



WHAT IS ISLAM?

A Monotheistic Religion:
Belief in the Absolute Oneness of The
Creator of all, God; that is, Allah

Islam is Faith and Practice, accepted by the
Mind and Heart of an Accountable Person.
This person is then referred to as a Believing
Muslim.

“The journey to the Creator is a journey of the
heart. You need to walk to Allah with your
heart.” (The Book of Love)

This pamphlet will briefly explain the following:

- Who are we pledging our Faith to? (Iman)
- How to do we practice our Faith? (Islam)
- What is the value system of our Faith? (Ihsan)

Who are we pledging our Faith to? (Iman)

Iman, also known as Articles of Faith or
Creed, comprise 5 essential Beliefs.

A Muslim must Believe in the following:

1.) Belief in Allah (God):

The Creator of All

2.) Belief in His Messengers

3.) Belief in His Messages

(ie. His Revelations)

4.) Belief in His Angels

5.) Belief in The Day of Accountability



How to do we practice our Faith? (Islam)

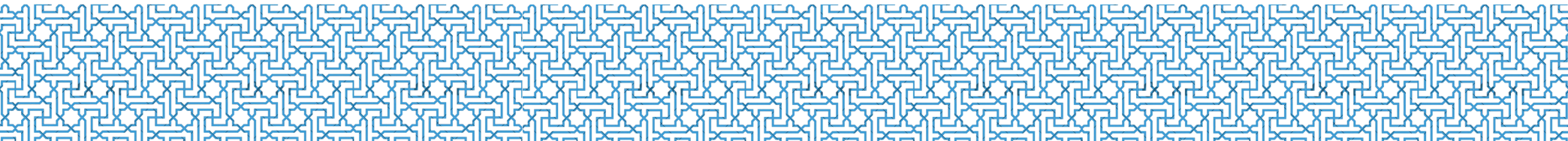
Islam has 5 Practical Laws:

- 1.) Testification of Faith: Testifying that
there is no god but Allah, the Creator of
All, and that Prophet Muhammad (peace
be upon him and his family) is His final
Prophet and Messenger.
- 2.) Salah: Establishing the 5 prayers each
day
- 3.) Zakah: Giving charity to those in need,
if you are by the means
- 4.) Fasting: Fast during the Month of
Ramadaan during the day
- 5.) Hajj: Perform a pilgrimage to the
sacred House of Allah (the Ka'bah) during
the Month of Dhul Hijja, at least once in a
lifetime, if you are by the means

What is the value system of our Faith? (Ihsan)

Ihsan, also known as the Value System, is
how a Muslim conducts him/herself when
visualizing the Creator and the creation:

- 1.) To worship Allah as if you are
witnessing Him, and if you cannot
witness Him, realize that Allah witnesses
you.



Who is Allah? And Why is He Worthy of Worship:

Allah is One. Without any Associations.
(Quran: 112,1; Quran: 2, 163)

We know Him, Allah, The Creator of All,
by His Names, such as:

Al-Wadud (The Loving),

Al-Rahim (The Especially Merciful),

Al-Ghafoor (The Forgiving),

Al-Adl (The Just),

Al-Muhaymin (The Protector),

Al-Latif (The Gentle),

Al-Kareem (The Generous)



Who is Allah -The Rule of 5:

1.) Allah is Eternal with no beginning.

(Quran: 57, 3)

If Allah had a beginning, wouldn't it mean that someone brought Allah into existence? Wouldn't that make Allah dependent and not independent?

2.) Allah is Everlasting with no end.

(Quran: 57, 3)

If Allah had an end, wouldn't it mean that someone can perish Allah out of existence? And wouldn't that make Allah not All-Powerful?

3.) Allah is not created. (Quran: 1, 2)

By definition, the Creator cannot be the creation, otherwise it would be a contradiction of terms.

4.) Allah is not similar to the creation.

(Quran: 42, 11)

If Allah was similar to His creation, wouldn't it mean that Allah shares certain aspects of Himself with His creation, and wouldn't that give Him partners? Allah does not resemble any creation in any way.

5.) Allah is not subject to change.

(Quran: 59, 24)

Change requires a cause, and cause supersedes effect, meaning the cause dictates the effect, so if Allah changes, who caused Allah to be changed and what can dictate Allah? Nothing can dictate Allah, therefore Allah is not subject to change.

The Final Revelation:

The Quran is the final Revelation.

“And We have sent down to you the Book as clarification for all things and as guidance and mercy and good tidings for the Muslims.” (Quran: 16, 89)

“Our source of light and motivation is the ever-lasting book (Quran) of Allah Ta’ala.” (The Book of Love)

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