

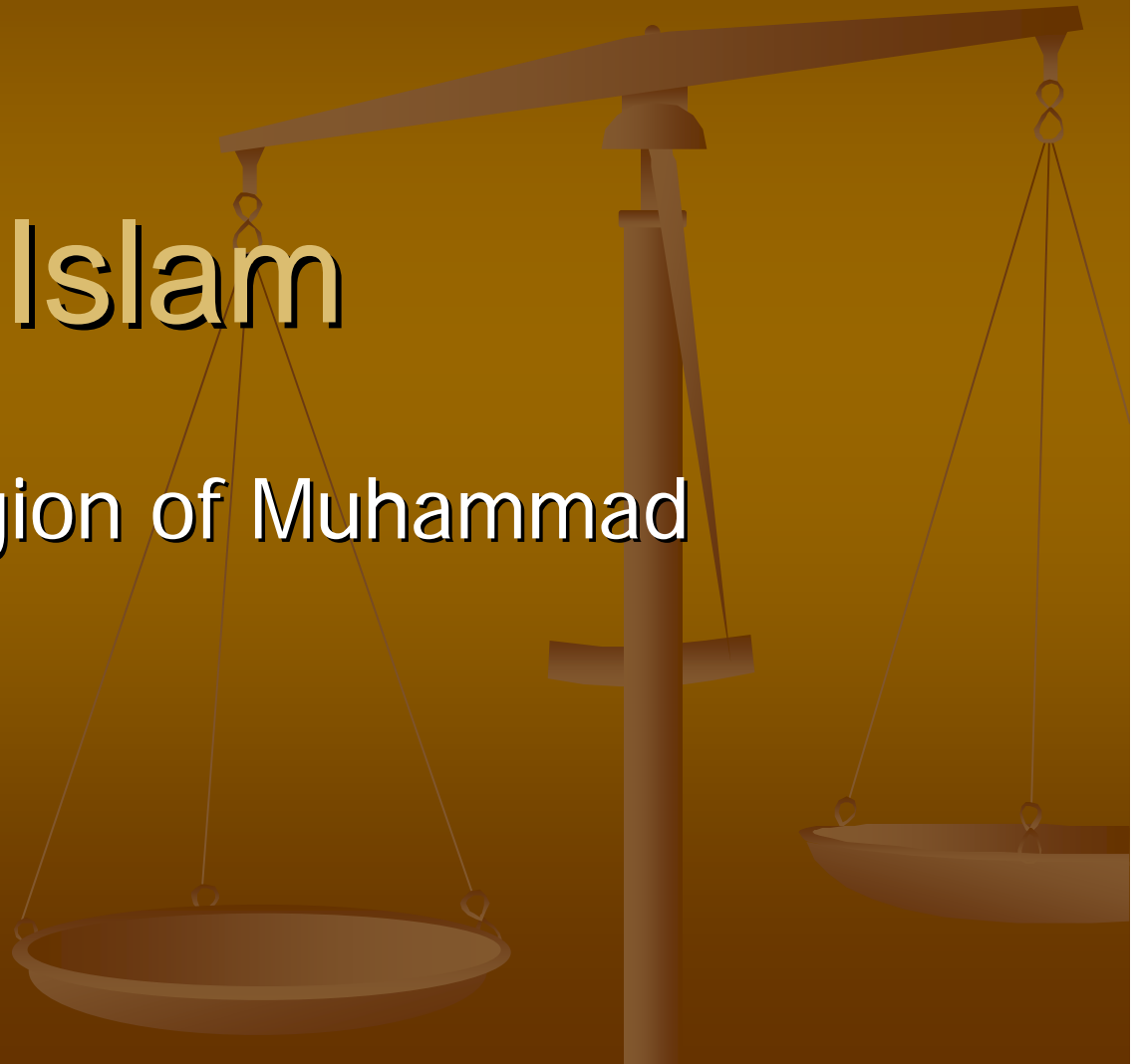


# What They Believe

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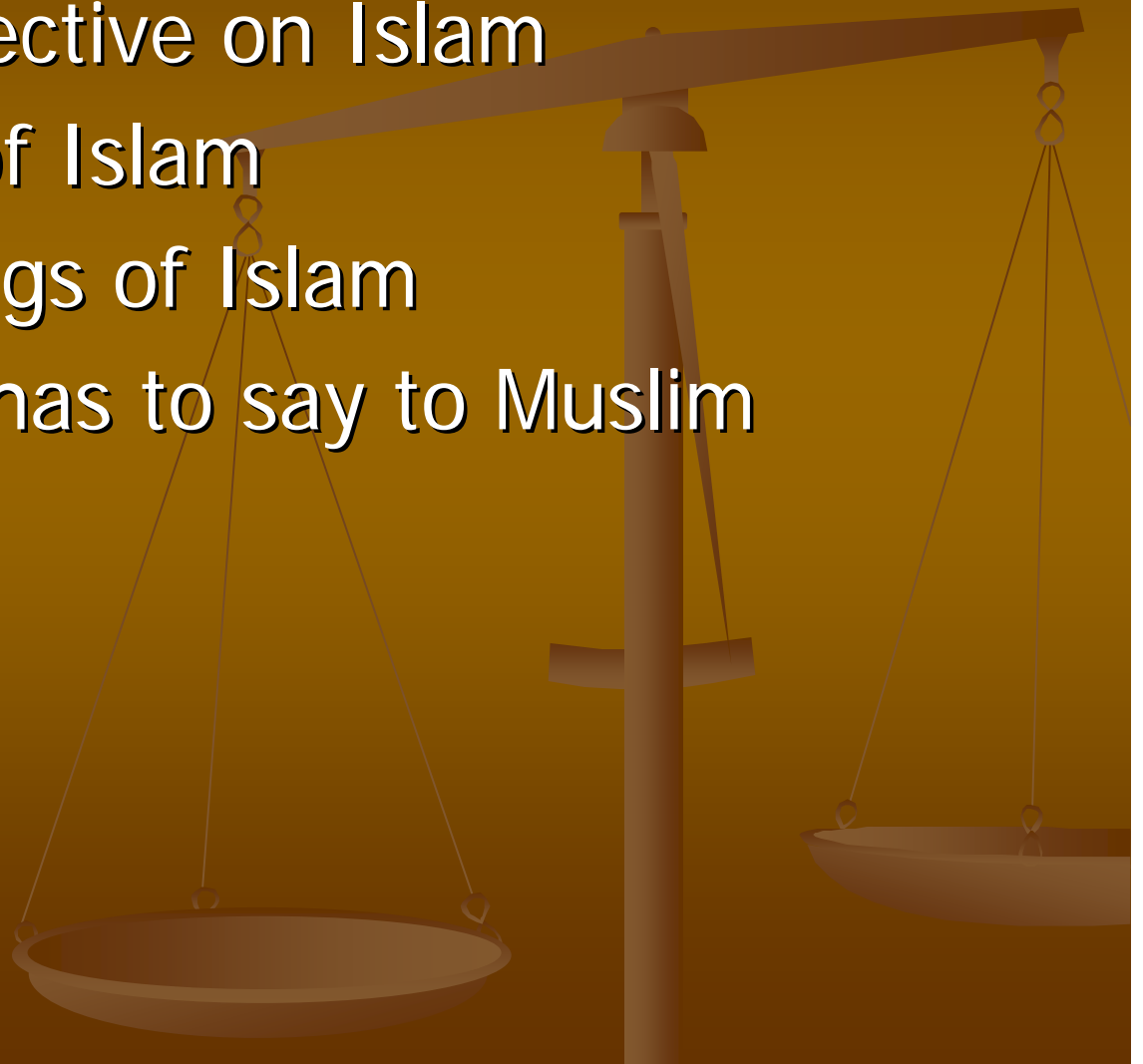
# Islam

The Religion of Muhammad



# What We'll Study

- A Biblical perspective on Islam
- A brief history of Islam
- The key teachings of Islam
- What the Bible has to say to Muslim people

