

QUESTION

Describe islam and what are the salient features of Islam?

• ISLAM:-

• Concept of Islam:-

• Derived From:-

It is derived from an Arabic word

Salam which means peace

• Root words:-

Roots words of Islam are S, L, M (S L M) -

• Literal meaning of Islam:-

Literal meaning of Islam is "The act of resignation in front of Allah"

while, contextual meaning are slightly different.

• Contextual meaning of Islam:-

According to the contextual meaning

Submission of desire in front of Allah is called Islam

Meaning of Islam According to Sharīyat:-

In Sharīyat Islam is described in following way

In Quran:-

"Voluntary submission of desire for the will of Allah"

Explanation:-

Allah didn't bound any human, ~~make~~ rather leave this ~~an~~ choice on one-self after telling difference between right and wrong

In Quran:-

Allah says:-

"لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ"

"For you is your deen^{and}, For is my deen."

Meaning of Islam defined by Holy Prophet (S.A.W).-

Holy prophet (S.A.W) defined Islam in following way:-

"Witness Allah, his prophet and follow the pillars of Islam"-

5- By Oxford Dictionary
According to Oxford
Dictionary

"witness Allah, Holy Prophet (S.A.W) follow the
Islamic culture"

Oxford dictionary explained the concept of Islam similar
way as of prophet -

6- By IMAM Ghazali:

According to Imam Ghazali "Islam is made
up of "Rights of Allah and Rights of people"

All these definitions describe Islam
with different light, but highlighting the
core concept of Islam - A complete code
of life.

∴ **Sailent Features Of Islam:**

Islam is not just a religion but a Deen, which
guide every human in every domain of
life. Islam is not limited to any specific
area, race, colour, ethnicity - but is guidance
for every human in every aspect of their

life - There are following features of Islam which make it unique from every other religion.

1. Concept of Tauheed:-

Tauheed means "to accept the Sovereignty of Allah and don't associate any Partners with Him". - A

→ Because associating any Partner with Allah is a gravest sin (Shirk).

Tauheed: Part of Kalma:-

Tauheed is the first part of Kalma which says:-

" لا اله الا الله "

→ Translation:-

" Allah is one "

Similarly, In Surah Ikhlas: Allah says:-

" He neither begets, neither is born."

Tauheed is a ~~new~~ beautiful concept, where other religions accept the oneness of Allah but they associate Partners with Allah which make it a core feature of Islam.

a-: Believe in Prophet hood.

one of the important believe of Islam is the believe in prophet hood - Allah sent prophets in the world for the guidance of humanity. They were the messengers of Allah -
Allah sent few prophets :-

Hazrat Musa (A.S)

Hazrat Esa (A.S)

Hazrat Dawud (A.S)

Hazrat Muhamad (A.S)

In Surah Al-Baqrah Allah says :
"O ye who believe! we believe in Allah and what has been revealed on us and believed in what has been revealed on Ibrahim and Ismail and Jacob and Moses and Jesus & Isa"

This verse clearly show that Quran discuss about presence of prophets that has been revealed on previous nation

Similarly,

The Surah Maryam is about Hazrat Esa (A.S) and her mother -

Thus if one deny about presence of previous prophets or have any doubt

they would be rejecting a important and
crucial feature of Islam.

3. - Finality of Holy prophet (S.A.W) :-

→ Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W) is the last prophet
among all sent by Allah and upon him Allah
Completed this deen for all humanity.

He has been sent as
made good

In Surah Al-Ahzab Allah says:-

"Muhammad (S.A.W) is not father of any
of your men but the prophet of Allah and seal of
all prophets"

In Quran Allah continuously mention that
Holy prophet (S.A.W) is the last prophet and
there will be no prophet after him
those who don't believe in the finality
of prophet ~~can~~ does not consider as
Muslims.

