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## **FOREWORD**

This booklet is path finding in that it opens the way for us to be free from the beautiful expressions found in false religions, and to search out their real teachings that truly define the religions as they really are, despite all the lofty expressions and efforts made to cause these religions to appear to be true. This way one is able to expose the religion as false and thus call people to come out of Babylon to escape her sins and soon coming plagues.

The idea that beautiful expressions mean that a religion is legitimate and thus should be followed has been quickly gaining ground in society. Therefore the worst type of expression of religion and the evidently false are now gaining status in men's minds, when it was not so in the past.

This has been the practice of Hinduism for many years, but now this method of justifying a religion has become wide spread. In this booklet, examples of the beautifying of false religion with what we call **Embellishment doctrines** are given, also, examples of **Definitive doctrines** that really expose what these religions teach are presented, with answers to all the false doctrines.

False religions need embellishment doctrines to give deceitful credibility to their religions, but the true religion of YHWH do not need this. Whatever good, or the most beautiful things about YHWH-worship that may be said is **so true** that they can all be characterized as understatements, because when YHWH's religion is defined it is found to be so true. Definitive doctrines in false religion show their real nature that they are devoid of salvation, and can help no one so should be abandoned. Amen.

## Introduction

1. There are horrible doctrines of devils. 1 Timothy 4:1
2. These doctrines are stumbling blocks that cause false religion and idolatry or the exaltation of false gods. Revelation 2:14, 15, 20.
3. These errors are used to justify sinners in their sins by making them think that they are of God while being in sin. Jeremiah 7:4-10.
4. God uses strong condemnatory language against false doctrines that cause sin. Jeremiah 23:13-16.
5. However, sometimes true or ethical statements are used to deceive people, this means that the **outward statements** are pleasing to the person's mind and may be true, but there is something or some teaching **underneath** that is false and thus deceptive. Matthew 24:4, 5.
6. This can be nothing else but the perversion of YHWH's words. Jeremiah 23:36.
7. This is why we are told that false prophets are like ravenous wolves inwardly, but outwardly they wear sheepskins. This means that their teachings seem harmless and true in their **outward forms**, but when investigated in their **real inner definitive** concepts, they are found to be erroneous and destructive. Matthew 7:15-21.

## Embellishment and definitive doctrines

8. To explain this properly we have coined two terms of identification, they are:
  - a. EMBELLISHMENT DOCTRINES.
  - b. DEFINITIVE DOCTRINES.
9. Of the word "embellishment" we are told that it means to decorate or make something look beautiful even though it may **not really** be so.

"**Embellish** ... to make beautiful with ornaments; to decorate ... to add interesting and possibly untruthful details to (an account, narrative, etc.) ... **Embellishment**, the act of embellishing or adorning a decoration ..." The **Wordsworth Concise English Dictionary**, p. 11.

**“Embellish ... to adorn, to elaborate (a story) by fanciful additions ...”** The **Scribner-Bantam English Dictionary**, p. 294.

10. This would mean that **“Embellishment Doctrines”** are doctrines or statements that beautify a religion or make it seem true and acceptable to the public, but the facts are, the true nature of the religion is not really good as it appears.

**“Everywhere the spirit of darkness in the garb of religion will confront you.”** Ellen G. White, **Testimonies for the Church Vol. 5**, p. 79.

11. **Embellishment doctrines** can be summed up as Satan appearing as an angel of light. The beautiful statements are to make his religions appear to be truth that people may be deceived into following them. 2 Corinthians 11:13-15.

12. Of the word **“Definitive”** we are told that the word means to determine with precision or to describe accurately.

**“Define ... to fix the bounds or limits of: to determine with precision: to describe accurately: to fix the meaning of ... definitive defining or limiting ...”** The **Wordsworth Concise English Dictionary**, p. 250.

**“Definitive ... most reliable or complete, as a text or study ...”** The **Scribner-Bantam English Dictionary**, p. 236.

