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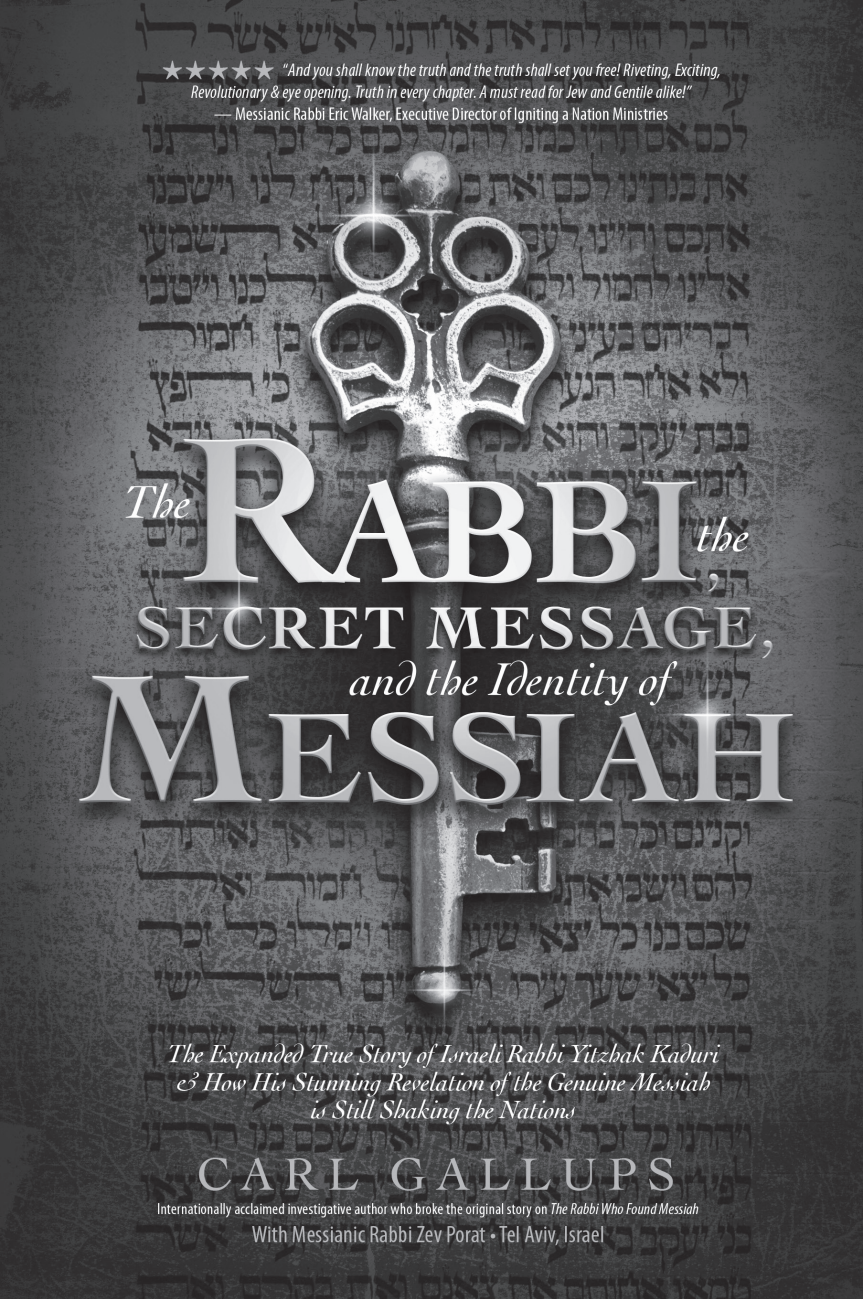
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is still shaking the nations*

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In Memory of My Father-in-Law, James Nelson Blount (1933–2017)

James Nelson Blount served as a deputy sheriff, chief criminal investigator, and finally as the chief deputy for the sheriff's office of Jefferson County, Florida.

For many years after leaving the sheriff's office, Nelson was elected and reelected as the chief of police for Monticello, Florida.

He is dearly loved by the family he temporarily left behind and is sorely missed by the multitude of grateful people he sacrificially served for so many years.

From him, a man of faith and loyalty, I learned many amazing things about life and service to others, not the least of which was how to investigate a matter fairly and thoroughly. In that regard, I pray this book would have made him proud.



