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**Islam 101**  
**Transcript of Part 5**  
**Common Beliefs of Muslims and Christians**  
**The Future of Interfaith Dialogue**

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So you can see there are many points of commonality in beliefs between Muslims and Christians. We all believe in God as the creator of all life. We all believe in God as a source of justice, certainly as the one who is going to judge us on Judgment Day and hold us



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alone. She's having this baby. It's very painful and God responds to her, "Don't worry, I'll take care of you. Look, shake the tree, there are ripe dates there, [to] provide you with food. Look, there's a stream here to provide you with water."

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can cooperate? Or are we looking for one in which we simply argue about whose religion is better than whose, and the kinds of conflict that that can lead to?

I'd like to suggest that there are two major avenues that dialogue is taking today. One of them is what I would call a dialogue of information and perspectives. Certainly, with respect to Islam, there is a lot of misinformation out there in the media. I was shocked on one of my first trips to Saudi Arabia to discover that there's just as much misinformation out there about Christianity.

One of my first meetings with three very, very conservative religious scholars—I was fully veiled, my husband was with me, so I