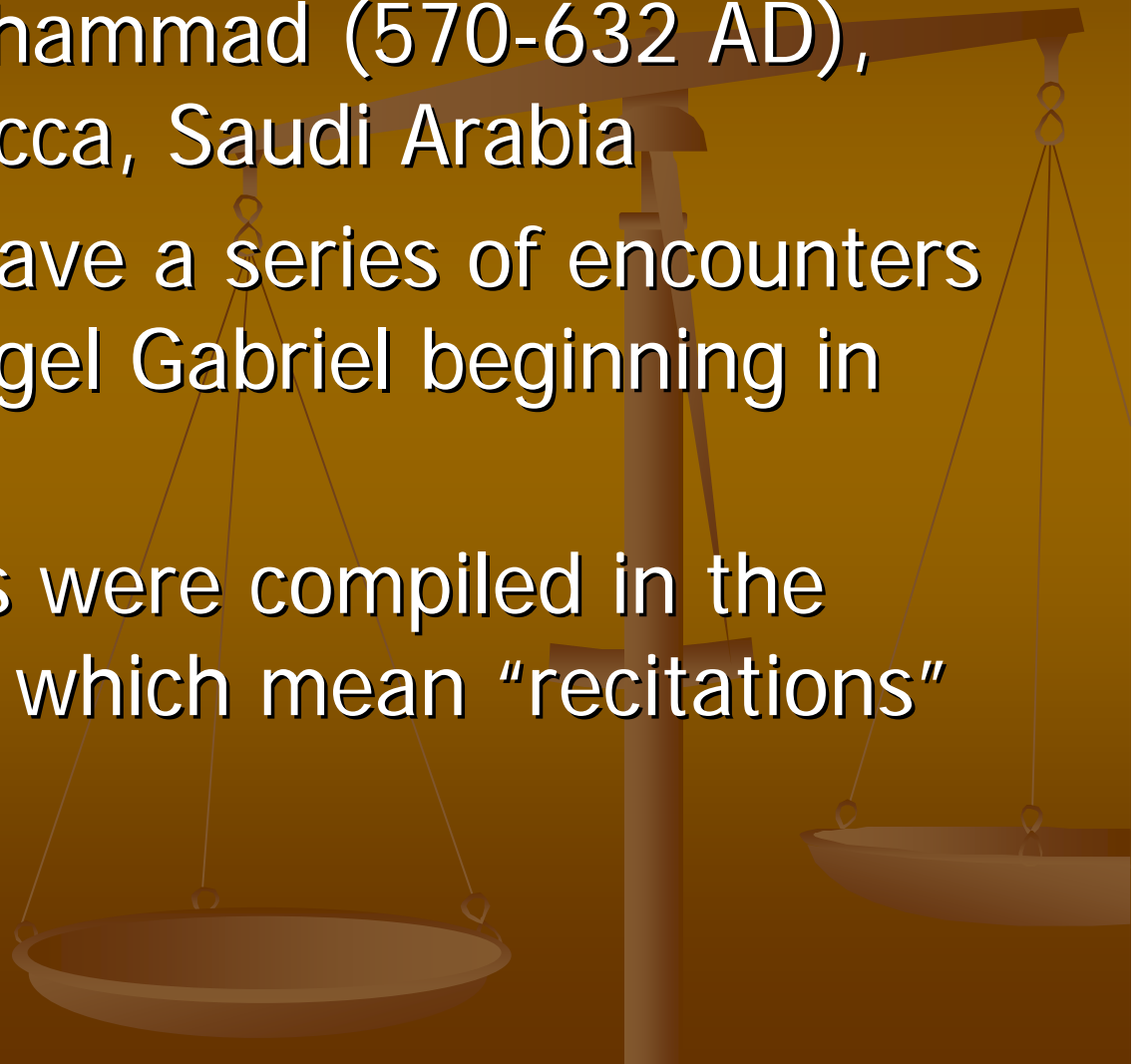


# A Biblical Perspective on Islam

- “Behold, you are with child, and you shall bear a son. You shall call his name Ishmael, because the LORD has heard your affliction. He shall be a wild man; His hand shall be against every man, and every man’s hand against him. And he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.” (Genesis 16:11-12)

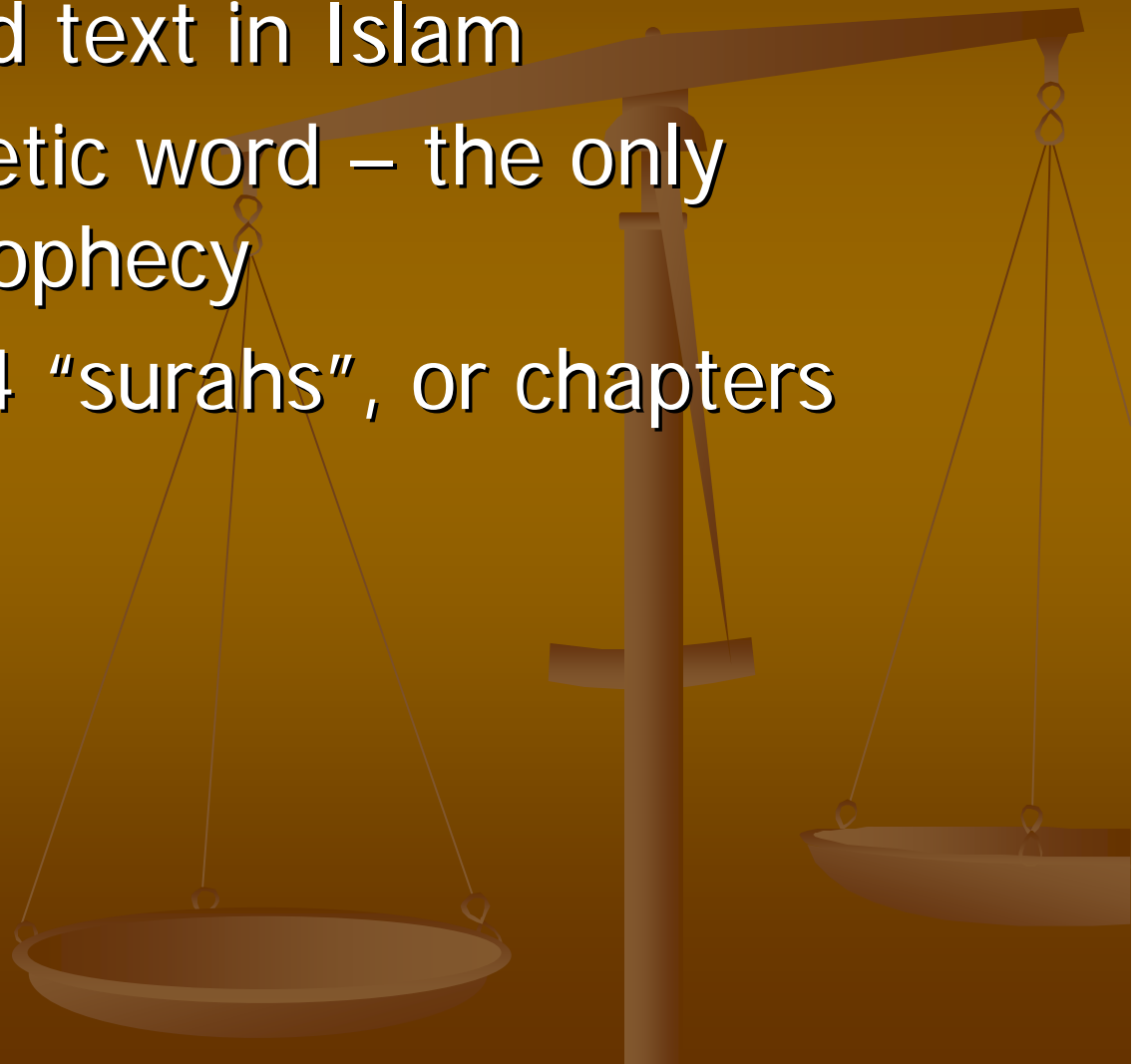
# A Brief History on Islam

- Founded by Muhammad (570-632 AD), who lived in Mecca, Saudi Arabia
- He claimed to have a series of encounters with the archangel Gabriel beginning in the year 610
- These teachings were compiled in the Qur'an (Koran), which mean "recitations"



