

The Gospel and Different World-Views



A Look At Islam
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A few stories

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Many Muslims think everyone in Australia is a Christian (a committed)

Travelling in Egypt

Islam integrates into life everyday

Zafir

Muslims are interested in sharing their beliefs
And are often open to hearing about the beliefs of others

Zara

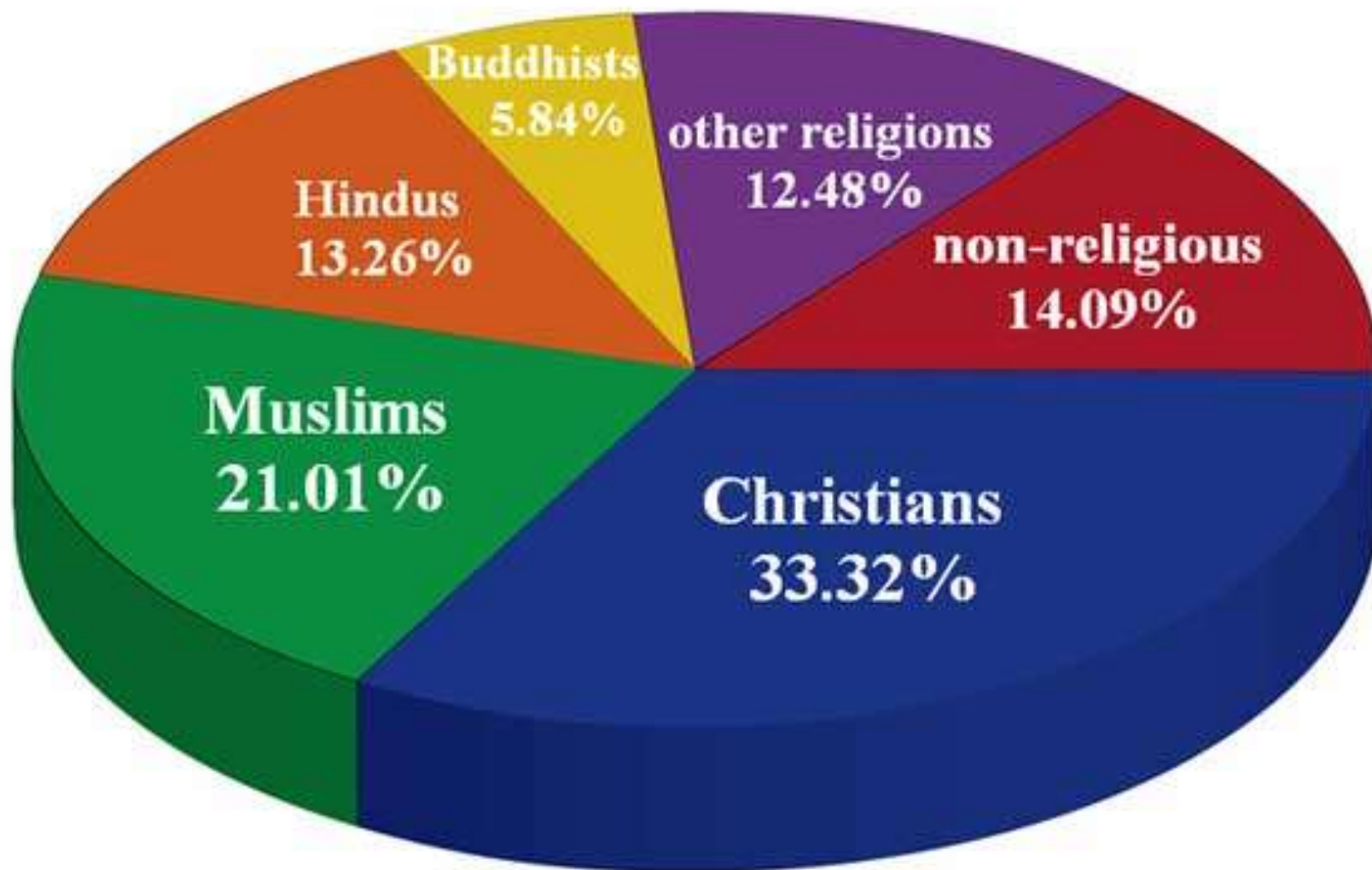
Leaving the faith means abandoning the family

Any other short stories to share?

