

# Introduction To Islam



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# Islam



So What exactly is Islam?

- **Islam** means submission to the will of The Almighty God. (God/Allah in Arabic).
- Living one's life in full submission and obedience to the laws and guidance of the Almighty God and his final messenger. **The one who does this is called a Muslim.**
- *This day have I perfected for you your religion and completed My favor on you and chosen for you Islam as a religion. (Sūratul Mā'idah, No.5, Āyat 3)*

# 6 Articles Of Faith FOUNDATIONS FOR BELIEF

1. Belief In Allah (One God) how it is understood (Ihsan) (Tawheed)ie. Explain this point!

2. Belief In Angels! All Angels have jobs yet only Jibriel(Gabriel) a.s alone was given the duty to relay Allah commands to each of the Prophets.

3. Belief in All The Scriptures of ALLAH/GOD.

And to understand that these are our guidelines to follow AL-Quran being the Last.

Moses-Torah

David-Zaboor (Psalms)

Jesus-Injeel (Gospel)

**Muhammad-AL-Quran**





- 4. Belief In All the Prophets of ALLAH/God (Peace be Upon them all) and that from the guidelines we were taught the methods from each of them lastly being Muhammad SAW for how best we can worship, where/why we should worship ALLAH/GOD and of course the Benefits of our worship! Which would prepare us!
- 5. Belief in Day Of Judgement, what would be the best Benefit from our worship??? Yep it is ETERNAL PARADISE which Allah promised the Believers! Yes each prophet and their people were believers in their own times following those guidelines, however when Allah sent us Muhammad SAW he had granted us perfection amongst our Teachers and in Al-Quran which is said to be one of Allah Greatest Miracle! We was given the last and the best of guidelines and so we would be prepared to have our best chance on this day!
- 6. Belief in Destiny from God! EVERYTHING happens for a reason and how best we can understand this is that.... Allah tells us in all his scriptures he alone CONTROLS the GOOD, the BAD, the UGLY, the NICE, the PAST, the PRESENT and the FUTURE but he allows us to make our decisions.

# ALLAH / GOD

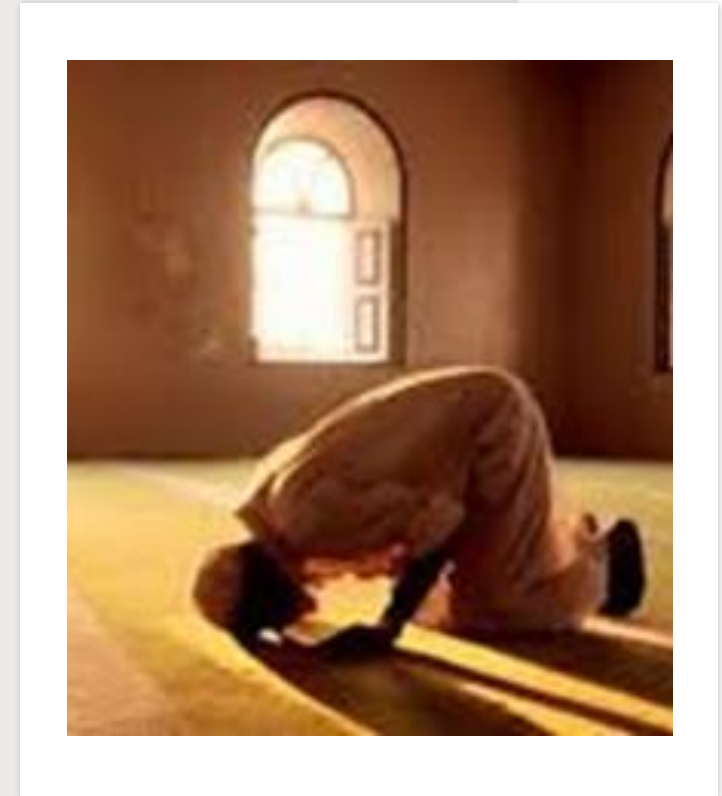


- ALLAH/God is not just a Muslim, Christian, Arab or any Ethnicity or belief but the One Who is Unique, Unseen and is the God of that exists, The God of the entire creation whom has control over all of it without losing any power himself. (no limitations)
- He is not human or any other part of his creation most importantly, He alone deserves to be worshipped and called upon in the best of manner.

“ And We did not send any Messenger before you (O Muhammad) but We revealed to him (saying): Laa ilaaha illa Ana [none has the right to be worshipped but I (Allah)], so worship Me (Alone and none else)”  
[al-Anbiya’ 21:25]

- The believer has a direct relationship with the Almighty God, there is no middle-man/intermediary.