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A Word from Messianic Rabbi Zev Porat

The story of Rabbi Kaduri has impacted my life and ministry in several hard-to-imagine and unmistakably Heaven-ordained ways. Doors of impossible witnessing opportunity have been opened through the Kaduri Yeshua revelation. Through those portals we have been able to lead Jews—around the world and especially in Israel—straight to the Word of God and then to salvation.

Not only has this amazing Kaduri story been an effective evangelism tool among unbelieving Jews, but it has also proven to be a rich blessing of encouragement and a prophetic thrill to many who are already believers in *Yeshua Ha' Mashiach*.

I believe this book will also touch your life in several unexpected ways. Prepare yourself for an anointed and supernatural journey of discovery!

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Prologue

What You Don't Know



Even if you're familiar with the account of the late Israeli Rabbi Yitzhak Kaduri and believe you already know what it's all about, I can assure you: *you don't*. The reason I can state this so emphatically is because I had the distinct privilege, in 2013, of writing the very first exhaustive investigative work on the original story.¹

Since the days of the Messiah note's initial revelation in 2007, the saga has exploded to an entirely new depth, exposing a treasure trove of additional information never before released to the public. Additionally, several new witnesses have come forth confirming the account with an even clearer perspective—and the note's startling proclamation continues to make its way into some of the darkest spiritual corners of the earth. Rabbi Kaduri's story is still as fresh as the morning dew and is ceaselessly unfolding with every day that passes.

On the other hand, if you've never before heard of the Kaduri account, strap yourself in. You'll soon learn to *expect the unexpected* as you turn each successive page on the journey ahead. Not only will this true story thrill your soul, but it is also guaranteed to open up a brand-new world of insight regarding the contextual understanding of God's Word as well as the amazingly prophetic times in which we now live.

This is a ride you'll not soon forget. You'll be pondering it and sharing it for a long time to come.

Thank you for taking this journey with us.

Carl Gallups

PART ONE

THE DIVINE LINKS

Divine: “Of, relating to, or proceeding directly from God.”²



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**The Rabbi, the Note,
and the Messiah**

The worldwide reaction to news of Kaduri's note has been "crazy." I have never received so many emails and calls from around the globe.³

—Ariel Schneider, *Israel Today*



The entire affair started with a mysterious, encrypted note. Shortly thereafter, a beloved Israeli prime minister directly connected to the note's message suffered a devastating medical malady.

Within days, that tragedy was followed by the unexpected death of the man who had written the note: modern Israel's most famous Orthodox rabbi. Then came a long, *one-year period* of waiting for the departed rabbi's mystery note to be revealed according to his own instructions.

After those twelve months finally elapsed, the missive was proudly posted by his ministry officials—right in the middle of the front page on the rabbi's own website. A few weeks later, the underlying secret message it contained was "decoded," and, thanks to the ever-present global reach of the Internet, the mystery was laid bare before the world. The Jewish and Christian faith realms were stunned by the note's revelation.

That's when the firestorm erupted.

The heart of the story actually began in 2005 on a pleasant October afternoon at a very special Yom Kippur⁴ service in the Bukharian Quarter

of Jerusalem. That ultra-Orthodox Quarter is situated in the center of Jerusalem and is less than four miles northwest of the ancient Old City—the site of the Temple Mount.

The Day of Atonement

The aging rabbi knew the time had come to reveal his secret—a secret the size of an earthquake.

Rabbi Yitzhak Kaduri had just emerged from a lengthy, trance-like state of meditation as his Jerusalem synagogue attenders looked on. He had been sitting in the “Teacher’s Seat”⁵ with his hands gently shielding his eyes as he prayed.⁶

Still seated in the place of authority, he lowered his hands and smiled slightly as he glanced around the room. He was certain that his congregation trusted him, but would they accept what he was about to tell them in these next few moments? He opened his mouth to speak. A reverent hush fell over the room. The listeners could tell that their beloved teacher had something monumental to convey.

On that particular day, Rabbi Kaduri would not deliver the traditional Orthodox liturgy approved for this special Feast of the Lord (Leviticus 23:26–32). Rather, at this service, he would break from the deeply entrenched protocol of the occasion and do something absolutely scandalous: *He would preach.*⁷

In due course, what the rabbi claimed to have been given through that heavenly vision would cause a significant religious upheaval in Israel. It would also correspond to the fulfillment of certain biblical end-time prophecies.