Question

So what are the major religions in the world?

World Religions by percentage

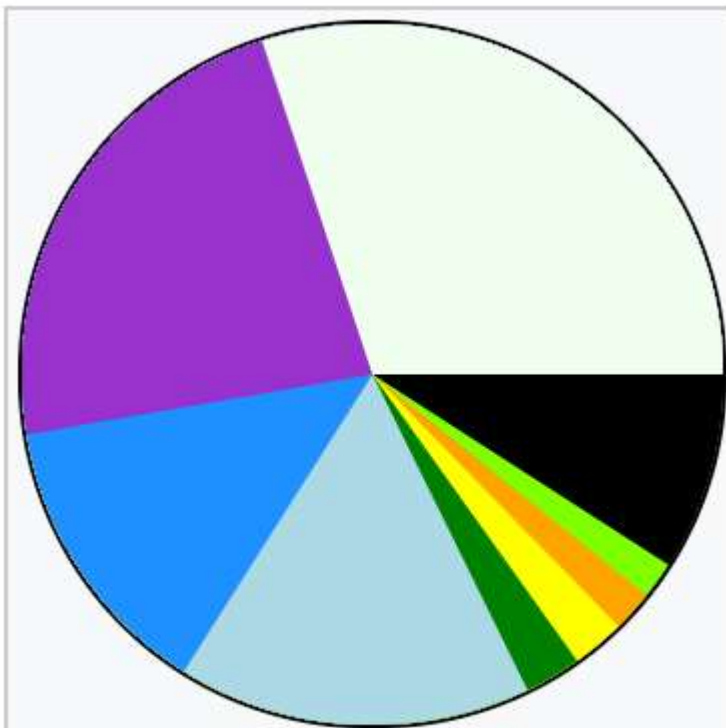


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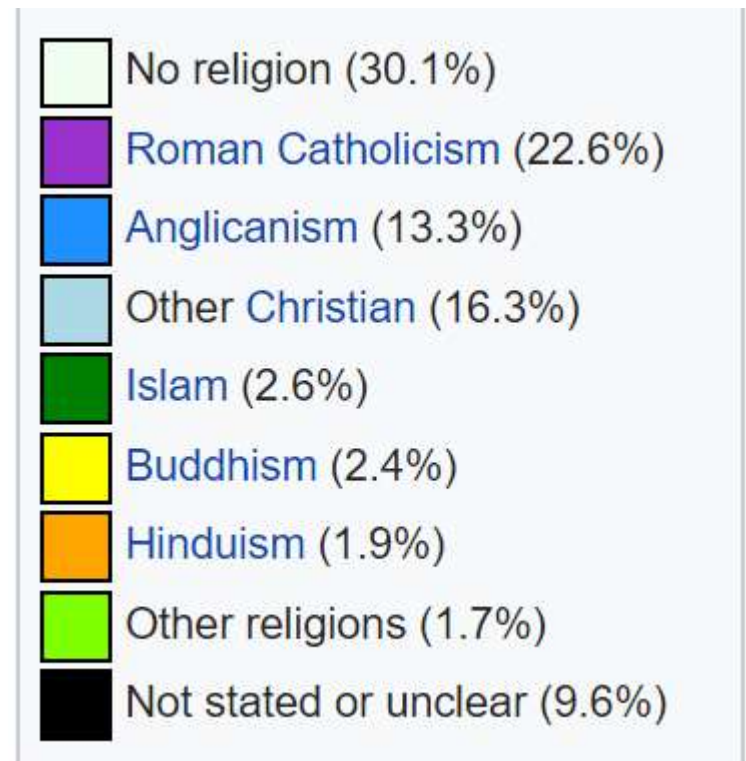
Question

And what are the major religions in Australia?

