

Common Views of 'Isa (Jesus) in the Holy Injil and Noble Qur'an

1) 'Isa is the son of Mary

Surah 2:87 “And We did certainly give Moses the Scripture [i.e., the Torah] and followed up after him with messengers. And We gave Jesus, the son of Mary, clear proofs and supported him with the Pure Spirit [i.e. the angel Gabriel]. But is it [not] that every time a messenger came to you, [O children of Israel] with what your souls did not desire, you were arrogant? And a party [of messengers] you denied and another party you killed.”

Surah 2:253 “ Those messengers-some of them We caused to exceed others. Among them were those to whom Allah spoke, and He raised some of them in degree. And We gave Jesus, the son of Mary, clear proofs, and We supported him with the Pure Spirit [i.e. Gabriel]. If Allah had willed, those [generations] succeeding them would not have fought each other after the clear proofs had come to them. But they differed, and some of them believed and some of them disbelieved. And if Allah had willed, they would not have fought each other, but Allah does what He intends.”

Mark 6:3 “Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? Are not His sisters here with us? And they took offense at Him.”

Matthew 1:18-21 “Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: when His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit. And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man and not wanting to disgrace her, planned to send her away secretly. But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins”

2) 'Isa is the Messiah (al-Masih)

Surah 3:45 “[And mention] when the angels said, “O Mary, indeed Allah gives you good tidings of a word from Him, whose name will be the Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary-distinguished in this world and the Hereafter and among those brought near [to Allah].”

Surah 4:157 “And [for] their saying, “Indeed, we have killed the Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary, the messenger of Allah.” And they did not kill him, nor did they crucify him; but [another] was made to resemble him to them. And indeed, those

who differ over it are in doubt about it. They have no knowledge of it except the following of assumption. And they did not kill him, for certain.”

Surah 4:171 “O People of the Scripture do not commit excess in your religion or say about Allah except the truth. The Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary, was but a messenger of Allah and His word which He directed to Mary and a soul [created at a command] from Him. So believe in Allah and His messengers. And do not say “Three”; desist-it is better for you. Indeed, Allah is but one God. Exalted is He above having a son. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And sufficient is Allah as Disposer of affairs.”

Mark 8:29 “And He continued by questioning them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered and said to Him, “You are the Christ.”

Luke 2:11 “For today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior who is Christ the Lord (i.e. Messiah).”

3) ‘Isa is the Servant of God

Surah 4:172 “Never would the Messiah disdain to be a servant of Allah, nor would the angels near [to Him]. And whoever disdains His worship and is arrogant-He will gather them to Himself all together.”

Surah 19:30” [Jesus] said, “Indeed, I am the servant of Allah. He has given me the Scripture and made me a prophet.”

Acts 3:13 “ The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified His servant Jesus, the one whom you delivered and disowned in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release Him.”

Acts 3:26 “For you first, God raised up His Servant and sent Him to bless you by turning every one of you from your wicked ways.”

Acts 4:27 “For truly in this city there were gathered together against Your holy servant Jesus, whom You anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel.”

Acts 4:30 “While You extended Your hand to heal, and signs and wonders take place through the name of Your holy servant Jesus.”

4) ‘Isa is a Prophet

Surah 19:30” [Jesus] said, “Indeed, I am the servant of Allah. He has given me the Scripture and made me a prophet.”

Mark 6:4 “Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and among his own relatives and in his own household.”

Mark 6:15 “But others were saying, “He is Elijah.” And others were saying, “He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.”

Mark 8:28 “They told Him, saying, “John the Baptist; and others say Elijah; but others, one of the prophets.”

5) ‘Isa is an Apostle of God

Surah 5:75 “The Messiah, son of Mary, was not but a messenger; [other] messengers have passed on before him. And his mother was a supporter of truth. They both used to eat food.”

Hebrews 3:1 “Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the Apostle and High Priest of our confession.”

6) ‘Isa is the Word of God

Surah 3:45 “[And mention] when the angels said, “O Mary, indeed Allah gives you good tidings of a word from Him, whose name will be the Messiah, Jesus, he son of Mary-distinguished in this world and the Hereafter and among those brought near [to Allah].”

Surah 4:171 “O People of the Scripture do not commit excess in your religion or say about Allah except the truth. The Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary, was but a messenger of Allah and His word which He directed to Mary and a soul [created at a command] from Him. So believe in Allah and His messengers. And do not say “Three”; desist-it is better for you. Indeed, Allah is but one God. Exalted is He above having a son. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And sufficient is Allah as Disposer of affairs.”