But the *Kaduri ordeal* wouldn’t unfurl itself overnight. Even though it had begun on that dramatic evening of Yom Kippur commemoration, the divine chess pieces were still being supernaturally moved into their places. The people in attendance that day could not have known they would become the first witnesses to a stunning, prophecy-connected event. In

only a few short weeks, Rabbi Kaduri's unexpected death would set into motion the spiritual mechanics that would ultimately shake the foundation of the Judeo/Christian world...

...as well as of the gates of Hell itself.



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The Unveiling

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood,
but against the rulers, against the authorities,
against the powers of this dark world and against
the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

—Ephesians 6:12



By January 28, 2006, Israel's most beloved and celebrated Orthodox rabbi had passed away at the age of 108.⁸

To this day, there is hardly a Jew in Israel who doesn't recognize Rabbi Yitzhak Kaduri's name and image and revere his memory. At the time of his passing, practically every taxi driver who shuffled the tens of thousands of people back and forth from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv displayed a picture of his benevolent face dangling from the rearview mirror.⁹

At Kaduri's funeral service, hundreds of buses, escorted by over a thousand police officers, transported the attendees.¹⁰ More than three hundred thousand people from around the world lined the barricaded streets of Jerusalem to get a glimpse of the historical event and pay their final respects.¹¹ This was the largest funeral gathering modern Israel had ever experienced.¹²

The Secret

The vast majority of people in that massive funeral throng didn't have a clue that, only a few months before, Kaduri had scribbled a small, mysterious note on a nondescript scrap of paper. The content of the note was supposed to reveal what the beloved rabbi had declared as a long-awaited divine revelation: the *actual name* of the soon-coming, *genuine* Messiah.

However, when the note was first unfurled before the world, the words revealed no name of the Messiah, at least not in its obvious, surface rendering. In fact, the message appeared to be rather benign. Many of Kaduri's followers expressed their disappointment. At the very least, they were simply confused by the fact that Messiah's name was not there.

Simply put, this "message" they were looking at on Kaduri's website was not what they had waited an entire year to see. They wanted to know the *actual name* of the Messiah, the name Kaduri claimed had been divinely revealed to him. But this note did not even come close to fulfilling that simple promise...*or so they thought.*

The disappointed ones would soon be in for a huge surprise. Within weeks of the original posting, a group of Kaduri's closest followers discovered the note's true message. They were ecstatic when they saw it. Not only had their beloved Rabbi Kaduri done exactly what he had promised, but the name of the Messiah had been right before them all along. The encryption key used to unravel the coded revelation was boldly dangling in the very first sentence, hidden in plain sight. To their amazement, Rabbi Kaduri had ingeniously encoded his note. But why would he put the promised name of Messiah in the form of a coded secret? As you will soon discover, there was a very good reason.

When the name was finally revealed, the revelation stunned practically all who saw it. I say "practically" all because, as you will learn a little later in this story, a small group of Kaduri's students knew full well what the note was supposed to reveal. The renowned rabbi had spoken with them behind the closed doors of classes about the revelation. But now, he

had pulled it off—from beyond the grave. He finally told the world what those students already knew.

The Messiah

The news of the decrypted riddle blazed around the world like wildfire. Kaduri's note dramatically disclosed what billions had been proclaiming for more than two thousand years: *Yehoshua/Yeshua* (Hebrew for "Jesus") is the name of the real Messiah.

Kaduri's Orthodox followers were livid. *How could this be? This isn't possible! This must be a trick!* No Jewish rabbi of Kaduri's prominence would dare suggest such a thing, they said. Would the world now suggest that Kaduri had somehow become a "Christian?" *Preposterous! Blasphemous!*

That's when it started. Powerful, malevolent forces—human and spiritual—began marking out their territories.

This was war.

Missing

Within a very short time after the decryption process had been exposed, the note was removed from Kaduri's website. It would later be claimed by a trustworthy authority in the matter that the note had secretly been destroyed in an occult-styled, ritualistic ceremony.¹³ But it was too late. A huge number of people who were following the amazing story had already preserved screenshots of the revelation.

The spiritually ignited power storm had begun. Rabbi Kaduri's ministry officials and other Orthodox elite, along with powerful anti-Christian missionary organizations and several prominent media voices, began to claim that the note was nothing more than a fraud. Anyone saying otherwise was summarily branded as a liar and a charlatan. However, those who were conversant in the facts began to detect what they suspected to be a massive cover-up in progress.