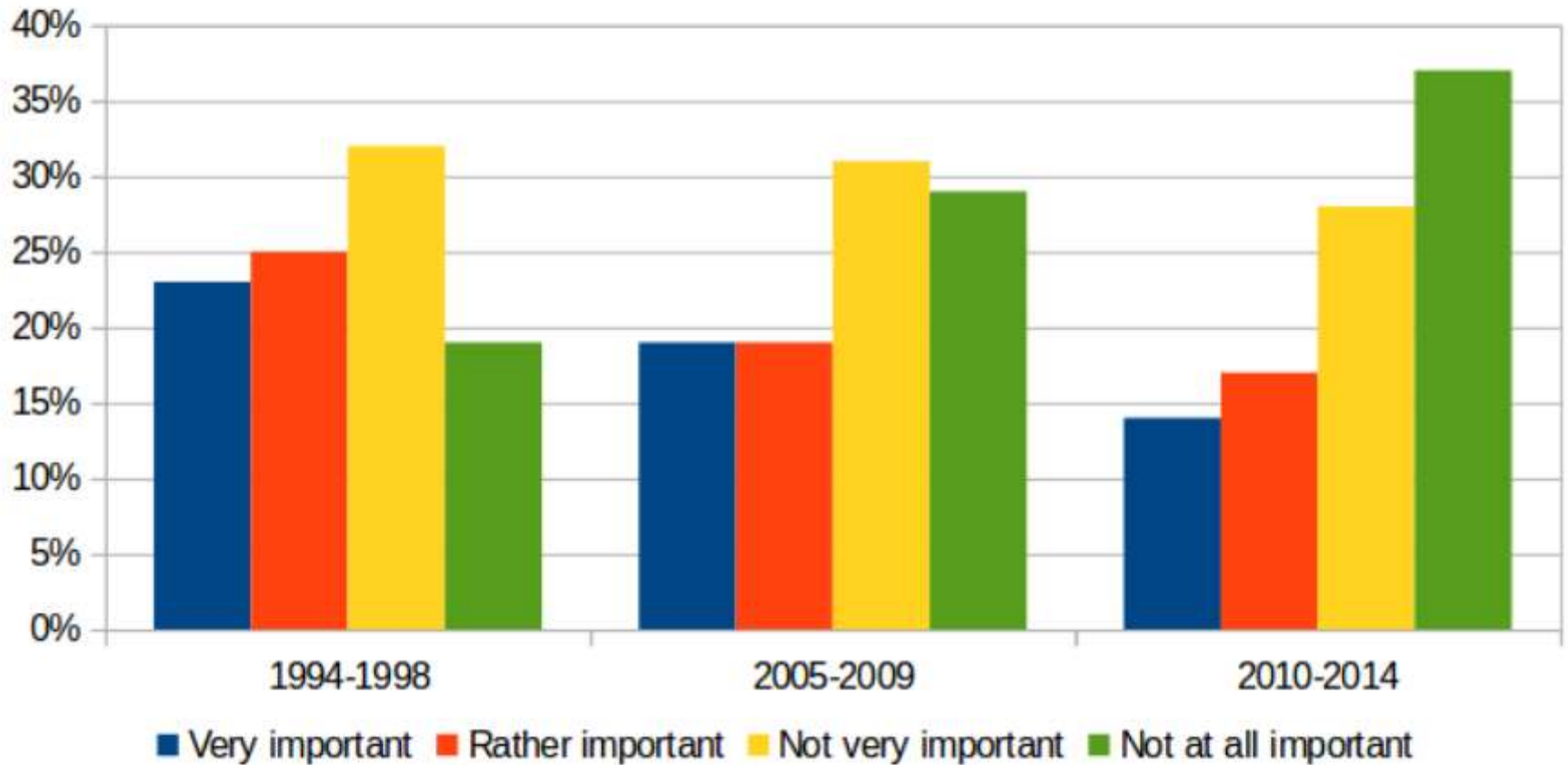
Religion data belief in Australia



Religion in Australia as declared in the 2016 census^{[1][2]}



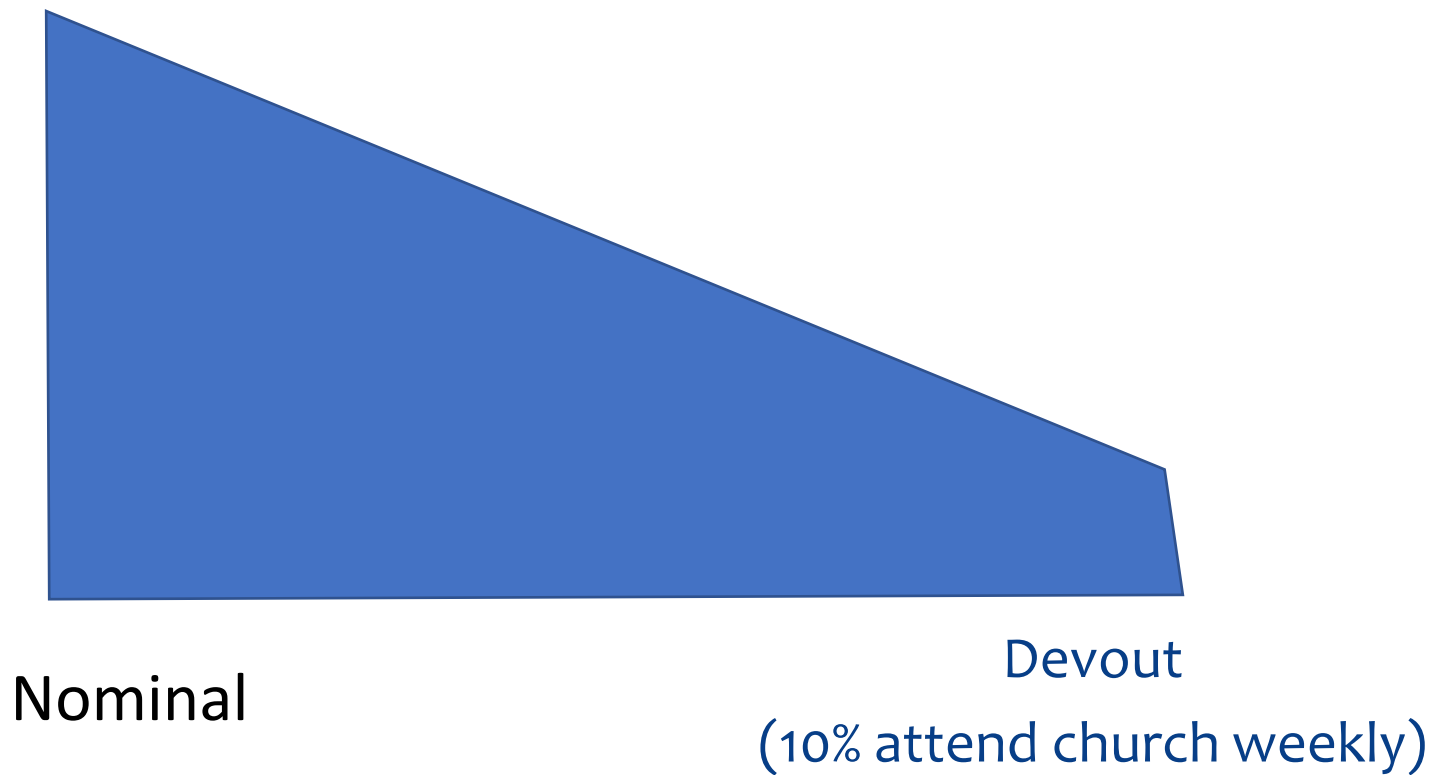
