

Session One

Outline / Notes

"The goal is to help Christians move beyond stereotypes and toward loving Muslims in a Christ-like way."



A Few Reasons to Learn about Islam:

1. There are so many Muslims. ____ in every ____ people in the world is a Muslim.
2. Jesus commands us to _____.
_____ and _____ make up about 1/2 the population of the world.
3. "Thou shall not _____."
4. Muslims and Christians often share similar _____.
5. Relating to Muslims can deepen _____.
6. Understanding Islam will help us _____ the Gospel for Muslims.

Definitions:

Islam: _____

Muslim: _____

Salaam: _____

As-Salaam Alaikum: _____

Muhahmmad: Born in the year _____ Died in the year _____

Pillars of Islam:

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1: _____

2: _____

3: _____

4: _____

5: _____

(6): _____

The greater jihad is the jihad of the _____.

The lesser jihad is the jihad of the _____.

History:

- For about _____ years Muslims possessed the heights of the world's civilizations and power.
- In less than four centuries Islam fell from being a superpower to being _____ and _____.
- Today a **powerful mix of pride and defeat** still shapes the identity of Muslims.
- Muslims often interpret events such as the crusades, Western colonialism, the establishment of Israel and current events as evidence of a _____ - _____ alliance against Islam.

Hopes for Islamic Revival:

Three Common elements of Muslim hopes for revival are:

1. taking the _____ as a guide for life;
2. following the model of the life of _____ and the first Muslim community;
3. and ordering the government and society according to _____ (*Sharia*).

Closing:

- If Christians fail to reach out to make friends with Muslims in "the silent majority," we will be turning our backs on some of our greatest allies against both _____ and _____.
- Christians may be deeply challenged by:
Muslim critiques of _____

and our failures at _____.