

## 4 MARKERS

### Marriage

- CHR: Marriage is a sacrament, God given, man and a woman
- Therefore, Catholics ensure that marriage is done with all of their family, to celebrate the holy sacrament that they experience.
- ISL: Muslims men are allowed to marry up to 4 times, Marriage is a holy union
- Therefore, this means that in countries that follow Islamic Law allow polygamy for men.

### DIVORCE

- ISL: Even though divorce is not welcomed, it is permitted if marriage is broken down
- Chr: In the Bible, Jesus allowed for a divorce if a partner is adulterous

### SAME SEX MARRIAGE

- CHR: Some denominations do not allow same sex marriage, Quakers church do
- ISL: All major denominations of Islam, are strongly against same sex marriage

### CONTRACEPTION

- CHR: Roman Catholic church prohibit the use of contraception "Every sexual act should have the possibility of life Humane vitae
- ISL: In a number of Hadith, they indicate that prophets used contraception, allow

### GENDER EQUALITY

- CHR: All humans are equal, "made in the image of God"
- ISL: Muslim men and women have the same moral and religious obligations

### ROLE OF PARENTS

- CHR: Parents have an instrumental role in raising their children with Christianic beliefs, baptism
- ISL: Parents have a religious obligation, to teach and educate their children about Islam

## ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE FAMILY

- CHR: Women have the same obligations as men / Greek/Russian Orthodox churches believe that women should solely focus on being a good wife and mother, and not have any other jobs
- ISL: Women have the same moral and religious obligations as men, they just like their husband, will educate their children about islam

## ADULTERY

- CHR: Jesus said that adultery is the only basis on which marriages can break and people can get divorced
- ISL: Harsh punishments in Islamic law for adultery,

## SEXUAL RELATIONSHIPS BEFORE MARRIAGE

- CHR: Traditional - pre-marital sex/ casual relationships not supported / QUAKERS support as long as they are long lasting and not about lust
- IS,: Forbidden, gift from Allah only be appreciated within the bounds of marriage

## THEME A - 5 MARKERS

## SEXUAL RELATIONSHIPS OUTSIDE OF MARRIAGE

- ISL: Only happen in marriage, "And come not near into Adultery, It is an abomination and an evil way"
- CHR: Liberalists: Some view that as acceptable if it is a loving and long lasting union

## SAME SEX MARRIAGE

- ISL: Strongly against, "Only a man and a woman" - Quran is the direct revelation / word of God,
- CHR: Liberatlist churches allow same sex marriage as long as it is a loving union
- " If a man has sexual relations with another man as one does with a woman, both of them have done what is detestable"

## CONTRACEPTION

- ISL: Allow use of contraception,
- CHR: Catholics do not allow the use of contraception - HUMAN VITAE "All sexual acts should have the possibility of human life"

## DIVORCE

- ISL: Muslims allow divorce, various different stages
- CHR: Catholic, don't believe in divorce, marriage two souls become one, irreversible bond created by God "two become one"

## TREATMENT OF WOMEN

- CHR: Eve was made from the rib of Adam, some might believe that women are secondary and only exist to support and act as a companion to men
- ISL: Men and women have the same religious and moral obligations, therefore there's no disparity in requirements and responsibility

## REMARRIAGE

- CHR: Catholics prohibit remarriage, person has broken promises that they have made in front of God (Covenant) - they shouldn't have the chance to repeat that again "two become one"
- ISL: Remarriage is allowed but not advised

## ROLE OF PARENTS

- CHR: Parents supposed to bring stability, and mirror the love and respect that God the Father had for God the Son in the trinity
- ISL: Emphasised heavily to teach about the religion, learn Arabic

## THEME B

### VIVISECTION ( ANIMAL EXPERIMENTATION)

- CHR: God has allowed humans to discover how to do it, it must be allowed, it is justified especially for medical and make up testing
- ISL: Animal experimentation should only be done for important research

## CARING FOR THE PLANET

- CHR: Believe that , as stewards of creation, humans have a responsibility towards the environment
- ISL: Believe that all people are khalifas ( guardians) of the planet, and have a duty and responsibility for the care of the Earth

## ABORTION

- ISL: Allow abortion if the mother's life is at risk, " the lesser Jihad"
- CHR: CATHOLIC - Sanctity of life argument, life begins at conception, therefore an abortion is murder

## EUTHANASIA

- CHR: Sanctity of life argument ( catholic) no matter the pain, its Gods will that has kept you here otherwise it wouldn't have happened , against it
- ISL: Passive Euthansia, lesser Jihad, that if somebody is in pain it is only caring to help