Important in life: Religion



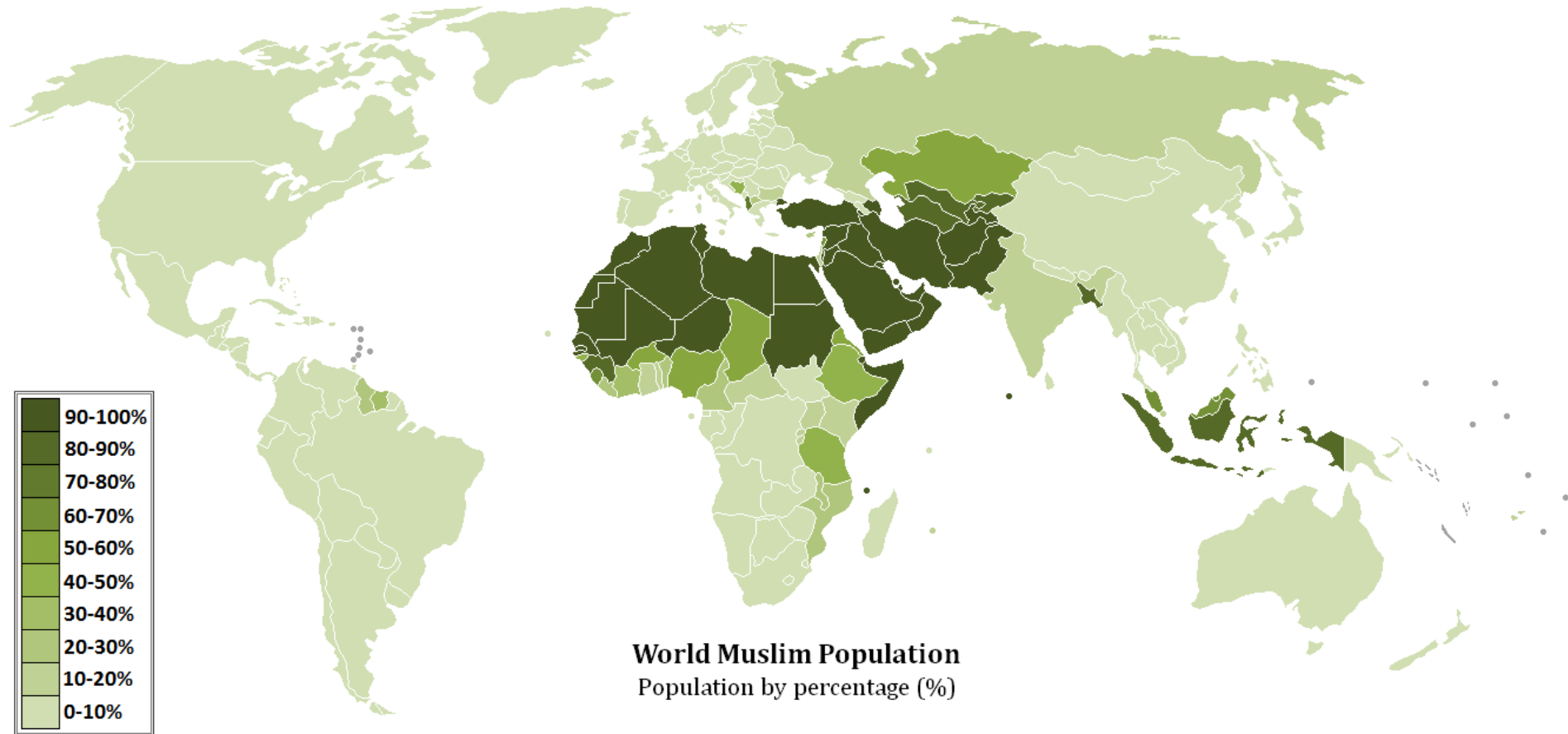
The proportion of Australian respondents to the [World Values Survey](#) saying religion is "Not at all important" to them has increased from 19% in 1994-98 to 37% in 2010-2014^[34]



What's the state of Christianity in Australia?



And now for Islam



What are some things you know
about Islam?

