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Praise be to Allah, Lord of the Worlds, the Creator of the heavens and the earth, the darkness and light. I testify that there is no god but Allah alone, who has no partner, and that Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) is his servant and messenger.

O Allah, bless and grant peace to the Prophet Muhammad, the Seal of the Prophets and Messengers. May Allah bless his wives, family, good, pure, and honorable companions, and those who follow his guidance, teachings, and trail until the Day of Judgment.

The contemplative of Islam's teachings, message, and call will see the full compatibility and complete harmony of what Islam has brought with what is accepted by pure instinct, contemplated by pure souls, and looked forward to by ordinary minds. This is illustrated by questions questioned by non-Muslims and logical and brief rational answers given to him by a Muslim so that the pure people of instinct, souls, and reasonable minds can distinguish between right and wrong, the good and the bad, and then choose clearly and with certainty between Islam and other beliefs.



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(Q1) Non-Muslim: What is the concept of Islam?

(A1) Muslim: Islam means surrender and complete submission with mind, heart, and soul to Almighty God. Therefore, God's slave should comply with his mind and believe in the Creator God's existence, uniqueness in His divinity, and absolute power.

He should only believe in Him what befits His greatness without the slightest slander, deficiency, or diminution and comply with His heart and soul out of love, glorification, and reverence for Him. Also, he should abide by his body by obeying His orders and avoiding His prohibitions.

This compliance should be out of love for his God and Creator, desire for His satisfaction, and the hope of winning His Paradise, including its great spiritual, physical perpetual, and everlasting bliss for all who believe in Him and obey Him. His compliance should be out of fear of His wrath and in the hope of escaping His fire, including its severe painful torment for those who disbelieve in Him and disobey Him.



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(Q2) Non-Muslim: Why does Islam advocate believing in God's existence even though he has not seen Him, and that one of His characteristics is uniqueness in divinity and omnipotence?

(A2) The Muslim: Mentally, every existence has a creator, and every product has a producer, and just as it is not possible to accept the claim that coincidence has created a modern device that is well made, such as computers and the like, it is not possible to accept so for the creation of this vast universe with a beautiful system.

Just as man cannot see his soul that is in his body, nor see his brain in his head, nor see the air he breathes, nor see the earth's gravity, etc. However, he believes in their existence because of their indicative effects. Therefore, the existence of the evidentiary verses in this beautiful universe with an outstanding balance and delicate consistency indicates Allah's (God's) existence, and it is obligatory to believe in Him.

Just as a man when he asks: Who created him and all creatures? The logical answer was that whoever created Him and all creatures must be a Mighty and Powerful God described by His ability to create. Consequently, he will repeat this question differently: Who created this God?

Assuming the answer is he must be another God described as powerful and significant, he will find himself having to repeat that question infinitely and in the same way: Who created this God? Thus, the same answer will be repeated without reaching a radical correct answer because the question from the beginning was wrong and illogical.

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Hence, the typical answer to this question is that there is no creator for this Creator, God, who created this man and this universe, including its creatures. Therefore, only one God is described by His tremendous and limitless power to create from nothing. This is the typical logical answer that the rational and thinking mind accepts only.

Here are other pieces of evidence of His limitless power apart from the creation from nothing:

- One of His characteristics is that He is a Creator for others and not created by anything. Therefore, His attributes are different from the characteristics of the creatures because they have a limited ability according to His will, but His power is absolute.

- As explained above, he can create from nothing when answering some questions.

- One of the manifestations of His power is the spirit that He installed in man and other living beings, which people do not understand its identity.

- Another one is the universe and its creatures, from the minor things such as the atom and others to the largest items such as galaxies, stars, and others.

- The ability to create a place from nothingness whose area is zero for the human brain. For instance:

A- Chromosomes located inside the cell nucleus of the human body: It is very folding, known as spiral flakes, and the wall thickness of each helical flake is (1/50000000, one of the fifty million of a millimeter.)



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The space containing these chromosomes with their scientifically discovered qualities is non-existent for the human mind. Still, modern science has proven it, and there is no room for denying it, even if the limited-created human brain cannot imagine it.