John 1:1 “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”

John 1:14 “And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

7) ‘Isa is the Word of Truth

Surah 19:34 “That is Jesus, the son of Mary- the word of truth about which they are in dispute.”

2 Corinthians 6:7 “In the word of truth, in the power of God; by the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and the left.”

8) 'Isa is the Spirit of God

Surah 4:171 "O People of the Scripture do not commit excess in your religion or say about Allah except the truth. The Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary, was but a messenger of Allah and His word which He directed to Mary and a soul [created at a command] from Him. So believe in Allah and His messengers. And do not say "Three"; desist-it is better for you. Indeed, Allah is but one God. Exalted is He above having a son. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And sufficient is Allah as Disposer of affairs."

Luke 3:21-22 "Now when all the people were baptized, Jesus was also baptized, and while He was praying, heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in a bodily form like a dove, and a voice from heaven, "You are my beloved Son, in You I am well pleased."

9) 'Isa is a witness

Surah 4:159 "And there is none from the People of the Scripture but that he will surely believe in him [i.e. Jesus] before his death. And on the Day of Resurrection he will be against them a witness."

Surah 5:117 "I said not to them except what You commanded me-to worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. And I was a witness over them as long as I was among them; but when You took me up, You were the Observer over them, and You are, over all things, Witness."

Revelation 1:5 "and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and released us from our sins by His blood."

10) 'Isa is a mercy from God

Surah 19:21 "He said, "Thus [it will be]; your Lord says, 'It is easy for Me, and We will make him a sign to the people and a mercy from Us. And it is a matter [already] decreed.'"

Hebrews 2:17 "Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest to the things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people."

11) 'Isa is a sign (to all peoples)

Surah 21:91 "And [mention] the one who guarded her chastity [i.e., Mary], so We blew into her [garment] through Our angel [i.e., Gabriel], and We made her and her son a sign for the worlds."

Luke 2:34 “And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this Child is appointed for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and for a sign to be opposed-“

12) ‘Isa is great

Surah 3:45 “[And mention] when the angels said, “O Mary, indeed Allah gives you good tidings of a word from Him, whose name will be the Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary-distinguished in this world and the Hereafter and among those brought near [to Allah].”

Luke 1:32 “He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.”

13) ‘Isa is righteous

Surah 3:46 “He will speak to the people in the cradle and in maturity and will be of the righteous.”

Hebrews 4:15 “For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.”

Hebrews 7:28 “For the Law appoints men as high priests who are weak, but the word of oath, which came after the Law, appoints a Son, made perfect forever.”

14) ‘Isa is Holy

Surah 19:19 “He said, “I am only the messenger of your Lord to give you [news of] a pure boy [i.e., son].”

Acts 4:27, 30 “For truly in this city there were gathered together against Your holy servant Jesus, whom You anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel.”

“While You extended Your hand to heal, and signs and wonders take place through the name of Your holy servant Jesus.”

15) Isa is blessed/a blessing

Surah 19:31 “And He has made me blessed wherever I am and has enjoined upon me prayer and zakah as long as I remain alive.”

Surah 43:59 “He [i.e., Jesus] was not but a servant upon whom We bestowed favor, and We made him an example for the Children of Israel.”

Acts 3:26 “For you first, God raised up His Servant and sent Him to bless you by turning every one of you from your wicked ways.”

16) ‘Isa is a life-giver

Surah 3:49 “And [make him] a messenger to the Children of Israel, [who will say], “Indeed I have come to you with a sign from Your Lord in that I design for you from the clay [that which is] like the form of a bird by permission of Allah. And I cure the blind [from birth] and the leper, and I give life to the dead- by permission of Allah. And I inform you of what you eat and what you store in your houses. Indeed that is a sign for you, if you are believers.”

Surah 5:110 “[The Day] when Allah will say, “O Jesus, Son of Mary, remember My favor upon you and upon your mother when I supported you with the Pure Spirit [i.e., the angel Gabriel] and spoke to the people in the cradle and in maturity, and [remember] when I taught you the writing and wisdom and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you designed from clay [what was] like the form of a bird with my permission, then you breathed into it, and it became a bird with my permission; and when you brought forth the dead with my permission; and when I restrained the Children of Israel from [killing] you when you came to them with clear proofs and those who disbelieved among them said, “This is not but obvious magic.””

John 10:10 “The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.



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