13. This would mean that **“Definitive” Doctrines** are doctrines that define the **real nature** of a religion, they explain the **real content** and value of the religion revealing it as it really is at heart and depth, despite how the religion may embellish and beautify itself. This can be typified as commandments of men, that when investigated, reveals that a person worship God **vainly**, which is no worship at all. Matthew 15:3-9.

14. Further explanations are needed about the constitution of **Embellishment doctrines**.

- a. They are usually statements that are **generalized ethical expressions** about God and His relationship to men. God is usually described as doing loving and gracious things to men, His perfection and greatness are extolled. Here is Eliphaz with ethical statements added with an unwise rebuke to Job. Job 15:1-6; Job 4:17; Job 5:8.

- b. They are usually statements that express some great ethical and moral deed that is expected of God by man, or that is done by man. Job 8:1, 5-7; Job 20:1, 4-7.

15. Further explanations are needed about the constitution of **Definitive doctrines**.

- a. They are usually statements that reveal the **real philosophy** or **science** of a religion that explains how it really works despite all the **embellishment doctrines**. They are fundamental principles that defines how the religion works. Here is an example. 1 John 4:1-3; Romans 4:2, 4.

- b. These doctrines in false religion are obviously false and never true, for they cannot lead to salvation but causes one to be lost. Example. 1 Corinthians 15:12-19.
16. The following points are summary conclusions of what constitute **Embellishment Doctrines** and **Definitive Doctrines**.
  17. In true Christianity, the truth, there is no need to have **embellishment doctrines**, because all that is said of God and what is expected of man are true. Deuteronomy 6:4-7; Mark 12:28-34; Romans 13:8-10; Jeremiah 10:6, 7, 10.
  18. In true Christianity, which is the truth, definitive doctrines are the truth and define the **only one true way** of salvation. Everyone **MUST** believe these doctrines if they are to be saved. John 14:6; Romans 1:16, 17; John 8:24.
  19. **Definitive doctrines** in the truth breaks down the science of salvation showing how it works, and the only true science of salvation. Romans 1:16, 17; Galatians 2:16-18, 20, 21. (Galatians 3:7-9, 14; Galatians 4:6; Romans 5:5; Galatians 5:16, 17, 25).
  20. Here is an example from Mrs. White of a religion with both **embellishment doctrines** and **definitive doctrines** together. Of course the religion is false, so that the **embellishment doctrines** teach “virtue is better than vice;” this is a true statement, but the **definitive doctrines** of this religion has “removed” God from those who believe the religion.

‘The enemy of souls has sought to bring in the supposition that a great reformation was to take place among Seventh-day Adventist, and that this reformation would consist in giving up **the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith**, and engaging in a process of reorganization. Were this reformation to take place, what would result? **The principles of truth that God in His wisdom has given to the remnant church, would be discarded**. Our religion would be changed. **The fundamental principles** that here sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error. A new organization would be established. Books of a new order would be written. A system of intellectual philosophy would be introduced. The founders of this system would go into the cities and do a wonderful work. The Sabbath of course, would be lightly regarded, as also the God who created it. Nothing would be allowed to stand in the way of the new movement. The leaders would teach that **virtue is better than vice, but God being removed they would place their dependence on human power**, which, **without God** is worthless. Their foundation would be **built on sand**, and storm and tempest would sweep away the structure.” Ellen G. White, **Selected Messages Book 1**, pp. 204-205. (Emphasis supplied).

21. She even shows how ethics (embellishment behavior) can cover up sin or the definitive behavior that shows up a church as it really is. It is necessary to sometimes strip off the embellishment to reveal the real fruits that define the morality of a church, hence if it is

of God.

“Who can fully say: “Our gold is tried in the fire; our garments are unspotted by the world”? I saw our Instructor pointing to the garments of so-called righteousness. Stripping them off, He laid bare the defilement beneath. Then He said to me: “Can you not see how they have pretentiously covered up their defilement and rottenness of character? ‘How is the faithful city become an harlot!’ My Father’s house is made a house of merchandise, a place whence the divine presence and glory have departed! For this cause there is weakness, and strength is lacking.”” Ellen G. White, **Testimonies for the Church Vol. 8**, p. 250.

