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The word Quran (or Koran) is Arabic meaning "recitation" referring to the teachings Muhammad's death. According to Islam, the man Muhammad received his revelations from the angel Gabriel, the same angel to have announced the future birth of Jesus to his mother, Mary. Muhammad received these revelations in Medina and Mecca between 610 A.D and 632 A.D. The Quran is divided into various chapters called Surahs.

"Allah" is the Arabic name for God, with the literal translation as "The God, one to be worshiped." In ancient Babylon the name was "il", and then with the Hebrews became "El" (Elohim). El came into the definitive article IL-ah and then into the English as Allah. Depending on the Quran translation, Jesus is also referred to as Isa or Easa. Select references below:

- Jesus' Guidance and Authority: Surah 5:46: Surah 43:63
- Jesus' High Position Here and Hereafter: Surah 3:45;
- Jesus' Ascension to Heaven (reference to Resurrection): Surah 3:55-56 ; Surah 19:33-34
- Jesus' Miraculous Abilities: Surah 5:110,112,114 ; Surah 2:253
- Jesus' Birth to a Virgin (Mary): Surah 3:42-49

Jesus' Guidance and Authority: Surah 5:46: Surah 43:63

Surah 5. The Table Spread (Al-Maida)

005.046 And We caused Jesus, son of Mary to follow in their footsteps , confirming that which was (revealed) before him, in the Torah, and We bestowed on him the Gospel where in is guidance and a light, confirming that which was (revealed) before it in the Torah - a guidance and an abomination unto those who ward off (evil).

Surah43. Gold Adornments (Az-Zukhruf)

043.063 When Jesus came with clear proofs (of Allah's Sovereignty), he said: I have come unto you with this wisdom, and to make plain some of that concerning which ye differ. So keep your duty to Allah, and obey me.

Jesus' High Position Here and Hereafter: Surah 3:45; 003.045 (And Remember) when the angels said: O Mary! Lo! Allah giveth thee glad tidings of a word from him, whose name is Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary, illustrious in the world and the Hereafter, and one of those brought near (unto Allah).

Jesus' Ascension to Heaven (reference to Resurrection): Surah 3:55-56 ; Surah 19:33-34

Surah 3. The Family of Imran (Al-Imran)

003.055 (And remember) when Allah said: O Jesus! Lo! I am gathering thee and causing thee to ascend unto Me, and am cleansing thee of those who disbelieve and am setting those who follow above those who disbelieve until the Day of Resurrection. Then unto Me ye will (all) return, and I shall judge between you as to that wherein ye used to differ. 003.056 As for those who disbelieve I shall chastise them with a heavy chastisement in the world and Hereafter; and they will have no helpers.

Surah 19 Mary (Maryam)

019.033 Peace on me the day I was born, and the day I die, and the day I shall be raised alive! 019.034 Such was Jesus son, of Mary: (this is) a statement of the truth concerning which they doubt.

Jesus' Miraculous Abilities: Surah 5:110,112,114 ; Surah 2:253

Surah 5. The Table Spread (Al-Maida)

005.110 When Allah saith: O Jesus, son of Mary! Remember My favour unto thee and unto thy mother; how I strengthened thee with the holy Spirit, so that thou spakest unto mankind in the cradle as in maturity; and how I taught thee the Scripture and Wisdom and the Torah and the Gospel; and how thou didst shape of clay as it were the likeness of a bird by My permission, and didst blow upon it and it was a bird by My permission, and thou didst heal the him who was born blind and the leper by My permission; and how I restrained the children of Israel from (harming) thee when thou camest unto them with clear proofs, and those of them who disbelieved exclaimed: This is naught else than mere magic;

005.111 And when I inspired the disciples, (saying): Believe in Me and in My messenger, they said: We believe. Bear witness that we have surrendered (unto thee) "we are muslims".

005.112 When the disciples said: O Jesus, son of Mary! Is thy Lord able to send down for us a table spread with food from heaven? He said: Observe your duty to Allah, if ye are true believers.

005.113 (They said:) We wish to eat thereof, that we may satisfy our hearts and know that thou hast spoken truth to us, and that thereof we may be witnesses

005.114 Jesus, son of Mary, said: O Allah, Lord of us! Send down for us a table spread with food from heaven, that it may be a feast for us, for the first of us and for the last of us, and a sign from Thee. Give us sustenance, for Thou art the best of Sustainers.

005.115 Allah said: Lo! I send it down for you. And whoso disbelieveth of you afterward, him surely will I punish with a punishment wherewith I have not punished any of (My) creatures.

Surah 2. The Cow (Al-Baqarah)

002.253 Of those messengers, some of whom We have caused to excel others, and of whom there are some unto whom Allah spake, while some of them He exalted (above others) in degree; and We gave Jesus, son of Mary, clear proofs (of Allah's Sovereignty) and We supported him with the holy Spirit. And If Allah had so wiled it, those who followed after them would not have fought one with another after the clear proofs had come unto them. Butthey differed, some of them believing and some disbelieving. And if Allah had so willed it, they would not have fought one with another; but Allah doeth what He will.

Jesus' Birth to a Virgin (Mary): Surah 3:42-49

Surah 3. The Family Of Imran (Al-Imran)

003.042 And when the angels said: O Mary! Lo! Allah hath chosen thee and made thee pure, and hath preferred thee above (all) the women of creation.

003.043 O Mary! Be obedient to thy Lord, prostrate thyself and bow with those who bow (in worship).

003.044 This is of the tiding of things hidden. We reveal it unto thee (Muhammad). Thou wast not present with them when they trew their pens (to know) which of them should be the guardian of Mary, nor wast thou present with them when they quarreled (thereupon).

003.045 (And remember) when the angels said: O Mary! Lo! Allah giveth thee glad tidingof a word from him, whose name is Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary, illustrious in the world and the Hereafter, and one of those brought near (unto Allah).

003.046 He will speak unto mankind in his cradle and in his manhood, and he is of the righteous.

003.047 She said: My Lord! How can I have a child when no mortal hath touched me ? He said: So (it will be). Allah createth what He will. If He decreeth a thing, He saith unto it only: Be! and it is.

003.048 And He will teach him the Scripture and wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel,

003.049 And will make him a messenger unto the Children of Israel, (saying): Lo! I come unto you with a sign from your Lord. Lo! I fashion for you out of clay the likeness of a bird, and I breathe into it and it is a bird, by Allah's leave. I heal him who was born blind, and the leper, and I raise the dead, by Allah's leave. And I announce unto you what ye eat and what ye store up in your houses. Lo! herein verily is a portent for you, if ye are to be believers.

