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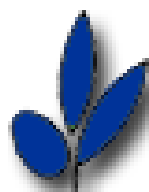


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The Effects of Common Values on European Peace



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# Christianity, Islam and Judaism

- First make a brief overview of the main characteristics of each one of the religions in which our Project is based
- After completing the qualities of each religion we will explain the similarities between them



# CHRISTIANITY (The Bible)

## Featureless

### 1. *The Revelation*

- Christianity is a revealed religion; God revealed to men without it being sought for them. In other religions there is a search God by man.
- Christianity has its origin in the initiative Divine. God chose Abraham, Moses and the prophets. None of them sought God, always put difficult to follow and implement the mandates that God told them directly.
- The Incarnation of the Word is pure initiative of God. Jesus start calling his disciples. And they communicates the divine plan for the salvation of the men.



# CHRISTIANITY (The Bible)

## 2. God as Holy Trinity

- The Christian religion is the revelation of being God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit

*"The knowledge of God as Holy Trinity was veiled to the faith of the people of Israel, before the incarnation of the Son of God and the sending of the Holy Spirit" Santo (CIC, No. 237)*

## 3. The incarnation of the Son of God

- Christianity is distinguished by an unknown true for other religions: the fact that the Second Person of the Trinity became man

*"The immediate object of Christian faith is to believe that Jesus of Nazareth is God, to the point that Jesus will say, "I and the Father are one and the same" (Jn 10,30)*



# ISLAM (The Koran)

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- 1. Arabic word which means "submission to God". Founded by Muhammad in the first half of the seventh century.*
- 2. The belief is that professes absolute monotheism: there one God, Allah, and Muhammad It is his only prophet.*
- 3. The soul is immortal and will be judged by God to reward or punishment. Paradise is a kind of garden and he will go to stop the righteous. The infidels will go to hell.*
- 4. Their holy book is, the Koran*

# ISLAM (The Koran)

## ETHICAL PRINCIPLES OF ISLAM ARE CALLED FIVE COLUMNS:

1. **CONFESSION OF FAITH:** "I confess that there is only one God, Allah, and Mohammed is his prophet"
2. **RITUAL PRAYER:** Five moments dedicated to prayer day and night.
3. **LEGAL ALMS:** To serve the poor.
4. **FAST:** In the month of Ramadan.
5. **PILGRIMAGE:** to Mecca (Holy City)

# JUDAISM (The Torah)

## Featureless

1. *Fundamental: Jesus Christ and his Mother, the Virgin Mary, were Jews. Israel is God's chosen people in which Christianity was born and grafted*
2. *The truths professed Judaism are also heritage of Christianity, Judaism and Christianity as they have in common the Old Testament.*

# JUDAISM (The Torah)

## The fundamental beliefs:

- **MONOTHEISM TOTAL AND ABSOLUTE:** God "is what it is" (in Hebrew Yahweh). Jews believe in Him
- **GOD IS THE CREATOR OF ALL THINGS:** In the origins of humanity man he sinned, breaking the alliance with God. God's covenant with Noah a alliance.
- **THE HISTORY OF SALVATION BEGINS WITH ABRAHAM:** Whom the Jews and Christians have the "father in faith".

# VALUES AND ELEMENTS COMMON OF CHRISTIANITY, ISLAM AND JUDAISM

- **BELIEF IN A HIGHER GOD:** Religion begins with the belief in a supreme God, man feels compelled to respond to a call from God. This is the difference between the polytheistic religions and religious monotheism.
- **THE EXISTENCE OF A CULT AND RITES:** The proximity of the divine leads man to reach the Supreme God through acts of worship, adoration, petition, thanksgiving, sacrifices, etc.
- **TRACK A MORAL AGENDA:** The belief in a supreme God awakens in man the need to get right with God.
- **BELIEF IN A LIFE AFTER DEATH:** The existence of God reveals to man that his personal life is transcendental and must endure beyond a death.
- **SOCIAL INFLUENCE:** The various religions affect not only the individual, but to coexistence among men. Moral duties arising in society, a schedule is made and holy days listed.
- **CREATION OF CULTURE:** Religions have created over time cultural expression in all the arts. It must be added human and ethical values that shape the cultures of peoples.

# Common values in the verses of a Bible, the Koran and the Torah: Values and interpretation

## CHRISTIANITY AND THE BIBLE: The problem of racism and xenophobia

- Some of the greatest tragedies that affect us every day are prejudice, mistrust, hatred and conflicts arising from racism and xenophobia.
- Belief begets proceed.
- Each of us has learned to draw a circle around itself. Within this circle, commonly we have been taught to enclose all the rights and privileges we want for ourselves, without the rest invade or remove what is ours.
- Furthermore, this circle belonging family includes immediate relatives and friends, tribe or clan, the nation and its folklore.

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- In the practice, we come to know and approve the background and culture of their own race, nation and tribe, with their aspirations, way of thinking and acting suspiciously wary of those who bring new customs and ways.
- Then the educational gap and personal assets up a wall of prejudice that tends to be more bitter. Those with greater social benefits tend to despise or belittle those who have less.
- The Poor people often envy with great resentment and even hate, the rich and educated.
- These attitudes have prompted several nations to collapse the class struggle and segregation racial.

