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WHY ACCEPT ISLAM

Why accept Islam? Is there anything more beautiful than Islam? Think about it.

KEY OF RATIONAL

For example, let's look at the design of a device, e.g. mobile phone. It is designed with certain features, such as buttons, screen, microphone, speaker, etc. and each of these elements has its own purpose. The screen allows you to view content, the speaker allows you to listen to sound, etc.

These designed features point to the designer, to the existence of someone who had to design it. So if something as small as a cell phone must have a designer, then what about the complex universe and everything in it? As Muslims, we believe that God is the Creator and Designer of all that exists.

Another argument in favor of this is what is mentioned in the Qur'an about the existence of creatures:

Or were they created by nothing, or were they the creators [of themselves]? Or did they create the heavens and the earth? Rather, they are not certain. ¹

¹ Qur'an, 52:35-36

From these verses we can derive **4 options for the creation of the universe:**

- did the universe come from nothing?
- did the universe create itself?
- was the universe created from something that was also created?
- was the universe created by the Supreme Creator Who was not created, but has always existed? That is of course the only possible option.

Almighty Allah tells us in the Qur'an the reason why the One Who created everything around **us must be the One and Only Creator.**

Allāh has not taken any son, nor has there ever been with Him any deity. [If there had been], then each deity would have taken what it created, and some of them would have [sought to] overcome others. Exalted is Allāh above what they describe [concerning Him]. ²

After that, **why do we need the revelation?** When we look at a piece of technology, it necessarily comes with an instruction manual. We as human beings are the only ones who ask ourselves and must ask the question: "Why"? We cannot go through life like animals navigating our instincts.

² Qur'an, 23:91

In order for **a revelation or life instruction to man to be truly sent by God**, it must meet certain criteria, for example:

- It must be in accordance with a rational and intuitive conclusion about God.

For example, if a book says that God is a mouse with 40 legs, you can safely assume that this book is not from God, because God must be outside the universe and independent. A mouse, regardless of form, is a dependent being. It has limited physical qualities such as size, shape and color. All things with limited physical qualities are dependent because there are external factors that have led to their limitations. God is not "physical" and is independent. So nothing with limited physical qualities can be God.

- It must be internally and externally consistent

In other words, if on page 20 it says God is one, and then on page 340 it says God is three, that would be an internal inconsistency. Besides, if the book says that the universe is only 6,000 years old, then that would be an external inconsistency, because reality confirms that the universe is older than that. Such and similar inconsistencies are present e.g. in the Bible.

- It must have signs of revelation. The revelation must contain something which indicates that it is Divine and cannot be adequately explained naturalistically. Simply put, it must have evidence to show that it is from God.

After presenting the basic characteristics that the publication should have, we can conclude that **the Qur'an is the only holy book preserved in its original form and the only holy book preserved from inconsistencies, shortcomings, contradictions and errors.**

For example, the Bible we have today is full of various editions, hundreds of versions that were created as a translation from a translation, errors, contradictions, etc. The Bible was not written by Jesus nor was it written by his apostles (disciples). Gospel according to Mark, according to John... When were they born?

A Christian Scholar's Speech:

*"The Bible was written and compiled by many people, who many scholars say are largely unknown, from different cultures and backgrounds."*³

The first complete copy of the Bible appeared in about four hundred years after the Jesus was elevated by Almighty God, and it was still written in Greek, and we know that Jesus spoke Aramaic.

³ Works whose titles will not be mentioned

Speeches of Christian Scholars:

„The earliest manuscript of the New Testament text is a business card-sized fragment of the Gospel of John, Rylands Library papyrus P52, which may be as early as the first half of the 2nd century. The first complete copies of individual New Testament books appear around the year 200, and the earliest complete copy of the New Testament, Codex Sinaiticus, dates from the 4th century.“

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"the vast majority of scholars rightly believe that Jesus' primary language was Aramaic." ⁵

The same is the case with all other religious texts attributed to the Almighty God.

Well if that's so, why didn't God preserve his previous revelations? Throughout history, the Almighty Creator has sent many prophets and messengers, and letters and revelations to people. Each nation had its own messenger or prophet who conveyed revelations from God to them. Abraham or Ibrahim received the scrolls etc.