This intricate story involves several occultic rituals, one of which included death threats upon an important Israeli government official. The account is also marred by vicious ecclesiastical infighting and carefully orchestrated cultural obfuscation, as well as incessant outlasting against those who have tried to uncover the truth. As it turns out, even the land of Israel is plagued with its own “deep state” and “fake news.” In short, the entire ordeal is wrapped up in spiritual warfare of the highest magnitude.

That supernatural Kaduri note narrative, all these years later, continues to unravel like a spool of twine bouncing down the side of a mountain. And so far, its range of influence appears to have no boundaries.

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It's a Scam

Many testified falsely against him,
but their statements did not agree.

—Mark 14:56



Rabbi Yosef Mizrachi⁸⁴ is another influential voice that attempted to delegitimize the Kaduri story. On November 14, 2014, one year after the original book on the Kaduri Messiah note was released, a video featuring Mizrachi was posted on the Internet.⁸⁵

In that video, Mizrachi attempts to explain away Rabbi Kaduri's note. Like Rabbi Singer, Mizrachi admits that he still receives a great deal of correspondence and questions regarding Kaduri's revelation. Following are his transcribed words from that interview. Knowing what you now know, Yosef Mizrachi's obfuscations will be easy to spot:

I get a lot of emails [from people] who are **fooled by the Christians**. They ask me, "Rabbi, we hear that Rabbi Kaduri before he passed away...he gave a letter to his son and before he passed away he said to his son to open this letter a year later and when his son opened the letter he found out that the Messiah will be 'JC.' How can it be that a Jew wrote such a thing?"

Right away I knew it was a scam. Christians are the masters of lies. [They] invent all kinds of lies. So I said, let me go

and check that nonsense story—where it came from. First of all, Rabbi Kaduri never left anything. Somebody made up that story.... There's a lot of naïve people. Whatever you feed them, they believe.

The Christians made [a] mistake with their regular ignorance. What was their mistake? They presented supposedly a letter from Rabbi Kaduri—and it says over there that the Mashiach would be...**Yehoshua—not Yeshua!** How do Christians call “JC”? Yeshua! **It's a different name!**

So, **even if the letter was true**, even if he left it to his son and he told him the name of the Messiah would be Yehoshua—**what does it have to do with Yeshua—with “JC”?**

The fact that a Jew would think that an orthodox big rabbi would write that Mashiach would be “JC” shows how naïve people are—it's crazy how people would think such a thing.

So, the answer is that it never happened. And **even if the story was real**—according to *their* story, it says Yehoshua. That's what they claim. They didn't claim Yeshua, **they made a mistake, as usual.** They always try to claim they have something from God, but in the end, we check it and we find they have a lot of human error.⁸⁶ (Emphasis in bold added)

Notice that besides the generalized vitriolic attacks upon the integrity of Christians in general, Mizrachi resorts to the same scholastically disproven argument used by Rabbi Singer—that the name “Yehoshua” is not the same as “Yeshua.”

Getting It Straight

Regarding the existence of the note in the first place, we must ask: *So, which is it?*

Rabbi Singer admits the note existed. He also admits it was posted and translated as “Yehoshua.” Yet, Rabbi Yosef Mizrachi insists the note

never existed in the first place and that the entire story is a Christian lie. However, apparently to cover himself—just in case, he says—*if it did exist*, the Christians simply *made a mistake*.

The remaining questions are equally profound. Does Mizrachi really believe that the note and the entire story never happened, when the note was published for several months on Kaduri's website for all the world to see—and, presumably, it was posted by Kaduri's own webmaster?⁸⁷

By now, the facts are clear. To quash the truth about Rabbi Kaduri's revelation of Yeshua as Messiah, the Orthodox elite were willing to resort to just about any argument that seemed to stick against the wall.

Unfortunately, Mizrachi and Singer are only two examples of the greater misinformation machine the Israeli Jews are up against when researching the Rabbi Kaduri phenomenon. Thus, the need for the book you are now reading.

Zev Porat weighed in on the matter of these two rabbis:

Both Rabbi Yosef Mizrachi and Rabbi Tovia Singer have made numerous public attempts to keep Messiah of Israel Ministries from telling the Rabbi Yitzhak Kaduri story. They have both disparagingly referred to our ministry by name, and my use of the Rabbi Kaduri story in witnessing to Jews.

