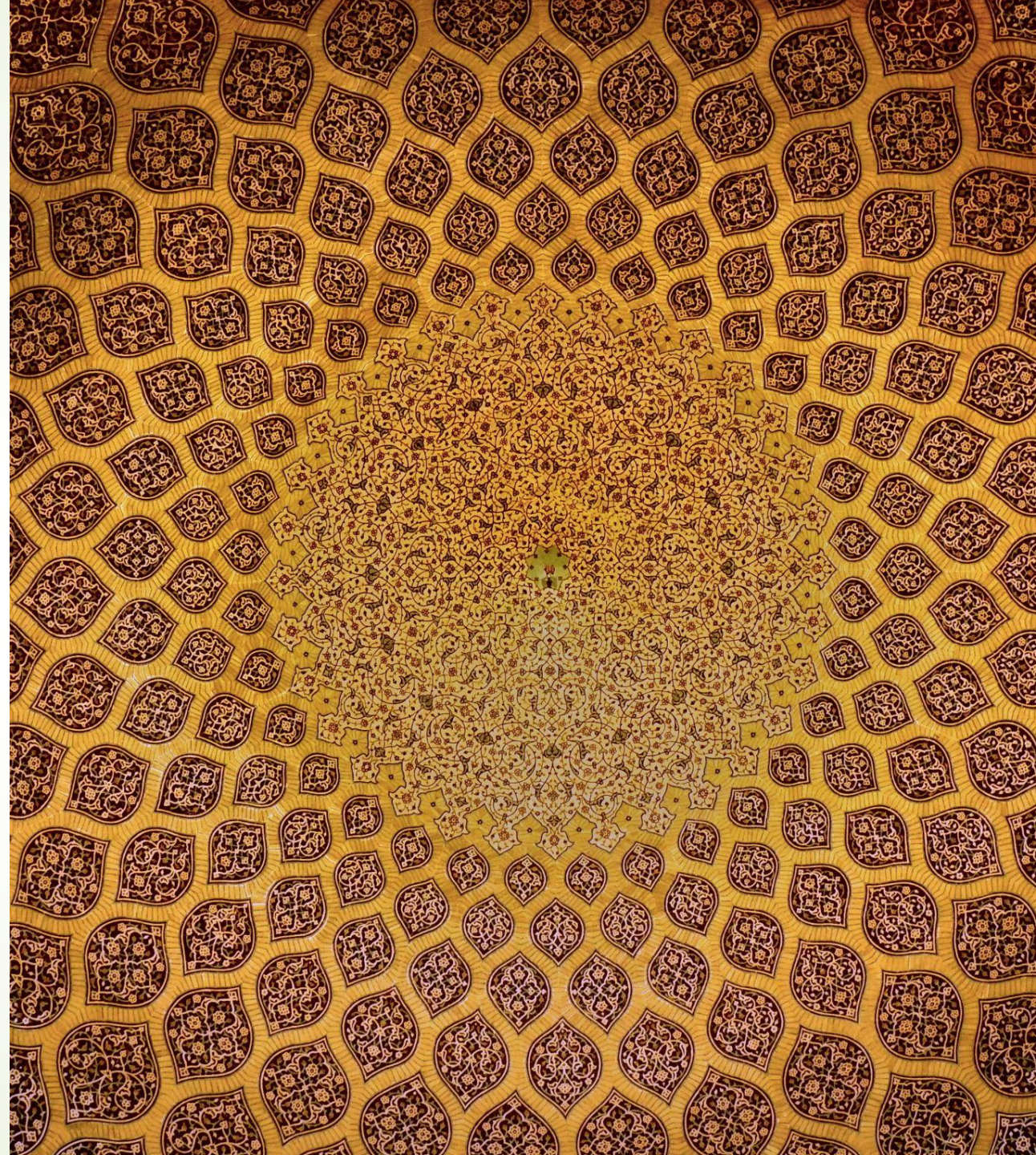


Articles of Faith

(Belief in Angles,
Books, Messengers,
Hereafter &
Predestination)

Rahmatullah Shaikh



Belief in Allah's Angels

- The Angels are creation of Allah, which he created for his worship and to carry out his commands in the universe.

يَخَافُونَ رَبَّهُمْ مِمَّنْ فَوْقَهُمْ وَيَفْعَلُونَ مَا يُؤْمَرُونَ (النحل: 50)

And They fear their lord above them and do as they are commanded.

