

Question No # 1

1) Introduction

Islam is a distinct religion because of its unique beliefs and features. It is a complete code of life and it will always be relevant to this world and hereafter. The Holy book revealed on the last prophet Muhammad (P.b.u.h) encompasses practical and relevant solutions for every generation. Holy prophet is an embodiment of complete perfect human being whose life and sayings provide a clear path for every human being. The unique features and beliefs of Islam are the primary conditions to follow in order to enter in the Jurisdiction of Islam.

Basic Beliefs of Islam

According to the declaration of Iman-e-muyasil, a muslim faith is defined by these core tenets-

آمَنْتُ بِاللَّهِ وَرِائِلِهِ وَكُتُبِهِ وَرَسُولِهِ وَاليَوْمِ الْآخِرَةِ
وَالْقَدَرِ خَيْرًا وَشَرًّا مِنْ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى وَالْحَقِّ بِعِزِّهِ

I believe in Allah and his angels and his books and his messenger and The day of resurrection and that good and bad

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destiny from Allah and on the Resurrection after death.

Basic beliefs of Islam

- 1) Belief on Allah Almighty
- 2) Belief on angels,
- 3) Belief on Holy Books
- 4) Belief on prophet Muhammad (P.B.U.H)
- 5) Belief on the day of Judgement
- 6) Belief on pre-deshnition

1) Belief on Allah Almighty

Belief on Allah Almighty is the most basic and fundamental belief in Islam. Allah Almighty is alone and cannot be associated with anyone. As Allah says in Holy Quran.

قُلْ هُوَ اللَّهُ أَحَدٌ

Say, Allah is one. Surah Al-Kothar

2) Beliefs on Angels

Belief on angel is the second belief of Islam, this belief ensures the faith on angels,

تنزل الملائكة والروح فيما ياذن ربهم

في من كل امر

The angels and the spirit descend thereon by permission of their Lord for every matter.

As Allah decreed the existence of the angels, thus every muslim has to believe on angels.

3) Belief on Holy Books

Allah has made obligatory for every muslim to have faith on holy books. These holy books represent the present life and the life before the holy prophet.

4) Belief on prophet P.b.U.h

Holy prophet is the last prophet and the role model for human kind. This belief on the sayings and pronouncements of holy prophet is also important as Allah says in Quran-

و ما ارسلناك الا رحمة للعالمين

And we have sent the holy prophet, except as a mercy to all the world.

5) Belief on The day of Judgement

The day of Judgement is the fifth fundamental of the basic beliefs of Islam. This day predicts the future of human's eternal life.

والآخرة خير لك من الأولى

And the hereafter is better for you -

~ Al-Quran ~

6) Belief on Pre-destination

Belief on pre-destination is essential as it prevents humanity from indulging in false beliefs and stereotypes. This only only knows the future of human being is core and fundamental being.

"And you will not except, that Allah wills ~

~ Surah Tagwir ~

7) The Doctrine of Akhrot

The doctrine of Akhrot refers the life after this ephemeral life. This day make sure that every human need to go back towards Allah

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Almighty, after living a certain period in the world. This day is also called the day of judgement, because on this day every person will be answered for his worldly life before Allah Almighty. On this day Allah Almighty will give both rewards and punishment to man according to their worldly deeds.

مالك يوم الدين

Master of the day of Judgment.

There is no doubt on the ever day of judgment that man will be judged on the basis of his worldly life.

→ Islam reforms the life of an individual and society through
Basic Beliefs:

1) Abstaining humanity from false Beliefs

Islam ensures that, through the doctrine of Tauheed, it abstains humanity from believing in false doctrines, including faiths on multiple deities.

2) Guidance in Every Arena of Life:

The fundamental beliefs of Islam guides man in every aspect of life. These beliefs are not only limited to the worships but also deal with external affairs of humanity.

3) Ensuring Accountability and Social Welfare

The doctrine of Akhirat instillates accountability and transparency. When man knows that he have to answerable for all his deeds before Allah, he stays away from bad deeds. In this manner, the society get free from crimes and injustice.

4) Fostering Sense of Equality

The unique features of Allah - Allah Islam have Tauheed which means Allah is one and the creator of everything, it fosters sense of equality among humans.

As prophet said: No Arab has any superiority over Ajam and no Ajam has any superiority over Arab, but on the basis of Taqwa.

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Conclusion:

To conclude the basic principles of Islam and the Akrah, it can be said that these features of Islam shape human's life and collectively establish society. These beliefs help humans to follow the doctrine of Islam and staying away from falsehood. Thus.

Question No #2

1) Introduction

The ~~basic~~ concept of Salat explains the connection of man with Allah Almighty through the doctrine of Salat. Allah has mentioned the theme of Salat in Quran 700 times. It is a concept of formal, ritual worship that serves as the second of the five pillars of Islam. It is more than just a routine, it is the fundamental spiritual framework designed to connect the believer directly with Allah throughout their daily life.

2) Literal Meaning of Salat:

The Arabic root word "Salat" literally translates to connection or communication.

2.1) Contextual Meaning of Salat:

The contextual meaning of Salat explains the relationship of a person with Allah Almighty, remembrance of Allah Almighty while stepping out from the ~~day~~ worldly affairs. Allah says in Quran

و اقم الصلاة و اؤت الزكاة و اركع مع الركين

establish prayer and give zakat and bow with

those who bows - At - Quran

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Types of Salat

→ 1) Farz (obligatory 5 times a day)

→ 2) Sunnah and Nafl (voluntary)

→ 3) Special Occasions (performed for specific events, Salat-al-Janaza, Eid prayers, performed during eclipses)

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Significance of Salat in the Light of Quran

ان الصلوة كانت كفا على المؤمنين لانا مؤتمرا

Indeed, prayer has been decreed upon the believers a decree of specific times.