22. Here is an account of **Embellishment doctrines** that hide the **Definitive doctrines** that, if understood would reveal Satan and his hosts acting as angels of light outwardly, but being ravenous creatures underneath.

“They were gaining a spiritualistic power over those who could not see the evil of these **beautifully clothed theories** ... the experience of the past will be repeated. In the future, Satan’s superstitions will assume new forms. Errors will be presented in a **pleasing and flattering manner. False theories, clothed with garments of light**, will be presented to God’s people. Thus Satan will try to deceive, if possible, the very elect. Most seducing influences will be exerted; minds will be hypnotized.” **Ibid**, p. 293. (Emphasis supplied).

“Like Adam and Eve, who ate the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, many are even now feeding upon the **deceptive morsels of error**. Satanic agencies are clothing **false theories** in an **attractive garb**, even as Satan in the Garden of Eden concealed his identity from our first parents by speaking through the serpent. These agencies are instilling into human minds that which in reality is **deadly error**.” **Ibid**, p. 294. (Emphasis supplied).

## Pentecostalism

23. We are now looking at examples of **Embellishment doctrines** in contrast to **Definitive doctrines** in various religions. Here is an example of **Pentecostalism**.
- a. Here are some Embellishment doctrines from them.
    - i. “God also shows His love by providing rest and protection, which our prayers of thanksgiving can focus on. However, God’s highest form and greatest demonstration of love for us are found in the cross of Christ. He wants to know that His character of love is integral to our life in Christ ...” Stanley M.

Horton, **Systematic Theology**, p. 128.

- ii. “To experience the mercy of God is to be preserved from punishment that one does in fact deserve. God is the royal judge who holds the power of ultimate and final punishment.” **Ibid**, p. 129.
- iii. “God shows Himself to be constant in His intention to have fellowship with us, guiding and protecting us. Even the sin and wickedness of this world will not claim us if we submit to Him ...” **Ibid**, 126.
- iv. “God is, by His very nature, inclined to act with great generosity toward His creation ... This facet of His nature is manifested in His willingness to provide our needs, whether they are material (rain and crops), or spiritual (joy ... wisdom).” **Ibid**, p. 127.

24. Here are some dangerous doctrines of Pentecostalism which are their **Definitive doctrines**, in spite of the good things they just said.

- i. We are being told here that sin comes from human nature that is corrupt.  
“Nature,’ phusis, speaks of the fundamental reality or source of a thing. Hence, the very “stuff” of all people is corrupt. Since the Bible teaches that all adults are corrupt and that like comes from like, humans must produce corrupt children. Corrupt nature producing corrupt offspring is the best explanation of the universality of sinfulness.” **Ibid**, p. 262.
- ii. Human corrupt nature as the real source of sin in humanity is even more clearly explained as the source of sin in this statement.  
“Sin is not only isolated actions, but also a reality or nature within the person. Sin as nature indicates the “seat” or “location” of sin within the person as the immediate source of sin.” **Ibid**, p. 277.
- iii. Justification effects a change only in our **status** with God. It is regeneration that changes our “nature” whatever that is. Justification makes us free from all the guilt and eternal consequences of sin.  
“If regeneration effects a change term refers to that act by which, on the basis of the infinitely righteous and satisfactory work of Christ on the cross, God declares condemned sinners to be free from all the guilt of sin and from its eternal consequences and declares them to be fully righteous in His sight.” **Ibid**, p. 365.
- iv. But the Bible teaches that sin originates in the fact that because of Adam’s

sin we were made sinners. Romans 5:19.

- v. This means that we were born without God in this world, this causes us to sin. Ephesians 2:12.
- vi. This means to be born in sin and shapen towards iniquity. Psalms 51:5; Psalms 58:3.
- vii. It means to develop the carnal mind (from conception) which is the source of sin. (Jeremiah 48:8; Romans 8:6-8).
- viii. But the carnal mind could be removed. Ezekiel 36:25-27.
- ix. And man could be made free from sin now in this world. Romans 6:6, 7, 11, 17; Titus 2:11, 12.
- x. Justification in the Bible is presented as a change from the experience of sin to holiness. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11.
- xi. Justification is presented in the Bible as synonymous with regeneration. Titus 3:5-7.
- xiii. Our **status** before God is only changed when our **state** is first changed by the inner cleansing. There is thus no condemnation when Christ lives within in place of sin by the first work of Justification. (Romans 5:1-5; Romans 8:1; Galatians 2:16, 20).