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- *“The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living” Genesis 3:20*

## **INTERPRETATION:**

According to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) states that "all human beings belong to the same species and have the same origin" (Declaration on Race and Racial Prejudice, 1978) .



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## VERSES

*"And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place" **Acts 17:26***

*"And they fell on their faces and said, "O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and will you be angry with all the congregation?" **Numbers 16:22***

*"Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live?" **Hebrews 12:9***

*"from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named"  
**Ephesians 3:15***

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## INTERPRETATION

First, we know that all races come from the same ancestor common. We do not know exactly how God's providence worked for color differences in races, but we can understand how people. They spread throughout the centuries developed different customs cultures. Do not However, under the cloak of customs, all have basically the same nature, the ability to love, a sense of responsibility, conscience and deep sense of respect for justice and law. Of course, the former things often be defined differently.

Therefore, the first step to overcome racism is to expand our circle include all races and nations, striving to understand their origins, culture, way of thinking and living. With more understanding, we will be surprised to find that other races and peoples are more like us than we expected, with a common nature of aspirations and hopes.

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## VERSES

*“For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.” **Galatians 3:27-28***

*“For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.” **Ephesians 2:14-16***



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*"<sup>17</sup> And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup> For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup> In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit."*

***Ephesians 2:17-22***

*"<sup>34</sup> So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him." **Acts 10:34-35***



# Common values in the verses of a Bible, the Koran and the Torah: Values and interpretation

## INTERPRETATION

We must discern what God expects of us, we develop this perception towards our neighbors.

When the world was filled with corruption and violence, God chose a man of great faith through which he could bless the world.

Was necessary to happen a number of miracles to the apostle Peter, and others with him, were convinced that both nations Jews are accepted as facts by the blood of Christ in the people of God.

God does not affect the class or racial differences to express their approval. He has such carnal preferences. God does not look at race, color, nationality, formal education, wealth or poverty to approve or disapprove someone.

# Common values in the verses of a Bible, the Koran and the Torah: Values and interpretation

## VERSES

*"<sup>11</sup> For God shows no partiality." **Romans 2:11***

*<sup>12</sup> "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets." **Matthew 7:12***

*"a brief summary of human behavior required by God from the beginning of the world" (**Wayne Partain, Notes Mateo**)*



# Common values in the verses of a Bible, the Koran and the Torah: Values and interpretation

## INTERPRETATION

We need to learn to put ourselves in the shoes of others and act consequence.

Therefore, if we want to please God, we have no racial prejudice against others, on the contrary we try to understand them and make them what they wanted receive instead.

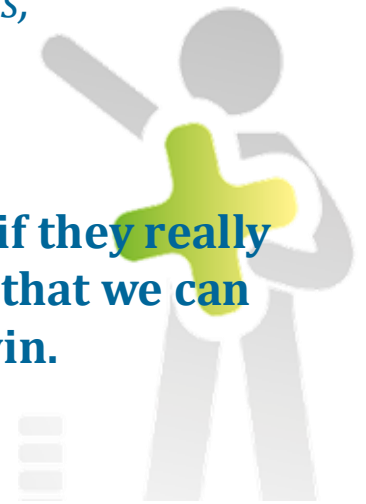
No matter what social position we are, if we want to be treated into consideration, justice, kindness, compassion and mercy, we must first strive to do this to others. If we do this, regardless of what others do, we will be pleasing of God for our lives removed from prejudice malicious racist.

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## FINAL REFLECTION: Someday end racism and xenophobia?

*"It shall come to pass in the latter days  
that the mountain of the house of the LORD  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be lifted up above the hills;  
and all the nations shall flow to it," **Isaiah 2:2***

**Seeing the serious racial tensions, many people wonder if they really have advanced in the fight against racism. Some believe that we can never win, but we believe that in the end will win.**



# Common values in the verses of a Bible, the Koran and the Torah: Values and interpretation

## VALUES

- **Love and forgiveness**
  - Love and forgiveness in the secular and religious thought
    - Forgiveness is necessary for men
    - Tours to forgiveness
    - Share convictions
    - Does religion divides people?
    - The aim of the common values initiative.



# Common values in the verses of a Bible, the Koran and the Torah: Values and interpretation

- **Non-violence**

- Elections of trust and non-violence
- Non-violence, a prerequisite for peace and for a decent life
  - The notion of dignity
  - The strength of nonviolence
- The use of the hatred between religious communities
- Secularism and religions are carrying messages of peace
  - The break even within religions
  - The political balance.



# Common values in the verses of a Bible, the Koran and the Torah: Values and interpretation

- **Respect of the Other**

- Multiculturalism and respect for the Other
- Accept others beyond religious belongings
  - The Other religions and secular thought
  - Unlike everyday identity and integration
- Find the path of integration in religions ...
  - ... and secular thought.



# Common values in the verses of a Bible, the Koran and the Torah: Values and interpretation

- **Generosity the sharing**
  - Sustainable development
    - Generosity in religions
  - Generosity in secular humanist vision
  - The generosity and soul of social solidarity
    - Environmental issues in the comic
  - The secular stance on environmental issues
  - The religious view of environmental issues.



# Common values in the verses of a Bible, the Koran and the Torah: Values and interpretation

- **Non discrimination**

- Non-discrimination in secular thought
- Religions, secularism and non-discrimination
  - Breaking agents
- The collaboration of the civilizations
  - Belonging, identity, integration
  - The position of the parents..



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