When it comes to revelations, God sent four great revelations to people, namely:

Zaboor – Revealed to Dawood or David

Tawraat - revealed to Musa or Moses

Injeel – revealed to Isa or Jesus

The Qur'an – revealed to Muhammad

may God's blessing and peace be upon them all

⁴ Works whose titles will not be mentioned

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The revelations that came before the Qur'an were intended for a certain people and therefore God left them to people who were unable to preserve them. What's more, they completely changed them, so they made the Psalms of David out of the Zaboor, the Torah or Pentateuch out of the Tawraat, the Bible out of the Injeel, etc.

When it comes to the Qur'an, it is the last revelation intended for all people who will come after the prophet Muhammad, may God's blessings and peace be upon him, until the Day of Judgment, and for this reason the Almighty Creator has committed to safeguarding it.

A verse that indicates the preservation of the Qur'an:

*Indeed, it is We who sent down the message [i.e., the Qur'ān], and indeed, We will be its guardian.*⁶

When the phrase "we" or "us" is used for something that is singular, it is used to show praise, ie. when talking about something magnificent, which is Allah Almighty who has no flaws.

The Qur'an has been written down and preserved in its complete original form and not a single letter has been altered. It was written down and preserved in the original language in which it was revealed and is preserved in the hearts of millions of huffadh, that is, people who have memorized it from cover to cover.

⁶ Qur'an, 15:9

Verses that indicate the distortion of the original Tawraat and Injeel

Among the Jews are those who distort words from their [proper] places [i.e., usages] ⁷

And indeed, there is among them a party who alter the Scripture with their tongues so you may think it is from the Scripture, but it is not from the Scripture. And they say, "This is from Allāh," but it is not from Allāh. And they speak untruth about Allāh while they know. ⁸

And from those who say, "We are Christians" We took their covenant; but they forgot a portion of that of which they were reminded. So We caused among them animosity and hatred until the Day of Resurrection. And Allāh is going to inform them about what they used to do. ⁹

⁷ *Qur'an, 4:46*

⁸ *Qur'an, 3:78*

⁹ *Qur'an, 5:14*

The Qur'an is a literary or linguistic miracle:

And if you are in doubt about what We have sent down [i.e., the Qur'ān] upon Our Servant [i.e., Prophet Muḥammad (ﷺ)], then produce a sūrah the like thereof and call upon your witnesses [i.e., supporters] other than Allāh, if you should be truthful.¹⁰

Or do they say, "He invented it"? Say, "Then bring ten sūrahs like it that have been invented and call upon [for assistance] whomever you can besides Allāh, if you should be truthful."¹¹

Throughout history no one has attempted to compete with the Qur'an, or to pervert the Qur'an without being humiliated and disgraced.

¹⁰ Qur'an, 2:23

¹¹ Qur'an, 11:13

In the end, it remains to prove the **mission of the last Prophet of God, Muhammad**, may God's blessing and peace be upon him. If we have proven that the Qur'an is God's revelation preserved from any alteration, then the Qur'anic verse can be proof of that:

Say, [O Muḥammad], "O mankind, indeed I am the Messenger of Allāh to you all, [from Him] to whom belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth. There is no deity except Him; He gives life and causes death." So believe in Allāh and His Messenger, the unlettered prophet, who believes in Allāh and His words, and follow him that you may be guided. ¹²

Another way to prove this is to say that the Prophet Muhammad, may God's blessings and peace be upon him, said of himself that he was a Prophet, and looking at the authentic historical sources of his life, that claim can be evaluated as follows: Possible conclusions are that he was a liar, that he was delusional, or that he was telling the truth.

¹² Qur'an, 7:158

- Was he a liar? No, for he was known as El-Emin (Truthful and Trustworthy), even by his enemies. Also, liars often lie for worldly gain, and the Prophet, may God bless him and grant him peace, rejected worldly aspirations for the world to come. When they offered him power, wealth and women, only to renounce the call to the religion of Allah, he refused all this, letting them know that nothing in this world could deter him from calling people to the truth.

