Intercession of Jesus Christ in the Qur'an

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Jesus is a sign (source of knowledge) of the Day of Judgment. So do not be in doubt about it and follow me. This is the straight way (43:61)

There is none among the People of the Book but will surely believe in him (Jesus) before his death; and on the Day of Resurrection he will be a witness against them (4:159)

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Remember the time when the angels said, O Mary Allah gives you the good news of a Word form Him whose name is Jesus the son of Mary, a man of status in this world and the Hereafter and one of those who are near to Allah (3:45)

And those whom they call on besides Him have no authority for intercession, but he who bears witness of the truth and they know him (43:86)

Different Types of Intercessions in the Qur'an

(1) No intercession in the Day of Judgment

Have fear of the day when every soul will be responsible for itself. No intercession or ransom will be accepted and no one will receive help(2:48)

Types of Intercessions

(2) Only with the Permission of God

No one will be able to intercede for the others except the one who has entered into a covenant with the All-Merciful(Maryam:87)

On that day no one's intercession will be of any benefit unless he has received permission from the Beneficent God and whose word is acceptable to Him (Taha:109)

Types of Intercessions

Children of Adam, did I not make a covenant with you, that you should not worship Satan he is surely a clear enemy to you and that you worship me? surely, that is the straight path (Yasin:61)

Is there any contradiction?

What is Intercession?

Lack of capability to reach the goals

 Needs to add more power to accomplish the main source of intercession.

• The role of intercession is to complete the source (cause) rather than to become an independent source.

What is Intercession and Where does it Apply?

 Not able to meet the merit on the principle of Justice of God.

 Principle of Mercy and Forgiveness can replace the principle of Justice

 Intercession can be related to higher level of perfection and spirituality

Criticism

Does principle of intercession encourage us to commit more sin?

- Sin is not specified for intercession
- Principle of Hope and Fear
- Ultimate decision lies with God

Eligibility Criteria for Intercession

(Muhammad), warn them of the approaching day when because of hardship and frustration their hearts will almost reach up to their throats. The unjust will have no friends nor any intercessor who will be heard (Al-Ghafir:18)

If they ever do injustice to themselves and come to you (Muhammad) asking for God's forgiveness and if the Messenger also was to ask God to forgive them, they would certainly find God All-forgiving and All Merciful (Al-Nisa:64)

Thank you