

A Comparison of Violence, Rape/Women, and Salvation Between Islam and Christianity

Islam	Christianity
Violence	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jihad (“Holy War”) - brings all things and people in submission to Allah • Violent from the beginning • By 732 AD, 100 years after the death of Mohammed, Islam had expanded from the small peninsular region of Saudi Arabia to dominate what remained of the old Roman and Persian empires... by violence. • 164 Verses in Qur’an on Jihad • Non-violent Muslims are inconsistent. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence by God’s decree through Prophets • Not used to spread religion. • Israel was the means by which God Judged • Should be seen in the greater context of redemptive history • Not all accounts of violence are <i>descriptive</i> and are no condoned. • Love your Enemies.
Rape & Women	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surah 4:34 says, “As to those women on whose part ye fear disloyalty and ill-conduct, admonish them, refuse to share their beds, beat them.” • Surah 2:282 says that a woman’s witness is equal to half of a man’s “because of the deficiency of a woman’s mind.” • Men are Permitted to Have 4 wives. • Hadith 1:28 - Hell is mostly full of women who are ungrateful to their husbands. • Muhammad permitted the rape of women captured in battle. • Girls who have not reached puberty can be “married” (Implied by Surah 65:4) • While in his 50’s, Muhammad married a girl who was 6, but waited until she was 9 to consummate the relationship. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exodus 22:16–17 - Seduction led to sex; marriage. • Deuteronomy 22:23–24 - Consensual Sex; Death for both • Deuteronomy 22:25-27 - Rape; Death for rapist • Deuteronomy 22:28–29 - Similar to, and an expansion of Exodus 22:16–17 • Galatians 3:28 - There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female--for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. • How God sees women and how Jews saw women are different
Salvation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No guaranteed salvation, save for dying in jihad (Sura 61:10 and Sura 9:111) • God, man, hell, heaven, but no Mediator • Allah does not love those who do not love him • "To those who believe and do deeds of righteousness hath Allah promised forgiveness and a great reward," (Surah 5:9) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christ secured salvation for his chosen people and will never lose any the father gives to him. • For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus. (1 Tim. 2:5) • In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. (1 John 4:10)