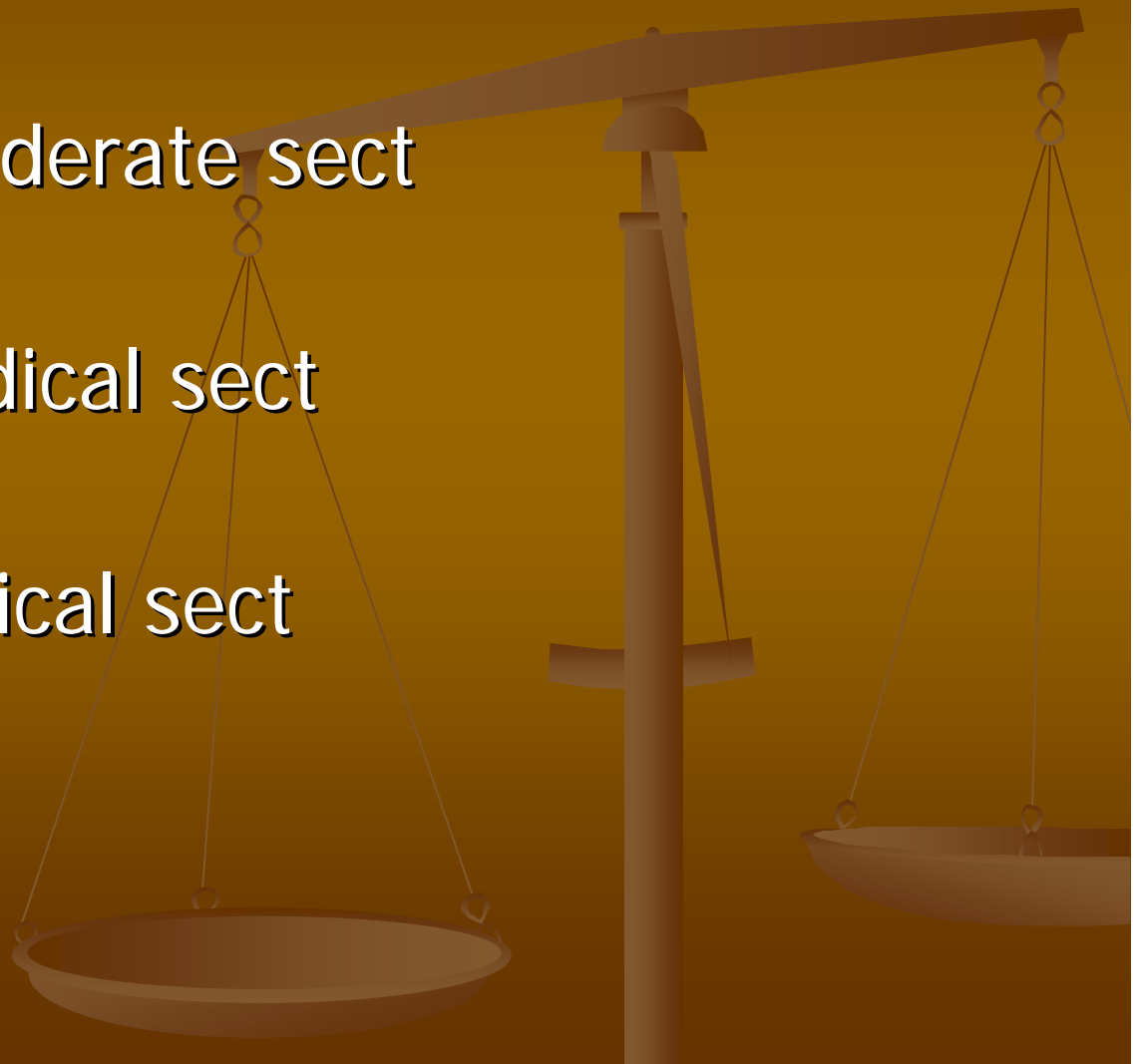
# The Qur'an (Koran)

- The most sacred text in Islam
- The final prophetic word – the only unblemished prophecy
- Divided into 114 “surahs”, or chapters