Verily, those whom you call upon besides Allah are slaves like you. So call upon them and let them answer you if you are truthful” [al-A’raaf 7:191-194]





# The nature of The Creator



Can a bottle of Water be God?



Is God created? Who or  
what created  
The Creator then?

Nothing created by man can ever be God and nothing would ever make God want to create a being like himself

**God by the very nature is the only UNCREATED BEING.**

# The Uncreated Creator

Creator	Creation
Self Sufficient	Needy/Dependent
Eternal	Temporary
All Knowing	Limited Knowledge
All Powerful	Limited in Power
UNCREATED	Created

UNIQUE ONE  
THERE IS NOTHING LIKE HIM

# ALLAH / GOD

- He does not share His divinity with anyone. He does not have Parents, wife, son, daughter or any partners with him.
- He does not become His creation. He is The All Powerful, The All Knowing some known names and attributes he has from the 99 mentioned in AL-Quran amongst many other.
- He is Transcendent above any of our needs or desires and has no requirements for any of them.





# ALLAH/GOD

- Allah says in the Glorious Quran,  
“Say: He Is, Allah, The Unique One,”  
“Allah, The Eternal, The Absolute,”  
“He does not give birth, nor is He born,”  
“And there is none like unto Him.” (Qur’an 112:1-4)





## Prophetic Faith Based on Revelation



Almighty God has sent a long series of Prophets right from the beginning since man first set foot on this earth to guide mankind.

*“And We certainly sent into every nation a messenger, saying, "Worship Allah and do not worship false gods." (Quran 16:36)*

All the Prophets, to name a few, such as Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus and Muhammad as the final messenger (may peace be upon them) came with the same message, to worship the One true God only and not to worship false gods.

The one who submits his/her will to the will of the Almighty Creator, believes in Him, obeys His commandments and worships Him alone is called a MUSLIM.





# Submission or Rejection

There is no worship except the worship of God alone.

Allah has promised to believers, men and women, gardens under which rivers flow, to dwell therein, and beautiful mansions in gardens of everlasting bliss. (Qur'an, 9:72)

To worship anything apart from Almighty God or along with Almighty God is the most heinous sin of all.

*“Allah forgives not that partners should be set up with Him; but He forgives anything else, to whom He pleases; to set up partners with Allah is to devise a sin Most heinous indeed.” (Quran 4:48)*



End of Part One  
Any Questions so far?



# Quran (Guidelines) & Sunnah (Methods)

2 sources of knowledge in Islam

**The Quran-** The last revealed word of Allah to the last and final Prophet Muhammad - Peace be upon him

**The Sunnah-** means to practice the way of the Prophets especially Muhammad (peace be upon him) and what he approved of.

**Hadith-** “Statements or sayings of the Prophet- Peace be upon him.



## Miracles Of The Prophets (Peace Be Upon Them)

Moses- Parting the Sea with ALLAH permission

Jesus- Healing and Bringing back from dead with ALLAH permission

Muhammad- The Quran the Final revelation

*Note: That Muhammad (Peace be upon him) Was Unlettered. Prior to his Prophethood, Muhammad (peace be upon him) was known as "As Saadiq and Al Ameen"- The Truthful & Trustworthy" by his people. To lie or to make up something was not known by his character.*





# The Qur'an



- Challenges mankind to produce another chapter like it - (Quran 2:23)
- Challenges to find a contradiction in it - (Qur'an 4:82)
- Declares that none can produce but Allah – (Qur'an 10:37)
- Gives scientific Information – (Qur'an 41:53)
- Is Unique (17:88)
- Is consistent with the message of all other Prophets (Qur'an 2:136)
- Has Allah's promise to preserve it (Qur'an 15:9)
- Is not just for a particular people but for the whole of mankind (Qur'an 2:185)



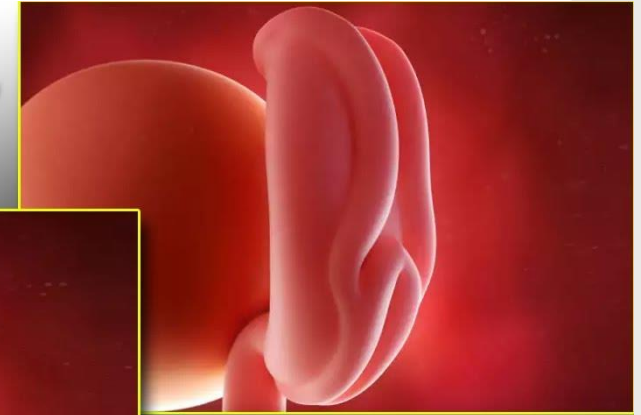
# Proofs and Sciences from Al-quran



*“And indeed, We created humankind from an extract of clay, then placed each human as a sperm-drop in a secure place then We developed the drop into a clinging clot of blood, then developed the clot into a lump of flesh, then developed the lump into bones, then clothed the bones with flesh, then We brought it into being as a new creation. So Blessed is Allah, the Best of Creators”*

