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What is Islam? elaborate its salient features?

Introduction:

The word Islam is an arabic word that is derived from the word "SLM" which means to peace. The literal meaning of Islam is to surrender or submit in front of Allah. The contextual meaning of Islam is to enter in peace by submitting to the will of God and also submission of desires to the will of God. In Shariah, the meaning of Islam is to voluntarily submission with commands of Allah is called Islam. Allah says in holy Quran in Surah Baqarah, "There is no compulsion in the religion. Indeed, guidance has become clear from error. Once again, Allah says in holy Quran in Surah Al-Kafirun; "For you is your religion, and for me is my religion. According to the prophet Muhammad (PBUH), the definition of Islam is "To witness of Allah and his messengers and to practice and establish the five pillars of Islam. Maulana Sadas-uddin. Estabie, defines Islam as, "Islam is the name"

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of faiths and worships -

Discuss the first part of the answer in more detail

Distinctive Feature of Islam:

1. Concept of Life after Death:-

Islam gives us the concept of the life after death. According to Islam this world world is like a trial or exam where human being is free to spend their life. For good deeds he would be rewarded and for bad/wrong doings, he would be punished. So, on day All mankind will have to be entered in another eternal world, Hereafter. As a result, Islam warns the human being about the rewa

punishment of Hereafter. Al-Quran:

Verse 14:44 " warns the people of the day when punishment will come, and that those who did wrong will ask for a reprieve."

Try to add the Arabic of quranic ayats

2. Originality in its form:-

Teachings of Islam are genuine in their form but the teachings of other religions changed by the passage of time and every messenger came to a nation with a new Shariah and people of that era followed their teachings. After the death of messengers

they changed their scripts. When as  
 Islam the teachings of Islam are in  
 their original form and also applied  
 to the recent era till to the resurrection  
 day." Allah says in holy Quran, " He  
 has revealed the Quran and he will  
 protect it" 18:9

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### 3- Universality in Nature:

One of the key features of Islam is  
 that it is a universal religion. It  
 is for all mankind whether they belong  
 to any race, clan, and color etc. God  
 is the God of all creatures. Allah says  
 in holy Quran in Surah Al-Ahruf 7:158, O  
 people! I am but messenger from god  
 to you all. Another verse of Holy Quran  
 discussed the Islam as for whole mankind  
 " I have sent as a for everybody in  
 the universe."

### 4. Modernity of Islam :-

Islam is a religion that its principles  
 can be applied to every age and also  
 in the contemporary world. The  
 principles of Islam are permanent

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but methods of application on these principles changes with the context of that era.

The principles of Islam are not so flexible and rigid but are moderate. Ijtihad is the best example of it. Ijtihad means the intellectual efforts to reach the truth.

An Hadith in Sahih Bukhari prophet (PBUH) says: Muhammad (PBUH) sent Mu'adh ibn-Jabal to Yemen and appointed him as governor of Yemen and allowed him to make the decisions from the Ijtihad when you cannot find the problems of solution in from Quran and Hadith.

5- Balance between Individualism and Collectivism:

Islam inculcates the life of an individual. It promotes the promotion of individual rights and its dignity. Islam does not allow anyone to violate the rights of individual. Person make accountable individual to God. Allah says in holy Quran "Man shall have nothing but for stroke what he

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Strives for." On the other hand, Islam also holds responsible the individual for making a good society. For instance, in Islam, Allah enjoined the man to offer the prayer with congregation. The congregation prayer develops a discipline in the muslim society and plays a role to build the wellbeings of a society. Allah stresses on paying Zakaat to the poor.

### B- Islam Denounces the Asceticism:

Islam forbids the man from asceticism (running away from the challenges of the life). It encourages the man to spend their lives in between the society whether doing worships or other matters of life. Islam gives the concept of matter and spirit together. For instance, a man gives charity and helps the poor by giving material, resulting in pursuing of his spiritual salvation. The holy Quran advises us, "our Lord! gives us something fine in the world as well as something fine in the Hereafter."

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Hereafter." Al-Baqarah 2:102 in holy a prophet (PBUH) said, "A muslim who lives in the midst of society and bears with patience the afflictions that come to him is better than the one who shuns society and cannot bear the wrong done to him.

Add more arguments.

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End with conclusion

Improve the references and the paper presentation part