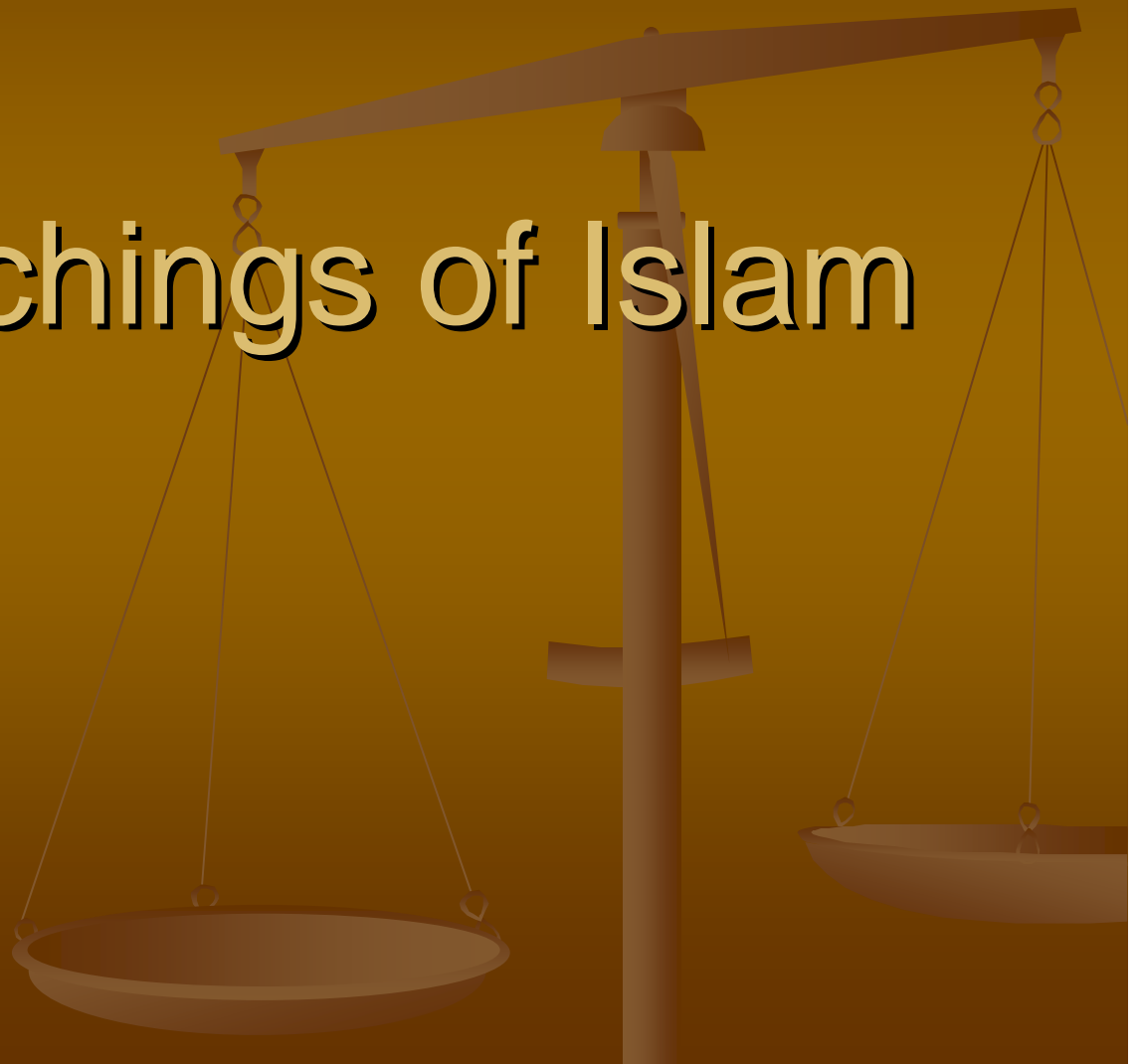


# Major Sects of Islam

- Sunni – The moderate sect
- Shi'ite – The radical sect
- Sufi – The mystical sect



