

Islamic Studies

Assignment:

Q What is Islam. Elaborate the salient features of Islam.

Answer:

Definition of Islam:

Islam is the complete code of life. It is foundation of five pillars. It leads human being in every aspect of life. It helps individuals in political, judicial, administrative and economic system.

Islam literally mean "to submission to the will of Allah", beliefs oneness of God. We should have to obey his rule. We are only Khalifa (Vicegerent) that must obligatory to him.

As we see in the Quranic perspective

Surah Al-Imran verse 19

"Indeed, the sight of Allah Islam is our deen"

Allah Said in holy Quran.

"Who will be desires religion other than islam. He/she will be the loser among the loser hereafter".

Islam is foundation of five pillars that is:

Tawheed
Namaz (Prayer)
Roza (Fasting)
Zakaat (Charity)
Hajj

- Tawheed mean oneness of God. Allah is the only one there is no deity expect him.
- Namaz is worship that we should must be pray five time. Fajr, Zuhre, asar, magrib and Isha
- Roza is fasting. It is obligatory in the month of Ramzan that comes one time in a year
- Charity is donation that we should donate some amount from our treasure
- Hajj is pray in mecca. It is obligatory ones time in life for those who can afford.

Silent Features of Islam

1) Unique Concept of Tawheed:

Tawheed words derive from "wahada" which means to consolidate or to unify.

Quranic Perspective:

Tawheed is clearly defined in the first part of Kalma that is:

There is no God but Allah. ﷲ

Tawheed is not mentioned in any one Surah, it is defined in whole Quran. It's also explained in Surah - Ikhlas:

Say, Allah [who] is one. He is Eternal Refuge. No one begot him, and nor begotten by him. No soul is like him.

Allah is the only one. He is creation of all universe. He knows that what every soul want. He is omniscient.

Tawheed divided into three main
Categories

Tawheed - vs - Rubbiyah

Tawheed - ul - Ibadah

Tawheed - al - Asma was *Sifat*

Tawheed - vs - Rubbiyah means oneness
of God, to believe that Allah
is only one, no one like him
and one can like him.

Tawheed - al - Ibadah means oneness
of worship that every little
act is only for Allah like
pray, fasting and

Tawheed - al - Asma was *Sifat* means
oneness of the names and Attributes
of Allah, no name like him
If any individual want to join
his name Allah must use "abd"
which mean servant

For Example

Abdul - Rehman

Abdul - Allah

Abdul - Qadir

Rehman mean merciful and Abdul - rehman
mean servant of merciful. Like
Abdul - Qadir mean servant of omni-
potent

Siraal-un-nabi by Allama Shabi

"Islam is a fact and the gate of fact is Tawheed"

"Tawheed is the first chapter of Islam"

2) Prophethood:

In the second part of Kalma-Layyaha prophethood is clearly defined.

Prophet (P.B.U.H) is the messenger of Allah. رسول الله ﷺ

Quranic Perspective

In Sura ar-Ra'ad verse 40 Allah says "Prophet (P.B.U.H) is not the father of any of yours. He is only the messenger of Allah and seal of prophet and the Allah is ever all knowing"

Here the seal of prophet mean the prophet (P.B.U.H) is the last prophet of Allah, after him no prophet will be come or been.

Through the life of prophet
P.B.U.H people can be educated,
-tell us the way of life.
By obey the Sunnah individuals
learn how to speak, live, eat and
act.

Muhammad (S.A.W.W) treats children
with kindness, neighbours with love
and parents with respect.

Qurainc Perspective

Surah najam verse 3 and 4

"Nor does he speak from his
own inclinations (Hawa)"

"It is not but the revelation
revealed (wahi)"

Allah says: Prophet P.B.U.H ^{says} said
those thing which belongs to me
He doesn't speak by his
inner part and do not say
those word which satisfied
him. say those thing which I
said.

3) Dignity to Mankind:

Dignity to mankind means the respect, value and importance of human kind. Still Scientist do not know how many creatures in the world only Allah's Know

Quranic Perspective

Surah - Baqarah 2:30

"Indeed, you do not know that, which I know"

Surah Bani - Israel 17:70

"We have honoured the children of Adam"

Allah says:

Among all the creatures, we have been made the noblest of All creatures (Ashraf - ul - Makhluqat)

Surah - Al - Imran 3:25

"So how it will be, when we assemble them for a day which there is no doubt that every soul will be compensated (total accountable) what it earned, and they will be not wronged".

4) Universal Brotherhood:

Universal brotherhood mean no one is superior to each other. Every soul are equal as we see

Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W.W) said in his last sermon:

"An arab has no superiority on non-arab, a white has no superiority on black".

5) Peace and Harmony:

Islam word derive from "salam" which mean peace. People live together in harmony and there is no doubt that the inner satisfaction will grip your soul on Islam.

6) Justice and Fairness.

In Islam, justice is from Allah.

Allah is Al-Adl. Allah justice encompasses both social and legal justice.

Prophet (P.B.U.H) said:

"Beware of injustice, for injustice will be the darkness in the day of judgement."

1) Complete Code of life.

Islam is the complete way of life, code of life. It leads human being to do and do not, attitude towards both. Keep away from wrongdoing, Be loving towards children and respectful towards elders. encompasses political system rules and law are made based on Quran.

For Example:

In any class of exam we should have to read books and after that we take exam just like "Allah sent down a book (Quran); we must follow it, and the day of judgement, we will be accountable for it"