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INTRODUCTION

Islam being a complete code of life, also holds accountability of individuals. It provides a significance of the life in this world as well as of life in hereafter. Life in hereafter is a mere transition from this world which has to end very soon. Humans are sent here in this world for a mere period and as 'His' vicegerents, and with the purpose of obeying 'His' orders and following the injunctions. Both man and woman has to live life accordingly and must account their death and deeds as they have to go and present themselves in front of the Creator. Where all our deeds will be brought forth and our destination would be decided in accordance with our deeds. And we will be sent either to Heaven or to Hell. Therefore, the only right path to believe that this life is temporary and is a merely a test for all of the mankind. And life hereafter is the permanent and everlasting and it will never end as death itself will be abolished.

## BELIEF IN THE LIFE HEREAFTER

Life Neverending life in hereafter is the most beautiful concept and a principle belief of Muslim. As it gives the idea and comprehension of living a good life. If one deviates from the right path has to face the wrath of Hell and if one lives a life where one helps others and do good deeds will be sent to Heaven. Hence, two destinations as per the concept of hereafter. As Per the verse of Quran:

"Then for the one who had rebelled, and preferred the world life, Hell will be his abode. Whereas for the one who feared to stand before his Lord, and restrained his self from the evil, Paradise will be the abode."

(Al-Quran)

Permanency and everlasting attributions are also discussed in the Quran:

"While the hereafter is much better and much durable."

(Al-Quran)

The permanent abode of the mankind is the after the life hereafter where rewards and punishments will be handed out. And Allah SWT is just and fair. It cannot be imagined from Him that He will not account for the actions of His creatures who are given free will.

# DOCTRINE OF LIFE HEREFTER

Humanity has been confined to this world for the test which has been put by God. The death and the subsequent stage starts after the end of life <sup>in</sup> of this world.

And as the beginning of process of death starts no one will be able to repent for his (or) her's past misdeeds. And then the reality of his existence will be vision after the world life.

And the one's trial comes to an end as he leaves this life. Those who attained the maturity of mind, except for children and mad people, they will be reckoned responsible in the sight of God. Reckoning of the mankind emanates from the understanding of right and wrong. So one who have done whether good or bad will see it. As per the verse of Al-Quran:

"He who does an atom's weight of good shall see it, and he who does an atom's weight of evil shall see it?"

(Al-Quran)

It means everyone is responsible for what he does or what his intention is one. No one will be liable for another's good or bad, except where they have exerted some decisive influence on the others to do either good or bad.

"Say, 'O Prophet', 'O my people! Persist in your way, for I' too will persist mine. You will soon come

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Al-Quran.

# IMPACT OF BELIEF IN LIFE HEREAFTER

## ON INDIVIDUALS

### (a) A sense of Accountability:

If one believes that there's a life hereafter, and he/she will be held accountable for whatever (s)he does and may either be sent to Hell or Heaven, then the fear of wrath and desire of heaven may cause him/her to live a good life and be accountable for one's actions.

### (b) Helps in leading a meaningful life:

The belief in this life hereafter will help a person to live a meaningful life, (s)he will be good to others, true to him/herself and make him/her believe that whatever (s)he does will ~~come~~ be brought on the day of judgment.

### (c) Helps in leading a Humble life:

The desire and want for the bliss as promised will lead one to pursue for an active and humble life. He will not be a prisoner of anxious and selfishness. This may help a person emancipate the narrow concerns and

bring him into the vast expanses of a universal human fraternity.

(d) Helps in promoting justice:

The belief in hereafter will promote justice and sense of it. One who has done something for which he is wary of, or he has done injustice to whoever, be it his parents, siblings, family, friend or foe, he will be accountable and the fear of hell may correct his course of action and will lead him to live a life of justice.

(e) Do not let a person get too immersed in this life:

A person who knows that he will be held accountable for he had spent his life, will surely correct his course and will not be too immersed in this world. The fear of wrath of hell will help him to live a balanced life. But this does not mean one should stop making efforts to live a good and better life. It is a delicate balance between doing what is right and enjoying what is not prohibited.

(f) Makes a person grateful:

If one lives a balanced, good and life in accordance with the injunction, one would be grateful for it, even if the life gets hard, but his belief of justice in hereafter will comfort his heart.

## ON SOCIETY

### (a) Cooperation and Brotherhood.

No one will ever, if believes in life hereafter, do such thing which hurts one's brethren, ~~and~~ rather one will do everything to keep everyone at meritorious and better situation. This will lead to a more cooperative society.

### (b) Spirit of social work:

One of reason that a person will be held accountable is one's relation with one's society and its inhabitants. One will try to do good to others.

### (c) Makes an Ideal Society:

Everyone will ~~be~~ try to do good and do everything that makes others life easy. He will take care of not only ~~of~~ human but also other creatures as well. This will lead to an ideal society where everyone is trying to do good to others.

### ~~(d)~~ Ends conflicts and Biases.

Conflicts may occur and there may generate bigotry and biases toward one's colleague. But it is the fear of hell which may help them resolve conflict and live a collective social life.

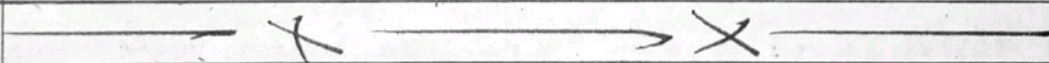
(c) No fear of Death and safety of society:

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Dying for the betterment and security and safety of society is surely the best thing. Bliss and blessing and rewards in hereafter will lead one to be a safety wall for securing society and its interests.

### CONCLUSION

This is the world where all man and women will be tested and will be rewarded. Everyone will be accountable for what (s)he does, whether good or bad. But this temporal life and, fear of wrath of hell and desire to get a better reward will lead everyone to ~~live~~ live a life, free from envy and hatred, and will lead everyone to be good to others.



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## INTRODUCTION

A man with no knowledge of divinity or without adherence of religion will be like an animal, who just does what it does to get food. He will be without a guide. But a man with firm belief in divinity and adhere to divine religion will live according to the religion. In modern time, one may think that he'll be able to live without any fellowship of religion, but he will be wrong as religion is nothing but a complete code of life. How can one live a complete life without acknowledging and even rebuffing the religion: a source of complete code of life. No matter how adept one is or how knowledgeable one is, there always comes a time when the person may need help, of not people, but of something which can satisfy one's inner-self and lead one to a life of inner-peace.



## ENTROPICAL CHAOS: THE WORLD.

The world its progresses in technology and all other stuff, has been far far away from the reality. One will witness thousands of things going wrong in the world, yet unable we are to look into those. Poverty, degrading the planet, the poor and lack of food will not only among people but also among nations. has showcased the fact that we are, as in this modern world, dively in need of a divine religion. The divine <sup>Religion</sup> may generate a feeling of insecurity for our lack of attention towards basic humanitarian needs and supports. As the world is progressing even further, the poor are getting poor and the worst thing is that they are unable to get away with it. The belief in divinity and an divine religion will generate that feeling into our hearts. The chaotic the world is becoming as it moves forward. We have to get away with this entropical chaos, the sooner we do it, the better it would be.

## NEED OF DIVINE RELIGION

The progress of world is what modernizes it. The advancement and sophisticated technology helps it get even more modernize. The discoveries, innovation and invention of different things belonging to different sciences, is not in contrast to what divine religion is about. Islam surely is not that religion which rejects modernization rather it encourages it. Everything that make life easy is close to the concept of Islam. But certain things <sup>are</sup> needed to be reminded of. There are certain limits which binds the parallel paths of Islam and modern world. Aside from this Islam is the custodian of and supporter of the modern beliefs. But there are some points to consider when discussing the need of divine religion, aside from above arguments:

### (A) Power of Divine Communities in Today's World;

Being part of religious community gives people a sense of belonging. It's like finding your tribe, where you share common values and beliefs. In time of need, these communities come together to support and uplift each other. They are like safety wall that provides comfort and consolation. And that is all because of belief in divine religion.

(B) Relevancy of Ethical Principles in Modern World:

Divine religion often have moral and ethical codes that are used to guide the behavior of their followers. Such codes may help the world in achieving and promoting empathy, compassion, and forgiveness, and these are crucial for the establishment of a just and harmonious society.

(C) Dealing with Uncertainty through Divine Faith:

The world is ever-changing and uncertain as of now, and it may travel in a chaotic path which might bring alot of discomfort and stressful life. Only through religion practices and beliefs, one can offer comfort and solace to individual facing it. Another benefit is that religion is most of time a source of strength during times of personal or even familial crisis.

(D) Significance of Tradition and Culture:

Islam as a divine religion has a very big hand in shaping who were as a society. It keeps our roots alive by preserving the same injunctions followed by prophets and their companion. And that may hold deep meaning and even bring a sense of fulfillment

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## (E) Unveiling Life's Purpose:

Religion is one of the finest way to understand the sense of meaning and purpose of life. It offers answers to even today's questions, such as origins of the universe, the nature of human existence, and even the concept of morality. For alot of followers, Islam helps them make sense of the world and find direction in their lives.