# Key Teachings of Islam



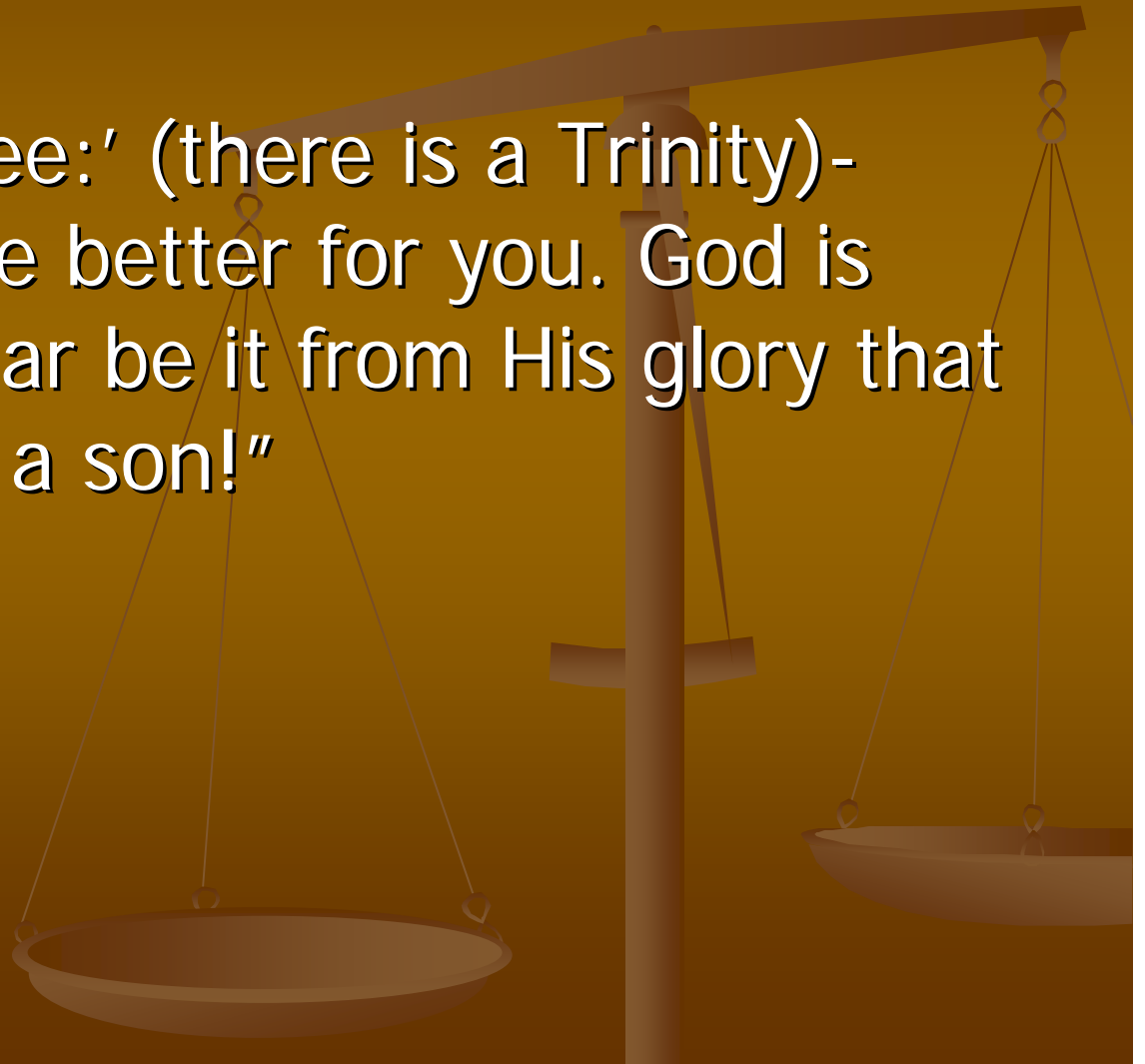
# The Five Pillars

- The Shahadah
- Prayer
- Fasting
- Almsgiving
- Pilgrimage



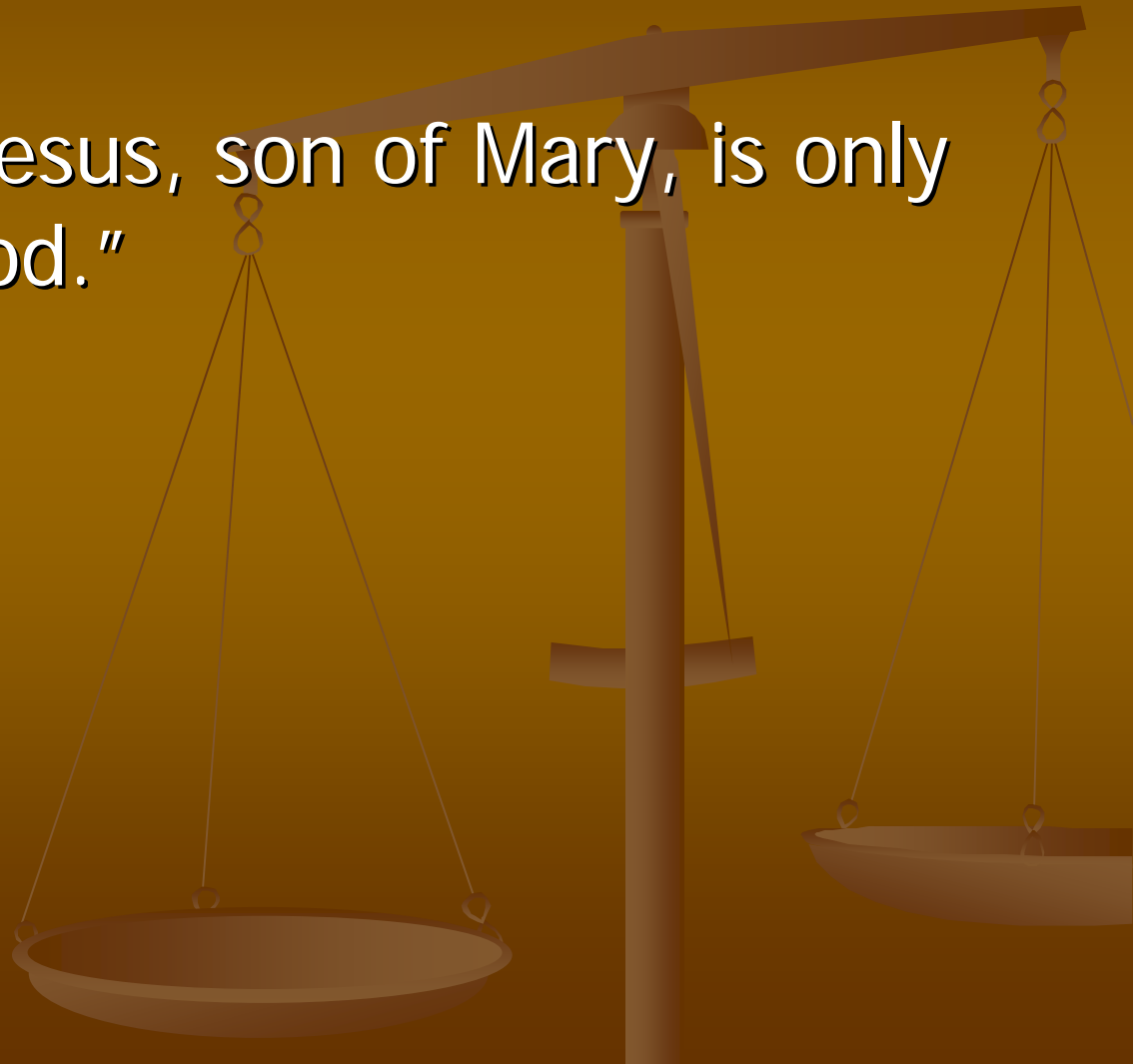
# Monotheism – Denial of the Trinity

- "...say not, 'Three:' (there is a Trinity)-  
Forbear-it will be better for you. God is  
only one God! Far be it from His glory that  
He should have a son!"  
(Surah 4:171)