Founded by Muhammad in Arabia in the 7th Century

Based on divine revelations he said he received, including details about:

- Submission to Allah – One God, powerful and mighty creator and sustainer
- Moral living and prayer
- God's angels and the supernatural
- The last days and resurrection to paradise

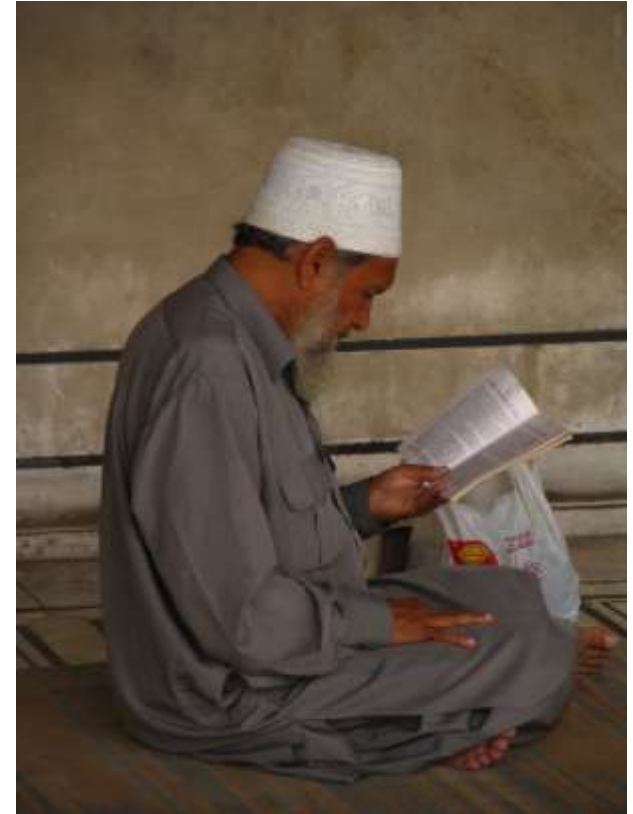
Muhammad gathered together his followers