B- The world of the atom: The atom has become so small that we cannot see it with the telescope that magnifies things millions of times. For example, we find that the diameter of the nucleus of the hydrogen atom = 1.75 femtometers (i.e., 1.75 of a thousand billion – 1000,000,000,000 – of a millimeter), and electrons do not occupy more than 1/1000,000,000 (one of a thousand million) of the area of the atom Allah is the greatest Creator!

If the human mind is unable to imagine such a wonderful world, since the space that contains all of the above is considered for the human mind non-existent, let alone the components of this beautiful world - the world of the atom - from a nucleus, multiple protons, neutrons, and electrons, in addition to the (relatively) large distances between each of them, and all this is in one single atom!!

However, modern science has discovered the world of the atom, and there is no room for denial. It has even found something much smaller than an atom (quarks, components of protons, and neutrons inside the nucleus of an atom), and it may discover something smaller in the future.

- The ability to find time from the time that does not exist for the human mind, such as:

A- The (femtosecond): It is equal to = one of a million billion (1000,000,000,000,000) of a second.

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This chronological discovery enabled scientists to see the chemical reactions and their connections.

B- The (zeptosecond): It is equal to $\frac{1}{1000,000,000,000,000,000}$ part of a second.

This discovery enabled scientists to measure the speed of light in molecules, measuring how long it takes for one molecule of light to pass through just one molecule of hydrogen.

The outstanding qualities and perfection of the Creator God are clear from the great manifestation of perfection and limitless divine power. Also, there is nothing like Him; He is the only Creator God.

- Please refer to the book: "God, the Creator, and The Message of His Last Prophet and Messenger, Muhammad (peace be upon him)"



(Q3) Non-Muslim: To what does Islam call?

(A3) Muslim: Islam calls for everything that pure instinct accepts and pure souls aspire to. It does not contradict the clear, rational mind. It calls for:

- Believing in the one God, the Creator of everything, and glorifying, purifying, and sanctifying Him. He is Almighty God.

- Believing in the prophets of God, raising their status, and purifying them from the evils, immorality, and vices attributed to them by those of other beliefs. God chooses prophets to deliver His messages so that they can be lamps of guidance for all people.

- Believing in the holy books sent to His prophets and messengers, the latest of which is the Holy Qur'an sent to the last Prophet and messenger Muhammad (May God bless them all), indicating His legislation and teachings to be a guide for all people.

- Calling for the right laws, wise transactions, and lofty teachings by which the lives of all human beings become upright according to Allah's (God's) will.

- Calling for guided worship by which the human soul transcends and elevates.

- Calling for moderation that has a balance between this world and the hereafter, giving each of them their dues.

- Calling for honoring the man and preserving his life.

- Calling for knowledge, learning, and everything that lets humans advance in all areas of life.

- Calling for the glorification of the status of women and praising their significant roles in society, and honoring them at all stages of their lives, starting from their birth and childhood (as a newborn and little girls until

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they grow up and become a bride), through the stage of marriage (as a wife) and to the stage of motherhood (as a mother and grandmother).

- Calling for attention to young people, the upbringing of children, and the urging of compassion for them.

- Calling for compassion and mercy for other creatures such as animals, birds, trees, plants, etc.

- Calling for justice, charity, and kinship ties, forbidding injustice, immorality, and evil.

- Calling for peace and its components, considering its causes, fulfilling covenants and charters, and disapproving of extremism and terrorism.

- Calling for all good and every path leading to righteousness, forbidding evil and all its causes.

- Please refer to the book: Islam's Teachings and How They Solve Past and Current Problems. (Translated into English)



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(Q4) Non-Muslim: Why does Islam call for believing in the prophets, messengers, and holy books that they brought as a revelation from Almighty God?

(A4) Muslim: From a mental point of view, the human being with his external qualities and internal systems is like a machine with its components, but he is more complex than any machine. Suppose the machine needs an instruction book from its maker and inventor to explain how to operate it and the method of its optimal use to avoid damaging it. In that case, this means that it must be recognized that it has not only a maker but that this manufacturer - although we do not see it - controls how this machine operates its conditions, and its use through the instruction book he set for it.

Therefore, if this is the case for a man-made machine, what about a human being who is more complex than any machine?