- Was he mistaken? A deluded person is one who tells a lie while at the same time believing it to be true. However, the Prophet, may God's blessings and peace be upon him, was not in error because during his lifetime he prophesied many prophecies that actually came true. For example, he predicted that the Bedouin Arabs would compete in building tall buildings. How is that possible if it was not revealed to him by the All-Knowing. Moreover, his teachings are not the teachings of a delusional man.

- Conclusion: He spoke the Truth!

Here it is important to emphasize **how Islam views Jesus**.

Namely, Islam gives us a complete and correct picture of Jesus, that is, Isa, may God's blessing and peace be upon him. All God's messengers called to Islam, and the word Islam means submission to God. Their religious code differed according to the time, but the basic tenets of the doctrine were the same.

To people who lived e.g. during the time of Moosa or Moses, it was an obligation to follow him in the religion that was revealed to him, that is, to become Muslims and to follow the Tawraat, the revelation that Moses came with. After the departure of Musa, people apostatized from the faith and distorted the revelation, so after a certain time the Almighty Creator sent other messengers, and the penultimate of them is Isa, that is, Jesus.

Of course, all people who lived at that time had an obligation to believe in previous messengers and revelations but also to believe that the previous revelation of the Tawraat was derogated from, i.e. put out of use by the arrival of Jesus, may God's blessing and peace be upon him, who once again called to Islam and considered himself a Muslim. The revelation that was valid during that time and until the last prophet of God, Muhammad, may God's blessing and peace be upon him, was the Injeel.

The religion of the followers of Moses was Islam, and they are called Jews because that name means "eldest sons of Jacob".

The religion of the followers of Jesus was Islam, and they were called Nasaaraa or Christians because that name means "helpers" (who helped Jesus).

Since the arrival of Muhammad, may God's blessing and peace be upon him, until today and until the Day of Judgment, it is obligatory for everyone before us, ourselves and those who come after us to believe in all God's messengers, but our messenger is Muhammad, may God's blessing and peace be upon him, we belong to his people, we follow the revelation with which he came, and we confirm the previous revelations with the fact that we believe that they have been derogated (put out of use).

When it comes to Jesus, may God's blessings and peace be upon him, he was an ordinary man, a slave of Allah, and a messenger of Allah.

Let's listen to what Almighty Allah says in the following verses:

They have certainly disbelieved who say that Allāh is Christ, the son of Mary. Say, "Then who could prevent Allāh at all if He had intended to destroy Christ, the son of Mary, or his mother or everyone on the earth?" And to Allāh belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth and whatever is between them. He creates what He wills, and Allāh is over all things competent. ¹³

And We sent, following in their footsteps, Jesus, the son of Mary, confirming that which came before him in the Tawraat; and We gave him the Injeel, in which was guidance and light and confirming that which preceded it of the Tawraat as guidance and instruction for the righteous. ¹⁴

They have certainly disbelieved who say, "Allāh is the Messiah, the son of Mary" while the Messiah has said, "O Children of Israel, worship Allāh, my Lord and your Lord." Indeed, he who associates others with Allāh - Allāh has forbidden him Paradise, and his refuge is the Fire. And there are not for the wrongdoers any helpers. ¹⁵

¹³ Qur'an, 5:17

¹⁴ Qur'an, 5:46

¹⁵ Qur'an, 5:72

Jesus, may God's blessing and peace be upon him, was not crucified as Christians believe, but a young man was crucified who agreed to receive the likeness of Jesus, in exchange for heaven on the same level with Jesus, and Jesus, may God's blessing and peace be upon him, was elevated by the Supreme Creator to Himself ¹⁶ and will bring him back as one of the Great Signs of the Day of Judgment.

And [for] their saying, "Indeed, we have killed the Messiah, Jesus the son of Mary, the messenger of Allāh." And they did not kill him, nor did they crucify him; but [another] was made to resemble him to them. And indeed, those who differ over it are in doubt about it. They have no knowledge of it except the following of assumption. And they did not kill him, for certain. Rather, Allāh raised him to Himself. And ever is Allāh Exalted in Might and Wise. ¹⁷

When he returns, he too will follow the religious law ie. the sharia with which came the last Prophet of God Muhammad, may God bless him and grant him peace, and will follow the Qur'an as the last revelation of God.