→ Series of persecution, skirmishes and wars

→ Formation of a society based on his teaching

Revelations from God were later compiled into the Quran

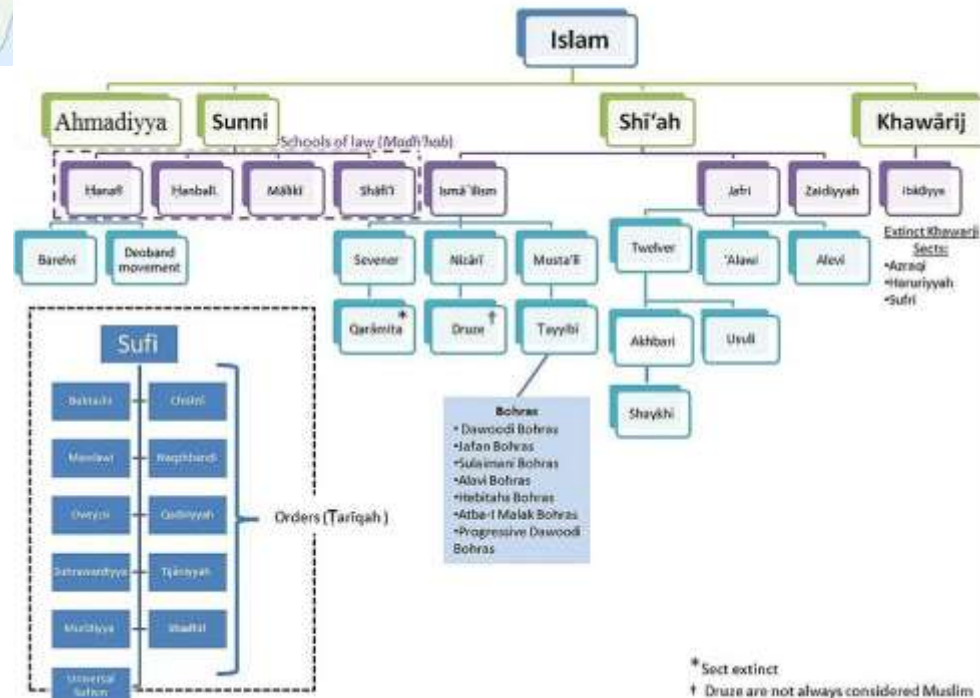
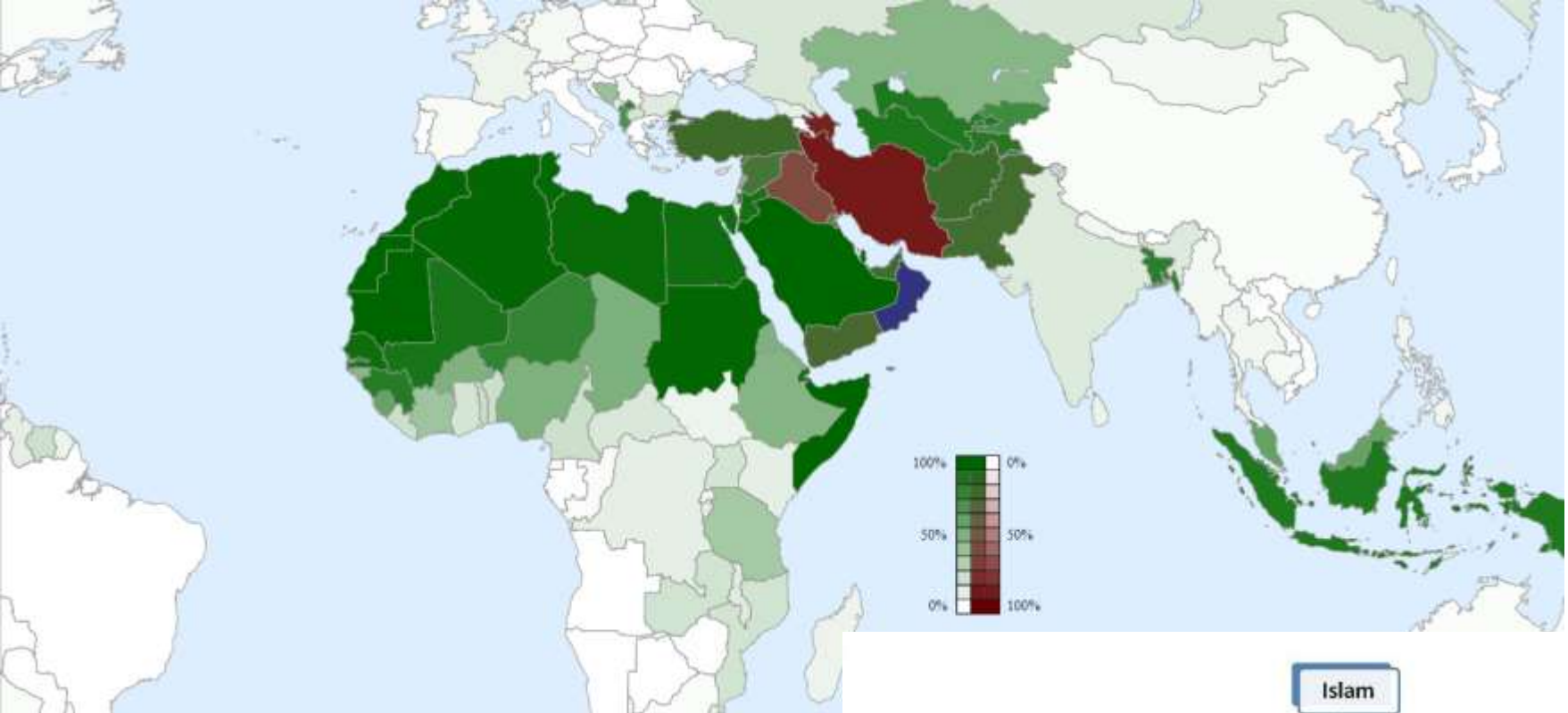
A devout Muslim's whole life is ordered around Islam, especially the 5 pillars – ***what are they?***



Islamic Beliefs

Five pillars of Islam

Shahadah	Belief in Allah and Muhammad
Salat	Prayer (5 times a day)
Zakat	Giving money to the poor
Sawm	Fasting in Ramadan
Hajj	Pilgrimage to Mecca



Acts 17

Read Acts 17

What principles about sharing the gospel to those of another world view can be found here?