## ORIGIN OF HUMANS

- CHR: LITERALISTS ( Interpret the Bible exactly - everything that is recorded is the direct word of God and therefore cannot be challenged), CREATION STORY ACTUALLY HAPPENED
- ISL: Allah was responsible for the creation of the world / some believe in the Big Bang theory ( "Dust"

## CREATION

- CHR: Belive that God created the Universe to exist, some view creation as literal account " in the beginning GOD created the Heavens and the Earth"
- ISL: Despite not having a creation story, Still believe that everything happened according to Allahs will

## THEME B

( just reviewed the quotes)

## THEME D

- CHR: Christians when called to defend their faith will do so ( Crusades)
- ISL: 10 Obligatory acts - Called upon the "JIHAD" - lesser - protect faith

## WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

- CHR: recognise that nuclear weapons are dangerous, believe that their use could be positive as a deterrent but not in actual usage
- ISL: "Fight in Allah's honour ... but do not overstep the limits" - the bounds at which they can go to destroy fellow Allah's creation

## PACIFISM

- CHR: QUAKER church complete pacifists- there is no just explanation for War, causes more harm to innocent people than the involved people
- ISL: Root of the word Islam means peace, therefore they believe that if they are given any opportunity for peace they must accept it opposed to war

## FORGIVENESS

- CHR: Jesus "turn the other cheek" - christians believe that they are called upon to follow Jesus' teaching and do the same
- ISL: They believe that forgiveness is important , however it will not replace Islamic law punishments

## JUSTICE

- CHR: Encouraged to protest for equal rights for all people
- ISL: Justice is achieved completely by following God's Word - Initially, Islamic law, on judgement day - dealt with appropriately for your life actions

## JUST WARS

- ISL: Jihad - if religion is being threatened, they are called upon to defend it - they have limitations, Innocent women and children ( surrender) go,
- CHR: However pacifists believe that these don't exist

## THEME E

## GOOD AND EVIL

- CHR - FREE WILL given by GOD and therefore humans have the ability to choose between good and evil
- ISL: They believe that all evil is linked to Iblis ( Satan) and they do not blame Allah for any of it

## HATE CRIMES

- CHR: Defend minority groups, even if they are non-christians "Love each other"
- ISL: Same perspective, how culturally, grouping together and protesting for what they believe

## AIMS OF PUNISHMENT

- CHR: Reforming - improving their moral ideas, forgiveness ( community service)
- ISL: Retribution - ( Islamic Law - flogging, stoning etc)

## TREATMENT OF CRIMINALS

- CHR: Criminals still have human rights - therefore they should be respected, Parable of the Sheep and the Goats " visit the prisoners" not alienate them from society and welcome them
- ISL: They treat according to the perfect instructions written in the Quran , Islamic Law

## CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

- CHR: Some Christians agree with corporal punishment " the ones who love their children the most discipline them " - take that as a message that corporal punishment is an act of love
- ISL: Agree with Corporal punishment for certain crimes such as stealing

## CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

- CHR: Most Christians are against capital punishment, Jesus's teachings on forgiveness / different beliefs about the aims of punishment (ie - reformation)
- ISL: Believe some levels of severe crime merit capital punishments - forgiving for the criminal - being in jail for the rest of their life is too punishing and forces them to confront mental health issues

## SUFFERING

- CHR: Christians will suffer in their life, and they can minimise their suffering through prayer and reading the Bible

- ISL: Everything that happens is in accordance to Allah's will, especially Sunni Muslims, therefore they must live through every suffering

#### VICTIMS OF CRIME

- CHR: They should comfort and care for those victims, however they have no influence on the punishment
- ISL: Some crimes, the victim actually can influence the extent of the punishment - retribution

#### 12 MARKER PRACTISE / PLANS

#### THEME A , B, D, E 12 Marker Plans

QUESTION	FOR POINTS	AGAINST POINTS	
"Marriage is the correct place for sexual relationship"	<p>CHR: Implore Sex should only exist within marriages</p> <p>ISL: Same perspective - gift from Allah, only be appreciated during marriage</p> <p>ATHEIST: Reduce the chances of promiscuity, as marriage is a contract that is serious, and hence reduces the chances of adultery</p>	<p>QUAKERS/Liberalists believe that any loving relationship is valid of sexual relationship ( same - sex couples )</p> <p>ATHEIST: Marriage is just a contract, no religious change for those people , no unifying of two souls, indifferent</p>	
SAME SEX MARRIAGE IS WRONG	<p>Marriage is to take place between "only a man and a woman" - fundamentalists perspective disobeying God</p> <p>Marriage purpose is bearing children (</p>	<p>Same-sex couples can now bear children through science fulfilling that Christian requirements.</p> <p>Liberalists believe that if it is</p>	