4. Reveled Books & Believe on them.

Allah Reveled Books for the guidance of Humanity and mens believe on the Reveled book is also very Important. Allah Reveled few books on his messanger

Tauvath = Musa / Moses (AS)

Zabur = Dawood / David (AS)

Injeel = Esa (AS)

Quran = Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W)

Similary Quran is the last booke Reveled by Allah on his messenger Holy prophet (S.A.W)

In Surah al-Maidh Allah Say:-

"we have Reveled on you (Muhammad (S.A.W))

a book in truth and, confirming what comes before it and the scriptures and the Creaulians over it."

5. Believe in The angles of Allah.

Another important concept to believe in Islam is to believe on angles - A Muslim shall believe on all the angles and angles who bring Allah's message to

Prophets

Hazrat Jibrail (As) is the angel of Allah who bring revelation to Holy Prophet (S.A.W)

Similarity in Quran Allah said:- Surah Nisa 136

"But righteous^{are} Those who believe in Allah, in his angels, last day, Holy books and prophets of Allah"

6. ∴ Pillars of Islam:

There are five pillars of Islam and very crucial for the sustainability of Iman in one being - These Pillars are the base of Islam.

1. **Tauheed**: To accept the oneness of Allah

"And there is no deity except Allah"

(Surah Muhammad).

Namaz: An obligatory Prayer means "to ask"

Namaz is obligatory to every Muslim five times a day (ie Fajr, Zuhar, Asar, Maghroob & Isha).

Roza/Fasting:

Muslim Fast for 30 day every year during the month of Ramadhan

"And establish Prayer & give Zakat"

2. **Zakat**:

It a worship which can be forced on people by the government - Muslim give Zakat to poor people every year. (Surah Ahzab)

Hajj $\Rightarrow$ Hajj is a form of worship which is only applicable to those who can afford to visit Allah's house -

"And Pilgrimage to the house is the duty of those to Allah who can afford it" (AL-IMRAN) -

7: Complete Code of Life:-

Islam is a complete code of life that guide human in every problem of life - It's a complete deen which treat every human with equality. Islam tell us the rituals at the birth of a child, like aqiqah and guide us regarding upbringing of child in righteous way.

Similarly, Islam force on education and say:

"Seeking knowledge is obligatory for every muslim" Islam also guides us about individual and collective life and tell us about our rights Prophet (S.A.W.) ~~say~~ said

"Your eyes have right on you and your wife have right of you".

Islam also give us a brief detail about political governance and global affairs

It's a deen that guide human from birth to death and guide human every dimension of life.

8. Balancing Deen & Duniya

Islam emphasize a harmonious balance between deen and hereafter, human shall not completely submerge in his religious duties, neither forget his religious duties for his mortal life.

" Seek through ~~that~~ which Allah has provided you, the home of here after, but

Thus, Both are the duties of a human, for whom they will be accountable in front of Allah and it is duty of a believer to fulfill these duties with a proper-balance.

9. Comprehensive worship:-

In Islam, worship is not just praying five times a day or fast during the month of Ramaza, but Allah made worship and collecting good deeds very easy for a person.

Holy prophet said:-
"

Indeed actions depends upon intentions."

Thus means every action with the purpose of good intention is counted as worship i.e like

For instance, Removing Pebble from the path so it won't hurt any body is also a worship

Allah says in Quran:

"Even a morsel you put in your wife's mouth is also a worship".

Allah made Islam easy for everyone by making every man's deed with their intentions.

10. Believe in the Day of Judgement:-

One the most salient feature of Islam is to believe in the day of Judgman and life of hereafter. This world

and its life and every thing belongs to it
is mortal

This is also justified by Allah in
Quran.

Allah in Surah Al- Says " O' Holy prophet
(S.A.W) tell those people who will receive the book
of their deeds in their right hand, and
despire to those who will receive their book
in their left hand "-

Means, Allah is talking about the
day of Judgment where everyone on behalf
of deed will either enter
in Jannah or Jahannam -

Islam a complete deen and have
supremacy over every religion, which can be
easily seen by its features, these attributes
of religion separate it from every other
religion and make it the most beautiful guide for
every human, despite of their religion.