I have offered, many times, to come on Rabbi Tovia Singer's show to have a friendly and live discussion of the facts of this matter. He has never responded to a single offer I have made to him. The same goes for Rabbi Mizrachi. Since they know that I am a well-known voice in Israel regarding the Rabbi Kaduri story, it is very telling that they refuse to openly discuss the phenomenon with me. If I am wrong, surely the facts would prove it, wouldn't they? What do they have to fear? Unless they know they are wrong.

The attempted cover-up of this true story runs very deep. But Yeshua is having the victory in spite of all the concealment measures. Our ministry is continually inundated with calls, emails,

and letters from Jews all over Israel who want to know about everything they can get their hands on concerning the Kaduri Messiah note.

The Myth

There simply was no “Christian lie” involved with the Kaduri note. The imaginary “trickster Christians” did not write the note, nor did they devishly publish it on Kaduri’s website. Rabbi Kaduri wrote it and left it with his ministry officials, just like he said he would. Furthermore, his own ministry organization published the note, proudly displaying it before the world until the message was decoded.

In the next chapter you will see for yourself what the problem really is. There is a powerful and shocking reason the rabbis and the other Orthodox elite didn’t want anyone to make the connection between Rabbi Kaduri’s revelation and Yeshua; it’s something they hoped no one would understand.

But now, we’ll finally unravel that biblical mystery.

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Kaduri and the Imam

And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit
on all people. Your sons and daughters
will prophesy, your old men will dream
dreams, your young men will see visions.

—Joel 2:28



This next testimony is the most intriguing account of all the doors opened by the Kaduri note. The saga is told in Messianic Rabbi Zev Porat's own words.

The Mosque Visit

On another day of witnessing, our ministry team of fifteen people loaded up into four cars. We went to a specific city in Israel where we had predetermined to focus our outreach for that entire day.²⁰⁴

As our team dispersed to their assigned locations, the Lord spoke to my heart, “Go into a mosque.” I couldn’t believe what I heard.

The city had several mosques. So, believing I was being led by the Holy Spirit to do so, I went to the largest mosque in the city. In the car with me was my wife and one of our ministry partners.

When we arrived, the others in our party remained outside to pray. My wife and I approached the entrance alone. My heart was pounding.

I knew what I was doing could be extremely dangerous—at many

levels. I am an obvious Israeli Jew, and I was going to knock on the door of a major mosque and dare to ask for a personal meeting with the imam! This was unheard of! To the Jewish mind, what I was doing was absolutely insane. But it had been directed by Yahweh, so I went to the door.

It is important to understand that once I went inside that mosque, for all practical and legal purposes, I would be “outside of Israel.” If I were to go missing, there was a very slim chance that the Israeli police would enter that mosque to look for me. For Israeli police to go inside a mosque and search for a missing Jewish man would cause an absolute riot throughout the nation. As I knocked, I was well aware of these truths.

After a couple of sharp raps on the heavy mosque doors, a very large Arab man opened it. He was visibly upset. “What do you want?” he snapped. He recognized me as a Jewish man. Most of the Arabs in Israel speak both Arabic and Hebrew.

I answered in my native tongue, “I would like to speak to the imam.”

“That will not be possible,” he responded. Then he asked, “Who sent you here?”

I answered, “The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.”

At that, the doorman curtly informed me that the imam would not see me, and he shut the door in my face.

I said, “Okay God, I did what you asked.”

I don’t mind telling you, I was a bit relieved as I turned to leave. However, the Lord spoke to my heart again and said, “Zev, do not go anywhere.”

So, I stood outside the door, simply waiting. About two minutes later—it seemed like two hours—the door opened. The imam was standing there, right before me!

“I heard you were looking for me. Who sent you here?”

I gave him the same answer I had given his guards.

He said, “You are a Jew, right?”

I answered in the affirmative.

“Why do you wish to speak to me? Do you want to make trouble?”

I assured him that I wanted no trouble and that I had come in peace.

He stepped to the side and invited us into the mosque. Upon our entrance, he looked at his guards and gave them a stern order in Arabic. Immediately, the guards surrounded me and searched me for weapons. When they were satisfied that I was unarmed, the door closed. We were now “outside of Israel.” We were in a major Israeli mosque with an imam and his guards. We were *alone*—yet, not really alone, for the Lord was with us.

I was told to remove my shoes. I remembered what Paul said, “To the Gentile I became a Gentile, so that I might reach them for Christ.”

I slipped off my shoes. My wife, under the same conviction, put on a head covering in Arabic style. She removed her shoes as well. We wanted our hosts to know that our intentions were honorable. I was in the imam’s “house.” I was there as his guest, with his permission.