	<p>procreation) therefore naturally impossible same - sex couples, hence highlights that it shouldn't exist.</p> <p>ISL: "If a man has sexual relations with another man - this is an abomination" - Strongly advised against it</p>	<p>a strong and loving union - then it is permitted.</p>	
<p>WOMEN AND MEN SHOULD BE TREATED COMPLETELY EQUALLY</p>	<p>"Made in the image of God" - CHR, therefore all people treated equally</p> <p>ISL: Men and women despite their natural differences, believe that they have the same religious and moral obligations as each other - suggesting that they are equal.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adam was created first in both creation stories Is AND Ch hence suggesting men are superior ( TO evaluate this, in reality one had to made first )</li> <li>• Russian/Greek Orthodox churches that suggest men are superior and are the providers and protectors and women are the caregivers</li> </ul>	

<p>THERE IS NO GOOD REASON FOR ABORTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interferes with God's plan - More important for Muslims - less free will, therefore going against Allah's plan - Sin of Shirk</li> <li>• Sanctity of life argument - life begins at conceptions - Even atheists are against abortion</li> <li>• Only "God has the power to give and take life" - mocking God,</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ISL: Abortion is permitted: if it is a result of Rape, if the mother's life is at risk ( Lesser Jihad) , Before ensoulment ( 40 days or 120 days)</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
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	<p>"eternal damnation"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Good" suggests that mothers actively want to get rid of their children - mostly untrue -therefore strong argument</li> </ul>	
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<p>THOSE WHO ARE ILL AND SUFFERING SHOULD BE ABLE TO END THEIR OWN LIVES</p>	<p>" Love thy neighbour" , be compassionate and caring ( CHR)</p> <p>(ATH) If their life is only being sustained by a Life support machine - than their death wouldn't be a result of anything but their illness they have</p> <p>ISL - Lesser Jihad</p> <p>(ATH) Quality of life</p>	<p>ISL: Everything that happens is in accordance to God's will and therefore only God has the power to give or take lives</p> <p>Can be subject to abuse, as relatives force somebody to commit Euthanasia, which is terrible.</p> <p>Danger that Euthanasia could become a law at a certain age.</p>
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<p>If forgiveness happens there is no reason for war</p>	<p>ISL: "HATE YOUR ENEMY MILDLY ... FOR THEY MAY BECOME YOUR FRIEND ONE DAY" - Means peace, surrender to peace offerings, therefore encourage to end wars</p> <p>"Lesser Jihad" for a reason, suggests that war and violence shouldn't be at the forefront of Islam</p>	<p>(ATH) Not fair, because in many cases corruption - countries having to be forced to "forgive" reduces them being held accountable</p> <p>No - in order to prevent a war other factors are required, e.g payment , subsidies</p>
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	CHR: Jesus "Forgiveness" "turn thy cheek", one of most important practises, forgiveness of sins	
CORPORAL PUNISHMENT HELPS CHILDREN LEARN RIGHT FROM WRONG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "The one who loves their children is the most is careful to discipline them"</li> <li>-</li> <li>-</li> <li>- Yes ( Ath)Acts as a deterrent for children to commit wrongdoing, when they grow up be more respectful</li> <li>- "He who spares the rod hates his children"</li> </ul>	<p>( ATH) Abusive to children</p> <p>No limit - no boundary - get very violent</p> <p>Illegal in britain, strong argument , not good for social welfare</p>
PEOPLE ARE NOT EVIL, SOME JUST DO EVIL THINGS	<p>CHR + ISI: All evil originates from Iblis/Satan therefore is his doing and not the people who act it</p> <p>ORIGINAL SIN</p> <p>"Hate the sin and not the sinner"</p> <p>If we we start to hate people and create further divisions between everyone, then only encouraging more hate</p> <p>Forgiveness and CHR - Lords Prayer, that we should overcome and stop judging others</p>	<p>CHR: Free will, therefore they do directly cause and do evil things and have evil thoughts, hence are evil</p> <p>Judgement - why is there judgement and Hell if it just Iblis's fault or Satan's fault</p>