## Hinduism

25. Here are some Embellishment doctrines within Hinduism.

- I. "Sanathana Dharma, meaning "righteousness forever" of "that which has no beginning or end," was its original name ... By the name Sanathana Dharma, Hinduism is proclaiming to the world that eternal truths are forever ..." Ed Viswanathan, **Am I a Hindu? The Hinduism Primer**, p. 25.
- II. "Utmost freedom of thought. That is what attracts me to Hinduism. Where else can you see Krishna, Buddha (who questioned the authority of the Vedas), Adi Sankara (who revolutionized thinking in Hinduism), and Charvaka (who originated a materialistic philosophy) all treated with equal respect? If Sankara and Buddha had been born in some other faith, they would have burned alive. Look at what happened to Socrates and William

Tyndale.” **Ibid**, pp. 29-30.

(Note: This statement is **not entirely true**; it is just window dressing to embellish the religion, and overlooks the fact that when Buddhism was rising, millions of Buddhists were murdered by Hindu kings in the service of Hinduism. Whole States were wasted by genocidal wars between Vaishnavites (followers of Vishnu) and Shivaites (followers of Shiva). These have largely been ignored or all-together forgotten by modern-day Hindus, who look at the present-day climate or religious tolerance all over the world due to republican constitutions that separate religion and government, and protection for the rights of all, and attempt to glorify Hinduism by giving the impression that it is tolerant, when in fact the ending of religious persecutions all over the world was due to European colonialism under the influence of Protestantism and more so the rise of political republicanism).

- iii. “Going back to nature does not mean living like stone-age human beings. It only means to bring back truth, love and peace in day-to-day life.” **Ibid**, p. 37.
- iv. “Selfish actions retard our goal. Unselfish actions take us towards our goals.” **Ibid**, p. 127.
- v. “The Law of Karma is one of “cause and effect.” It works in the scientific world as well as the moral world ... Even those who sit idle are doing actions with their mind, even though their actions will be fruitless and idiotic.” **Ibid**, p. 139.
- vi. “The most important part of any action is the motive behind it. If the motive is bad, then the best action is poisonous.” **Ibid**, p. 148.

26. Now here are some of the Definitive doctrines that really presents Hinduism as it is.

- i. Here is immortal soulism and reincarnation.  
“Lord Krishna said, “At the time of death, the body dies but the soul never dies. The soul passes from one body to another after death like a body changing clothes. The soul goes on taking an endless number of bodies, until the soul exhausts all Karmas attached to the soul. This process is known as reincarnation.” **Ibid**, p. 146.
- ii. Men can reincarnate into lesser life forms.

“If a man exhibits beastly character throughout his life, he will reincarnate as a beast. Lord Krishna said, “I make the cruel and vicious persons take birth again and again as ferocious animals” (Bhagavad Gita 16:19). A glutton may take birth as a pig or other lower form of life ... As I told you before, when a man dies his soul takes with it the sum total of good and bad Karmas. If the sum total of his actions is bad, he will go for a worse life form. So it is the sum total of Karma that decides the travel route of the soul.” **Ibid**, p. 146-147.

iii. A Guru is a man who is God.

“But in Hinduism, Guru means God Himself. Only God-realized masters can be called gurus. Only they have the right to demand unquestioned devotion and surrender of the free will of their followers. One of the essential qualities of a true Guru is omnipresence.” **Ibid**, p. 201.

iv. Polytheism is encouraged as a united one God.

“So even if you worship hundreds of gods, you are actually worshipping one Supreme Being, one God.” **Ibid**, p. 209.

v. Millions of gods are worshipped in Hinduism.

