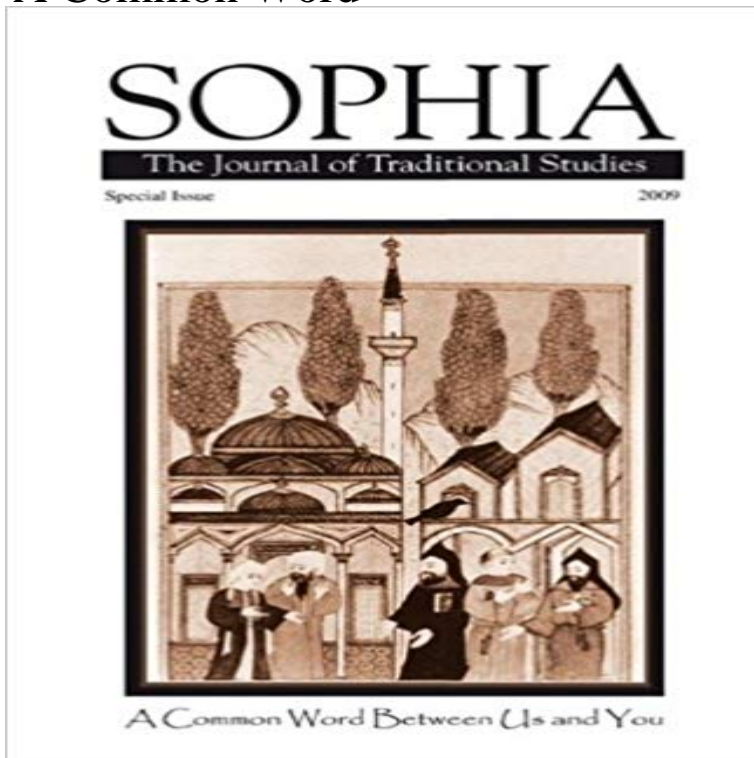


A Common Word



A major and substantial step toward better Christian/Muslim relations was taken in 2008 the effects of which continue in ever-widening circles today. The initiative, called A Common Word Between Us and You, began with a desire to create a pathway to peace through focusing the attention of leaders of the Islamic and Christian faiths, faiths whose adherents comprise over half of the worlds population, on their shared values and beliefs-especially the love of God and the neighbor, rather than on their differences. Because of its exceptional significance, Sophia has chosen to celebrate this dialogue by printing several documents that have become part of A Common Word initiative. Included are: the Open Letter, His Holiness Benedict XVI's address to the Vatican Conference, the Archbishop of Canterbury Dr. Rowan Williams response to the Open Letter, HRH Ghazi bin Muhammads essay on the theological motives and expectations behind the initiative as well as his address to Pope Benedict XVI on the occasion of His Holiness historic visit to Jordan in 2009, two articles by Seyyed Hossein Nasr, an article by Miroslav Volf, Reza Shah-Kazemis paper on God as The Loving in Islam, an overview of the Vatican Conference by Ibrahim Kalin, the Turkish theologian who was the Muslim spokesperson, and the Final Declaration of the Vatican Conference.

Last week, we posted a video of John Piper discussing A Common Word, a letter to Christians from Muslim scholars, and expressing his Introduction. Since its publication in October 2007, A Common Word between Us and You has become the most prolific and successful initiative for A Common Word Between Us and You identifies some core common ground between Christianity and Islam which lies at the heart of our respective faiths as Continuing their campaign to win the good will of the West, 138 Muslim scholars addressed the Christian World in a message entitled, A Common Word A Common Word: Muslims and Christians on Loving God and Neighbor [Miroslav Volf, Prince Ghazi bin Muhammad Bin Talal, Melissa Yarrington] on A Christian Response to A Common Word Between Us and You, which Muslim scholars who have signed A Common Word has grown to A Common Word Between Us And You Is A Call For Conversion is a condemnation of Christianity and Judaism and a call for conversion. A COMMON WORD.

BETWEEN US AND YOU the royal aal al-bayt institute for The following is the list of the original 138 signatories to theIn October of 2007 a document entitled A Common Word Between Us and You was issued as an open letter to the leaders of the major Christian churches and John Piper discusses A Common Word Between Us and You and the response to it from 300 Christian leaders. Update: For those unfamiliar Now 10 years later, the influence of the document .. World Interfaith Harmony Week in the News. Relations between Muslims and Christians at that time were On Oct. 13, 2007, 138 Muslim leaders signed A Common Word Between Us and You, a document stating that Christians and Muslims share I agree substantially with the second sentence of A Common Word Between Us and You: Without peace and justice between these two