

Question: As Christians, are we allowed to contribute to building places of worship for other religions?

For example, if I'm a Christian with financial means and someone asks me to help build a mosque, is it okay to do that?

Answer: Helping others in need is a good and biblical practice, especially when it reflects God's love and compassion. The Bible encourages generosity and kindness toward all people, regardless of their background or faith. For example, Galatians 6:10

"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers."

This means we should help others whenever we can, but our primary responsibility is toward fellow believers.

If you are asked to support things like building schools, feeding the hungry, or caring for the elderly—even those of different faiths—this can be a way to demonstrate Christ's love and be a witness to them. Such acts do not conflict with Scripture.

However, when it comes to supporting the construction of places of worship for other religions, the situation changes. Scripture

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teaches that God alone is to be worshiped, and we are not to participate in the worship of other gods. Exodus 20:3 commands, *“You shall have no other gods before me.”*

Also, 1 Corinthians 10:21 warns,

“You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons too; you cannot have a part in both the Lord’s table and the table of demons.”

This means there is a spiritual exclusivity in our worship and offerings. Financially supporting altars or places dedicated to other gods can be seen as participating in their worship, which the Bible forbids.

The connection between offerings and altar worship is deeply spiritual. Matthew 6:2

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

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Our giving reflects our true loyalty and affection. We cannot fully belong to Christ and simultaneously support other religious systems without compromising our faith. This is considered spiritual adultery, as warned in James 4:4

“You adulterous people, don’t you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God?”

Moreover, God is described as a jealous God;

Exodus 34:14

“Do not worship any other god, for the Lord, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God.”

He desires our exclusive devotion, and this extends to how we use our resources.

As Christians, we should refrain from financially contributing to

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the building of worship places for other religions. If asked why, you can explain simply, “My faith teaches me to worship only God through Jesus Christ, and therefore I cannot support other religions.”

May God bless you as you stand firm in your faith.

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