“I don’t think I could ever give you a complete list of all the gods in Hinduism. Some say that there are at least thirty-three corers (330 million) gods in Hinduism. Even some saints are considered as gods. Again, many of the gods worshipped by Hindus have different names in the Vedas ... The act of worshipping so many gods at the same time is no problem for Hindus, since they believe that all forms are manifestations of the one God or Power.” **Ibid**, p. 210.

vi. But the Bible teaches that when a man dies his thoughts perish. Psalms 146:3, 4; Psalms 6:5; Psalms 115:17.

vii. The living knows, but the dead knows nothing. Ecclesiastes 9:5, 6.

viii. It is appointed unto men once to die and then to face the judgment. One man alone will face judgment for all his crimes, thus he cannot face judgment for different men in different lives as a so-called soul. This means that reincarnation is false. Job 7:9, 10; Hebrews 9:27.

ix. There is only one true God. Isaiah 44:6, 8; Isaiah 45:5, 6.

x. The one God’s name is YHWH. Exodus 6:2, 3; Exodus 3:15; Hosea 12:5.

- xi. The gods of the nations are idols. Psalms 96:4, 5.
- xii. YHWH the one true God has no other god with Him nor does He share His glory with idols. Isaiah 43:10-12; Isaiah 42:8.
- xiii. The gods of the nations are devils, and we are all forbidden to worship them. Psalms 106:36-38; I Corinthians 10:19-21.

## Roman Catholicism

27. Here are some **Embellishment doctrines** within Roman Catholicism. They are by far the most beautiful.
- i. “In revealing the nature of God and the significance of human life, Jesus has proclaimed the Truth for all time and all peoples.” Pope John Paul II, **Agenda for the Third Millennium**, p. 27.
  - ii. “Our Christian identity requires us to make constant efforts to train ourselves more and more thoroughly, since ignorance is the worst enemy of our religion. How can one claim truly to love Christ if one is not committed to knowing him better?” **Ibid**, p. 23.
  - iii. “But freedom attains its full development only by accepting the truth. In a world without truth, freedom loses its foundation and man is exposed to the violence of passion and to manipulations, both open and hidden.” **Ibid**, p. 60.
  - iv. “Humility is truth; it is also a sign of intelligence and the source of serenity.” **Ibid**, p. 87.
  - v. “The greatest proof of God’s love is that he loves us in our human condition, with our weakness and needs. Nothing else can explain the mystery of the Cross. Christ’s love is more powerful than sin and death.” **Ibid**, 90.
  - vi. “The path of goodness has a name: it is called love. In it we can find the key to every hope, for true love has its root in God himself.” **Ibid**, p. 92.
  - vii. “In Christ, evil is already conquered, death has been defeated in its very root, which is sin.” **Ibid**, p. 148.
  - viii. “Religious freedom is a right possessed by all, since it is derived from the inalienable dignity of every human being ... the state is duty bound to

defend this freedom from attack or interference.” **Ibid**, p. 180.

- ix. “The Church regards religious freedom as an inalienable right, a right which goes with the duty of seeking the truth.” **Ibid**, p. 219.
- x. “Religious freedom cannot be limited to mere toleration. It is a civil and social reality having definite rights which allow believers and their communities fearlessly to bear witness to their faith in God and to practice all that this demands.” **Ibid**, p. 223.

28. Here now are some of the **Definitive doctrines** that presents Roman Catholicism as it really is.

- i. Jesus is presented as God begotten from God.

“Jesus is the Son of God and he is of the same substance as the Father. God from God and Light from Light he become a human being ...” **Ibid**, p. 20.

- ii. The Holy Spirit fills the universe, this is a form of pantheism.

“This Spirit of God fills the universe, and all that is created recognizes in him the source of its own identity, finds in him its own transcendent expression, turns to him and awaits him, invokes him with its own being.” **Ibid**, p.22.

- iii. The Pope is still the head of all.

“Thus the Pope, the Bishop of Rome, is the head of all, as the principle of unity and communion.” **Ibid**, p. 37.

- iv. The Pope is the successor of Peter with the expressed mission to announce revealed doctrine.

