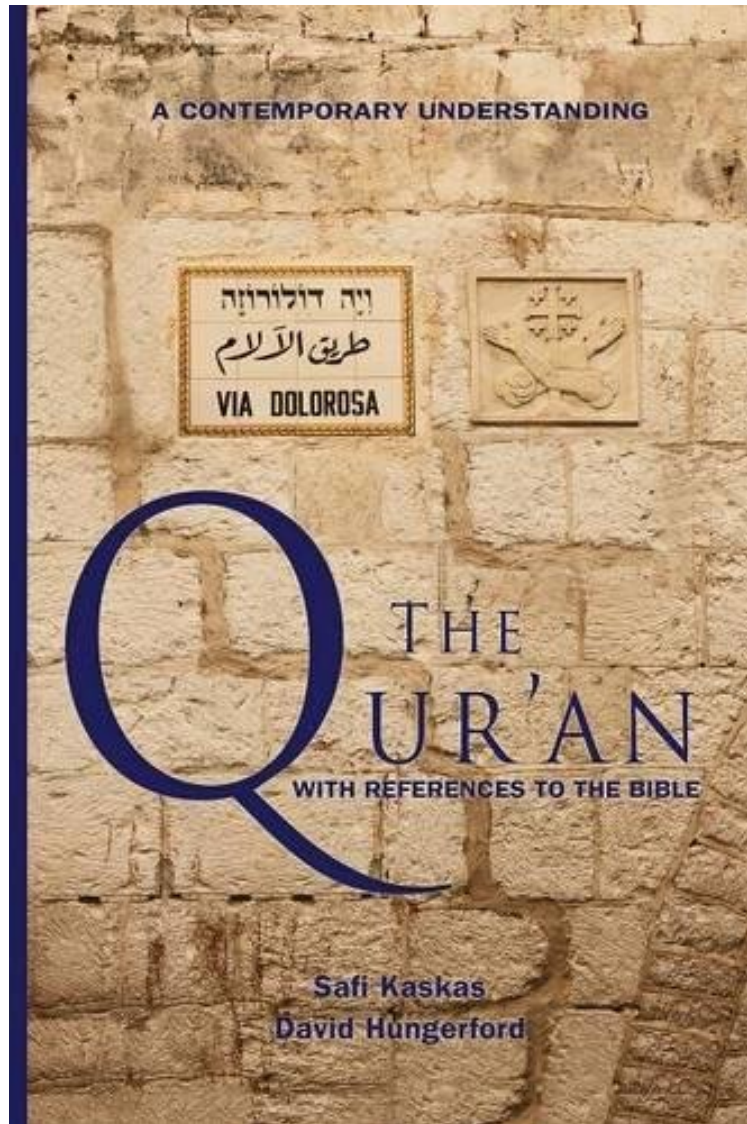


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before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Qur'an - with References to the Bible: A Contemporary Understanding:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. good translation for those not familiar with Biblical stories or where things are located in the Bible
By L. Geocaris
This is my first reading of the Quran. I thought the Biblical references would be helpful - they are in some instances, but mostly I am ignoring them since I have read the Bible several times and being familiar with those stories makes the notes less helpful. More helpful are the notes about Arab history that I am not familiar with ... but there aren't a lot of these. I do like the translation itself - easy to read and the authors make a point of pointing out what the original text refers to when it is a hard passage (i.e. kill all non-believers isn't as horrible as it looks ... people who take that translation are the far-right of the religion, and this is what it would have meant in the original script, etc.). This would be a good purchase for someone not terribly familiar with the Bible and where its stories are found. I will find another version to read should I want to go through it again.
*Also, it was not edited carefully. I have found a few typos that are not terribly glaring, but enough to notice when reading. And at the end of the chapter on the prophet Jonah, vs. 102-108 were completely missing so I had to find them online, print and tape into the book.
3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Distinguishing between essence and practice in the world religions
By Robert D. Crane
By comparing similar passages in the Bible and Qur'an this magisterial work shows their common essence. This approach highlights the difference between Islam and Islamdom and between Christianity and Christendom, that is, between divine revelation and the failure of some Muslims and Christians to practice it. This kind of scholarship can and should be applied to all the world religions.
0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Very disappointed
By Richard M.
NOTE: This review is entirely focused on the editorial, typographical, and printing errors of the book. I am not qualified in any way to comment on the translation. I have noticed in the small portion I've read so far so many errors that their presence is now a distraction --- in other words I am more focused on spotting the errors than on the message of the book. For example, the back cover has 3 errors alone - one would think this should be 100% error-free as the back cover is a major marketing effort of most books. There are several errors in the two forwards and introductions by the book's two authors. Even the table of contents page numbers are wrong for Introductions 1 and 2. Introduction 2 begins without any heading or other clear transition. The only thing in the Glossary that I've read (Jesus) has one grammatical error. In the Chapters I've read so far (98-114), which contain very little text, I have seen several typos in the footnotes (e.g. Ch 113's footnote writes "it's" where it should be "its", Ch114 has "to" where it should have "too"). In one chapter (98), the translation is cut short, as the last line of text wasn't printed. With the exception of the last error I pointed out, all I've come across so far are minor in that the meaning can still be understood. However, for a book written by two Phd's (intentionally using the wrong abbreviation for doctor as used in the book), I would expect a far smaller error rate. The fact that the error rate is so high leads me to doubt that the proper attention to detail was used in the translations in the text, to the point where I would send this book back for a refund if I was able. Overall, I love the idea of cross-referencing the Bible, and eagerly await the 2nd edition, where I assume most of these errors will have been corrected.

Drs. Kaskas and Hungerford's underlying motivation for the translation and inclusion of the extensive footnotes are not intended to promote a particular school of Islam or Christian apologetics. These exist in abundance. Their goal is to build bridges of better understanding, undermine radicalism and enlighten ignorance. This powerful instrument offers Muslims and Christians a fresh insight on the straight path to reconciling with God and man; sorely needed and missing from other translations.