

Articles of Faith

(إيمان مفصّل)

آمنت بالله وملئكته وكتبه ورسله واليوم الآخر والقدر خيره وشره من
الله تعالى والبعث بعد الموت

I believe in Allah, in His angels, in His books, in His messengers, in the last day, and in the fact that every thing good or bad, is decided by Allah the Almighty, and in life after Death.

- ▶ 1 Belief in the Oneness of God. ...
- ▶ 2 Belief in the Angels of God. ...
- ▶ 3 Belief in the Revelations (Books) of God. ...
- ▶ 4 Belief in the Prophets of God. ...
- ▶ 5 Belief in the Day of Judgment. ...
- ▶ 6 Belief in predestination (تقدير) whether it involves good or bad...
- ▶ 7 Belief in Resurrection after Death.

Oneness of Allah

- ▶ The first principle of Islam is belief in the Oneness and Unity of Allah. This is known as Tawhid. This means that Allah is one, the Supreme being, the Creator, the Master of the entire universe, the Highest in authority and rank and therefore, exclusively worthy of worship.
- ▶ All the prophets of Allah preached about the Unity of Allah and declared that all things and human beings are his creations and subordinate to Him. Therefore, He is alone worthy of worship. This is expressed in the declaration of 1st Kalimah

ONENESS OF ALLAH ALMIGHTY

Definition of Monotheism:

- **Monotheism** is derived from Greek, **meaning** 'singular,' and is **defined** as the belief in the existence of only one god.

(The first and fore-most tenet is the faith in oneness of Allah, it means to believe that Allah is single in his personality and qualities.)

Definition of Polytheism:

- The belief in or worship of more than one God.

(To think that anything or any person is equal to Allah in his personality and qualities.)

Holy Qur'an mentioned several acts of polytheism prevalent in pre-Islamic Arab world.

✓ وَ يَعْبُدُونَ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ مَا لَا يَضُرُّهُمْ وَ لَا يَنْفَعُهُمْ وَ يَقُولُونَ هَؤُلَاءِ شُفَعَاؤُنَا عِنْدَ اللَّهِ^ط

- And they worship besides God, what neither harms them nor benefits them. And they say, “These are our intercessors with God.

✓ أَمْ لَهُ الْبَنَاتُ وَ لَكُمْ الْبَنُونَ ﴿٣٩﴾

- Or for him the daughters, and for you the sons?

✓ وَ قَالَتِ الْيَهُودُ عُزَيْرٌ ابْنُ اللَّهِ وَ قَالَتِ النَّصَارَى الْمَسِيحُ ابْنُ اللَّهِ^ط

- The Jews said, “Uzair is the son of God,” And the Christians said, “The Messiah is son of God.

ARGUMENT ABOUT ONENESS OF ALLAH:

It's logically proved by Qur'an:

- ▶ Discipline and control of the universe:

✓ لَوْ كَانَ فِيهِمَا آلِهَةٌ إِلَّا اللَّهُ لَفَسَدَتَا ۚ فَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَرْشِ عَمَّا يَصِفُونَ ﴿٢٢﴾

- If there were in the heaven and the earth other gods besides Allah, there would have been confusion in both.

Some other Verses Regarding Oneness of Allah.

✓ قُلْ هُوَ اللَّهُ أَحَدٌ ﴿١﴾ اللَّهُ الصَّمَدُ ﴿٢﴾ لَمْ يَلِدْ ۖ وَ لَمْ يُولَدْ ﴿٣﴾ وَ لَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ ﴿٤﴾ %

✓ وَ قُلِ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي لَمْ يَتَّخِذْ وَلَدًا وَ لَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ شَرِيكٌ فِي الْمُلْكِ وَ لَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ وَلِيٌّ مِّنَ الدُّنْيَا وَ كَبَّرَهُ تَكْبِيرًا ﴿١١١﴾ %

✓ وَ إِلَهُكُمْ إِلَهٌ وَاحِدٌ ۚ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الرَّحْمَنُ الرَّحِيمُ ﴿١٦٣﴾ %

Conclusion of above Verses: ✓

Allah is alone, he has no match or partner nor advisor and assistant, he has no parents nor children, in other words Allah has created all creatures and he is not created by anyone, and Allah gives us protection but he doesn't need to be protected. There is no God but He, the most gracious and most merciful.