In the light of Quranic verse, it is evident that Salat has made obligatory by Allah Almighty, and man has to follow all the obligations from Allah Almighty.

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Significance of Salat in the Light of Hadith

Hazrat Abu Huraira narrated, "Holy prophet was asked once, who will be the more

neerer to Allah Almighty on the day of Judgement, Holy prophet replied, those who offer salat on time, and again he was asked, who will next? Holy prophet replied, the one who respects and takes care of his parent."

Both Quran and Hadith, the primary sources of Islam and Shariah, explain the significance of Salat.

6) Impacts of Salat on Social Life

1) Sense of Equality
When all the people stand in front of Allah in order to perform Salat, the equal role and columns eliminates the differences of class and creed. Thus salat inculcates the sense of equality among people.

2) Mutual Harmony and Unity

Salat ensures mutual harmony and unity among people. It fosters brotherhood and love for each other following the concept of Ummah. Thus Salat ensures mutual harmony and unity.

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Impacts of Salat on Moral Life

1) Sense of Duty and Responsibility

When a muslim offers salat five times a day while considering it as an obligation, eventually, the routine shapes him a dutiful and responsible person.

2) Sense of honour and Independence

When a muslim submits all his matters to Allah Almighty and understands that only Allah is the supreme power in this world, he gains the sense of honour and independence.

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Impacts of Salat on Spiritual life of an individual

(1) Guards one against Satan and his Own self

The impact of salat on the spiritual life of an individual is very beautifully described in holy Quran.

ان الطلوة تنها عن الفحشاء والمنكر

Salat keeps away from indecency and

evils. Surah Ankabut

(ii) Creates fear of Allah

when a person offer Salat, he remained true to Allah and with himself. He stays away from committing any bad deeds both in public and in private life. Thus Salat inculcates fear of Allah.

Conclusion:

و استقيموا بالصلاة والعلوة

And establish prayer with patience

~ Al-Quran ~

To conclude the concept of salat and its moral, spiritual, social, and political parts, Salat is fundamental pillar of Islam and Allah Almighty has mentioned it in Quran 700 times. The concept of salat plays a vital role in shaping society, morality, and spiritual life of human being.

Question No 3

Introduction

Islam recognizes the dignity of human being by providing basic and fundamental rights to man. When a person comes under the umbrella of Islam, he enjoys all the rights which man need to live a meaningful life.

Islam ensures that the rights are the basic and fundamental rights of human being, Nobody in the earth can take away these rights from man

2) Dignity of Human in the light of Quran

- 1) Islam rejects discrimination and ensures dignity for every human.

وَلَقَدْ كَرَّمْنَا بَنِي آدَمَ

"And we have certainly honoured the children of Adam."

~Al-Quran~

This verse establishes that every human being is honoured by Allah, regardless of gender, color, lineage, or wealth.

2) Human Creation as a Mark of Honor

وَلَقَدْ خَلَقْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ فِي أَحْسَنِ تَقْوِيمٍ

We have created man in the best of forms,

~Al-Quran~

Allah created every single human in the best of forms and breathed into them his spirit, elevating humans above many other creations.

Recognition of Women's Dignity in Islam-

When, in the era of ignorance, women were used to be buried alive by the ignorant people, Allah Almighty sent the holy prophet with the light of Islam. Holy prophet started the preaching of Islam and saved the lives of innocent souls from being buried alive. Furthermore, Islam provides equitable rights to women in every arena of life.

1) Right to Life and Respect

Islam strictly condemned female infanticide calling it a grave crime. Women were recognized as honourable human beings, not property.

"And when the female infant buried alive is asked for what sin she was killed."

Surah Al-Takwir

2) Right to Inheritance

Islam also ensures economic recognition of women and allows them the right of private property.

Mutual Rights in Marriage.

Although marriage is a social phenomenon of Islam, it inhibits forceful marriages. Islam allows women to choose her partner according to her choice and step out from the marriage on certain conditions.

Obligation of Education

Islam doesn't discriminate women in the right to education. Both women and men are equally allowed to acquire knowledge.

~ طلب العلم فريضة على كل مسلم ~

seeking knowledge is obligatory on every muslim.

~ Hadith ~

Efforts Adopted by Islam to Maintain Human Dignity

(1) Rule of Law:

Islam ensures the protection of human dignity through rule of law. Rule of law saves human rights and prevents authorities to subjugate humans.

2) Justice System

يا ايها الذين امنوا قونوا ميمين بالله
شهداء بالقسط

O you, who believe, stand firm for Allah
as witnesses in Justice.

~ Surah Al Maida ~

The Justice system of Islam ensures justice among people. It clearly describes the principles of Justice which secures human dignity and rights.

3) Equality

Equality is one of the prominent features of Islam. Every human being is equal before Allah and no power on the Earth is superior from his fellow human on the basis of material or physical strength except by Taqwa. This measure of Islam protects human dignity.

Conclusion:

To conclude the recognition of human rights and particularly women dignity, Islam provide equal and equitable rights to human being and provide equal honor and dignity to every human.

Thus, Allah says in Quran "whoever kills an innocent soul - it is equal to killing all of humanity." The verse teaches that every human life is extremely valuable. This shows that how humans are honored in Islam.

Conclusion: