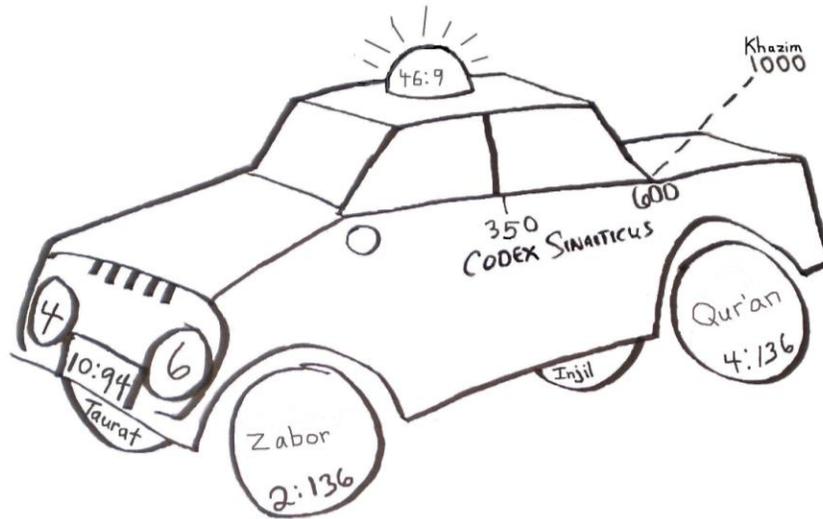


## The “Khazim 1000” Model Emergency Vehicle



### Designed to Help Answer the Accusation: “The Bible Has Been Changed!”

Those working with Muslims often hear this accusation. To help you remember and organize your response, a mnemonic device was developed and is entitled, the “Khazim 1000 Model Emergency Vehicle”. This helpful tool uses Qur’an verses, reasoning, and the Bible to build a case that the Bible has not been changed. It goes on to build a bridge to the Bible. **The goal is that you and your Muslim friend end up studying the Bible together.**

A script for how to work through the presentation is provided. You can use this tool with your Muslim friend by actually drawing the vehicle on paper and listing all the points or you can simply imagine the vehicle in your mind and use it as a reference to walk through the points.

For learning purposes, I encourage you to read through the script below. Then use a blank sheet of paper and attempt to draw the vehicle. Then from the bottom to the top begin to write the key points and references onto your vehicle in the right places. We will start at the bottom and build a foundation and conclude with a strong finish on top with the warning light.

**The Four Tires** – Let’s start with the foundation of our vehicle. Ask your Muslim friend, “What are the Four Books that Muslims honor?” He will naturally reply and say, “the Taurat (Torah), Zabor (Psalms), Injil (Gospel), and Qur’an.” Ask him if he knows the meaning of each of names of these four books. Most Muslims will not know this information, so you will have to tell him. Tell him that the Taurat means, “Book of Laws”, or “Book of Regulations”. Zabor means, “Sacred Songs”. Bypass the Injil and go to the Qur’an and say, “The word ‘Qur’an’ means ‘recitations or readings’”. Lastly, tell him that the word “Injil” means “Good News”. Say, “Where I go when I die is the most important piece of information I need to know from Allah. This will be either good news or bad news. The Injil contains the best news we could ever want. I know that I cannot get to heaven based on the evil deeds I have committed in my life. But the Injil contains good news of a way that Allah offers to us. How about you, do you need to hear the ‘Good News?’” If your Muslim friend responds, “Yes, I want to hear the Good News”, then take him

straight to the book of John. If you sense he is not ready to go to the Bible, then continue with the next phase of the Khazim 1000 Emergency Vehicle.

**Air pressure** – Moving along with your Muslim friend, let’s use two verses from the Qur’an that will inflate his confidence in the Bible. Let’s set the air pressure with the fictitious numbers “2:136”. Surah 2:136 says, “...*We believe in Allah and that which is revealed unto us and that which was revealed unto Abraham, and Ishmael, and Isaac, and Jacob, and the tribes, and that which Moses and Jesus received, and that which the prophets received from their Lord. We make no distinction between any of them, and unto Him we have surrendered.*” This is a solid foundation in which Muslims (and us) should not depart from what was given to these names. Tell your Muslim friend that if you find any book or teaching that does not support what was told to these men, including Jesus, then you should reject it.

The air pressure in the rear tires have the ability to carry more weight than the front as it is more clear. Surah 4:136 says, “*O ye who believe! Believe in Allah and His messenger and the Scripture which He hath revealed unto His messenger, and the Scripture which He revealed aforetime. Whoso disbelieveth in Allah and His angels and His scriptures and His messengers and the Last Day, he verily hath wandered far astray.*” I’m confident that Muslims will assume the “Messenger” in this verse is Mohammad, although it does not say so in the verse. This verse is not for you or me, it is for Muslims. You should not give the appearance that you are a believer in Mohammad as a messenger from God. Therefore, direct this verse towards your Muslim friend by saying, “How important is it that Muslims believe in the Before Scriptures? How important is the Before Scriptures according to this verse?”