Some Principles of Acts 17

Listen and learn

Find common ground

Present the key difference(s) in a positive way

(And pray)

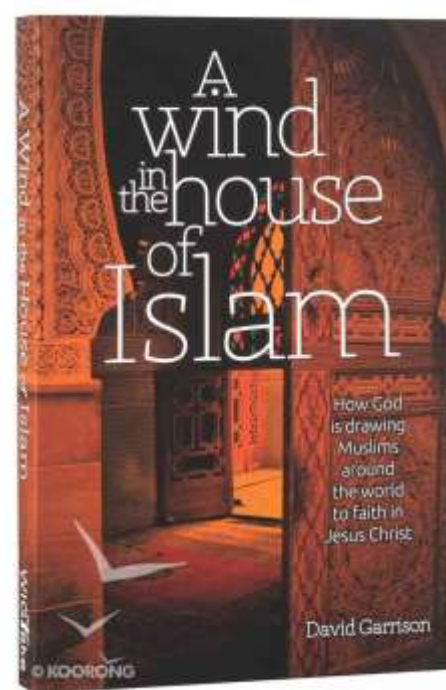
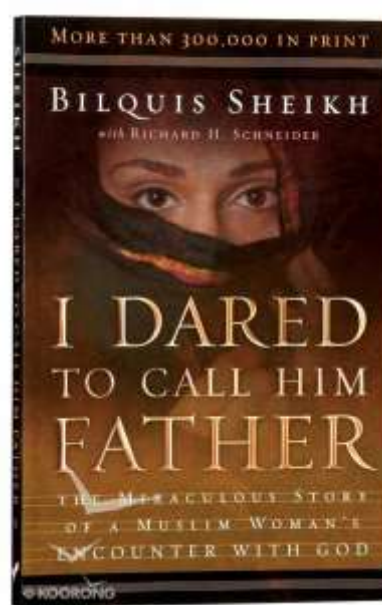
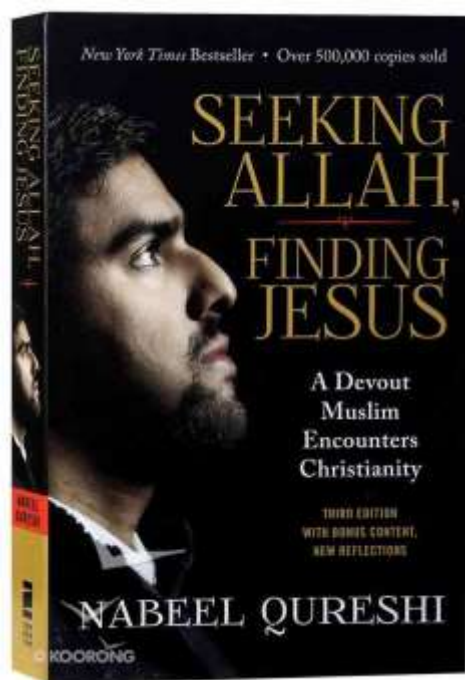
(And wait for the right time and opportunity)

Similarities and Differences Religious and Cultural

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Similarities	Differences
One God	But no Trinity
A powerful creator	But not a Father
Jesus a Prophet	But not the Son of God
Jesus on the cross	But no death (or resurrection)
Truth	The Quran as the source of truth
A holy book	Without translation
The Bible	A modified Bible
Family values	Honour and shame society
Mercy	But not grace
Submission to God	Submission through Mohammed
The super-natural and angels	But no Holy Spirit



Some worthwhile books