¹⁶ Tafsir ibn Kathir, An-Nisa 158. ayah, saheeh

¹⁷ Qur'an, 4:157-158

And the following verses speak about the only correct religion:

Indeed, the religion in the sight of Allāh is Islām. ¹⁸

And whoever desires other than Islām as religion - never will it be accepted from him, and he, in the Hereafter, will be among the losers. ¹⁹

The last Prophet of God, Muhammad, may God's blessings and peace be upon him, said:

By Him in Whose hand is the life of Muhammad, he who amongst the community of Jews or Christians hears about me, but does not affirm his belief in that with which I have been sent and dies in this state (of disbelief), he shall be but one of the denizens of Hell-Fire. ²⁰

¹⁸ Qur'an, 3:19

¹⁹ Qur'an, 3:85

²⁰ Sahihul Muslim, 153.

KEY TO EXPERIENCE

It is He who enables you to travel on land and sea until, when you are in ships and they sail with them by a good wind and they rejoice therein, there comes a storm wind and the waves come upon them from every place and they expect to be engulfed, they supplicate Allāh, sincere to Him in religion, "If You should save us from this, we will surely be among the thankful." But when He saves them, at once they commit injustice upon the earth without right. O mankind, your injustice is only against yourselves, [being merely] the enjoyment of worldly life. Then to Us is your return, and We will inform you of what you used to do. ²¹

If we put our hand in boiling water, our brain would automatically instinctively respond to move away! We don't wait and wonder if we should act like that. Accidents, the death of a family member, loss of health, financial problems, or the imminent threat of death (like the one Allah mentions) are all negative **experiences that can activate our innate knowledge of God**. Just imagine that you are in a plane that has caught fire and you are falling towards the ground. No doubt your first thought would be "God save me from this."

Similarly, a positive experience can also do the same. For example, someone hearing the call to prayer, having positive experiences with Muslims, seeing their child being born, etc. How many people just accepted Islam just because of the brotherhood they felt?

²¹ Qur'an, 10:22-23

Abdullah ibn Salam's positive experience of just looking at the face of the Prophet, peace be upon him, was enough for him! He said: "When the Messenger of God, may God bless him and grant him peace, came to Madinah, people rushed towards him and said: "The Messenger of God has come!" Abdullah ibn Salam said: "I came along with the people and when I looked at the face of the Prophet, I realized that his face was not the face of a liar."

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Answering the prayer is also enough **to awaken the** fitra, i.e. **an intimate sense of need for God.**

Allah says:

[Remember] when you were asking help of your Lord, and He answered you ²³

And your Lord says, "Call upon Me; I will respond to you."

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Also, during the time of the Prophet (peace be upon him), a Bedouin asked the Prophet (peace be upon him) to pray for rain, because crops were failing and people were dying of hunger. The Prophet (peace be upon him) prayed to Allah for rain, and almost immediately clouds began to gather and it began to rain heavily. ²⁵

²² Jamiut-Tirmidhi, 2485. saheeh

²³ Qur'an, 8:9

²⁴ Qur'an, 40:60

²⁵ Sahihul Bukhari, 1033.

KEY OF REFLECTION

At some point during this thing we call 'life', there are many individuals who go through an existential crisis and begin to ask the "big questions" about life, man and the universe. People can come to certain conclusions about the purpose of their lives and what they must do to achieve ultimate success.

Consider the following questions:

Why are you here?

And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me. ²⁶

Who are you?

Slave of Allah.

Where are you going?

It is Allāh who erected the heavens without pillars that you [can] see; then He established Himself above the Throne and made subject the sun and the moon, each running [its course] for a specified term. He arranges [each] matter; He details the signs that you may, of the meeting with your Lord, be certain. ²⁷

Reflection is similar to that feeling when a person has a positive experience. But those who think about themselves, their surroundings, the bigger picture, nature, heavenly bodies, the universe, etc. - these are all **the first steps** or keys to **awakening the fitra**.

