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ISLAMIC STUDIES

• Religion:

→ "Religion" - a word derived from Latin means a system of worship and belief.

• How Quran defines Religion:

→ "Religion is the name of those commandments and injunctions which have been sent time to time by Allah Almighty to the people through his prophets and messengers"

→ In Quran, Allah (S.W.T) says

"And of them is he who says: Our Lord! Give unto us in the World that which is good and in the Hereafter that which is good, and guard us from the doom of fire"

• Gru Krant says:

"To consider every responsibility a divine injunction is called a religion."

• Schopenhauer says:

"Religion revolves around the concept of death."

→ In the book "God or Man", James M. Leuba define religion in 5 different ways, some of them are given below,

(i) "Religion is the name of the struggle that a human makes in order to achieve true and realistic goals of life."

(ii) "Religion is the name of appearance of supernatural forces which in fact govern human lives."

→ Islam has used the word دين for religion and Allah (S.W.T) says in Quran:

• "Verily, the religion

with God is Islam."
 ⇒ Need For Religion:

→ Both Social And Universal Needs:

- Religion is all natural
- ~~Physical~~ Not only spiritual but a social and universal need.

Genuine Religion:

- A true religion can deal with all outstanding issues of mankind.

A genuine religion would be one that comprehends the following needs and objectives.

→ Objectives Of Religion:

1 - The Accomplishment of Natural Needs.

(*) A spiritual Necessity

(a) Developing the sense of Lord's existence.

(i) Making belief in one god.

(ii) Satisfies the spiritual needs of Men.

Q. What says:

→ " We have honoured the sons of Adam, provided them with dominion on land and sea; giving them for sustenance things good and pure; and conferred on them special favours, above a great part of our creation."

→ Last sermon of Holy Prophet (P.B.U.H) declares:

" O, you people! no doubt the Lord of you all is one, and the father of all you is one, so remember that there is no preference for Arabs over non-Arabs and for non-Arabs over Arabs. And there is no preference for whites over non-whites and for non-whites over white except on the basis of piety etc."

- A lesson of Harmony.
World's peace
Purification of inner self.

2- An Ethical Code:

• The religion educates man and trains him in:

hope and patience, truthfulness and honesty, love for right and good, courage and endurance.

- It assures man of God's help.
- It provides security.
- The impact of harmony.

* Materialistic Necessity:

(1) Conscience.

(2) Law and politics.

(3) Economy / financial matters.

(2) Accomplishment Of Natural Needs:

(1) Sublimates human's instincts and aspirations.

(2) The Highest Truth:- Improves the knowledge about the God.

(3) Improves knowledge about one's own self.

(1) Clear the minds from doubts.

(2) Strengthens the character

(2) Correct thinking and conviction of man.

(3) The Guidance of Wisdom:

- The faultless attitude of intellect.
- The collection / rectification through revelation.
- The revelation only comes through religion.
- Quranic version

(4) Intimation of Regarding the Hereafter.

¶ The mortality of the life and this world.

¶ System of reward and punishment.

¶ Manifestation of the God, attribute of "the Just".

¶ To be informed about the world after death is impossible for human except through religion.