

## **How to Witness to Muslims: Methods and Pitfalls**

What are the main obstacles to reaching Muslims for Christ? We will discuss styles in communicating the Gospel and discuss what pitfalls one must avoid in engaging with Muslims for Christ. Recent research findings will be discussed, and real-life examples will be presented. This will be an interactive session, with opportunities for comments and questions.

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### **I. Introduction**

- A. We are witnesses for Christ, to ALL nations.

### **II. General Points**

- A. Dos and don'ts
  
- B. Muslims are individuals
  
- C. Not all Muslims understand their own religion
  
- D. Beware of jumping orbits
  
- E. Example/Group work

### **III. Specifics**

- A. Witnessing Styles

1. Styles recognized by missiologists

2. Survey results

B. Substance of witnessing to Muslims:

1. How deep is your knowledge of Islam?

2. What are the five pillars of Islam?

3. What makes a person a Muslim?

C. Which Christian Doctrines are problematic to Muslims?

IV. Combining Style and Substance

A. The power of a question

B. Compelling comparisons

C. Root Evangelism

D. Relational Evangelism

1. Research results

V. Conclusion

A. Examples

B. Q&A