²⁶ Qur'an, 51:56

²⁷ Qur'an, 13:2

In many verses, Allah tells us that there are signs in this world for those who think:

Indeed, in the creation of the heavens and the earth, and the alternation of the night and the day, and the [great] ships which sail through the sea with that which benefits people, and what Allāh has sent down from the heavens of rain, giving life thereby to the earth after its lifelessness and dispersing therein every [kind of] moving creature, and [His] directing of the winds and the clouds controlled between the heaven and earth are signs for a people who use reason. ²⁸

And the worldly life is not but amusement and diversion; but the home of the Hereafter is best for those who fear Allāh, so will you not reason? ²⁹

And it is He who spread the earth and placed therein firmly set mountains and rivers; and from all of the fruits He made therein two mates; He causes the night to cover the day. Indeed in that are signs for a people who give thought. And within the land are neighboring plots and gardens of grapevines and crops and palm trees, [growing] several from a root or otherwise, watered with one water; but We make some of them exceed others in [quality of] fruit. Indeed in that are signs for a people who reason. ³⁰

²⁸ Qur'an, 2:164

²⁹ Qur'an, 6:32

³⁰ Qur'an, 13:3-4

KEY TO SPIRITUALITY

Islam frees us from worshiping everyone else and everything else, and directs us to worship only the One who is worthy of worship - Almighty God. There are many **things that people tend to "worship"** or become "slaves" to the things in question.

Many of us aspire to know, love and obey something most of all. It can be to ourselves too, when we want to know, love, obey our own ego and passions the most. We think that we are always right, that we can never be wrong, and we always want to impose ourselves on others. From this perspective, we are slaves to ourselves.

Allah describes those who take their desires for god:

Have you seen he who has taken as his god his [own] desire, and Allāh has sent him astray due to knowledge and has set a seal upon his hearing and his heart and put over his vision a veil? So who will guide him after Allāh? Then will you not be reminded? ³¹

³¹ Qur'an, 45:23

We might also tend to "worship" or "slave" society, culture, or materialism (ie, possessions, fashion, money). We begin to love these things more than anything else, we want to know more about them, and this leads us to 'obey' them over everything else.

At the end of the day, everyone is a slave to something or someone and therefore, if we are not worshiping God, we must be worshiping something else. However, once a person accepts only Allah as the One Who alone deserves to be worshipped, he is no longer a slave to false masters, but only a slave to the True and Only Lord.

Allah gives a profound example:

Allāh presents an example: a man [i.e., slave] owned by quarreling partners and another belonging exclusively to one man - are they equal in comparison? Praise be to Allāh! But most of them do not know. ³²

He's basically telling us that if **we don't worship Him, we'll end up worshiping something else**. These things enslave us and become our masters.

³² Qur'an, 39:29

The Quranic analogy teaches us that without God we have many 'masters' and that everyone wants something from us. Everyone is 'strangled with one another', and we end up in a state of misery, confusion and unhappiness. However, God, who knows everything, including ourselves, and who has more mercy than anyone else, tells us that He is our Lord, and by worshiping Him alone we will truly be freed from the shackles of the things we have taken as substitutes for Him. From an existential perspective, worshiping Allah is true liberalization.

Why does Allah deserve worship?

- Allah is the most perfect Being:

'God' is, by definition, the One who has the right to our worship and all acts of worship must be directed to Him alone; this is a necessary fact of His own existence. The Qur'an repeatedly emphasizes this fact about Allah:

Indeed, I am Allāh. There is no deity except Me, so worship Me and establish prayer for My remembrance. ³³

And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me. ³⁴

- Allah deserves to be worshiped for who He is. Even if he gave us nothing, He would still deserve worship.

³³ Qur'an, 20:14

³⁴ Qur'an, 51:56

He possesses all the perfect names and attributes to the highest possible degree. It is because of these names and attributes that Allah must be worshipped. Any person who is wise, gracious, and kind deserves some kind of praise. However, Allah who is - Wise, Merciful and Kind, and all this to the greatest possible extent is worthy of the most extensive form of praise (ie worship).