- Aisha RA narrated that the Prophet SAW said, **angles are created from light**, jinn were created from smokeless flame and Adam was created what has been described to you.
- They don't require food, drink and sleep. They have neither physical desires nor material needs.
- A Muslim must believe in **their existence** and believing **in the duties** they carry out in the universe.

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- In a Hadith about Mi'raj the Prophet ﷺ said, "Then I was shown Al-Bait-al-Ma'mur I asked Gabriel about it and he said, This is Al Bait-ul-Ma'mur where 70,000 angels perform prayers daily and when they leave, they never return to it (but always a fresh batch comes into it daily)"
- Well known angles:
 - Gibraeel
 - Meekaeel
 - Israfeel
 - Izraeel
 - Kiraman Kaatibeen
 - Munkir Nakeer

Belief in Allah's Books

- It is our duty to believe in all the divine scriptures in general and to believe in everything that Allah revealed to His Messengers.
- **Principle:** When new Shariah comes, the old Shariah is abrogated.
- Four Main Divine Books:
 - Torat revealed to Moosa A.S
 - Zaboor revealed to Daood A.S
 - Injeel revealed to Esa A.S
 - Quran revealed to Muhammad ﷺ

Belief in Allah's Messengers

- The meaning of faith in Allah's messengers is that one should firmly believe that Allah SWT sent them to mankind to guide them to the way of truth. They were truthful and faithful, and they all delivered the message of Allah SWT in full.
- It is incumbent on all Muslims to believe in all the Prophets and messengers, who denies one of them, denies all.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَكْفُرُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَرُسُلِهِ وَيُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يُفَرِّقُوا بَيْنَ اللَّهِ وَرُسُلِهِ وَيَقُولُونَ نُؤْمِنُ بِبَعْضٍ وَنَكْفُرُ بِبَعْضٍ وَيُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يَتَّخِذُوا بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ سَبِيلًا - أُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْكَافِرُونَ حَقًّا وَأَعْتَدْنَا لِلْكَافِرِينَ عَذَابًا مُّهِينًا (النساء: 150-151)

Surely those who disbelieve in Allah and His apostles and (those who) desire to make a distinction between Allah and His apostles **and say: We believe in some and disbelieve in others**, and desire to take a course between (this and) that. **Those are the disbelievers in reality** and we have prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers.



Finality of Prophethood


ختم نبوت



What do you know about the finality of
Prophecy?

Finality of Prophethood

- The Quran, Sunnah, and Ijma (consensus) of the entire Muslim community is in agreement that the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is the seal of the prophets and there can be no prophet after him. This belief is called the belief of the finality of Prophethood.
- **Importance:**
- About 100 verses of Holy Quran and more than 200 Ahadith indicate this belief.
- The Battle of Yamamah
 - Fought against Musalimah Kazzab (False claimant of prophethood)
 - 1200 Muslims were martyred
 - Many of them were Hafiz-e-Quran



What will be the result if someone does not believe in the finality of Prophethood?

Finality of Prophethood in Holy Quran

مَا كَانَ مُحَمَّدٌ أَبَا أَحَدٍ مِنْ رِجَالِكُمْ وَلَكِنْ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَخَاتَمَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عَلِيمًا (الاحزاب: 40)

Muhammad is not the father of any of your men, but (he is) the Messenger of Allah, and **the Seal of the Prophets**: and Allah has full knowledge of all things.

قُلْ يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ إِنِّي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ إِلَيْكُمْ جَمِيعًا (الاعراف: 158)

Say [O Muhammad]: "O mankind! Verily, **I am an apostle of God to all of you**, [sent by Him]

الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتِمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيتُ لَكُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا (البائدة: 3)

This day, I have perfected your religion for you, completed My Favor upon you, and have chosen for you Islam as your religion.

Finality of Prophethood in Sunnah

- The Prophet ﷺ said, “I am the last of all Prophets and you are the last of all Ummah.”
- The Prophet ﷺ said, “Indeed Risalah and Nabuwwah has been ended. So, after me there will neither be any Rasool nor any Nabi.”
- Imam Abu Hanifa (RA):
 - anyone who asks any evidence or proof from any false claimant of Prophethood will become a **disbeliever** because it is clearly declared by the prophet ﷺ that no prophet will come after him.



If there will be no Prophet
after Muhammad ﷺ, then
what about Esa A.S?

- He was sent before Muhammad ﷺ.
- He will come and follow the Prophet's Shariah.



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Belief in Hereafter

- A Muslim should firmly believe in all the events of hereafter (questioning, resurrections, reckoning, etc.) which are mentioned by Allah SWT and his Messenger ﷺ.