*(Quran 23:12-14).*

## Embryology

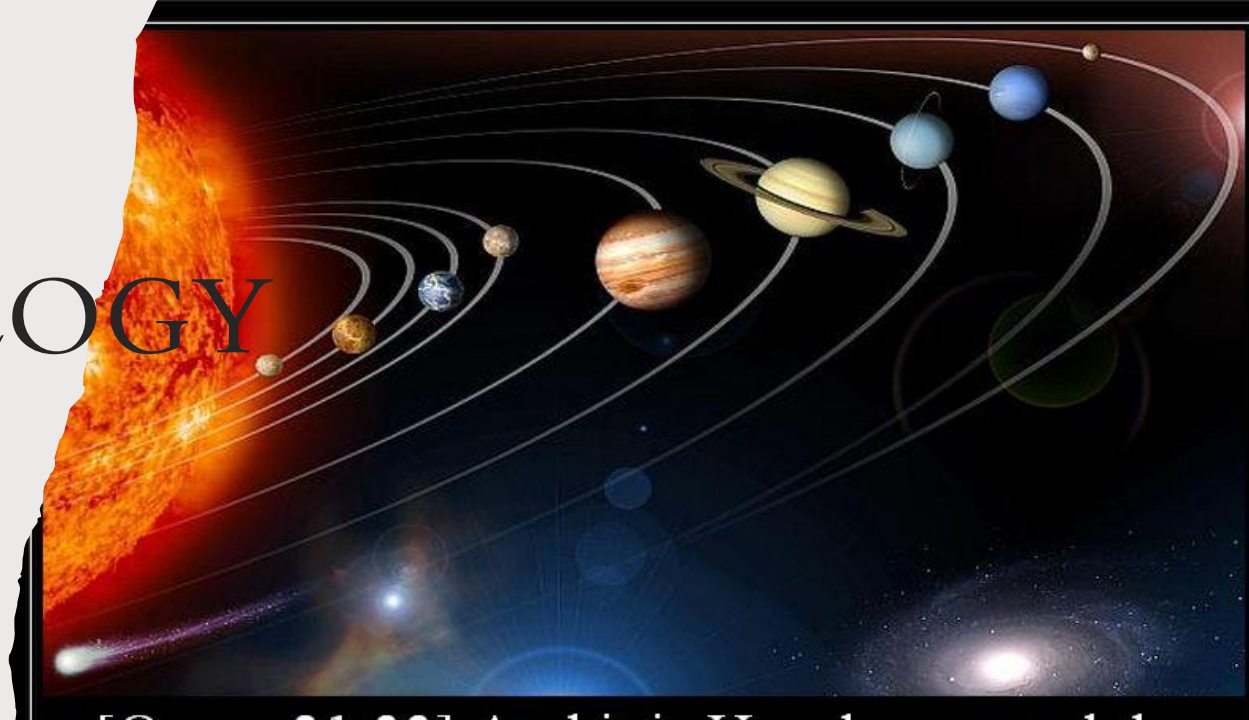


from fertilization  
to the development of fetus

# COSMOLOGY

وَهُوَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ وَالشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ كُلٌّ فِي فَلَكٍ يَسْبَحُونَ

And it is He who created the night and the day and the sun and the moon; all [heavenly bodies] in an orbit are swimming. 21:33



هَذَا بَلَّغٌ لِلنَّاسِ وَلِيُنذَرُوا بِهِ ۖ وَلِيَعْلَمُوا أَنَّمَا هُوَ إِلَهٌ وَاحِدٌ  
وَلِيَذَكَّرَ أُولُو الْأَلْبَابِ

This 'Quran' is a 'sufficient' message for humanity so that they may take it as a warning and know that there is only One God, and so that people of reason may be mindful.14:52

فَالْيَوْمَ نُنَجِّيكَ بِبَدَنِكَ لِتَكُونَ لِمَنْ خَلْفَكَ ءَايَةً وَإِنَّ كَثِيرًا مِّنَ  
النَّاسِ عَنِ ءَايَتِنَا لَغٰفِلُونَ

So today We will save you in body that you may be to those who succeed you a sign. And indeed, many among the people, of Our signs, are heedless 10:92

# Historical proof

This body was only discovered in 1898. This is the dead body of Ramses II, the Egyptian Pharaoh in the era of Prophet Moses (PBUH). Its age is approximately 3000 years old and it was found by the Red Sea and is now on display in the Royal Mummies Museum in Cairo.