Please understand, I would never purposely compromise the truth of God’s Word. But it is also important to be sensitive to the culture in which we are operating. Otherwise, we run the risk of shutting down our opportunity to share the Lord before we can even begin. This is hard work—it takes prayer and discernment—but it is a biblical principle.

The imam began by saying, “I also believe in the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.” He then pulled out a Quran and began to read it aloud.

I did not turn to him and say, “Mohammad is a false prophet,” or anything like that. I not only would have jeopardized my life at that point, but also, he would not listen to the gospel when that opportunity presented itself.

So, I respectfully listened as he read. If he had asked me if I thought Mohammad was a prophet, I would not have lied; I would have said “no.” But, he did not ask. The Lord protected me. Yahweh was already moving in the prayers of our ministry team.

When the imam finished reading, I told him that Yeshua was central to my personal faith. He smiled slightly and said, “Yes, we Muslims also believe in Jesus. We believe he was a great prophet.”

At that point, the Lord moved upon me to ask this imam a specific question. My question changed the subject completely, but, I had a plan.

I asked, “How long has man known that the world was round—like a globe?”

He answered, “I don’t really know. I think about eight hundred to one thousand years at most.”

“What if I showed you in the Bible that many thousands of years ago in Isaiah 40:22, God said the earth was *round*?” I had his attention.

“He sits enthroned above the **circle of the earth**, and its people are like grasshoppers. He stretches out the heavens like a canopy, and spreads them out like a tent to live in” (Isaiah 40:22, emphasis added).

I said, “This was written in the Bible by the prophet Isaiah, thousands of years before man discovered the actual shape of the earth. This proves that the Word of God is true. There is *no other book in the world* that proves something factual, like this, thousands of years before man discovers it.”

The imam knew exactly what the word was. It was the Hebrew word *chugh*. It can mean a circle, but it also incorporates the idea of a round globe—a sphere, as is borne out by several translations and numerous commentaries.²⁰⁵

I had my Bible that is written in both Hebrew and Arabic. He read it with me, in both languages. As he read that word within that passage and context, he fell silent. He could not dispute the meaning of the word in either language.

In effect, I had just discredited the Quran without even mentioning it by name. After he saw that revelation and could not dispute it, he changed the subject, “Why do you come here to speak about this *Jesus*? Your own people don’t even accept him.”

This is exactly where I hoped he might take the conversation...

“But that is not correct,” I said. “Many of our own people *do* accept Yeshua. In fact, have you ever heard of Rabbi Yitzhak Kaduri?”

“Yes, of course,” he said. “He was one of your most famous rabbis.”

“Yes he was. And even he believed that Jesus was the true Messiah,” I answered.

“That’s *impossible*,” the imam protested.

He put his Quran down and listened to me explain the Rabbi Kaduri story. He was fascinated.

Finally, I asked, “Would you like to see the note with your own eyes? I have a book about it in my car. You can see the note yourself and see that this is exactly what Rabbi Kaduri said regarding the real Messiah.”

“Yes!” he replied. Interestingly, he never picked up his Quran again while I was there that day.

We walked outside together. When I got to the car, I grabbed up my backpack and showed his guards that there were only books in the bag. I had some Kaduri books, as well as twenty-five Bibles in that bag. We headed back inside the mosque. I couldn’t believe what was happening! I was walking into a mosque with the imam, and I was carrying a bag full of Kaduri books and Bibles! The Lord was answering our prayers.

I opened the book and showed the imam the Kaduri revelation in the note—from the screen shot of Kaduri’s own website in his own handwriting. The imam was amazed. He had no idea. I didn’t press him any further, but I offered to leave the book with him as my personal gift to him.

In Middle Eastern culture, when Muslims are offered a gift, they must receive it. I knew that. So I said, “I have another gift for you.” His eyes widened. “I’d like to leave all these Bibles for you as well.” He graciously agreed.

The Garden

He put the Bibles on a table, then turned to me and said with a smile, “I’d like to show you my Garden.”

I don’t mind telling you that request unnerved me just a little bit. You are probably guessing why I might have been disturbed.

I had been talking with this imam about Jesus, Jews, Kaduri, the Bible, Isaiah, and a round earth; I had basically condemned his Scriptures as “not inspired”—and now I had given him a “gift” of Christian and Jewish literature and Scriptures! *Then* he asked me to “go outside and look at his garden with him.”

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