**License Plate** – Among missionaries and national evangelists, surah 10:94 is fast becoming the most popular verse for bridging to the Bible. This verse gives Muslims permission to refer to the Bible or “Before Scriptures”. Surah 10:94 says, “*And if thou (Muhammad) art in doubt concerning that which We reveal unto thee, then question those who read the Scripture (that was) before thee. Verily the Truth from thy Lord hath come unto thee. So be not though of the waverers.*” Don’t let your Muslim friend get sidetracked on the issue of whether or not he has a question about Allah’s revelations. That is not the point you are after. Simply open your Muslim friend’s eyes to the fact that if the “Before Scriptures” were changed or corrupted, why would Mohammad be directed to inquire from those who read the “Before Scriptures”?

**Head Lights** – Notice the five marks on the front of the emergency vehicle. This represents the front grill. Yet it also refers to surah 5. In the two front headlights are the numbers four and six. This indicates the aya number. Ask your Muslim friend to look up Surah 5:46 and ask him to read it out loud, “*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 wherein is guidance and a light, confirming that which was (revealed) before it in the Torah – a guidance and an admonition unto those who ward off (evil).*” Ask, your Muslim friend if he has ever been lost at night. Ask him what difference did a light make in finding your way to your destination. Remind him of two issues that come out of this verse; if the Bible had been changed or corrupted, this verse certainly would not appear in the Qur’an and this verse is an encouragement for anyone needing guidance, especially for those wanting guidance to heaven.

**Rear View Mirror** (on the outside of the door) – For this illustration, we will use the rear view mirror to represent “Zero”. This will represent the time for Jesus when he was on the earth.

We'll use the line above the front and back doors as a time line which stops in the year 600 which represents the period of time for Mohammad. The dotted line extending upwards from the rear of the vehicle represents the model of the vehicle, the "Khazim 1000". Ibn Khazim, who lived around the year 1000, died in 1046, is credited as being the first Muslim to declare that the Bible has been changed.<sup>1</sup> This is four hundred years after the time of Mohammad. Between the front and back door is the mid-way point on our imaginary time line. At the mid-way point between Jesus and Mohammad is the Codex Sinaiticus<sup>2</sup>, dated around the year 350. For some, this is the most important ancient manuscript. Today it can be seen in the British Museum. The Codex Sinaiticus was discovered in a monastery on Mount Sinai in Egypt. The document contains the Christian Bible in Greek, including the oldest complete copy of the New Testament. For all practical purposes, you can tell your Muslim friend that the Injil available in the days of Mohammad and at least one copy was found not far from where Mohammad lived.

With this visual time line, tell your Muslim friend, "For the sake of argument, let's assume that the Bible had been changed. The question is when was it changed? It certainly was not changed between the years zero to 600. The Qur'an or Mohammad would have warned us. There is not a single verse in the Qur'an that claims or hints that the Bible has been changed. Therefore, it must have been changed after the time of Mohammad, possibly between the years of 600 to 1000. Therefore, if you find a Bible that is translated from manuscripts from after the year 600 (of course there is no such Bible to be found anywhere except among the cults), throw it away. But if you find a Bible that was translated from the more than 5600 manuscripts found between the years zero and 600, then you can trust them according to your way of thinking."

**Warning Light** (on top) – In surah 46:9, Mohammad claims that he is a "Warner." Tell your Muslim friend that there are more than 2 billion people on the planet today who believe that the Bible is trustworthy and reliable as it is. Say, "Who should warn all of these people that the Bible has been changed or corrupted? Mohammad, the warner, did not warn us about the changes. Surely, if the Bible had been changed or corrupted, he would have warned us. ***So who are you going to trust, Khazim or Mohammad?***"

If you would like to push your Muslim friend a bit further, you can say, "Don't ever let another Muslim hear you say that the Bible has been changed. When you say that, you are actually saying that your prophet is a failure (he failed to warn us), and that the Qur'an mislead us to believe that the Bible was uncorrupted." With this statement, I doubt you will ever hear your Muslim friend make the claim that the Bible has been changed or corrupted.<sup>3</sup>

At any point during the "Khazim 1000 Emergency Vehicle" presentation be sensitive and leave the presentation and move on to introducing your Muslim friend to a Bible. Only if you feel he needs the entire presentation, move all the way from the bottom to the top. You cannot make a Muslim believe the Bible is unchanged and inerrant, all you can do is pray for him and present

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<sup>1</sup>Reported by World's Last Chance volunteer team, June 18, 2008. See [www.worldslastchance.com/forum-muslims-only/doesnt-the-quran-prove-that-the-bible-is-corrupted-and-no-longer-to-be-read.html](http://www.worldslastchance.com/forum-muslims-only/doesnt-the-quran-prove-that-the-bible-is-corrupted-and-no-longer-to-be-read.html)

<sup>2</sup> See the home page for the Codex Sinaiticus, June 18, 2008, at [www.codexsinaiticus.org/en/](http://www.codexsinaiticus.org/en/)

<sup>3</sup> Note that many Muslims may show you a verse in the Qur'an that speaks of the Jews twisting the words of the Torah. Read the verse carefully and point out that it does not say that the Torah has been changed, only that those who read the Torah have twisted the meaning of what they read.

the facts from as many different angles as possible. Make sure that you have a Bible ready to present to your Muslim friend. Quite possibly he will accept your gift and read it.

Now, reconstruct the Khazim 1000 Model Emergency Vehicle without looking at the other page, begin at the bottom and insert all the names and Qur'an references.

