## WHAT MUSLIMS PRACTICE

	QUR'AN	BIBLE
CREED	There is no god except God and Muhammad is his messenger. Whoever obeys the Prophet obeys God. 4:80	That if you confess with your mouth "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved Rom. 10:9-10 (-13)
PRAYER	When ye prepare for prayer, wash your faces, and your hands If ye are in a state of ceremonial impurity, bathe your whole body. But if ye are ill, or on a journey, or one of you cometh from offices of nature, or ye have been in contact with women, and ye find no water, then take for yourselves clean sand or earth, 5:6set up regular prayers: For such prayers are enjoined on believers at stated times. 4:103	If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; Ps.66:18 And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard
FASTING	Fasting is prescribed to you as it was prescribed to those before you, that you may (learn) self – restraint- Fasting for a fixed number of days, But if any of you is ill, or on a journey, the prescribed number (should be made up) from days later. 2:183-184 (-187)	because of their many words. Mat. 6:5-7  When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show men they are fasting  But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to men that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; Mat. 6:16-18
ALMS- GIVING	Those who (in charity) spend of their goods by night and by day, in secret and in public, have their reward with their Lord: On them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve. 2:274 (-277)	Be careful not to do your acts of righteousness before men, to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Mat. 6:1-4
PILGRIMAGE	Pilgrimage thereto is a duty men owe to Allahthose who can afford the journey; but if any deny faith, Allah stands not in need of any of his creatures. 3:97	They admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth they were longing for a better country - a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them. Hebr. 11:13-16
GOOD WORKS	For those who believe and do righteous deeds, are gardens as hospitable homes, for their good deeds. 32:19	For it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith- and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God- not by works, so that no one can boast.  For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Eph. 1:8-10
DIVORCE	A divorce is only permissible twice: after that, the parties should either hold together on equitable terms, or separate with kindness.  So if a husband divorces his wife, he cannot, after that, remarry her until after she has married another husband and he has divorced her. 2:229-230 (-233)	I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for marital unfaithfulness, and marries another woman commits adultery. Mat. 19:9 guard yourself in your spirit, and do not break faith with the wife of your youth. "I hate divorce," says the Lord God of Israel. Mal. 2:15-16

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