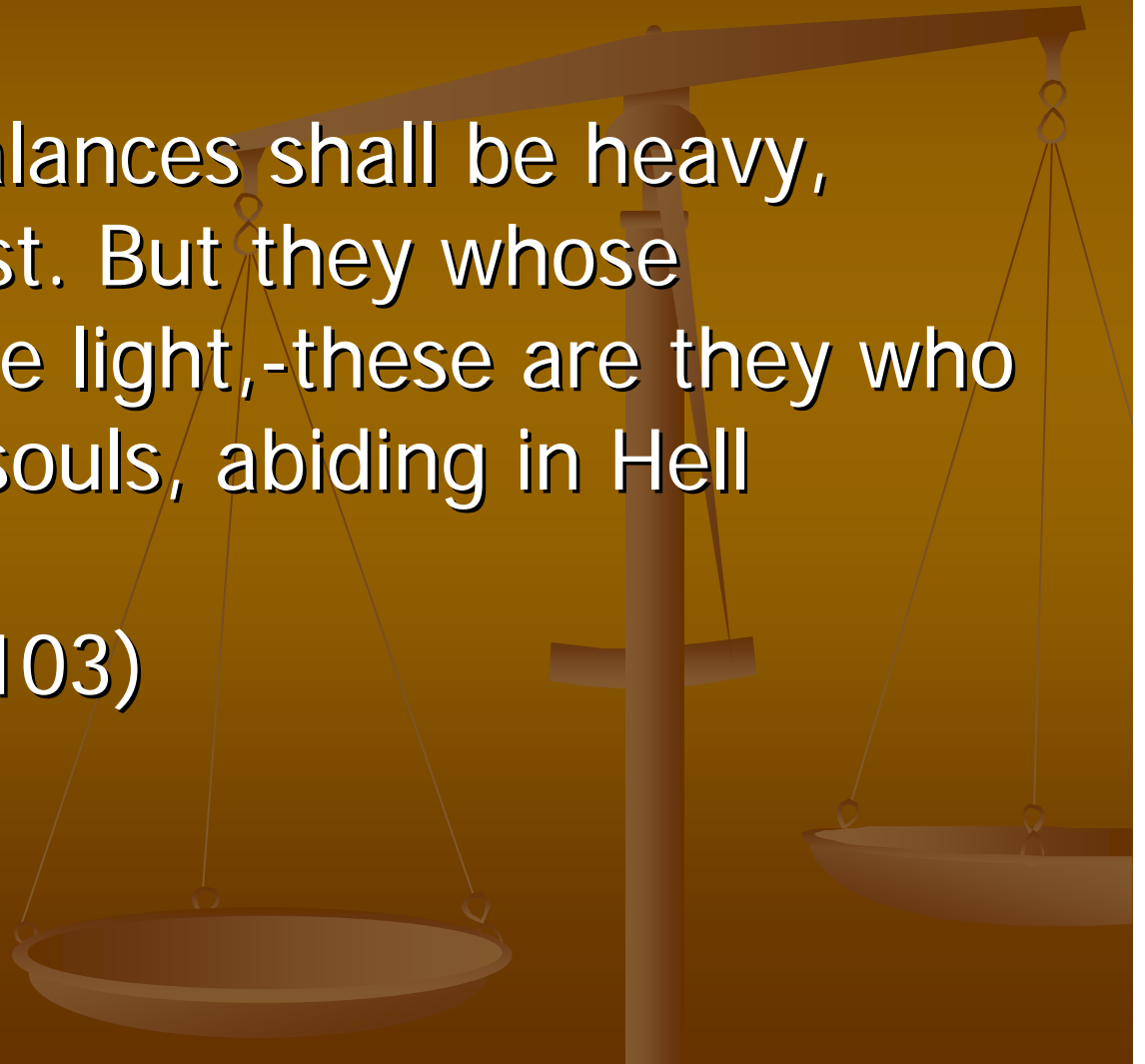
# Jesus is Not Divine, But Only a Prophet

- “The Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary, is only an apostle of God.”  
(Surah 4:171)



