



## Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future

By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell

 Download

 Read Online

**Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future** By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell

In recent months, much attention has been paid to Islam and the greater Muslim world. Some analysis has been openly hostile, while even more has been overly simplistic. Islam in Context goes behind the recent crisis to discuss the history of Islam, describe its basic structure and beliefs, explore the current division between Muslim moderates and extremists, and suggest a way forward.

Authors Peter G. Riddell and Peter Cotterell draw from sources such as the Qur'an, early Christian chronicles of the Crusades, and contemporary Muslim and non-Muslim writings. They move beyond the stereotypes of Muhammad—both idealized and negative—and argue against the myth that relatively recent events in the Middle East are the only cause for the clash between Islam and the West.

Riddell and Cotterell ask the non-Muslim world to attempt to understand Islam from the perspective of Muslims and to acknowledge past mistakes. At the same time, they challenge the Muslim world by suggesting that Islam stands today at a vital crossroads and only Muslims can forge the way forward.

Islam in Context will appeal to all those who are interested in an alternative to the easily packaged descriptions of the relationship between Islam and the West.

 [Download Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future ...pdf](#)

# Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future

By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell

## Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell

In recent months, much attention has been paid to Islam and the greater Muslim world. Some analysis has been openly hostile, while even more has been overly simplistic. Islam in Context goes behind the recent crisis to discuss the history of Islam, describe its basic structure and beliefs, explore the current division between Muslim moderates and extremists, and suggest a way forward.

Authors Peter G. Riddell and Peter Cotterell draw from sources such as the Qur'an, early Christian chronicles of the Crusades, and contemporary Muslim and non-Muslim writings. They move beyond the stereotypes of Muhammad—both idealized and negative—and argue against the myth that relatively recent events in the Middle East are the only cause for the clash between Islam and the West.

Riddell and Cotterell ask the non-Muslim world to attempt to understand Islam from the perspective of Muslims and to acknowledge past mistakes. At the same time, they challenge the Muslim world by suggesting that Islam stands today at a vital crossroads and only Muslims can forge the way forward. Islam in Context will appeal to all those who are interested in an alternative to the easily packaged descriptions of the relationship between Islam and the West.

## Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #698044 in Books
- Brand: Brand: Baker Academic
- Published on: 2003-07-01
- Released on: 2003-07-01
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 9.00" h x .60" w x 6.00" l, .78 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 240 pages

 [Download Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future ...pdf](#)

## Download and Read Free Online Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell

---

### Editorial Review

From [Booklist](#)

Written primarily for Christians, this overview of historical and contemporary conflicts of the Islamic world first briefly introduces Islam and Muhammad, and then portrays Islam as a movement containing coexisting strands of violence and pacifism from the very start of its existence as a political entity. The book's second section examines relations between Christianity and Islam, from Muhammad's early interactions with Christians to Western colonization of the Islamic world and contemporary strife between Christian and Muslim communities. The third section argues that Islam faces an important moment in its history, during which large swaths of the Islamic world must reject extremism and rigidly literal readings of the Qur'an or face dire consequences. The viewpoint throughout is, of course, decidedly pro-Christian, but the information Riddell and Cotterell relay is accurate and well organized. Christians interested in the history of Islam and its relationship to Christianity would do well to start here, though they should also read an equally well-argued history of Islam from a Muslim's perspective, such as Seyyed Hossein Nasr's *Islam* [BKL Ja 1 & 15 03].

*John Green*

Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved

#### About the Author

Peter Riddell (Ph.D., Australian National University) is Director of the Centre for Islamic Studies and Muslim-Christian Relations at London Bible College. He is the author or editor of several books, including *Islam: Essays on Scripture, Thought, and Society*.

Peter Cotterell (Ph.D., London University) is Associate Senior lecturer at the Center for Islamic Studies. He has lectured for 19 years at London Bible College, where he also served as the principal.

### Users Review

#### From reader reviews:

##### Barbara Marburger:

Here thing why this kind of Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future are different and trusted to be yours. First of all studying a book is good nonetheless it depends in the content of computer which is the content is as delicious as food or not. Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future giving you information deeper including different ways, you can find any reserve out there but there is no reserve that similar with Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future. It gives you thrill studying journey, its open up your current eyes about the thing which happened in the world which is probably can be happened around you. You can bring everywhere like in area, café, or even in your means home by train. For anyone who is having difficulties in bringing the branded book maybe the form of Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future in e-book can be your option.

##### Carlo Young:

The reserve untitled Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future is the publication that recommended to you to read. You can see the quality of the publication content that will be shown to anyone. The language that publisher use to explained their ideas are easily to understand. The article author was did a lot of analysis

when write the book, and so the information that they share to you is absolutely accurate. You also could get the e-book of Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future from the publisher to make you considerably more enjoy free time.

**Corey Gardner:**

The book untitled Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future contain a lot of information on the idea. The writer explains the woman idea with easy way. The language is very easy to understand all the people, so do definitely not worry, you can easy to read the idea. The book was authored by famous author. The author gives you in the new period of time of literary works. It is easy to read this book because you can read more your smart phone, or model, so you can read the book throughout anywhere and anytime. In a situation you wish to purchase the e-book, you can open up their official web-site and order it. Have a nice learn.

**Samuel Brooks:**

Many people spending their time frame by playing outside with friends, fun activity with family or just watching TV 24 hours a day. You can have new activity to enjoy your whole day by looking at a book. Ugh, ya think reading a book can actually hard because you have to bring the book everywhere? It alright you can have the e-book, taking everywhere you want in your Touch screen phone. Like Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future which is having the e-book version. So , why not try out this book? Let's see.

**Download and Read Online Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell #IXYAT9R8N6E**

## **Read Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell for online ebook**

Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell books to read online.

### **Online Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell ebook PDF download**

#### **Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell Doc**

**Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell Mobipocket**

**Islam in Context: Past, Present, and Future By Peter G. Riddell, Peter Cotterell EPub**