OTHER THEN POLYTHEISM

► The faith of the Naturalist:

The naturalist have bound themselves exclusively with the nature:

According to the Qur'an:

وَقَالُوا مَا بِيَ إِلَّا حَيَاتُنَا الدُّنْيَا نَمُوتُ وَنَحْيَا وَمَا يُهْلِكُنَا إِلَّا الدَّهْرُ وَمَا لَهُمْ
بِذَلِكَ مِنْ عِلْمٍ إِنْ هُمْ إِلَّا يَظُنُّونَ ﴿٢٤﴾ ✓

There is nothing except our life of this world. We die and we live and nothing destroy us except the nature.

Conclusion:

In other words.....

The naturalists / Atheists have no belief in any meta-physical existence and they think that the universe came into existence by accident, and belief that it is self-administrated and automatic.

Arguments about the existence of Allah.

► Argument from Themselves

✓ وَ فِي أَنْفُسِكُمْ أَفَلَا تُبْصِرُونَ ﴿٢١﴾

And within yourselves. Do you not see?

► Argument from agriculture

✓ أَفَرَأَيْتُمْ مَا تَحْرُثُونَ ﴿٦٣﴾ ءَأَنْتُمْ تَزْرَعُونَهُ أَمْ نَحْنُ الزَّارِعُونَ ﴿٦٤﴾

Have you seen what you cultivate? Is it you who have cultivated it or, are we cultivator?

Argument from Air

وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ الْجَوَارِ فِي الْبَحْرِ كَالْأَعْلَامِ ﴿٣٢﴾ إِنَّ يَسَّاءَ يُسَكِّنُ الرِّيحَ فَيَظْلَلْنَ رَوَاكِدَ عَلَى ظَهْرِهِ ط
إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَآيَاتٍ لِّكُلِّ صَبَّارٍ شَكُورٍ ﴿٣٣﴾

And of his signs are the ships in the sea like banners. If he likes, he will calm (the wind) and they will keep calm on its surface, there is in it a sign for everyone who is steadfast and grateful.

Argument from Water

أَفَرَأَيْتُمُ الْمَاءَ الَّذِي تَشْرَبُونَ ﴿٦٨﴾ ءَأَنْتُمْ أَنْزَلْتُمُوهُ مِنَ الْمُزْنِ أَمْ نَحْنُ الْمُنْزِلُونَ ﴿٦٩﴾ لَوْ
نَشَاءُ جَعَلْنَاهُ أُجَاجًا فَلَوْ لَا تَشْكُرُونَ ﴿٧٠﴾

Have you observed the water that you drink, is it you who sent it down from the rain cloud or are we the sender? We would have made it bitter if we liked. Then why do you not thank us?

➤ Argument from Human creation

وَلَقَدْ خَلَقْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ مِنْ سُلَالَةٍ مِّنْ طِينٍ ﴿١٢٩﴾ ثُمَّ جَعَلْنَاهُ نُطْفَةً فِي قَرَارٍ مَّكِينٍ ﴿١٣٠﴾
ثُمَّ خَلَقْنَا النُّطْفَةَ عَلَقَةً فَخَلَقْنَا الْعَلَقَةَ مُضْغَةً فَخَلَقْنَا الْمُضْغَةَ عِظْمًا فَكَسَوْنَا الْعِظْمَ لَحْمًا * ثُمَّ
أَنشَأْنَاهُ خَلْقًا آخَرَ ۖ فَتَبَارَكَ اللَّهُ أَحْسَنُ الْخَالِقِينَ ﴿١٤٠﴾

And we have created man from extract of clay,
Then we made him a sperm-drop in a firm resting place,
Then we made the sperm-drop into a clot,
Then we turned the clot into a foetus-lump,
Then we made the foetus-lump into bones,
Then we clothed the bones with flesh,
Thereafter we developed it into another creature,
Thus the blessed is Allah who is the best of creators.

MISCONCEPTION ABOUT SCIENCE AND ISLAM

- ▶ In the modern system of education, science occupies the uppermost position, it's based on the observation, experience of matter, and the human wisdom. In other words..., scientific knowledge is related to the world of matter and has no concern with meta-physical world, while in the oneness of Allah and all other unseen matters are concerned with meta-physical philosophy. **That's why there is no conflict between science and Islam.**

The First Theory:

Whatever they can have approach to by their material means, scientific instrument apparatuses observation, experience, wisdom and intellect, they believe without hesitation, but refuse to accept anything that is beyond material means and through immaterial means.

The above mentioned theory is basically unscientific because: **Absence of the knowledge about anything does not prove its non-existence.** In other words it does not mean that the scientific knowledge and discoveries of the universe that we know today, were not known or exist in the earliest generation.

The Second Theory:

When we don't know the things about which we are quite in the dark then we are also not in a position to say with certainty about existence or non-existence of those things.