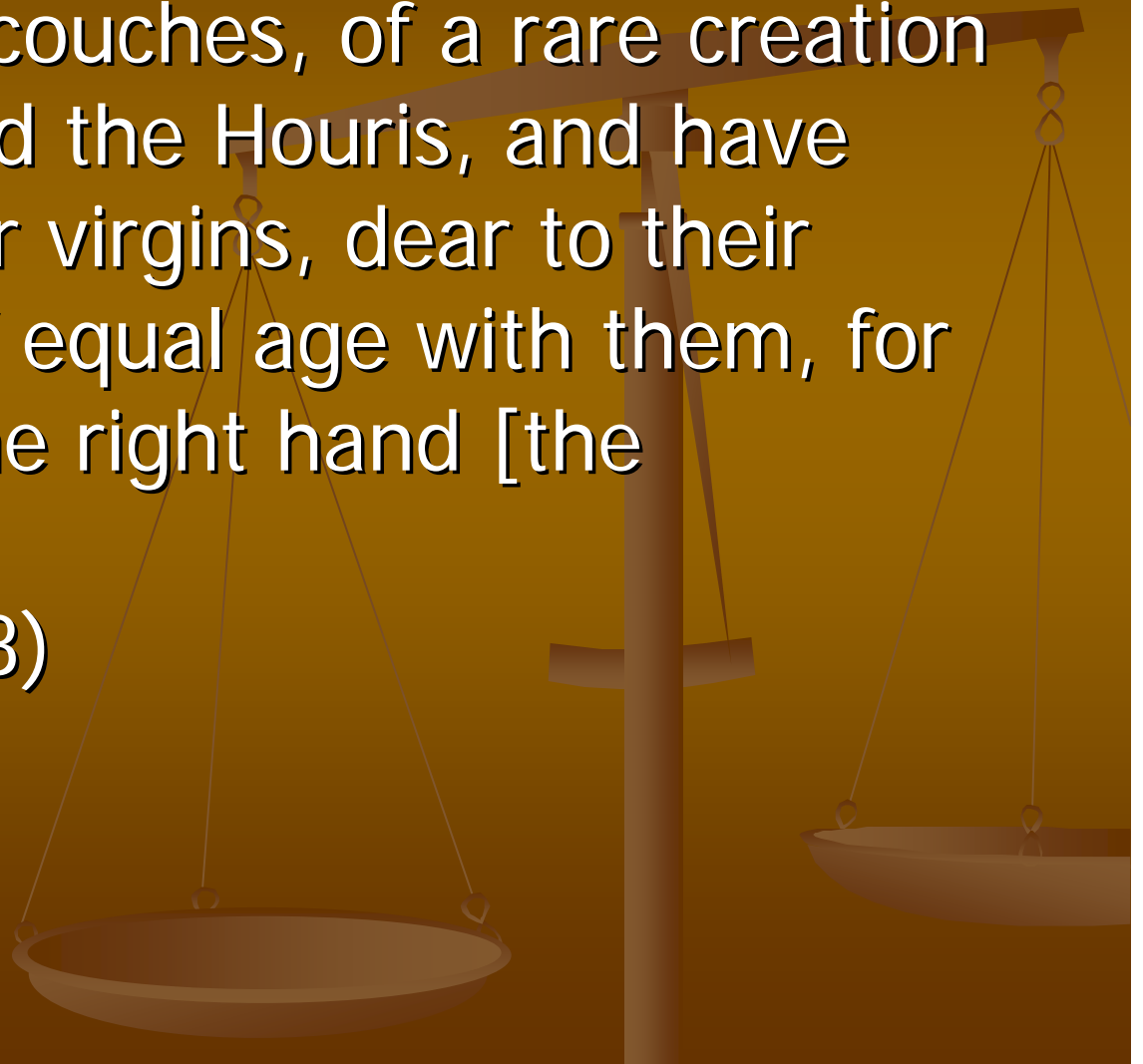
# Salvation Is By Works

- “They whose balances shall be heavy, shall be the blest. But they whose balances shall be light,-these are they who shall lose their souls, abiding in Hell forever.”  
(Surah 23:102-103)



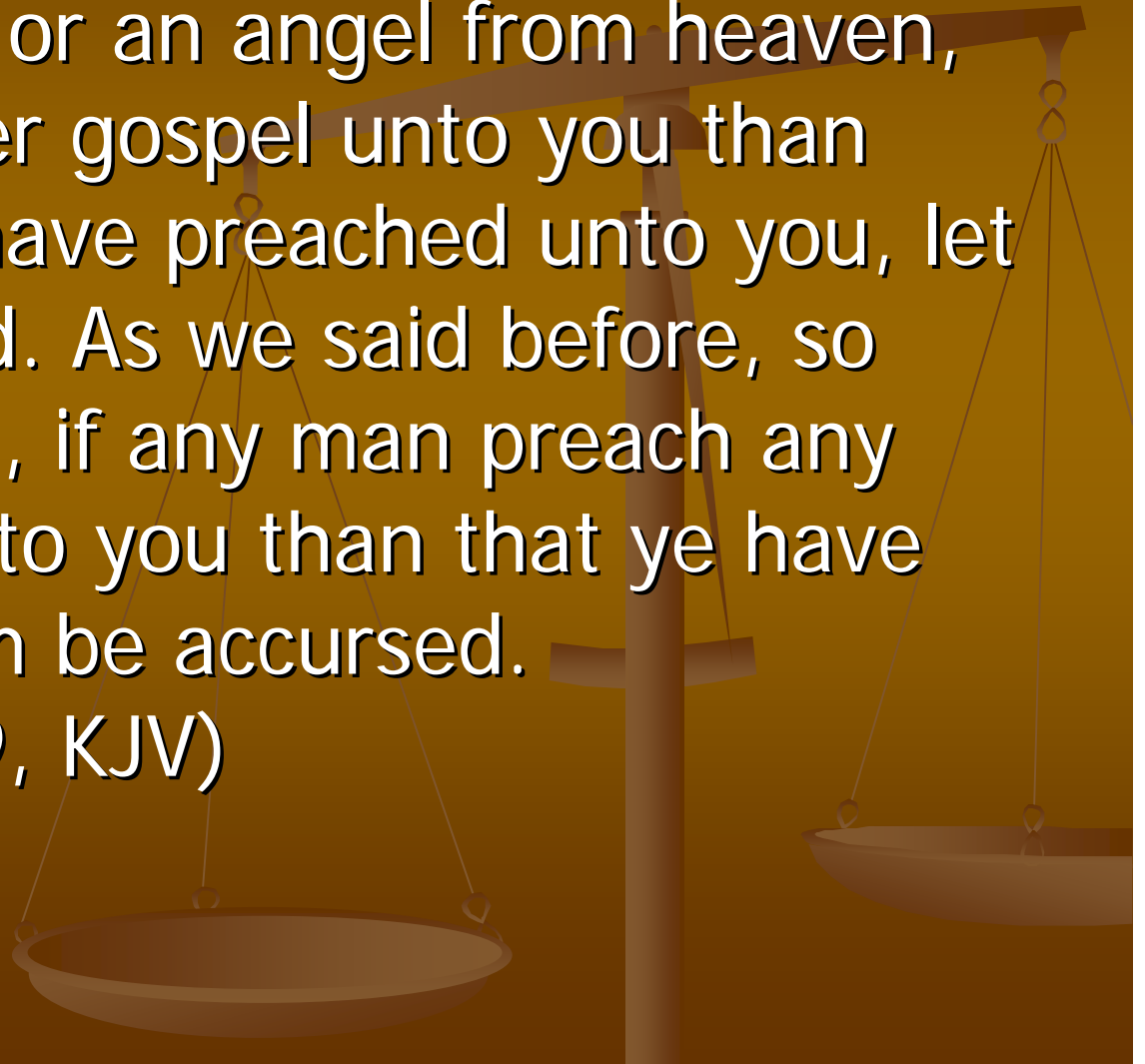
# Heaven Is Eternal Indulging

- "...and on lofty couches, of a rare creation have We created the Houris, and have made them ever virgins, dear to their spouses, and of equal age with them, for the people of the right hand [the righteous]."  
(Surah 56:34-38)



# The Bible's Word to Muslims

- But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.  
(Galatians 1:8-9, KJV)



# Conclusion

- Islam was founded by Muhammad in the seventh century
- It teaches strict monotheism, salvation by works, and an eternity of sinful indulgence
- The Bible warns against receiving any other gospel, even if it was delivered by the archangel Gabriel

