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Abrahamic Family Re-Union

Introduction

The three religions namely Christianity, Islam and Judaism have many attributes in common. The first is that they are monotheist as they profess the existence of one Supreme Being; God. They all have a similar origin, referring to the story of creation and the events at the Garden of Eden. However, somewhere along the way, the three religions appear to part ways as each cultivates its own separate and unique path. Yet, the fact is that these three religions are ideally one (Fisher, 2011). How then can the three be reconciled so that they may have a common goal as opposed to seemingly fight and outdo each other? The Abrahamic Family Re-union seeks to explore possible ways of bringing the three religions together and thereby attaining reconciliation.

Areas of Departure

The three religions stem from the family of Abraham and Sarai. They have quite a number of aspects in common, yet they have taken different paths. The only sure way to bring reconciliation to the three religions is to identify the areas of departure. Identification of the areas

of tussle will help in the reconciliation process. The three religions can be compared to children from the same parents. They can best be described as brothers of the same parents who cannot stand each other. One aspect that has seen the three religions part ways is superiority. It is as if the three religions are competing and each seeks to show that it is better than all others. When it comes to matters of God, religion and rivalry should never come in. Matters of understanding and logic do not apply to religion. Rather, it is more of believing without asking questions. As such, one way to bring about reconciliation among the three religions is to agree that no religion is superior to the others as they are not in a competition. When the notion of competition is eliminated so will be the aspect of lack of respect for each other. No religion will despise or look down on the other because they are all equal.

The other step into reconciliation is the understanding that they all have a common goal. Although the method of implementation may vary from one religion to another, the three religions all aim at creating knowledge and awareness of the existence of God (Asbridge, 2012). They have a common goal and works toward a similar course. As such, they should be more of partners than rivals.

Need for Healing

As the three religions have tussled for superiority in the past, there have been cases of mudslinging as either religion appears to suggest that the other two have pitfalls. At the moment, there is mistrust among the followers of each religion (Fisher, 2011). Further, cases of persecution and discrimination of followers of one religion by followers of another has led to frosty relationships. A healing process must hence be initiated where all those who have been

wronged get a platform to speak out and forgive for all atrocities committed against them. With forgiveness, healing will be forthcoming. In addition, as they come together, they will learn to trust each other and this will ensure a strong formidable force formed by the three religions.

Conclusion

Matters of religions are highly emotive as they elicit hidden and deep feelings. People must tread carefully especially when dealing with people from other religions. Of greatest importance to remember is that there is no religion that is superior to all others.

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