

Circumcision

From the Scriptures of
Judaism, Christianity, Islam,
and Modern Science

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From the Old Testament

- Please read the verses carefully to understand the irrevocable covenant between the God Almighty and Prophet Abraham (peace be upon him) according to the Old Testament

Book of Genesis 17: 9 - 14

- 09 And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.
- 10 *This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.*
- 11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.
- 12 And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which *is not of thy seed.*
- 13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.
- 14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant. (Genesis 17: 9-14)

■ Let us examine what Jesus (peace be upon him) has supposed to have said about the **laws** of the Old Testament

Matthew 5:17-20

- 17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.
- 18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.
- 19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.*
- 20 For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed *the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.*

Jesus (peace be upon him) was circumcised according to the Bible

- And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb. (Luke 2:21)

John the Baptist (Prophet Yahya) was circumcised according to the Bible

- 59 And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to **circumcise** the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father.
- 60 And his mother answered and said, *Not so; but he shall be called John. (Luke 1:59-60)*

- Let us examine why the present day Christians have abandoned the practice of CIRCUMCISION which was based on an everlasting covenant between God Almighty and Abraham (peace be upon him) (Genesis 17:9-14) and practiced by Jesus (Luke 2:21) and John the Baptist (Luke 1:59-60). Further very strictly emphasised by Jesus to follow the Laws of the Old Testament, according to Matthew 5: 17-20. Let us read these verses again.

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- 18 Is any man called being circumcised? let him not become uncircumcised. Is any called in uncircumcision? let him not be circumcised.
- 19 Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, but the keeping of the commandments of God. (1 Corinthian 18-19) Author Paul

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6 For in Jesus Christ neither
circumcision availeth any
thing, nor uncircumcision; but
faith which worketh by love.

(Glatians 5:6) Author Paul

An ardent appeal to our Christian Brethren

Paul has changed many of the teachings of Jesus (peace be upon him) in the Holy Bible and established a new religion based on his epistles that has nothing to do with the Monotheistic principles taught in the Old Testament and particularly by Jesus (peace be upon him) according to the verses of the new Testament.

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Let us examine
what ISLAM teaches
about circumcision

Sahih Bukhari

Volume 4-Book 55-Hadith 575

Narrated by Abu Huraira:

Allah's Apostle (pbuh) said

“Abraham did his

circumcision with an adze at

the age of eighty”

Sahih Bukhari

Volume 7-Book 72-Hadith 779

- Narrated by Abu Huraira: Allah's Apostle (pbuh) said "Five practices are characteristics of the Fitra: 1. Circumcision, 2. Shaving pubic region, 3. Clipping the nails, 4. Cutting the moustache short and 5. Depilating the hair of the armpits.

■ What are the findings of Modern Science regarding **CIRCUMCISION**

Lack of Circumcision....

- Is the biggest risk factor for heterosexually-acquired AIDS virus infection in men (8-times higher risk by itself, and even higher when lesions from Sexually Transmitted Diseases are added in).

Lack of Circumcision....

- Is responsible for a 12-fold higher risk of urinary tract infections.

Lack of Circumcision....

- Carries a higher risk of death in the first year of life (from complications of urinary tract infections: kidney failure, meningitis and infection of bone marrow).

Lack of Circumcision....

- One in ~600-900 uncircumcised men will die from cancer of the penis or require at least partial penile amputation as a result. (In contrast, penile cancer never occurs in men circumcised at birth). (Data from studies in the USA, Denmark and Australia, which are not to be confused with the often quoted, but misleading, annual incidence figures of 1 in 100,000).

Lack of Circumcision....

- Often leads to balanitis (inflammation of the glans), phimosis (inability to retract the foreskin) and paraphimosis (constriction of the penis by a tight foreskin). Up to 18% of uncircumcised boys will develop one of these by 8 years of age, whereas all are unknown in the circumcised.

Lack of Circumcision....

- Means problems that may result in a need for circumcision late in life: complication risk = 1 in 100 (compared with 1 in 1000 in the newborn).

Lack of Circumcision....

- Is associated with higher incidence of cervical cancer in the female partners of uncircumcised men.

- In a survey of circumcised vs. uncircumcised men and their partners that was conducted by Sydney scientist James Badger (Badger J. *Circumcision. What you think. Australian Forum* 1989; 2 (11): 10-29 5. Badger J. *The great circumcision report part 2. Australian Forum* 1989; 2 (12): 4-13) (who regards himself as neutral on the issue of circumcision) it was found that:

1. 18% of uncircumcised males underwent circumcision later in life anyway.
2. 21% of uncircumcised men who didn't, nevertheless wished they were circumcised. (There were also almost as many men who wished they hadn't been circumcised and it could be that at least some men of either category may have been seeking a scapegoat for their sexual or other problems. In addition, this would no doubt be yet another thing parents could be blamed for by their children, whatever their decision was when the child was born.)
3. No difference in sexual performance (consistent with Masters & Johnson).
4. Slightly higher sexual activity in circumcised men.
5. No difference in frequency of sexual intercourse for older uncircumcised vs. circumcised men.
6. Men circumcised as adults were very pleased with the result. The local pain when they awoke from the anaesthetic was quickly relieved by pain killers (needed only for one day), and all had returned to normal sexual relations within 2 weeks, with *no decrease in sensitivity* of the penis and claims of 'better sex'. (Badger's Conclusion)

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