Man needs a book of instructions and guidance controlling his behavior. It is a reason for organizing and evaluating his way of living according to the controls set by his Creator and Maker (Almighty God) because He knows him more than himself. His prophets and Messengers are chosen to deliver His legislation and teachings to them in these books.



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(Q5) Non-Muslim: Why believe in the Prophet of Islam Muhammad, or what is the criterion on which believing in the Prophet of Islam Muhammad (peace be upon him) is based?

(A5) The Muslim: Firstly, before applying the criterion of believing in Allah's prophets and messengers, it is necessary to purify Almighty God from any whims or fanaticism and follow the truth wherever it is. Likewise, a person must be honest with himself because he will be held accountable by Him for not taking the reasons for reaching the truth and not following it.

Secondly, to believe in any of His prophets and messengers, it is necessary to identify three points or pillars and study them carefully.

(1) The first point or pillar: the testified moral qualities and nobility of those who say they are His prophets should clearly show that Allah chose them by prophecy and message. These qualities can be identified through the correct and confirmed biography narrated by trustworthy people known for their honesty, justice, and trust.

Since his beginning and before his mission, the Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, was the best of people, nicknamed among his people as honest and faithful, in addition to the beauty of his friendship. The situations that testify to this statement are numerous. Whoever does not lie to people for honesty and trustworthiness will never claim prophecy and message from God.

(2) The second point or pillar: Identifying the call of who claims prophethood without the slightest distortion of it, and then thinking about it rationally and impartially and knowing the extent to which it agrees with the pure instinct and the right mind that Almighty God has granted us to think about and then find the truth through it.



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The first thing that the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) called for was:

- Believing in the Creator God's existence, the oneness of His divinity, excellent qualities, and limitless of His power, and exalting Him from having a peer, partner, child, vice qualities, shortcomings and defects and from whatever that does not benefit Him.

- Purifying Him from racism, and that He is not the God of individuals and groups without others, or for a nation without other nations or a people without other peoples.

- Purifying Him from needing a child, girlfriend, or wife to have a baby. He is the Creator God who was not born by anyone, and there was nothing before him. He does not need to give birth to anyone, which does not benefit him. **He says: (He neither begets nor is born)** [Surah Al-Ikhlâs: 3] He is the Creator of everything from nothing.

- Calling for glorifying the attributes of the Almighty Creator God and believing in their goodness and perfection, and calling for not to underestimate Him by describing or depicting Him in the form of stones or statues. Does depicting unseen God in different forms and pictures make sense?

The Creator God is more significant than any form in which one of His creatures can portray Him.

(3) The third point or pillar: Identifying the miracles and supernatural performed by Him at the hands of those who claim prophethood, and which only those who were prophets sent by God can do.

Almighty Allah supported His Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) with miracles and supernatural things that can only be done by

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the Prophets of Allah (SWT) and His Messengers to bear witness to the sincerity of his call and the credibility of his message (peace be upon him).

- **The sensory miracles of the Prophet Muhammad are abundant and varied. For instance:**

- The splitting of the moon is a Prophet Muhammad's miracle (peace be upon him). Science has recently discovered the so-called cracks of the moon (Rimae or Lunar Rilles), which are long and enormous. The pictures of the moon have been taken showing one of these long cracks in the middle of the moon (approximately), which confirms the occurrence of this great miracle of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him).

- The spring of water from his fingers: This miracle was essential in saving the believers many times from perishing from thirst.

- Blessing little food until it becomes sufficient for a lot of people: This miracle has been repeated in many separate situations.

He (peace be upon him) also has many other sensory miracles besides those above.

- **Among his miracles is his saying about past, present, and future prescience that has accurately become true as he spoke. For example:**

- He said that his daughter Fatima would be the first person to die after his death, and it happened so.



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- He prophesized the expansion of the Muslims' kingdom and their winning of the treasures of Khosrau.

- He talked about the conquest of Egypt and Constantinople, and they occurred so. There are other prophecies that he mentioned before they happened precisely.