الَّذِي خَلَقَ الْمَوْتَ وَالْحَيَاةَ لِيَبْلُوَكُمْ أَيُّكُمْ أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْغَفُورُ (الملك: 2)

He Who created Death and Life, that He may try which of you is best in deed, and He is the All-Mighty and Most-Forgiving.

- According to Islamic Teachings this world is Dar-ul-amal (world for performing good deeds) and Akhirat is Dar-ul-Jaza (where doers of good and bad deeds will be rewarded or punished.)

Stages of Hereafter

Death

كُلُّ نَفْسٍ ذَائِقَةُ الْمَوْتِ وَإِنَّمَا تُوَفَّوْنَ أَجُورَكُمْ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فَمَنْ زُحِرَ عَنِ النَّارِ وَأُدْخِلَ الْجَنَّةَ فَقَدْ فَازَ وَمَا الْحَيَاةُ الدُّنْيَا إِلَّا مَتَاعُ الْغُرُورِ (آل عمران: 185)

Every soul has to taste death. It is on the Day of Judgement that you shall be paid your rewards in full. So, whoever has been kept away from the Fire and admitted to Paradise has really succeeded. The worldly life is nothing but an enjoyment of deception.

إِذَا مَاتَ الْإِنْسَانُ انْقَطَعَ عَنْهُ عَمَلُهُ إِلَّا مِنْ ثَلَاثٍ: صَدَقَةٌ جَارِيَةٌ، أَوْ عِلْمٌ يُنْتَفَعُ بِهِ، أَوْ وَلَدٍ صَالِحٍ يَدْعُو لَهُ.

Allah's Messenger ﷺ said: "When a son of Adam (i.e. any human being) dies his deeds are discontinued, with three exceptions:

Sadaqah, whose benefit is continuous; or knowledge from which benefit continues to be gained, or a righteous child who supplicates for him."

Grave

قال رسول الله ﷺ: ”انما القبر روضة من رياض الجنة او حفرة من حفر النار

It is said by the Holy Prophet ﷺ: (do not consider grave as an ordinary place on earth) Verily! the Grave is either a part of paradise or a whole of Hell fire.

➤ Questioning in the Grave:

- من ربك (Who is your Lord?)
- من نبيك (Who is your Prophet?)
- ما دينك (What is your Deen?)

The Resurrection Day

وَنُفِخَ فِي الصُّورِ فَصَعِقَ مَنْ فِي السَّمٰوٰتِ وَمَنْ فِي الْاَرْضِ اِلَّا مَنْ شَاءَ اللّٰهُ ثُمَّ نُفِخَ فِيْهِ اٰخَرٰى فَاِذَا هُمْ قِيٰمٌ يَّنْظُرُوْنَ
(الزمر:68)

And Horn (Sur) will be blown, and all those in the heavens and all those in the earth will faint, except the one whom Allah wills (otherwise). Thereafter, it will be blown once again, and suddenly they will stand up, looking around.

➤ Objection:

- Is it when we have died and become dust and bones, that we shall be raised again? (Assafaat:16)

Answer:

زَعَمَ الَّذِيْنَ كَفَرُوْا اَنْ لَّنْ يُبْعَثُوْا قُلْ بَلٰى وَرَبِّىْ لَتُبْعَثُنَّ ثُمَّ لَتُنَبَّيُنَّ بِمَا عَمِلْتُمْ وَّذٰلِكَ عَلَى اللّٰهِ يَسِيْرٌ (التغابن:8)

The disbelievers claim that they will never be raised again (after death). Say, .Why not? By my Lord, you will be raised again, and then you will be told about what you did. That is so easy for Allah.

➤ **Example:** Ashab-e-Kahaf

The Scale (Al-Mizan)

- The scale will be set on the day of Judgement for weighing man's deeds.

وَنَضَعُ الْمَوَازِينَ الْقِسْطَ لِيَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ فَلَا تُظْلَمُ نَفْسٌ شَيْئًا ۖ وَإِنْ كَانَ مِثْقَالَ حَبَّةٍ مِنْ خَرْدَلٍ أَتَيْنَا بِهَا ۖ وَكَفَىٰ بِنَا حُسْبَيْنَ (الانبياء: 47)

We shall place scales to do justice on the Day of Judgment. So no one to the measure of a shall be wronged in the least. Even if it (a deed) is and We are enough to take mustard seed, We will bring it forth, account.