“According to the Gospel texts, the universal pastoral mission of the Roman Pontiff, the successor of Peter, involves a doctrinal mission. As the universal pastor, the Pope has a mission to announce revealed doctrine and to promote true faith in Christ throughout the Church. This is the integral meaning of the Petrine ministry.” **Ibid**, p. 38.

- v. The Pope is to protect Christians from errors and to guard the deposit of faith.

“The Roman Pontiff has the mission of protecting Christians from errors in the field of faith and morals, and the duty of guarding the deposit of faith.” **Ibid**, p. 40.

- vi. The sacrifice of Jesus on the cross is handed down in the Mass for all ages to come.
- “... the climax of our Lord’s prayer life was the sacrifice of the Cross, anticipated in the Eucharist at the Last Supper and handed down in Holy Mass for all ages to come.” **Ibid**, p. 72.
- vii. Jesus is really present in the Mass renewing His sacrifice on the Cross.
- “The highest form of prayer is Holy Mass because, in Holy Mass, Jesus himself is really present, renewing the sacrifice on the Cross.” **Ibid**, pp. 72-73.
- viii. The Eucharist or Host is the offering of the body, blood and divinity of Jesus Christ in real sacrifice as on the Cross.
- “The Eucharist ... is the sacrament of his Body and Blood, which he himself has offered once for all, to set us free from sin and death, and which he has entrusted to his Church for her to make the same offering under the species of bread and wine and so to feed his faithful people for ever—that is, us who stand about his alter. The Eucharist is thus the sacrifice par excellence, that of Christ on the Cross, by means of which we receive Christ himself, Christ entire, God and man ...” **Ibid**, p. 77.
- ix. Mary was preserved from sin from her birth.
- “To convince ourselves of this, we have only to reflect on the anthropological importance of the fundamental aspects of Mariology: Mary is ‘full of grace’ from the first moment of her existence, so she is preserved from sin.” **Ibid**, p. 82.
- x. Mary united herself in the sacrifice of Christ for the salvation of all.
- “Above all, Mary, co-operated with Christ in his redemptive work, not only by preparing Jesus for his mission but by uniting herself to his sacrifice for the salvation of all.” **Ibid**, p. 83.
- xi. A battle between good and evil takes place within the heart of the Christian with good and evil present.
- “The tension between the ‘flesh’ and the ‘spirit’ is basically immanent, even if not confined to this level. It takes form in the human heart as a ‘battle’ between good and evil ... At the same time, this desire [according to the flesh] allows us to see how, within us, life ‘according to the flesh’ conflicts with life ‘according to the Spirit’, and how the latter, in our present state, given our

hereditary sinfulness, is constantly exposed to the weakness and inadequacy of the former, to which we must often give way if not inwardly strengthened to do exactly that which the Spirit wills." **Ibid**, pp. 146,147.

- xii. God is in everyone, pantheism.  
"God desires the salvation of everyone. In a mysterious but real way, he is present in all." **Ibid**, p. 218.
- xiii. But the facts are that it was the humanity of Christ alone that was begotten. Jesus is God, not a begotten God. (Hebrews 2:14, 16; Hebrews 1:5, 8-12).
- xiv. The Holy Spirit does not fill the universe, some people, the lost majority, have not the Holy Spirit. Romans 8:9.
- xv. The Holy Spirit is a gift to those who believe, it is the gift of Justification. Galatians 3:7-9, 14.
- xvi. Christ is the head of the Church and the head of all not the Pope. Ephesians 1:22, 23; Ephesians 5:23; Colossians 1:8.
- xvii. Peter had no successor, the Holy Spirit is the only vicar and successor of Jesus Christ. John 14; 16, 17; John 16:7-8.
- xviii. The sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross was **once** for all. Hebrews 9:25, 26, 28; Hebrews 10:12, 14.
- xix. The bread and wine of the Lord's Supper is only a symbol of the body and blood of Christ showing His death. His flesh profits no one anything, everything about the Lord's Supper was spiritual. (John 6:51-56, 63; 1 Corinthians 11:23-29).
- xx. Mary was a sinner as everyone, for all have sinned including Mary in her presumption at the marriage feast of Cana. (Romans 3:10-19, 23; John 2:1-4). Luke 2:41-50.
- xxi. Christ is the only Savior, and Mary His mother had no part in salvation to the world. (Luke 2:11; Matthew 1:21; Isaiah 43:3, 11; Hosea 13:4).
- xxii. The man of Romans 7 is unconverted. Romans 7:14; Romans 8:6-8).
- xxiii. No battle of good and evil occurs in the righteous, he is delivered from the flesh by conversion. Galatians 3:7-9, 14; Romans 8:9-14).
- xxiv. Sin has no domination over him he has been made free from sin. Galatians 5:16, 17, 24, 25; Romans 6:14, 17-22.
- xxv. If the converted man falls into sin it is because he build again the things he destroyed at justification. Galatians 2:16-18.