- **Among his miracles are many metaphysical, scientific facts that no one has known for more than one thousand and four hundred years. Then, modern science discovered the truth and accuracy of his statement, so it will be a witness that he is an inspired prophet of Almighty God, the knower of the unseen.**

For instance, he said, "When forty-two nights pass after the semen gets into the womb, Allah sends the angel and gives him shape. Then he creates his sense of hearing, sense of sight, his skin, his flesh, his bones." (Narrated by Muslim, 2645)

Modern science has discovered that with the beginning of the seventh week, specifically starting from the 43rd day of the date of fertilization – that is, after forty-two nights, as the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said (if the sperm passes forty-two nights)- the spread of the skeleton of the fetus begins the human form. How accurate are the words of the Prophet's statement, the number he mentioned, and what does this indicate?

- **One of his miracles is that Allah answered his supplications as an endorsement from Him (SWT).** An example of this is his supplication in the Battle of Al-Ahzab against the polytheists with defeat and earthquake, his supplication for the rain to fall, and much

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more miracles to be evidence of the sincerity of his prophethood and message (peace be upon him).

- **One of his miracles is Allah's protection for him until he delivers his call and spreads his message, despite the many attempts of the enemies of Islam to kill and harm him. This is evidence of Almighty God's support for him.**

- **Another one is Allah's protection for his biography before and after the mission, to be an open book for everyone. This is a witness to being chosen by God, evidence of his credibility, and the sincerity of his call and message.**

- **The Holy Quran is another miracle.** It is a great miracle with which God supported his Prophet Muhammad. It combined the miracle and the divine approach to facilitate and reform people's lives simultaneously.

- Among its miracles that testify to its credibility and that it is a revelation from Almighty God:

1. The Holy Qur'an came in a new excellent style and beautiful, eloquent systems that Arabs did not know before. The first Qur'an challenge to Arabs is to bring a book like it with the same systems, eloquence, accuracy of words, comprehensiveness, splendor, and the transcendence of its goals and objectives. None of the Arabs could do so, and they could not come up with even one of the smallest chapters, such as the smallest chapter in the Qur'an. Eventually, their rhetoric and eloquent people praised its goodness and greatness and said that no book could surpass it.



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2. The Holy Qur'an states past, present, and future prescience, which no one can know except who is connected to God's revelation, the knower of the unseen.

For example, Allah says: (Alif, Lām, Meem. The Byzantines have been defeated in the nearest land. But after their defeat, they will overcome within three to nine years. To Allah belong the command [i.e., decree] before and after, and the believers will rejoice that day.) (Surah Ar-Rum, 1-4)

The verse says that after the Persians defeated the Romans (and it was a tremendous force at the time), the ball would return to the Romans, and they would overcome the Persians. It is not only that, but the verse shows the period during which the victory of the Romans over the Persians will be through the word (a few), which refers to the number from 3 to 9 years [in Arabic]. It happened as said by the Holy Qur'an. The Romans triumphed after their defeat over the Persians during the stated period.

3. The Holy Qur'an has mentioned many metaphysical, scientific facts that no one knew about for more than one thousand four hundred years. Then, modern science discovers the truth and accuracy of its statement.

For instance, Allah says: (And the heaven We constructed with strength, and indeed, We are [its] expander.) (Al-Dhariyat, 47)

This Holy Qur'anic verse talks about God's great power in creating heaven and that He has made it wide; not only that, but He will continuously increase its breadth and expansion.

Modern science has discovered the Qur'an's truth, as modern technologies have proven that stars and even galaxies – which include vast numbers of stars – diverge from each other at tremendous and enormous speeds, sometimes reaching close to the speed of light (300,000) km / s, as scientists realized that

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the spectrum of the star is biased to the red color. Also, scientists have proven that one of the characteristics of the universe is that it is constantly expanding, which is what the Qur'anic verse indicates.

What do these Holy Qur'an impressive scientific facts refer to since more than 1400 years ago, when no one had the slightest knowledge of them, which was only discovered after the technological progress in this modern era?

- Please refer to the book: Islam and the Discoveries of Modern Science as One the Evidence of the Prophethood and Message of Muhammad (peace be upon him) (Translated into English and other languages).

Since the different types of miracles in the Holy Qur'an are numerous, every seeker of guidance has believed in the Holy Qur'an, sincerely devoting his intentions to God, free from his whims and fanaticism.

After clarifying, it is clear that all points or pillars in the criterion of belief in God's prophets and messengers can be applied to the Prophet of Islam, Muhammad (peace be upon him). Therefore, the credibility of his message is clear, and it is necessary to follow his call as the last Prophet and messenger.