But the Quran existed nearly 1400 years ago.

#### QURAN 10:92

Today we will preserve your body so you can be a sign for people who come after you. Surely many people are heedless of our signs.

#### QURAN 14:52

This is a proclamation for the people, to be warned herewith, and to let them know that He is only one God, and for those who possess intelligence to take heed.

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# The Purpose Of Life



- Islam gives a very clear explanation as to why the Almighty God created us.
- He says in the Quran,  
**“And I did not create the jinn (spirits) and mankind except to worship Me” ( 51:56)**

Worshiping Almighty God is not just prayer and supplication, but worship is a complete way of life, living in obedience to His commandments.

For example: Helping others is a form of worship. Being just is a form of worship. Any righteous act done to please the Lord Almighty is a form of worship.

## Islam Is Based On 5 Pillars

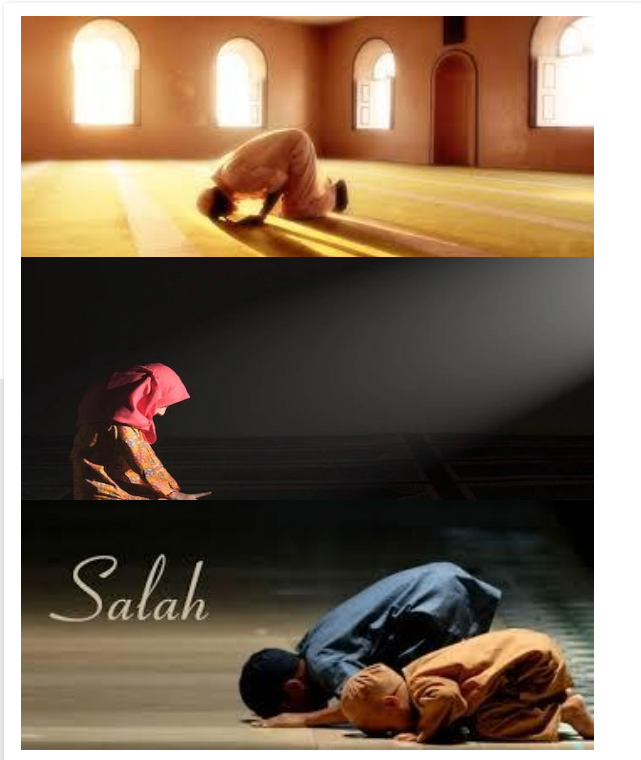


### 1. Shahadah- Declaration Of Faith

*“I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship but Allah (God).*

*And I bear witness that Muhammad (peace be upon him) is the slave and the messenger of Allah (God)”.*





## 2. Salat- Five Daily Prayers



## 3 . Zakat- Charity

2.5 % of one's annual savings to be given to poor or needy.

For example:

Annual Savings \$1000

\$25 to be given to poor.



#### 4. Fasting- The Whole Month of Ramadan



From Before Sunrise to Sunset



#### 5. Hajj- Pilgrimage to MECCA



Based on Financial and Physical ability





NO ALCOHOL



## Some Very Important Practices

1. Not to Associate any Partners with God.
2. Follow The Quran and The Sunnah.
3. No Innovation in Religion.
4. No intoxicants (Alcohol), No pork, No gambling, No extra-marital relationship. No nudity. No lies, No dishonest dealings.
5. High moral character as divinely guided.
6. **Halaal**- What is Permissible by God.  
**Haraam**- What is Forbidden by God.



Do's



Don'ts



7. No degrading of others. High honor of elders and women.

8. **Masjid-Mosque** is a house of God, a holy place for Prayer or Worship.

9. Fulfil each others' rights. Do not harm others.

10. Friday Congregational Prayer- “**Jumu’ah**”

Do not harm others



لَا ضَرَرَ وَلَا ضِرَارَ

Do not cause harm and return harm.





## Eid- Festivals



1. **Eid ul-Fitr-** After completion of a Months Fasting in Ramadan.
2. **Eid ul-Adha-** Marking the end of Hajj (Pilgrimage) & Commemorating test of Prophet Abraham (Peace be Upon Him)



# WHAT IT MEANS TO BE MUSLIM!

You have inner peace, a sense of worth and purpose, you are grateful for good and bad in your life, you have a positive outlook on existence and purpose, you build a family who are there for Allah sake, you develop great character-manners-patience-kindness-thoughtfulness-selflessness amongst many other great changes but most of all you have the best chance at a eternal Paradise(Jannah)



Thank You for your time!

Does anyone have any Questions?