Abstract

While it is a well-known fact that Muslims leaving Islam often have to face varying levels of hostility causing varying levels of harm as a consequence of their conversion, there is very little literature that seeks to analyse the persecution that the female converts suffer at the hands of their husbands. Using insights from research conducted among Muslim women who have chosen to follow Christ in Cape Town, this paper reveals that although these women are actively engaged in their conversion process, they are not prepared for the multi-faceted suffering that their lives as disciples in Muslim families entail. Therefore, this paper will also stress the importance for the Church, not only to incarnate Christ and engage in a Biblically sound missiology of suffering, but also to contextualize its methods of evangelism and discipleship to provide appropriate spiritual foundations, emotional support and practical solutions to female converts persecuted by their husbands.