This criterion we have referred to is the standard that all minds at all levels understand and is accepted by pure instinct and rational reasons. Therefore, everyone must apply it.



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Note: If people of the previous sects were asked why they believed in the prophecy of a prophet without seeing his miracles?, the logical answer would be: our parents told us about those miracles.

The question is: Where did you know their sincerity in what they told you?

The logical answer will be it is because of the frequency and testimonies of the narrators.

Therefore, logically and rationally, you must believe in the prophethood of the Messenger of Islam, Muhammad (peace be upon him), because the narrators of his miracles, signs, and the proofs of his prophethood are many times greater than yours, and because God combined moral and sensory benefits for him.

Please refer to the following:

- The Concise Introduction of the Prophet of Islam, Muhammad (Peace be upon him), His Call, Luminous Parts of His Bright Life, and Evidence from the Proofs of His Prophethood and Message."

- The Concise Methodology of Proving the Existence of the Creator God, His Oneness, His Great Attributes, His Omnipotence, the Sincerity of the Prophet of Islam, and Muhammad's Call. (Translated into English)

- Muhammad (peace be upon him) is Truly the Prophet of Allah. (Translated into English and other languages)



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(Q6) Non-Muslim: Why does Islam call Christians?

(A6) The Muslim: The belief that Christ is God's son and one of His hypostases is an apparent contradiction and is utterly incompatible with the Islamic doctrine. Islam calls for belief in one God's existence, His beautiful attributes, and holy purity from any attribute unworthy of Him. We will briefly explain this through many questions as follows:

1. Is human nature compatible with animal nature?! Does it make sense to accept the mating of a human being with a cow or other animals to give birth to what is half a human being and the other half a cow (or other animals), and then the animal nature is one of the natures and images of man?! Can a reasonable person accept such a thing?!

Of course, no, this is considered a moral degradation and an underestimation of the human beings honored by the Creator God because humans are more honorable and higher than animals; however, they are all God's creatures.

If this is the case for human and animal nature, what if it is about Almighty God who creates humans, animals, and all creatures!

2. Can the lowest contain the highest? Can a tiny cup hold the water of seas, oceans, and rivers?! Of course, no, and if so, can the womb of the created Virgin Mary contain the creation of Almighty God?! Absolutely, nope.

3. What about the major sins people commit after Christ (peace be upon him)? Do humans need Christ to be crucified, humiliated, and killed



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again to atone for those sins? Or should God have other sons and children in addition to Christ to play the role of redemption?

4. If forgiveness for Adam's disobedience (when he ate from the forbidden tree) did not require crucifixion and murder, then why should they be for who they claim to be God's son and not for sinners?

5. Why did God need to take a son to be crucified and die as an atonement for mankind's sins? Couldn't He expiate their sins without the need for such illusions and suspicions that do not enrich anything from the truth?!

6. Is it conceivable that Adam's sons should bear sins that have nothing to do with them because their father, Adam, ate from the forbidden tree? **Certainly, no.** Is this from the wisdom and justice of God, who we should glorify and purify from what does not befit Him? **Of course, it is not.**

7. If Christians believe in Christ as a god or his son (regardless of their differences) because he was born without a father, what will they say about Adam (peace be upon him), who had no father or mother? Should they attribute divinity or part of it to him or claim that he is a god or his son too? **Of course, no.**

8. If they believe in Christ's divinity because some miracles appeared at his hands because of God's support for his prophethood, what should they say about Muhammad (peace be upon him) when God performed on his hands the miracle of the splitting of the moon and others?! And in Moses' hand, peace be upon him; God performed the miracle of the separation of the sea and others?! Also, other prophets and messengers came with many miracles from

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God to support them in the truth of their prophecies and messages. Should these miracles lead us to believe in their divinity?! Of course, we shouldn't.

God sent prophets and messengers to guide people to Him and tell them His great qualities, actions, the perfection of His wisdom, the comprehensiveness of His knowledge, the limitlessness of His power, His commands, and prohibitions. Allah wants people to live on the earth according to His will, worship, and comply with Him. He supported His prophets and messengers with miracles and supernatural to be a witness for them on the truth of their prophecies and messages, not to be a reason for people to worship them like God.