The Bridge (As-Sirat)

Paradise

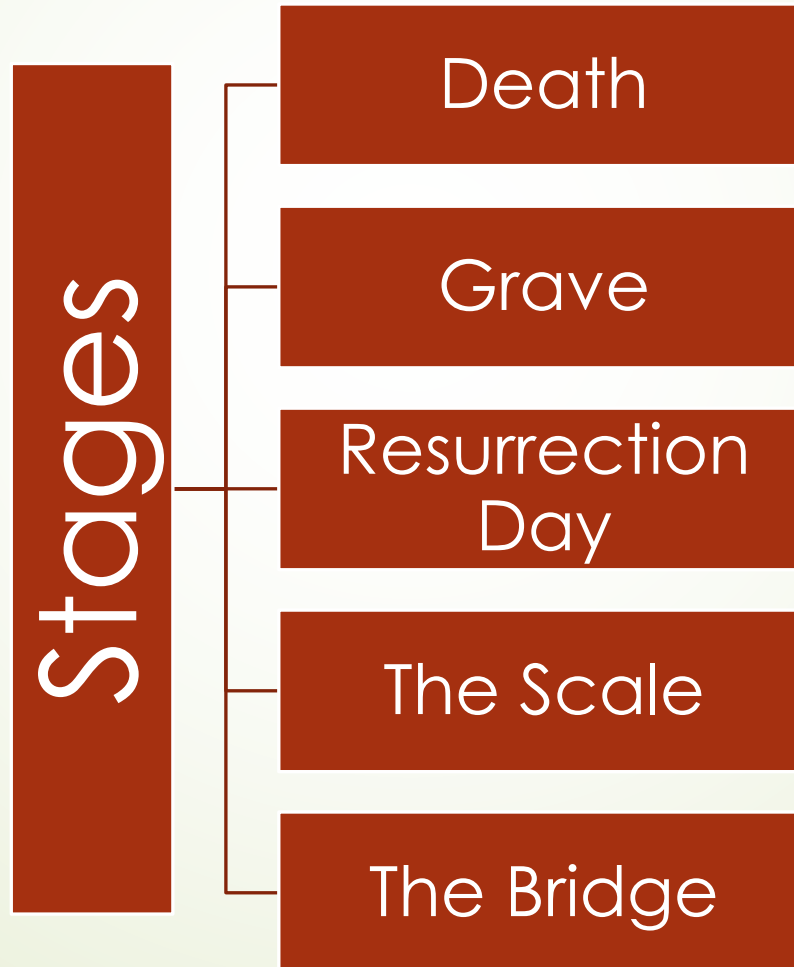
Hell Fire

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Place of Judgment



The Discussed Stages of Hereafter





The Signs of Qayamat

Write down some signs of Qayamat.



Signs of Qayamat

يَسْأَلُكَ النَّاسُ عَنِ السَّاعَةِ-قُلْ إِنَّمَا عِلْمُهَا عِنْدَ اللَّهِ (الاحزاب:63)

People ask you about this (promised) Hour. Say, Allah alone has the knowledge of it.

- Although the exact time of the Last Day is known only to Allah, there are certain signs which will appear prior to it.
- **Major Signs:**
 - Imam Mehdi, Dajjal, Nuzool-e-Esa A.S, Ya'jooj Ma'jooj, etc.



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Minor Signs

- The taking away of knowledge and the prevalence of ignorance
- The spread of zina (adultery, fornication)
- The spread of riba (usury, interest)
- The prevalence of musical instruments
- Widespread drinking of alcohol
- Shepherds competing in the construction of tall buildings
- Widespread killing
- Disobedience of Parents
- Widespread earthquakes
- Appearance of women who are clothed yet naked
- Incompetent persons will become administrators and rulers

Belief in Predestination

- Belief in Predestination means Allah swt knows very well what is going to happen in the world, whether it is good or bad.
- Predestination is the timeless knowledge of Allah swt, it doesn't mean that people have no choice over their actions they choose to take.

وَقُلِ الْحَقُّ مِنْ رَبِّكُمْ فَمَنْ شَاءَ فَلْيُؤْمِنْ وَمَنْ شَاءَ فَلْيُكْفُرْ (الكهف: 29)

The Truth is from your lord, Now, **whoever so wills may believe and whoever so wills may deny.**

- There are two types matters:
 - Optional matters (Taking Medicines, Preparing for exams, Struggling for achieving goal, etc.)
 - Non-optional matters (Death, Effect of medicines, etc.)
- Difference between Maker and Doer

The Articles of Faith

