

of the Mohammedan lands -- he went to Armenia, he went to other places which were not under Moslem control, and tried to present Christianity and had considerable effectiveness -- Finally when he was 60 he decided: I cannot get others to organize a group who will take a real interest in this, I will do what I can myself. So at the age of 60 he went to N. Africa to the very center of Moslem influence and interest. There he came into one of the leading cities there and came into the public square and announced that he had come as one who had studied Christianity, knew it very well and would like to discuss it with the Moslem leaders. He said, If ~~there~~ they could prove to him that Islam was superior to Christianity, he would be glad to become a Moslem. The scholars came, they flocked around, and began arguing with him. ^{They} He found he knew the Koran very thoroughly and he showed them the Koran had a wonderful presentation of monotheism -- there is one God. But he said, Your emphasis there is only on God's greatness, on God's will, all that is true. But there is no love in your religion. You need Christ to show God's love and save men from his sin. You talk about the great cardinal virtues, but looking at the life of Mohammed you find these virtues lacking. Look at the Koran, you don't find it taught. You talk about the seven deadly sins, and you find all of them in Mohammed's life." As he went on he gathered a certain number of people who were convinced. Some of the scholars were unable to answer his arguments. Many people began answering with attacks and criticism. Soon riots came up. By order of the Mohammedan leader he was taken and put into prison. There he was kept for 6 mo. They came to him during this time and offered him all sorts of things if only he would become a Mohammedan. They offered him a fine position, lots of money. They ~~a~~ talked about all the sensuous pleasures that could be his. All that he could have if only he would become a Muslim. He said: You have all these things in this life which you offer me, but become a Christian, accept Jesus Christ as Saviour and through eternity you will have what is far superior to any of these things you offer me.