▪ We note that: there have been many fairy tales for thousands of years from which the doctrine of the Trinity was taken, such as the story of Osiris in Egypt (BC), the story of Baal in Babylon (BC), and the story of Krishna in India (BC) and so on.

- The story of Horus (the sun god incarnated as a human being) among the ancient Egyptians states the belief in the birth of the God's son (Horus) as a result of the marriage of the father god (Osiris) to the mother (Isis) is the same as Christ's story among Christians today. The difference is in time and the names of people.

Whoever thinks will notice that the ancient pagan feast [the Day of the Sun] has been made a festival for Christians [Sun day].

▪ The deplorable question here is: Since both stories are identical in the origin of belief (where the divine incarnation is in human form), which of the two gods is more worthy of worship?! Horus, as the ancient Egyptians believed (as his story is much older and earlier



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than the story of Christ), or the Messiah whose divinity is claimed by Christians?!

Hence, it turns out that the alleged story of Christ today is nothing but a transfer and copying of the corrupt beliefs and false claims of previous nations.

▪ **Important logical clarification:**

- The nature of Christ, whom Christians claim to be God's son, is either mortal or immortal:

1. If his nature is mortal, then he is not a god, and therefore the claim that he is a god and a redeemer at the same time is invalid.
2. If he is immortal because he is a god, he would not die. Therefore, there was no redemption or any of these illusions.

Hence, Islam claims that Allah SWT is the only (indivisible) God who did not beget and was not born. Also, there is no one similar to him.

- Please refer to the book [A Quiet Dialogue Between Christians and Muslims. \(Translated into English\)](#)



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(Q7) Non-Muslim: Why does Islam call Jews?

(A7) The Muslim: Jews attribute to Almighty God many defective qualities that are not worthy of His right, including:

1. The attribute of remorse as in (Genesis 6:6): "So the Lord was sad that he had created man on earth and regretted in his heart." They described Him as not knowing the unseen and attributed ignorance and the lack of wisdom to Him because whoever knows acts out of his knowledge, and therefore he does not regret his behavior.

Also, the qualities of regret and sadness indicate weakness and humiliation, and the derogation from the qualities of strength and greatness are His attributes. All these are impossible in His right.

2. Tiredness: Jews attributed rest to Almighty God, which can only be due to tiredness and exhaustion in effort after the creation of the heavens and the earth, as in (Exodus 31: 17): "For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day He rested and breathed."

- They also attributed to His prophets many crimes, immorality, and vices that are impossible for people with pure instinct, souls, and average minds to accept in the right of a virtuous, chaste, and pure person, as well as to be a prophet or messenger chosen by God with knowledge who should be the best model to be followed.

Additionally, they attributed to the Prophet Lot drinking wine and adultery with his eldest and then youngest daughters, and that his two daughters became pregnant from him from the affair, as in (Genesis, chapter



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19), which means the ugliest type of adultery, which is incest, especially the adultery of the father with his two daughters.

Undoubtedly, this is impossible for God's prophets, who their Lord has protected from such deadly sins.

- Instead of believing in the message of the Messiah (peace be upon him) and his prophethood because of the evidence of his prophecy according to the criterion we explained above, the Jews denied him and tried to kill him, as well as the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), and this is an explicit denial of them.

- **Disclaimer:** What we have referred to regarding the belief of Judaism is also included in Christianity, as the Bible of Christians consists of the Book of Judaism as one of its parts under the Old Testament.

- Please refer to the book: A Comparison between Islam, Christianity and Judaism and the Choice between Them. (Translated into English)



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(Q8) Non-Muslim: Why does Islam call Buddhists and Hindus?

(A8) The Muslim: Islam comes to correct, address, and control the course of beliefs that deviate from their proper path, including:

- The doctrine of incarnation and union: In general, the principle of incarnation and union means God's incarnation in inanimate objects, statues, animals, and others. According to their whims, some people believe that God is in cows and other animals, while some sects believe that He is in the sun, stars, planets, trees, plants, or in everything, including unclean and stinky places. Therefore, many gods are worshiped apart from Almighty God.

Islam calls for God's oneness and glorification, purifying Him from inappropriate attributes.