- This theory is illogical because it is absolutely unscientific to probe into an immaterial problem by material methods. Islam concerned with matter-physics while science has no concern with it.

It is therefore, only one certain way to recognize existence of Allah Almighty in light of his revelation which came on the humanity through his prophet and sit's free from every doubt.

IMPACTS OF THIS FAITH IN OUR INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE LIFE

- **Freedom from the worship of human beings.**

یہ ایک سجدہ جسے تو گراں سمجھتا ہے
ہزار سجدوں سے دیتا ہے آدمی کو نجات

- **Respect of the high position of Humanity.**
- **Reformation of the soul with good qualities.**
- **Success, in this world & Hereafter.**
- **Basis of cosmopolitan Brotherhood.**

ایک ہوں مسلم حرم کی پاسبانی کے لیے
نیل کے ساحل سے تا بہ خاک کاشغر

PROPHETHOOD

The Second Believe

Definition Of Prophet

Definition:

Prophet is the human sent by Allah Almighty for the guidance of mankind.

Difference between Nabi and Rasool:

► **Rasool:**

- a. One who brings new Shria
- b. Book
- c. Sent to New Ummah.e.g Hazrat Ismail (a.s)

► **Nabi:**

Those who are revealed by revelation.

Number of Prophets

Adam (a.s.) was the first of the divine prophets and The Holy **Prophet Muhammad (S)** was the last of them. The exact number of prophets is not known, but in some traditions their number is mentioned as 124000.

In the Holy **Quran**, twenty-six of them are **mentioned** by names: They are: Adam, Noah, Idris, Hud, Saleh, Ibrahim, Lut, Ismail, Al-Yasa, Zulkifl, Ilyas, Ayyub, Yunus, Ishaq, Yaqub, Yusuf, Shuaib, Musa, Harun, Dawood, Sulaiman, Zakariya, Yahya, Isa and Muhammad (S).

NEED OF PROPHETS



Duties Assigned To Hazrat Muhammad S.W

Allah Almighty said.....,

هُوَ الَّذِي بَعَثَ فِي الْأُمِّيِّينَ رَسُولًا مِّنْهُمْ يَتْلُوا عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِهِ وَ يُزَكِّيهِمْ وَ يُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَ
الْحِكْمَةَ * وَ إِن كَانُوا مِن قَبْلُ لَفِي ضَلَالٍ مُّبِينٍ ﴿٢﴾

He is the one who raised amidst the unlettered people a messenger from among themselves who recites to them, his verses, and purifies them, and teaches them the book and wisdom, although they were in open error before.

Responsibilities of Holy Prophet

► According to the above Verse there are four responsibilities of Holy Prophet (s.w).

- 1) Recitation of the revealed Books.
- 2) To purify the Soul.
- 3) Teaching the Book.
- 4) Teaching of Wisdom.

► الا انى اوتيت القران ومثله معه (حديث)

► Bear it in mind that I have been given Qur'an and its companion with it.

Status Of Holy Prophet (sw)

➤ Expounder of the Qur'an:

وَأَنْزَلْنَا إِلَيْكَ الذِّكْرَ لِتُبَيِّنَ لِلنَّاسِ مَا نُزِّلَ إِلَيْهِمْ وَلَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ ﴿٢٤﴾

And we sent down the message so that you explain to the people what has been revealed for them and so that they may ponder.

➤ Authorized Divine Law Giver:

وَمَا آتَاكُمُ الرَّسُولُ فَخُذُوهُ * وَمَا نَهَاكُمْ عَنْهُ فَانْتَهُوا^ج وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ^ط إِنَّ اللَّهَ شَدِيدُ
الْعِقَابِ ﴿٧﴾

And whatever the messengers gives you, take it, and whatever things he forbids you, abstain (from it). And fear Allah.

➤ Justice and absolute Arbitrator

وَمَا كَانَ لِمُؤْمِنٍ وَلَا مُؤْمِنَةٍ إِذَا قَضَى اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ أَمْرًا أَنْ يَكُونَ لَهُمُ الْخِيَرَةُ مِنْ أَمْرِهِمْ ۗ وَمَنْ يَعْصِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ فَقَدْ ضَلَّ ضَلَالًا مُبِينًا ﴿٣٦﴾

It is not good for male and female believer that when Allah and his prophet decide any matter, he deems that they have some authority (for acceptance or rejection) in that

Characteristics Of Prophets

There are some characteristics:

- Chastity. (Free from Sins) ۞
- God Gifted.
- Humanness.
- Revelation (Wahi).
- Miracles.