xxvi. God is not in the wicked, they have not God. (Psalms 7:11; Proverbs 3:33, Proverbs 15:29). Colossians 1:21; Ephesians 2:12.

## Islam

29. Here are some **Embellishment doctrines** form Islam.

- i. “The true believers and deeply enlightened people recognize this Artist and call Him Allah or God. They call Him God because He is the Creator and the Chief Architect of the world, the Originator of life and the provider of all things in existence ... He is not an animal, nor is He a plant. He is neither an idol nor is He a statue of any kind because none of these things can make itself or create anything else. He is not a machine. He is neither the sun nor is He the moon or any other star, because these things are controlled by a great system, and are themselves made by someone else. He is different from all these things because He is the Maker and keeper of them all. The maker anything must be different from and greater than the thing which he makes ... He is not a man because no man can create or make another man ...” Hammudah Abdalati, **Islam in Focus**, p. 3.
- ii. “Each one of these names and attributes of God is mentioned in various places in the Holy Quran. We all enjoy the care and mercy of God who is so loving and kind to His creation. If we try to count His favors upon us, we cannot, because they are countless ... The Love of God for His creatures is immense and beyond human imagination. We cannot measure or count His favors. He creates us and takes good care of us, not only from the time of our birth onward, but even long before that.” **Ibid**, p. 5.
- iii. “The proper name of eh religion is Islam and its followers are properly called Muslims. In the religious context, the word Islam means submission to the will of God and obedience to God’s Law. The will of God is defined by the Koran as good and compassionate, and His law as the most beneficent and equitable.” **Ibid**, p. 10.
- iv. “This is why Islam demands sound convictions and opposes blind imitation. Every person who is duly qualified as a genuine and earnest thinker is enjoined by Islam to employ his faculties to the fullest extent.” **Ibid**, p. 19.

- v. "Islam teaches that, in the sight of God, all men are equal, but they are not necessarily identical. There are differences of abilities, potentials, ambitions, wealth, and so on. Yet none of these differences can by itself establish a status of superiority of one man or race to another." **Ibid**, p. 35.

30. Here are just some of the **Definitive doctrines** of Islam.

- i. They believe that there is more good than evil in human nature.

"The true Muslim believes that in human nature, which God created, there is more good than evil, and the probability of successful reform is greater than the probability of hopeless failure." **Ibid**, p. 18.

- ii. Jesus is not a unique Son of God, but just a son as Adam was; He is not God in any sense.

"Now if anyone wishes to call Jesus the son of God or God because he was created without the precedence of a human father, and because God Himself adopted him or acted as his father, if this holds true the same thing should even be more applicable to and more appropriate for Adam, who had neither a father nor a mother." **Ibid**, p. 155.

- iii. There is no salvation through atonement by blood sacrifice, in other words, the death of Christ cannot bring salvation or make it available. All that is necessary is just right guidance and self-discipline.

"The mission which God entrusted to Jesus was not salvation through total atonement by blood sacrifice, but salvation by virtue of right guidance and self-discipline, by quickening the stagnant minds and softening the hard souls." **Ibid**, p. 158.

- iv. Jesus never claimed to be a god or the son of God.

"They all emphasize the fact that Jesus never claimed to be a god or the son of God, and that he was only the servant and apostle of the Lord in the pattern of those before him." **Ibid**, p. 158.