- It is inappropriate for Him to incarnate in a person who sleeps, urinates, defecates, and carries excretion in the belly. Also, it does not befit Him to be in a lowly animal such as a mouse and the like, or an animal that urinates, dung, and carries impurities in its bellies, such as cows, other animals, and humiliating statues.

- What happens after the death of a man or animal and its transformation into a stinking carcass and the destruction of that statue by breaking or otherwise? Is the God still in that stinking carrion or that humiliating perished statue?

- The above doctrine makes everything in this universe a god worthy of worship, and more precisely, the difference between the Creator and the creature disappears. There is no doubt that this is a dispute with



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the Creator God in His divinity and depriving Him of His greatest right, uniqueness in divinity.

Instead of everyone turning their face to the one Creator God in supplication, worship, and everything, we find that the believers in that doctrine divert their faces to different gods, not Almighty God, the only true God.

- Trinity in its various forms: In Hinduism, they claim the existence of three main gods or three images and persons of God. It means that creation is done by the God Brahma and not by the other two gods, good is done by the God Vishnu only, and the God Shiva does evil.

As we have explained, Islam calls for believing in God's oneness without sharing anything in His divinity, not to direct supplication and worship to others, and not to fear and hope from another god.

If there are three gods, who is the God who has the power to exist and create others out of nothing?

Whoever can create is the true God; whoever is incapable cannot be a god and is a creature obligated to obey and worship the one who created him.

Repeating the same question (who created this God?) will lead us to the same answer (He must be a God described by power and the ability to create from nothing), so he is the only true God worthy of worship alone.

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- The doctrine of divine incarnation, as claimed by Krishna in Hinduism and Buddha in Buddhism or some of its sects:

From a mental point of view, just as the compatibility of human nature with animal nature cannot be accepted (such as the mating of a human being with a cow) to be born half a human being and the other half a cow because it is considered moral degradation and underestimation of human beings, it is unacceptable to accept the convergence of the divine nature with the humans to give birth to a God incarnated in human form so that human nature is the embodiment of the divine image because this is a disparagement of the Almighty Creator God and an apparent contradiction to reason.

- The doctrine of reincarnation, meaning the transfer of a person's soul after death to another body, animal, insect, tree, or inanimate object according to his work to reward other bodies with the reward of their deeds in this world. If they are good, they will be blessed in that body in which they were placed, and if they are evil, they will be tortured.

To illustrate the logical invalidity of this belief:

- What if we asked if any human being felt anything from the previous life of his soul that he lived in another body before? Does he remember anything about it?

To reach a high degree of credibility in the answer, let us make this question directed to different races of people from different continents: Europe, Africa, North and South America, Australia, and Asia, and then



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facilitate this through modern means of communication such as the Internet and others.

Since we do not find anyone sensing such a life, this confirms that the claim of reincarnation is an illusory assumption with no basis.

It may be said that there are rebirths of many human beings. Therefore, not necessarily that every human being has a previous life that he feels, and the answer to this is that the absence of a human being sensing such a life shows that this is not true and hence the invalidity of the claim of reincarnation.

- Additionally, if the statement that claims that the soul of man is transmitted after his death to animals (some of which benefits man) and trees are accepted, and other things that are used as a reward for man for his good deeds and as a punishment for his sins, this would have been a reason not to abandon sins for such animals and trees to abound due to their usefulness and importance to man, and then oppose adherence to good morals.

- Also, if the argument that claims that the soul of man is transmitted after his death to the poor, the sick, and the disabled is accepted as a punishment for man for his sins, this would have been a reason for mistrusting both the poor, the sick, the disabled and the like, as they are thought bad and that they did not reach this miserable state except because they committed sins in a previous life. There is no doubt that this is moral, human, and mentally unacceptable.

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- Islam calls for the belief that there is another day on which creatures will be resurrected after their death, in which God will restore the soul to the body of its owner again. Then, there will be a reckoning so that the compensation will be with great reward in eternal life for doing good and severe punishment for a naughty life for doing evil.

Hence, there is complete compatibility between what is morally, humanly, and mentally acceptable and what Islam claims. It will let people strive for good deeds, adhere to high values, principles, and good morals and let them think well of others, not mistrust them, and abandon bad and obscene deeds.