## CRITICS OF DIVINE RELIGION

In the modern world there are detractors of religion as well, who question role of religion in its contribution to conflicts. They are of view that it hinders the advancement of the world. They propose that secular ethics, philosophy and humanitarianism can also be a source of moral direction and purpose without the baggage of religious doctrine. They are advocate of more-secularism, open-mindedness and flexible approach that are contrary to religious dogmas. The power of reason and shared human values, they think, are the sources and reason to find solace, fulfillment and connection without any need for religious faith, urging societies to embrace a more inclusive and progressive view of world.

## CONCLUSION

There will be a difference of opinion of whether religion should be a way and path to modern world, but it is quite clear that religion can play a significant role, driving the modern society away from the disgust of hatred, solitude and prejudice, as it offers a way to live together, help and console each other. There is surely a need of divine religion like Islam to show the real meaning and purpose of life. It surely is not anomaly to advancement and sophistication, rather it encourages to even more progressive and modern world.

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# INTRODUCTION

In the religion of Islam where every individual/citizen is entitled to equal rights and religion does not become the basis for any discrimination. In Islam, no one is superior or privileged on any ground. A muslim, in Islam, is superior to a non-muslim except on the basis of his/her's adherence to it. But as a citizen of an Islamic state, everyone is equal, of course there are certain taxes imposed on them, but with sense of safety and security provided to them. Islam forbids to be more inclined towards a muslim than to a non-muslim. Islam gives assurance to minorities when it's a matter of justice. To everyone is equal, accountable, and ~~he~~ will be rewarded on the basis of his/her's citizenry rather than one's religion. Religion of Islam has provided some important rights to the minorities without any discrimination meted out at them. And if one discriminates against it or rebuff the rights of minorities is surely on the wrong path.

# RIGHTS OF MINORITIES

## (A) Equal Citizenship: An Incident in this Case

Once, a Muslim killed a non-Muslim. When he was presented in the court of Hazrat Ali (R.A), the evidence supported the accusation. So, Hazrat Ali (R.A) ordered the Muslim to be killed by the way of Be'as. But the Muslim family went to the non-Muslim, asked them to forgive and paid compensation money. To which Hazrat Ali (R.A) said, "the blood of those of our non-Muslim subjects is equal to our blood and his blood money is like our blood money?"

This, above incident shows, how <sup>firm</sup> ~~sure~~ the principles of Islam <sup>are</sup> regarding the rights of a non-Muslim.

## (B) Privacy and Personal Life:

Privacy and entitlement to live a personal life as one wants is, yet ~~other~~ another right given to minorities. No one has authority to interfere in personal life of a non-Muslim nor is any one allowed to breach the privacy of non-Muslim, just like the Muslims are entitled to it. So, both Muslims and non-Muslims are entitled to same right without any discrimination.

**(C) Allowed Minorities to Follow their Religion:**

In the religion of Islam, Allah Almighty has ordained the Muslims to worship only Allah, but it does not allow any one to coerce the minorities from following their religion. As per the verse of Quran:

"(O glorious Messenger!) Invite towards the path of your Lord with strategic wisdom and refined exhortation and (also) argue with them in a most decent manner"

(A1- Quran)

Islam has allowed Muslims to preach and invite everyone, but without a force of coercion rather in a decent manner.

**(D) No Restriction of Minorities' Business.**

Islam allows minorities to undertake any business or enterprise without any fear of being subdued, just like Muslims are allowed. But those business which are injurious for the society, can not be allowed to <sup>be</sup> undertaken either by Muslim or by non-Muslim.

**(E) Disabled / Old / the Poor / Destitute are the Responsibility of the state:**

As it is the responsibility of the Islamic state to provide for the disabled, or the, or the destitute or the old, in the very same way, it's under the obligation of to pay for ~~the~~ the maintenance of a member of the



minority community in case of illness, disability, old age or poverty. Minorities are entitled to same rights (equal) in terms of maintenance in an Islamic State.

According to the tradition reported by Abu Ubaid in Kitab ul-Amwal, "The Holy prophet (SAW) gave a donation to a Jewish family and it continued to be delivered even after (the Holy prophet's departure from this world).

### (9) Protection and Security of the Minorities:

One of the most important right that is entitled ~~upon~~<sup>to</sup> the minorities is their protection and security. If it has entered into an agreement with another nation, the protection and security of the latter then will not be provided, and it will come under the domain of responsibility.

## CONCLUSION

Above discussed are the rights entitled upon the Islamic state to provide without any discriminations. Incidents of the Muslim accused of killing ~~an~~ a non-Muslim and that of donations from the prophet (SAW) are evident of the fact that there are the rights provided to the minorities. Any who denies it is surely rebuffing the injunctions of Islam.