

"Corruption" of the Scriptures?

Tract M36

Since the truth is so readily apparent in this information age, many modern-day followers of Muhammad resort to lashing out, by proclaiming that the 1600 year record of revelation of YHWH to mankind has been "corrupted". This would require corruption to the extent that the whole subject of the Gospel - indeed the whole Bible - somehow became the exact opposite of what it is supposed to be, according a single, stand-alone, illiterate, SW Arabian desert dweller, who came along 500 years after the scriptures were closed, and filled his followers with complete resolve as to what to DISbelieve, DENY and REJECT. The scriptures explain what this makes such as them:

1John 5:10 He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.

What does Muhammad's follower's claim of "corruption" of the Bible say about their own prophet

Muhammad? By Muhammad's 7th century the Gospel had been translated into every popular language, copied many tens of thousands of times, and had been read all over the known world for centuries. In that same 7th century Muhammad proclaimed:

Surah 5:47 **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 Christian's are specifically instructed by Mohammed to judge - even Islam - according to what God has revealed to us in the Gospel. Here's how Mark starts his Gospel witness:

Mark 1:1 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God;

Muhammad's instructions for Jews and Christians:

Surah 5:68 Say: "**O People of the Book! ye have no ground to stand upon unless ye stand fast by the Law, the Gospel, and all the revelation that has come to you from your Lord.**" It is the revelation that cometh to thee from thy Lord, that increaseth in most of them their obstinate rebellion and blasphemy. But sorrow thou not over (these) people without Faith.

Muhammad even gave his own followers similar instruction:

Surah 4:136 O ye who believe! **Believe in Allah** and His Messenger, and the scripture which He hath sent to His Messenger **and the scripture which He sent to those before (him).** Any who denieth Allah, His angels, His Books, His Messengers, and the

Day of Judgment, hath gone far, far astray.

How can Muhammad's followers "believe in" "the scripture which He sent to those before" Muhammad if they've never even read them? Why not read what those scriptures say at IslamAndTheTruth.com. If you are you afraid to, what does that say about your stand-alone "messenger" Muhammad?

Quoting Ellis Skolfield from "Bible Manuscript Errors?": "It is impossible to support any kind of later corrupting when we have those 5300 early manuscripts [prior to 300 AD] that prove otherwise. In fact, because of this breadth of early manuscript support, textual scholars have concluded -- that for all practical purposes -- we have the original documents themselves. For a claim of tampering to be seriously considered, one would have to show that scribes from Syria, Babylonia, Galatia, Asia, India, Rome, India, Egypt, Greece, Carthage, Tarshish and Macedonia -- to name a few -- all made the same mistake, at the same time, for the same doctrinal purpose. An utterly ridiculous idea.

In stark contrast, Gerd Rüdiger Puin is an authority on Qur'anic historical orthography and a specialist in Arabic paleography. He was "the head of a restoration project, commissioned by the Yemeni government, which spent a significant amount of time examining the ancient Qur'anic manuscripts discovered in Sana'a, Yemen, in 1972, in order to find criteria for systematically cataloging them." (Wikipedia)

He commented on that ancient Quran: "The Koran claims for

itself that it is 'mubeen,' or 'clear,' but if you look at it, you will notice that every fifth sentence or so simply doesn't make sense. Many Muslims—and Orientalists—will tell you otherwise, of course, but the fact is that a fifth of the Koranic text is just incomprehensible. This is what has caused the traditional anxiety regarding translation. If the Koran is not comprehensible—if it can't even be understood in Arabic—then it's not translatable.”

Let alone that a whopping 71 out of only 114 chapters in the Quran are subject to abrogation.

Author Ellis Skolfield writes: "The last books of the New Testament were written by about 100 A.D. by the apostle John who was still alive at that time. We have over 5300 partial or complete manuscripts of the New Testament penned prior to fourth century A.D. Though not assembled into what we now know now as the New Testament until 300 A.D., those canonical writings of Jesus' apostles were being read all over the known world. Though it is disputed by some Messianic Jews, the New Testament manuscripts were originally written in Koine` Greek and then copied by early Christians into every language known to the world. Our major manuscripts are in Greek, yes, but we also have important early manuscripts in Latin, Syriac, Aramaic, Hebrew, and several other lesser-known languages. We have one small piece of the Gospel of John, found on the Egyptian island of Elephantine, that is early enough to be a piece of the original.

It is impossible to support any kind of later corrupting when we have those 5300 early manuscripts that prove otherwise. In fact, because of this breadth of early manuscript

support, textual scholars have concluded -- that for all practical purposes -- we have the original documents themselves. For a claim of tampering to be seriously considered, one would have to show that scribes from Syria, Babylonia, Galatia, Asia, India, Rome, India, Egypt, Greece, Carthage, Tarshish and Macedonia -- to name a few -- all made the same mistake, at the same time, for the same doctrinal purpose. An utterly ridiculous idea."

Of the Old Testament scriptures Skolfield writes: "To suggest there was tampering to the Old Testament documents prior to 300 B.C. shows a misunderstanding of Israelite scribal methodology and of their reverence for the Scriptures. First of all, biblical scrolls were written on the inside only to prevent any smudging or smearing that might lead to a misreading of the text. When being copied -- besides many parallel readings -- the copy was compared with the original in every way humanly possible.

The words in each column were counted and then the letters. The first, last, and middle letter and word in each column had to be identical to the original. If the number of words or the number of letters of the copy differed from the original, the copy was destroyed. Then they counted the words and letters in the whole document. They divided the document into quarters and into eighths. The first, last and middle letter in each section had to be the same. The number of words and the number of letters in each section had to be the same. The middle word and the middle letter in each section had to be the same, and they had to be the same for the whole document. If not, the copy

was destroyed. Not corrected, but destroyed!"

That textual integrity of the Holy scriptures while it is suggested of Muhammad's Quran:

"[Narrated 'Aisha] "The verse of the stoning and of suckling an adult ten times were revealed, and they were (written) on a paper and kept under my bed. **When the messenger of Allah expired** and we were preoccupied with his death, **a goat entered and ate away the paper.**"

Musnad Ahmad bin Hanbal. vol. 6. p. 269; Sunan Ibn Majah, p. 626; Ibn Qutbah, Tawil Mukhtalafi 'l-Hadith (Cairo: Maktaba al-Kulliyat al-Azhariyya. 1966) p. 310; As-Suyuti, ad-Durru 'l-Manthur, vol. 2. p. 13

Come on, really? A goat ate part of the Quran? Is that all the better of a job Muhammad's "Allah" could do of preserving his words?

Yet Muhammad's followers today quite casually blacpheme the 1600 year record of the one true God YHWH - and His name, and his prophets and witnesses, that his people have followed through two covenants for 3500 years - as being "corrupted". Just as prophesied of the kingdom "beast":

Revelation 13:6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

While at the same time denigrating Muhammad's words in the process!

John 14:6 **Jesus saith** unto him, **I am** the way, **the truth**, and the life: **no man** cometh unto the Father, but by me.

FalseProphetMuhammad.com