- v. Jesus was never crucified on a cross, someone else was crucified in His place.

"They almost killed him on the cross. In fact they believed that they did crucify him. The story was climaxed and dramatized at this stage, and religious mournings became sacred for the Christians as was wailing for the Jews. A plot was planned to crucify Jesus; and actual execution on the cross took place; someone was really crucified. But it was not Jesus; it was someone else who

was crucified in his place.” **Ibid**, p. 158.

vi. Jesus was not crucified or killed.

“However, as far as the Muslims are concerned, such inquiries never arise, and such perplexities are irrelevant, for Islam stands firm in maintaining that Jesus was not crucified or killed, but was honored and raised to God Himself.” **Ibid**, p. 158.

vii. No crucifixion no blood atonement, Adam himself made his atonement and was forgiven by God.

“Islam rejects the doctrine of the Crucifixion of Jesus by the enemies of God and also the foundations of the doctrine. This rejection is based on the authority of God Himself as revealed in the Quran, and on a deeper rejection of blood sacrifices and vicarious atonement for sins. Islam teaches that the First Sin of Adam was forgiven after he himself had made the atonement; that every sinner, if not forgiven by God, will himself be accountable for his sins; and that no one can make atonement for the sins of another. This makes no room for the entertainment of the doctrine of blood Sacrifice or atonement on another person’s behalf.” **Ibid**, p. 159.

viii. But the facts are, the Bible teaches that we are born in sin (without God) and thus shapen towards iniquity. Psalms 51:5; Psalms 58:3; Isaiah 48:8.

ix. There is no good in man only evil continually. Romans 3:10-19; Psalms 14:1-3; Psalms 10:2-11; Psalms 36:1-4.

x. Man is carnally minded and cannot please God. Romans 8:6-8.

xi. Jesus in the only begotten (should be only unique) Son of God. John 1:18, 29, 30, 34; John 3:16-18.

xii. Jesus claimed to be God. (John 8:58; Exodus 3:12, 14, And 15).

xiii. Jesus accepted worship as God. John 20:26-29; Matthew 8:2, 3; Matthew 9:18, 19; Matthew 14:33; Matthew 15:25-28; Matthew 28:9, 17.

xiv. Jesus called Himself the Son of God. John 10:36; John 5:22-26.

xv. Man cannot save himself by his works because all our righteousness is like filthy rags. Romans 3:20; Romans 4:1-8; Isaiah 64:6, 7.

xvi. Jesus did offer to lay down His life on the behalf of man He said so. John 10:10, 11, 15, 18; Matthew 20:28.

- xvii. He offered us His blood as a sacrifice, but this was a symbol of the gift of His life. (John 6:53-57, 63; Leviticus 17:11, 14). 1 Peter 1:18, 19.
- xviii. Jesus did die on the cross, He was crucified as all the apostles knew. Mark 8:31; Mark 10:32-34; Mark 15:24-41.
- xix. If Muslims and other refuse to believe that Jesus is God they shall die in their sins. John 8:23, 24.
- xx. It is true that Christ did not die in our actual place so that the concept of a vicarious sacrifice is not true, but His death was provisionary for man. 1 Peter 4:1; 1 John 2:2; 1 John 4:10.
- xxi. He suffered to show man the horribleness of sins to evoke genuine repentance. 1 Peter 2:21; 1 Peter 3:18.
- xxii. He willed Life for man to replace his spiritual death. This is the real meaning of His death. 1 John 3:16; John 10:10, 11, And 15.
- xxiii. Salvation comes by supernatural transformation not by mere obedience to sound guidance. 1 John 3:5, 6, 9, 10; 1 John 5:18.

## Conclusion

- 31. In true Bible religion the doctrines of Christ makes us have God, but these are **Definitive doctrines** as the scriptures show us. 2 John 9, 10.
- 32. **Definitive doctrines** show the real nature of Christianity as necessary for salvation. 1 John 5:10-13.
- 33. In order to preach the fall of Babylon and call people out of it, we must have and understanding of the **Definitive doctrines** of the religions that constitutes Babylon that we may call people out of them. Revelation 18:1-8.

End.