- Islam calls for not depicting Almighty God in the form of statues or others because this is an insult from the creature to Him. The Creator God is more significant than any form in which one of His creatures can portray Him.

Instead of everyone turning their face to the one Creator God in supplication and worship, we find them turning their faces to different gods in the form of images and statues.

- Furthermore, we find that such images and statues of different shapes, images, and sizes are a reason for the human soul to tend to glorify them and worship them, especially if they are large in size and terrible in appearance. This is seen a lot in many countries where people call other than Allah (God) the only true God who deserves love, glorification, and worship. He is the Creator God, and he creates everything else.



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Hence, the wisdom of Islam appears in forbidding the depiction of the Creator God and representing Him in the form of stones and statues.

- Please refer to the book:

A Quiet Dialogue Between a Hindu and a Muslim

A Peaceful Dialogue Between a Buddhist and a Muslim



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(Q9) Non-Muslim: What are the fruits of the call of the Prophet of Islam, Muhammad (peace be upon him)?

(A9) Muslim: The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) called to Islam, which means surrender and complete submission with the mind, heart, soul, and body to God and compliance with His orders. His call has good fruits with God's support, as it has received great acceptance and spread widely.

- Hence, the Greater Islamic State based on God's monotheism, justice, the foundations of goodness, and virtue spread in various earth countries. This vast Islamic area has expanded north, south, east, and west.

- If the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) was not indeed a God's messenger, his end and the end of his call would not bear good fruits, and God would have disgraced him like those who claimed prophecy and the message falsely, such as Musaylamah the liar and others. On the other hand, Allah (God) supported him, his call and message, and that led to his success and good fruits.

- At the same time, we find those who deny God's existence and those who magnify the stone and worship it, such as one who magnifies and worships the Buddha. Also, some magnify and worship trees, as in some East Asian societies, and some worship cows, as in India. Additionally, some people worship humans, such as those who worship Christ (peace be upon him). Some insulted God and His prophets, as in Christianity and Judaism.



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- On the other hand, Islam calls for pure belief in the one and only Almighty God, worshiping Him, glorifying Him, honoring Him alone, and raising the status of His prophets and messengers.
- God established the state of truth based on His monotheism through the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), and He pleased him with the success of his call and the establishment of this great state of Islam.



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(Q10) Muslim: Do you find something contrary to instinct or a reason in any of my answers to your questions?

(A10) Non-Muslim: Certainly, no. I have seen complete compatibility between everything Islam calls for and what pure instinct tends to, pure souls aspire to, and frank reason accepts.

Muslim: Therefore, Almighty God's religion is Islam. It is the only religion that He accepts for His servants. Praise be to Him for the blessing of Islam; it is enough grace. We ask Him to perpetuate the grace of faith for us, and to guide His servants to Islam.



Conclusion

In conclusion, we praise the blessed and holy Allah for the blessing of Islam, which He has bestowed upon us, and for making us monotheist Muslims. We worship Him with the best religion, brought by the Seal of the Prophets and Messengers Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).

- **We clarify that:** every person must search for the truth and follow it wherever he finds it and when the evidence and proof of its credibility are achieved. It is improper to have a thought or belief because of being prevalent in a society for a long time to end up being taken for granted by the members of this society.

- People should not remain self-reliant to a belief and not deviate from it because of the unwillingness to contradict what their fathers and grandfathers grew up on, especially if there is no evidence or proof of its validity. They should follow the truth if it becomes clear to them that their thought and belief are invalid and when it becomes clear to them that the truth is in another view and opinion.

- Accepting a belief or perception based on illusions and conjectures without the slightest evidence of their validity, especially if they are contrary to reason, and concealment of its necessities, is an insult to the human brain, with which God Almighty has honored man.

- **Therefore,** we invite everyone to reflect on Islam logically and impartially, and then they will find evidence and proof of its credibility. It is

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Almighty God's true religion. Therefore, it is necessary to choose it as a religion.

A lot of good and blessed praise be to Allah (God) for the blessing of Islam.

O Allah, bless your Prophet and Messenger Muhammad and grant him peace, including his pure family, his good companions, and those who were guided by his guidance and enlightened by his teachings and followed his step until the Day of Judgment.

Praise be to Allah, Lord of the Worlds.



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