



Salvation Stories

SALVATION IS A "BEFORE AND AFTER" EVENT!

Life before accepting Jesus as Savior: I come from a deeply traditional Muslim family where women are treated as subordinates and mere procreators.

Sadly, women are unjustly held responsible for all the hardships faced by humanity. Throughout history, whenever a dominant group has subjected an ethnic community to brutal violence or stripped them of their rights through torture, their first tactic is to vilify and criminalize the oppressed group in the eyes of the public.

This serves as a means to conveniently shift blame for societal issues. An infamous example is the German Nazi forces during World War II, who scapegoated the Jews for their own suffering and challenges. By portraying these groups as criminals and responsible for society's issues, people become less inclined to protest when their rights are violated or they are subjected to torture.

This strategy is not exclusive to modern times; even the Islamic Prophet Muhammad employed a similar tactic by blaming Eve and the entire female race for all human suffering and misery.

The Qur'an explicitly states that women are comparable to crops, to be utilized at one's discretion. This direct objectification of women plays a significant role in categorizing them as commodities and instruments of sexual desire within society. Islam not only grants men the authority to engage in polygamy but actively promotes it.

In order to rationalize this practice within the Islamic faith, numerous Islamic preachers assert that men previously possessed the privilege of entering into multiple marriages, whereas Islam has actually restricted this practice to a maximum of four marriages for men. However, this assertion is false.

The experiences I have had in my practical life have been mostly negative. The situation for women in the Muslim world today cannot be solely blamed on Islam.

Thankfully, modern Muslims do not strictly adhere to "the real Islam," otherwise women would not have the freedoms and rights they enjoy today. They should know the true light.

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How I accepted Jesus Christ: During my time as a university student, I had the privilege of being taking comparative religion studies. As I inquired about the rights of women in Islam and Christianity, I specifically asked my Professor to elaborate on the rights of women in Christianity.

Out of all the references he provided from the Bible, this particular one stood out to me. It stated that a woman should have the same rights as a man, while still acknowledging the inherent differences between the sexes (Galatians 3:28). This passage emphasizes that neither gender nor race should ever be used as a justification for oppressing or excluding someone from their rightful place in society. It is truly a remarkable teaching.

The Muslim clerics were unable to provide satisfactory answers when I inquired about my position within Islam. However, expressing any disagreement with Islamic laws resulted in threats and even death threats. They asked if I desired to be stoned to death.

My Professor shed light on this matter by referring to Jesus' teachings, specifically John 8:1-11. According to him, Jesus stated that only those without sin could carry out the execution. Since Jesus was the only person without sin among them, he held the power of justice and mercy. Therefore, anyone seeking salvation from judgment for their sins would need to turn to Jesus for compassion and mercy.

The teachings provided me with a deep connection to Jesus. I became a devout follower of Jesus! I approached my Professor to request a Bible. Through my studies, and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit I realized that Jesus is the exclusive path, truth, and source of life. This applies not only to women but to everyone. Jesus extends an invitation to believe in him, receive complete forgiveness for all our transgressions, and establish a personal relationship with God. Lastly, through God's grace, I embraced Jesus Christ as my eternal savior in 2017, acknowledging my inherent sinfulness. I now possess my entitlements, positions, gratitude, and salvation. Praise be to God.

My Present life: My journey with Christ has contributed to my spiritual growth and provided healing in my life. The presence of Christ brings me inner peace and contentment. I am grateful for the chance to serve God.

Upon completing my MBA, I transitioned into ministry work where I serve as a finance manager. I am blessed with two children and a husband who is deeply devoted to his faith. I kindly ask for your prayers for our families.

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