

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Christian Response</u>	<u>Bible quote</u>	<u>Muslim Response</u>	<u>Qur'an Quote</u>
Miracles	Miracles show that God is involved in the world	Matthew 14: feeding of the 5000	-----	-----
Prayer	Christians thank God and ask for help. Answered prayer shows he loves people	Matthew 6: Jesus taught people to pray & taught that prayer was important.	-----	-----
Abortion	Catholics: Abortion always wrong. Only God can take away life. Others: Sometimes abortion is the most loving thing to do i.e. rape	'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you' Jeremiah 1	3 ideas about abortion: 1. No - Allah gives life, Allah takes life 2. Sometimes: if mothers life is at risk 3. Sometimes: up to 120 days into pregnancy	'Do not kill your children for fear of poverty' Qur'an 17:31
Euthanasia	Christians believe that God made life only he can take it away. Suffering may be a test in life.	'Do not murder' Exodus 20	Muslims believe that Life is a test to be endured. Suicide is always a sin as only Allah can take life.	'Do not take life - which Allah has made sacred - except for a just cause' Surah 17:33
Life after death	. Jesus rose from the dead to go to heaven. He lived after death - so could you if he follow his message.	The Bible says: "On the third day he (Jesus) rose.	On the day of judgement everyone will be raised in their body. Good people will join Allah in heaven. Bad people will go to hell.	From the Qur'an: "On the last day a trumpet will sound and the dead will be raised"
Marriage	Christians believe that marriage is given by God. It is the place to have sex and a family	Jesus performed a miracle at a wedding .	Muhammad was married - Muslims should too. Marriage is a contract Marriage is the only place to raise a family	'If someone you trust makes a proposal of marriage to you, then marry him' Hadith.
Sex	Christians believe that sex should only happen in marriage, God given. Others: possible before marriage if going to get married.	'your body is a temple of the holy spirit' 1 Corinthians 6	Sex should only happen in marriage It is a duty in marriage and is ground for divorce if a partner is refusing.	

Divorce	Catholics: no as souls are joined in marriage - in extreme cases you can get an annulment Others: divorce allowed if it's the most loving thing to do i.e. abuse	'God hates divorce' Malachi 2 ,	Muslims believe that marriage is a contract which means divorce is ok in certain circumstances. Must be a last resort. You must live together for 3 months after deciding to divorce.	'Allah desires your well being, not your discomfort' Surah 2
Adultery	All Christians think that Adultery is wrong.	'Do not commit adultery' Exodus 20	All Muslims believe that adultery is wrong.	'Adultery is a shameful deed' Surah 17
Family upbringing	Family is the basis for Christianity. Going to Church gives: community, morals i.e. do not steal, Comfort in times of pain. Reading the bible aids moral upbringing	'Honour your mother and your father' (Exodus 20)	Mosque gives community, comfort, and helps children learn Arabic so they can read the Qur'an. Families may ask advice from others in the Mosque.	'your lord has commanded that you worship none but Him and you be kind to your parents' Surah 17
Sexism	Men and women are equal. But in the Bible it does say women must obey their husbands. Jesus had all male disciples Jesus helped men and women	' Wives submit to your husbands' Ephesians 5 'God created man in his own image...male and female he created them' Genesis 1	Men and women have different roles, men to provide for the family and women to raise the family. Men and women are equal in the eyes of Allah Men and women are separated in the Mosque so not to be a distraction. Women should cover up in public so not to distract men from Allah or their wives.	'The search for knowledge is a duty of every Muslim, male or female' Hadith.
Racism	Christians believe that God created everyone so everyone is the same Desmond Tutu campaigned for equality of races	'Love your neighbour as yourself' Luke 10 'God does not show favouritism, but accepts men from every nation' Acts 10	There are Muslims all over the world no race is superior to any other race.	"O humanity I am a Messenger of God to you all" (The Hadith).

