

Episode 19

Did the quran abrogate the Holy Bible?

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Continuing the discussion of the claim of abrogation of the Holy Bible by the quran

We are asking:

How did the quran abrogate the Bible while it asked the people of the scripture to judge by what was written in it?

-In the Cow chapter (Surat Al-Baqarah) 213:" Mankind was one community and Allah sent Prophets with glad tidings and warnings, and with them He sent the Scripture in truth to judge between people in matters wherein they differed"

So the scripture was sent to the prophets to judge between people by what was written wherein, so how could someone say that the quran had abrogated it?

-The table chapter (Surat Al-Ma'idah) 68:" Say "O people of the Scripture, you have nothing till you act according to the Taurât and the Injeel (Bible), and what has been sent down to you from your Lord"

So he is asking the Jews and the Christians to adjudge by the Taurât and Bible, and what has been sent down from God!

That is a strong testimony that the quran didn't abrogate the Taurât and Bible

- The table chapter (Surat Al-Ma'idah) 43:" But how do they come to you for judgment while they have the Taurât, in which is the judgment of Allah;"

-The table chapter (Surat Al-Ma'idah) 44:" We send down the Taurât therein was guidance and light, by which the Prophets, the rabbis and the priests judged"

-The table chapter (Surat Al-Ma'idah) 47:"Let the people of the Injeel (Bible) judge by what Allah has revealed therein. And whosoever does not judge by what Allah has revealed therein. Then such people are the disobedient"

The prophet Muhammad was vouching by the Bible, asking the Christians to adjudge by what God has revealed therein

- The table chapter (Surat Al-Ma'idah). 66:"And if only they had acted according to the Taurât , the Injeel (Bible), and what has been sent down to them from their Lord ,they would surely have gotten provision from above them and from underneath their feet"

The quran is encouraging the people of the scripture to follow the Taurât and the Bible, so how could anyone dare to say that they were abrogated??!!

How did the quran abrogate the bible while it commanded to follow its legislations?

- the table chapter (Surat Al-Ma'idah') 48:" To each among you, we have prescribed legislation and a clear way. If Allah willed, He would have made you one nation"

-The two Imams Al-Galaleen said:" we had made for you, O nations a legislation and a clear way in religion to follow, If God willed, He would have made for you one legislation, but he dispersed you into rites to test you in the different legislations he gave you, to find out who is the obedient among you and who is the disobedient , so hurry up for the good deeds"

So the quran is commanding the people of the Taurât to follow its legislation, and the people of the Bible to follow its legislation after that, could they say that the quran had abrogated the Holy Bible?

-Consultation chapter (Surat Ash-Shura) 13:" He has ordained for you of the religion which He ordained for Noah, and that which we have inspired in you, and that which we ordained for Abraham, Moses and 'Iesa (Jesus) saying you should establish religion, and make no divisions in it"

This was construed by Imam Al-Baydawy:" meaning that he ordained for you of the religions, the religion of Noah, Muhammad, and those in-between them from the people of legislations which had the common origin "You should establish religion" that is the faith in what you should believe and the obedience of the God's laws

-The women chapter (Surat An-Nisa') 26:" Allah wishes to make it clear to you, and to show you the ways of those before you"

-Al-Galaleen construed that saying:" the ways of those before you" means the ways of the prophets in legislations"

It is very obvious that the quran was showing to the Arabs the ways of the prophets and their legislations in allowing and forbidding, so how an ignorant claims that it abrogated the Holy Bible with its included legislations??

The proof for the non-abrogation of the Holy Bible's legislations by the quran was that prophet Muhammad had judged by the stoning sentence approved by the Taurât for the those adulteress and adulterer of Khaiber, as it was mentioned in the table chapter (Surat Al-Ma'idah') 48:" So judge between them by what Allah has revealed"

-Imam Al-Zamakhshary said:" it was narrated that an honorable man from Khaiber committed adultery with an honorable woman , and both of them were married , and their sentence according to the Taurât was stoning , but they refused to stone them for their honorable position , they sent a delegation of them to ask the prophet of God , peace upon him, about that, they said if Muhammad orders scourging you accept but if he orders stoning don't accept and they sent the two adulterous with them , then the prophet ordered to stone them ,but they refused to accept his judgment, so he consulted the Jewish Rabi Ibn Soria to judge between him and them he confirmed the stoning sentence So the prophet ordered to stone them, so they stoned them by the mosque door to execute the sentence of the Taurât on them , so the annotators had agreed that the reason for the descend of that verse in the table chapter was that story , so the prophet

Muhammad approved the legislation of the Taurât which is the stoning and he didn't abrogate it

Which book is the one concerned with the abrogator and abrogated?

Is the abrogator and abrogated existing in the Taurât? And does it exist in the Bible?

The abrogator and abrogated is only confined to the quran

Actually if we study the abrogator and abrogated verses, we will find them specific for the quran verses, and has no relation at all with the Taurât and the Bible

- The Bees chapter (Surat An-Nahl) 101: "And when we change a verse in place of another, and Allah knows the best of what he sends down, they say: "you are but a forger." nay, but most of them know not"

It is obvious from that verse that the intension here was the replacement of the quran verses

- The cow chapter (Surat Al-Baqarah) 106: "Whatever a verse do we abrogate or cause to be forgotten, we bring a better one or similar to it"

- Imam Jalal El-Din Al- Syouty said "God made the abrogation pertained to this nation only "{by this nation he means the Arabic nation}: as the quran said: You are the best of peoples ever raised up for mankind "The Family of Imran chapter (Surat Aal-'Imran) 110 (1)

So the abrogation is something pertained exclusively to the quran and nothing else

The abrogator and abrogated is a serious problem, as there are many quran verses that deny the occurrence of any alternation or change in the words of God

As the Cattle chapter (Surat Al-An'am) 34" none can alter the Words of Allah."

The Big Stars chapter (Surat Al-Burooj) 21, 22: "This is a Glorious Quran, in Lauh Mahfûz (Preserved Tablet)

And the most serious verse: the women chapter (Surat An-Nisa') 82: " Had it been from other than Allah, they would surely have found therein much contradiction"

(1) "the perfection in the quran sciences by Jalal El-Din Al- Syouty art 2, and page 22