

Are Muslims & Protestants Saved?

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Q. I'm writing about a few puzzling teachings of other faiths. **[Some Muslims]** believe when they kill in the name of Allah they'll go right to heaven. Do they all get what they believe? (Normally you get what you believe.) (Does this hold true in these circumstances?)

Protestants all seem to teach that all you need to do to be saved is accept Christ into your heart with faith and you'll be saved regardless what you do after that ...

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A. **Protestants** generally believe that one is saved by true conversion to Christ. But if one who has given his life to Christ does not live a Christian life, they assume that person had not truly submitted to Christ.

It's true that **some radical Muslims** believe there is heavenly reward for killing infidels who resist conversion to the Muslim faith. We Christians know there can be no possible reward for murder. It is mortal sin, which cuts the murderer off from God. *Strictly speaking, those radical Muslims would not be guilty of mortal sin because they believed what they did was right.* But they would still be murderers, bearing all the spiritual, moral and emotional consequences of having taken innocent life. *If God in His mercy should admit them into purgatory, there they would require unimaginable purgation.* {Church & Non-Christians (CCC) 841-848.}

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