required a radical

transformation Muhammad lived a morally reprehensible life Paul didn't Paul confessed his sins and repented Mohammed justified his sins and continued in them

Muhammad's revelations were self-serving Paul's weren't Paul's revelations made him a better person Muhammad's revelations made him a worse person Paul won converts through peaceful preaching

Mohammed 1 converts primarily through bribes and threats Paul endured greater persecution than

Muhammad Muhammad was spiritually disturbed Paul wasn't Paul performed miracles Muhammad didn't Paul died an honorable death as a martyr Muhammad died a disgraceful death as a false prophet the Quran affirms the reliability of Paul but Paul condemns Muhammad maja message self-destructs pauls doesn't Muhammad's message insults Jesus Paul's message honors Jesus Muhammad's message insults God Paul's message honors God every possible way we can compare these two men in terms of their reliability Paul wins so we're looking for someone to tell us the truth about Jesus and on the one hand we have Paul who may be the most trustworthy human witness of Jesus ever other people might be more reliable in particular ways but when we look at the entire collection of features that make Paul a reliable witness scholarly

training knowledge of the Old Testament and of various languages a desire to test his revelations confirmation by

Jesus and his original followers impenetrable moral fiber miracles power over demons patient endurance in the face of persecution even to the point of martyrdom who's more reliable than the Apostle Paul are

you starting to understand why Jesus chose Paul and as an apostle on the other hand we have an illiterate Caravan trader from the wrong place at the wrong time who stands condemned by Jesus and by his original apostles and by Paul who didn't test his revelations who delivered all sorts of nonsensical revelations about other historical figures who was

influenced by his pagan surroundings and his abnormal psychology who lived a morally reprehensible life and justified his sins and received self-serving revelations who won converts primarily

through bribes and intimidation who is spiritually disturbed admittedly delivering a revelation from Satan and

claiming to be a victim of black magic whose entire message self-destructs because he affirmed books yet contradict

his own book whose message insults God Jesus and Jesus apostles and whose death exposes him as a false prophet according to the standards supplied by his own revelations show me anyone less reliable

than Mohammed if we're having a discussion about Jesus and yet Muslim friends insist that when the

least reliable person in history tells us about Jesus and the claims of the least reliable person in history contradict known facts about Jesus we should put the blame on the most reliable person in history and call him a deceiver so that we can go on

believing the claims of the least reliable person in history this is how
Islam forces its adherents to think to call this a ridiculous methodology would
be an insult to all other ridiculous methodologies Paul completely outclasses
Muhammad and guess what Muslims of the world Paul's not even our main guy Jesus
is our main guy Paul a guy who's not even our main guy thoroughly embarrasses
your only guy you've only got one guy Mohammed you think you've got God and
angels and prophets and so on but it's really just one guy telling you what to believe about
everyone else

one guy telling you what to believe about 50 other guys doesn't mean you've got 51 witnesses it's still just one guy in Christianity we don't have to base our beliefs on a single witness the prophets who came before Jesus confirmed his message Jesus disciples confirmed his message the father confirmed his message the Holy Spirit confirmed his message angels confirmed his message we have a cloud of witnesses affirming our beliefs even without Paul Paul is simply another witness confirming the gospel and all of our witnesses Father Son Holy Spirit angels prophets apostles men women Jews Gentiles everyone is united in affirming the core of the gospel and in condemning Mohammed as the most obvious false prophet in history but when Christians follow the example of the Apostle Paul and we show you how many lies you believed because it never occurred to you to question what your leaders and your parents told you you get angry at us you don't get angry at them for filling your heads with nonsense you get angry at us and so that I reply in the

words of the Apostle Paul have I now become your enemy by telling you the truth

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