

# Should Islam Be Classified as a Religion?

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The title of my new book, [\*Allah is Dead: Why Islam is Not a Religion\*](#), seems to have provoked some controversy. Many people assume I must be overstating the case and have summarily dismissed my thesis [without bothering to read the arguments](#) and even attacking a third party for defending it. The U.S. Department of Justice [weighed in on the controversy](#) during the Murfreesboro mosque hearings.