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Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2019 10:33 AM
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Subject: FW: My meeting with Mormon missionaries

Mr. Cross,

Yes, there is more from me. Unlike PCA members, my Mormon friend Cory responds. While I suggest he is very wrong in his thinking, just like the Mormons I met with last week, he is willing to dialog. But I must interact with him and consider if what he states is right and not simply write him off. That is what love does.

I highlighted some of his comments in red below. Because I have studied the Mormon position I have an idea of why the first two highlighted statements were made and can hopefully more clearly respond. What he states sounds good, but is fallacy. What I need to do is clearly and gracefully point that out. This is what a follower of Christ is called to do considering Lev 19:17.

Note also the third highlighted line.

Consider Matthew 5:44, Romans 12:9-21, and one of my favorites Acts 7:60 *'And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them."'*

Cory is not my enemy, but a human being created in the image of God. He is worth my time.

Mr. Cross, you are not my enemy, but a human being created in the image of God. You are worth my time. Am I worth yours?

I'm not your enemy. Please don't treat me like one.

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Respectfully,

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Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

Ecclesiastes 12:13

Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2019 9:46 AM
To: John Kozlowski
Subject: Re: My meeting with Mormon missionaries

I am glad you enjoyed your meeting with the missionaries! I just got the time to read this email and haven't taken a minute to watch the video you referred to. As always I am happy to discuss a topic you have an interest in.

What sparked my interest in responding right away was the last question you asked. "Is that the one defined by the Quran, the Bible, or the Book of Mormon?" What if they are one and the same? It has been many years since I read the Quran so I can not speak specifically about whether this statement is completely accurate, but there are 2 "Gods" in the world, Satan and Jesus. Matthew 12:30 He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not [with](#) me scattereth abroad.

I think that often men look at this verse and think that there is only one right church and the rest wrong. I am more liberal in my thinking. **In a church or out of it, and any church that teaches Jesus Christ, He who God sent. Is right. When God speaks to me it is in vision and emotion.** It is up to me to interpret it and put it into words. Are not the words that we have in these books not like this. Could they not just be each man's best description of what is right? Could they not be trying to direct us to the same God? If they are not directing us to follow Satan, then I believe that "yes" is the answer to your question, not one or the other, but all of them. **I believe that we do share the same "Lord", the one of truth and right/light.** The desire to create division comes from the adversary! I try my best each day to love my fellow man as He taught. Trying to share that love and find things that I have in common, rather than trying to find the differences, I think brings Him more into this world that needs Him so very badly.

I Love You, and feel so very blessed that we started our conversation!! My God's richest blessings be yours!

Love,
Cory

P.S. I read back through this, I hope it makes sense, I am not very eloquent.

From: John Kozlowski <John@Kozlowski.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 17, 2019 8:00 AM
Subject: My meeting with Mormon missionaries

Cory,

After many months of pursuit, a meeting with a couple of Mormon missionaries did occur this week. During my frequent trip to the local juice bar for my ginger shot and often carrot juice (delightful!), many relationships have been fostered, including one with a young lady who is a Mormon. She has shown herself to be one of the few of the younger generation willing to have a reasoned dialog and one based on evidence. She attempted to arrange a meeting and to my joy it finally happened.

On a cold Tuesday morning we met at a coffee shop in the local public library. We spent about 2 hours together in a reasonably serious and respectful dialog. The tone did change when another patron heard our conversation and joined in. While it reduced the level of dialog, it did show the thirst for this kind of dialog.

While there are lots of issues we discussed that would be great to review, we still have not settled the difference between it feeling good or a burning in the bosom, and the truth. I desire to be on the same page on this.

In my preparation last weekend, I did a lot of study from pro and anti-Mormon positions. A lot of pro was emotional, and a lot of anti was vindictive. However, not all. In my study of Islam it has been important to find those who will make a reasonable case for the Quran and be able to study to find if what they say is true or false. Clearly, I believe I can rationally refute Islam. While I have read the Quran, I can now say I have at least read few chapters from the Book of Mormon and Doctrines and Covenants. I contend that I can rationally refute the claims. Are you willing to engage me on that?

Perhaps one of the best videos I have seen on the subject is at: <http://www.lds.video>. Can you point out where they are wrong with evidence? Note this is a group in Utah.

Bottom line: I consider you a friend and you are in my daily prayers. It is my hope that one day, both in mind and heart, we can share the same Lord. Is that the one defined by the Quran, the Bible, or the Book of Mormon?

Respectfully,

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