Finality of Prophethood

Meaning of Khatm-e-Nubuat: (The Seal Of Prophets)

- **Khatm-e-Nubuat** means no prophet will come after Hazrat Muhammad (sw) He is the prophet of all mankind and JINN until the day of Judgement.

✓ الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتِمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيتُ لَكُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا
✓ مَا كَانَ مُحَمَّدٌ أَبَا أَحَدٍ مِّن رِّجَالِكُمْ وَلَكِن رَّسُولَ اللَّهِ وَخَاتَمَ النَّبِيِّينَ ^{قَلْبُ} وَكَانَ اللَّهُ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ
عَلِيمًا

✓ وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا كَافَّةً لِّلنَّاسِ

✓ انا خاتم النبيين لا نبي بعدى

✓ ختمت بى الانبياء

Translation of Above Verses

1. Today I have completed your religion, and completed my blessing on you.
2. Muhammad (sw) is not the father of any of the men among you but he is the messenger of Allah who has come to put an end to the chain of prophethood.
3. And we have sent you as a mercy for the whole worlds.
4. There will be no prophet after me.
5. Chain of prophethood has been put an end to with my prophethood.

Journey To Sky.

There are two things:

- 1) Isra: The journey from Makkah to Baitul Maqdis.
- 2) Mairaj: And from there to the seven heaven and to Sidra tul Muntaha.

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The Angles

The Third Believe

Angels

- ▶ Allah created certain creatures from light (Noor), and concealed them from our sight. These creatures are called angels. A lot of work has been entrusted to them. They never do any thing contrary to the orders of Allah. They do whatever work has been assigned to them.
- ▶ Allah conveyed His message to prophets including Hazrat Muhammad (SAW) through an angel Jibrael. In the Holy Qur'an, angels are spoken of as messengers which denotes their spiritual function of divine messengers.
- ▶ Allah created certain creatures from fire, we can't see them too, they are called **JINN....**
- ▶ They are good and bad, they also have children, the most notorious of them is the accursed Iblis i.e. Satan.

Duties Of Angles



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Revealed Books

The Fourth Believe

Revealed Books

- ▶ A Muslim should have belief in all the books revealed to the prophets by Allah, but as the Qur'an is the last revelation of Allah its teaching alone should be followed now.

The well known books mentioned in the Holy Qur'an are:

- 1) Taurat was revealed to Hazrat Moosa (A.S.)**
- 2) Zabur was revealed to Hazrat Dawood (A.S.)**
- 3) Injil was revealed to Hazrat Isa (A.S.)**
- 4) Qur'an Kareem was granted to Muhammad (A.S.)**

Qur'anic Verses About Revealed Books

وآتينا داود زبوراً (سورة النساء: 163)
صحف إبراهيم وموسى (سورة الأعلى)
وأرسلنا عيسى بن مريم وآتيناه الإنجيل (سورة الحديد: 27)
إنا أنزلناه قرآنا عربيا

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The Hereafter

The Fifth Believe

Akhirah (Hereafter)

There are different name of Akhirah mentioned in Qur'an such as:

- 1) Day of judgment.
- 2) Day of Baath.
- 3) Doom's day.
- 4) Day of Resurrection.
- 5) Day of Congregation.

يوم الدين - يوم البعث - يوم الحشر - يوم النشور - يوم القيامة.

Hereafter

- ▶ Belief in life after death, the day of judgment, bodily resurrection and heaven and hell is one of article of Faith in Islam.
- ▶ Death is an absolute certainty.
- ▶ According to the Holy Qur'an: كل نفس ذائقة الموت Every soul shall have a taste of death, and must pass away.
- ▶ A man's life on this earth is ends with his death, after which another life begins. The Qiyamat Sughra (lesser judgment takes place immediately after death.
- ▶ Barzakh: ومن ورائهم برزخ إلى يوم يبعثون Before them is a partition (Barzakh) till the day they are raise up. Barzakh is the place or state in which people will be after death and before Judgment.

Wrong conception about the next world

► Materialistic or Atheistic:

Materialist and Atheists do not have any believe in the next world, they measure every thing by material yardstick.

