

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:-

Root words of Islam are SLM (SLM)-

- 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 Shariyat:-

In Shariyat Islam is described

in following way

In Quran:-

"Voluntary submission of desire for the will of Allah"

Explanation:-

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

In Quran:-

Allah says:-

"لَكُمْ رِبُّكُمْ وَلِيَ رَبُّنِي"

"For you is your deen, ^{and} for me 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 definition describe Islam with different light, but highlighting the core concept of Islam - A complete code of life.

∴ Salient 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 feature of Islam which make it unique from every other religion.

2. Concept of Tauheed:-

Tauheed means "to accept the Sovereignty of Allah and don't associate any partner with him".

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

Tauheed: Part of Kalma:-

Tauheed is the first part of Kalma which says..

"Wَلَّا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ"

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.

2- Believe in Prophet hood..

One of the important belief of Islam is the belief in Prophet hood - Allah sent prophets in the world for the guidance of humanity. They were the messengers of Allah -

Allah sent few prophets -

UPON WHOM HE BESTOWED FOUR SACRED BOOKS

Harat Mosa (A.S)

Harat Esa (A.S)

Harat Daud (A.S)

Harat Muhammed (A.S)

In Surah Al-Baqrah Allah says :
"O believers! 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 ^{and} Isa"

This verse clearly shows that Quran discusses about presence of prophets that has been revealed on previous nation

Similarly,

Surah Maryam is about Harat 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 the deen for all humanity.
He has been sent as a seal of all prophets

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 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 don't consider as Muslims

4- Revealed Books & Believe on them.

Allah revealed Books for the guidance of Humanity and men believe on the revealed book is also very important. Allah revealed few books on his messenger.

Tawath = Musa / Moses (AS)

Zabur = Dawood / David (AS)

Injeel = Esa (AS)

Quran = Harat Muhammad (S.A.W)

Similarly Quran is the last book revealed by Allah on his messenger Holy prophet (S.A.W)

In Surah al-Maidh Allah say:-

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

a book in truth and, confirming what comes before it and the scriptures 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 who bring Allah's message to

Prophets

Hazrat Jibrael (AS) is the angle of Allah who bring revelation to Holy Prophet (S.A.W)

Similar inawan Allah said: Surah Nisa 133

"But righteous & those who believe in Allah, in His angles, 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 Deen. These Pillars are the base of Islam.

• **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 (i.e. Fajr, Zuhar, Asar, Maghrib & Isha).

Rozha/Fasting:

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

"And establish Prayer & give Zakat"

Zakat: It a worship which can be forced on people by the government. Muslim give Zakat to poor people every year.

is 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.) ~~s.a.w.~~ 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 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 Ramazan, 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 ie 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 liking one'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 Judgment and life of hereafter. This world

and it's life and every thing belongs to it
is mortal

This is also justified by Allah in Quran.

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

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

GIVE A FORMAL INTRO AND CONCLUSION ANSWER IS USELESSLY LENGTHY
USE MARKER TO IMPORTANT POINTS AND ADD SOME UNCOMMON DIFFERENT AYAT
IN YOUR ANSWER

ANS IS VERY GENERIC AND BLAND 8/20

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.