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Editorial Review

Review

"We live in a world confused about Islam. Fouad Masri demystifies Islam and shows how to converse and build relationships with our Muslim co-workers and neighbors. He provides practical answers to seven common questions that Muslims ask about Christianity in a way that is nonthreatening and winsome, all the while sharing the biblical hope and love of Christ. With real-life stories, the author takes away the veil of Muslim culture and builds a bridge of trust between the two worlds that reveals the beauty of the gospel of Jesus." (Robert L. Gallagher, Outreach Magazine's Resources of the Year, March/April 2015)

"I'm grateful for Fouad Masri's *Connecting with Muslims*. This book shows how Christians and Muslims can connect with one another in real relationships of respect and trust. Fouad is an Arab Christian and a skilled communicator who can explain the cultural differences and bridge the gap between different worlds. He explains where Muslims are coming from in ways that Christians can understand, and he explains Christianity in ways that make sense to Muslims." (From the foreword by Josh McDowell, author and speaker)

"Full of evangelistic zeal and easy to read, Masri's *Connecting with Muslims* is a great book for individuals and churches that want to learn more about effectively engaging those of the Muslim faith." (Brandon Caudill, On Mission, Winter 2015)

"How can we share the gospel effectively with Muslims? In *Connecting with Muslims*, Fouad Masri, an Arab Christian, gives us helpful and practical insights on how we can convey the love of Christ to them. This is not a book of strategies or tactics. It is a guide to what we should understand about Islam and how Christianity may be understood by Muslims, so that we can faithfully represent Jesus. Relying on biblical principles, he shows us how to engage in and maintain fruitful conversations that lift up Christ without causing offense or compromising the gospel." (Winfried Corduan, author of *Neighboring Faiths*)

"Fouad Masri is a good friend and an effective communicator of the gospel to Muslims. Muslims are not 'missions projects' to him; they are people made in God's image. *Connecting with Muslims* is an expression of that attitude. It's easy to read and it's practical. It effectively demystifies Islam for anyone unfamiliar with it and encourages Christians to share the beauty and truth of the gospel with their Muslim friends." (Abdu Murray, speaker and author of *Grand Central Question*)

"*Connecting with Muslims* is a useful book on apologetics and bridge building in Muslim ministry. The arguments are historically and biblically sound. . . . This book certainly deserves to be on the shelf of every Christian who is interested in knowing how to communicate effectively with Muslims." (Abner P. Dizon, *Journal of Asia Adventist Seminary*, 16.2 (2013))

"Masri's book would be an excellent source for helpful information about Islam as well as a practical guide in how to use that material effectively in conversations with Muslims. Since there will only be an increased interaction between Christians and Muslims in our world, it would be good for all Christians to prepare themselves for opportunities to engage their Muslim neighbors in meaningful dialog about our faith. Masri's book would be the place to start." (Calvin (Wes) Harrison, *Stone-Campbell Journal*, Fall 2015)

About the Author

Fouad Masri was born and raised in the war zone of Beirut, Lebanon. As a third-generation pastor, he has a passion for sharing the love of Christ with Muslims and has spent most of his life doing just that. After coming to the United States to attend seminary, Fouad realized the urgency for teaching American Christians to reach out to the growing population of internationals, particularly Muslims. In 1989, he founded Crescent Project to nurture transformational relationships between Christians and Muslims and overcome misconceptions about Islam and Christianity. Masri is an ordained minister and has been ministering to Muslims since 1979. He has trained more than 18,000 Christian to sensitively and purposefully share their faith with Muslims through both the Bridges One-Day and Sahara Challenge training programs. He has served as a guest instructor at several universities and Christian ministries and has been featured in several media publications, including Christianity Today, Newsweek, Mission Network News, and on CBN, TBN, the Janet Parshall Show, and Prime Time America. He is the producer and teacher in the DVD study, *Bridges: Christians Connecting with Muslims*. In *Bridges*, he further exposes Christians to the urgent need for understanding about Islam and Muslims. Fouad is author of *Is the Injeel Corrupted?* and *Ambassadors to Muslims*. Fouad holds a bachelor's degree in Mass Communication and an M.A. from Fuller Theological Seminary in Islamic Studies. Fouad lives in Indianapolis, Indiana, with his wife Lisa and their two children.

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