According to the Qur'an:

✓ وَقَالُوا مَا بِيَ إِلَّا حَيَاتُنَا الدُّنْيَا نَمُوتُ وَنَحْيَا وَمَا يُهْلِكُنَا إِلَّا الدَّهْرُ وَمَا لَهُمْ
بِذَلِكَ مِنْ عِلْمٍ إِنْ هُمْ إِلَّا يَظُنُّونَ ﴿٢٤﴾

There is nothing except our life of this world. We die and we live and nothing destroy us except the nature

More About Them

قَالَ مَنْ يُحْيِي الْعِظَامَ وَ يَٰ رَمِيمٌ ﴿٧٨﴾ قُلْ يُحْيِيهَا الَّذِي أَنشَأَهَا أَوَّلَ مَرَّةٍ ۖ وَ هُوَ بِكُلِّ خَلْقٍ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٧٩﴾

He said “who will be there who will bring to life the bones after they are decayed. Tell them it will be revived by him who had initially brought them to life.

كَيْفَ تَكْفُرُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَ كُنْتُمْ أَمْوَاتًا فَأَحْيَاكُمْ ۖ ثُمَّ يُمِيتُكُمْ ثُمَّ يُحْيِيكُمْ ثُمَّ إِلَيْهِ تُرْجَعُونَ ﴿٢٨﴾

How can you deny Allah, who brought you to life when you were dead? And (it is he) who will mortify you and bring you to life and you will have to return to him.

Misconception of Disbelievers about Hereafter

- ▶ There is no intellectual reason for any disbelief of next world, it's totally seems illogical.
- ▶ The History tells us that the human societies have different types of people, some of them are oppressed and some of them are cruel, they grab the rights of others and force them easily. But weak cannot take revenge although they want. It's a fact that in our so-called civilized societies have no justice for those who are oppressed, unfortunately justice in our society is salable thing.
- ▶ It is therefore the human mind, wisdom and nature itself demand any day or place of justice when divine court ought to be setup to punish properly those wrong-doers and cruel persons, where-as the oppressors will have less power than the oppressed. If the oppressed will not awarded then it will be proved that all doors of justice are shutdown. However we believe that principles of Allah Almighty are based on equality. In the sight of Allah there is no distinction between rich and poor, high and low, weak and strong. If there is no accountability in the next world then the cruel and stronger people will not feel any hesitation about their bad actions

The concrete example of Life after death in Qur'an.

وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ أَنْ تَرَى الْأَرْضَ خَاشِعَةً فَإِذَا أَنْزَلْنَا عَلَيْهَا الْمَاءَ اهْتَزَّتْ وَرَبَتْ
إِنَّ الَّذِي أَحْيَاهَا لَمُحْيِ الْمَوْتَى إِنَّهُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ ﴿٣٩﴾

And this is one of his portents that you see the earth barren, but when we send down water thereon, it thrills and grows. Definitely, he who brings them to life, will bring dead (men) also to life, surely, he is able to do everything.

IMPACT OF BELIEF IN AKHIRAH IN OUR LIFE

- ▶ Sense of Responsibility.
- ▶ Concept of reward and punishment.
- ▶ Self-Accountability.
- ▶ Right usage of power.
- ▶ Survival for everyone.
- ▶ Harmony and Integration.

Analytical study of Jewish and Cristian about Hereafter

The religions of Cristian and Jewish are no doubt divine. They are people of book. They believe in “The Hereafter” but their belief is distorted, because they have changed the book of Allah, and made interpolation.

Allah says that both of them think themselves to be the contractor of paradise.

وَقَالُوا لَن يَدْخُلَ الْجَنَّةَ إِلَّا مَنْ كَانَ هُودًا أَوْ نَصْرَىٰ ۖ تِلْكَ أَمَانِيُّهُمْ ۚ قُلْ هَاتُوا بُرْهَانَكُمْ إِن كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ ﴿١١١﴾

Jewish Wrong Thinking

- Holy Qur'an explain their wrong thinking....,

وَقَالُوا لَنْ تَمَسَّنَا النَّارُ إِلَّا أَيَّامًا مَّعْدُودَةً ۖ قُلْ أَتَّخَذْتُمْ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ عَهْدًا فَلَنْ يُخْلِفَ اللَّهُ عَهْدَهُ ۖ أَمْ تَقُولُونَ عَلَى اللَّهِ مَا لَا تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٨٠﴾

And they said the fire of the hell would not touch them except for few days tell them (O Prophet) whether they have made any contract with Allah. If so, Allah would not retract on his words but if it is not so, why do you say about Allah which you do not know.

Transmigration of the soul

- ▶ According to the Hinduism death does not mean expiry forever, they said that death occurs to the body only, while perpetuity of the soul is not harm. it is just a change of body like a change of abode.
- ▶ It means that a man of lower rank if he does good works, will be accommodated in a higher rank. And vice versa.
- ▶ It is therefore soul of killer can downgraded into the body of lion and the soul of thief can downgraded into the body of mouse.