- Allah is also the only one who has the right to our prayers and supplications. **He knows best what is good for us, and He also wants what is best for us.** One should pray to such a Being with these attributes and ask Him for help. An important feature concerning the worship of Allah is His right, even if we are not the recipients of any type of comfort. If we were to live a life full of suffering, Allah is still to be worshipped. **Worshiping Allah does not depend on some kind of mutual relationship,** ie. He gives our life and we worship Him in return. No! There is no doubt that Allah showers us with many bounties, however, He is worshiped for who He is, not necessarily for how He decides through His infinite wisdom to distribute His bounty.

- We worship Allah **for our own benefit:**

O mankind, worship your Lord, who created you and those before you, that you may become righteous - ³⁵

³⁵ Qur'an, 2:21

- It is important to emphasize that **Almighty Allah did not create us out of need for us. Allah does not need us. But on the other hand, we need Almighty Allah.** When we worship Him, it makes us better, strengthens us and helps us to do deeds that will be the cause of our happiness in this world and the next.

- We worship Allah because **it is our purpose in life and in accordance with our nature (fitra).**

Muhammad sallalahu alaihi wa sallam said: "Every newborn child is born in a state of fitrah." ³⁶

- We worship Allah because **He created and sustains the universe and everything in it:**

Is He [not best] who begins creation and then repeats it and who provides for you from the heaven and earth? Is there a deity with Allāh? Say, "Produce your proof, if you should be truthful." ³⁷

- We worship Allah because **blessings and provisions are His:**

O mankind, remember the favor of Allāh upon you. Is there any creator other than Allāh who provides for you from the heaven and earth? There is no deity except Him, so how are you deluded? ³⁸

³⁶ Sahihul Muslim, 2659.

³⁷ Qur'an, 27:64

³⁸ Qur'an, 35:3

- **If we love ourselves, we must love Allah:** we all want satisfaction, happiness and prolongation of our existence. It is a form of self-love. If we love ourselves, we must love Allah because He is the one who sustains and creates us, He created the causes in the universe to achieve contentment and happiness. He is the source of love.

Gratitude is one of the highest forms of worship: Allah gives us countless blessings:

And He gave you from all you asked of Him. And if you should count the favor [i.e., blessings] of Allāh, you could not enumerate them. Indeed, mankind is [generally] most unjust and ungrateful. ³⁹

No matter how grateful we are to Allah, **we could never thank Him for His blessings.** For example, the human heart beats about 100,000 times a day, which is approximately 35,000,000 times a year. If we lived to be 75 years old, the number of heartbeats would reach 2,625,000,000. Every heartbeat is precious to us. Each of us would sacrifice a mountain of gold to ensure that our hearts would function properly to keep us alive. Yet we forget and deny the One who created our hearts and enables them to function. This illustration forces us to conclude that we must be grateful to Allah, and that gratitude is a form of worship. He has given us favors that we cannot count, and if we could count them we would have to thank Him for enabling us to count them.

³⁹ Quran, 14:24

KEY OF CHARACTER

There has certainly been for you in the Messenger of Allāh an excellent pattern for anyone whose hope is in Allāh and the Last Day and [who] remembers Allāh often. ⁴⁰

The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said: *"I have been sent to perfect the morals of the people."* ⁴¹

In the Prophet, may God bless him and grant him peace, we have a perfect example of how the **character** and way of interacting with others becomes a **means of awakening fitrah** in them.

The Prophet sallallahu alaihi wasallam was known as **"truthful"** and **"trustworthy"** before he was known as a Prophet, which shows us that Allah chose someone of good moral standing to be a means for people to accept the message.

And who is better in speech than one who invites to Allāh and does righteousness and says, "Indeed, I am of the Muslims." ⁴²

⁴⁰ Qur'an, 33:21

⁴¹ Adabul mufrad, 273. saheeh, shaikh Albani

⁴² Qur'an, 41:33

We can also connect character with spirituality, because **gratitude is a sign of good character.**

Aisha, may Allah be pleased with her, narrates that the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, would pray at night until his feet would swell. She would ask him: "*Messenger of Allah, why are you doing this? Allah forgave you both the former and the latter sins?*" To that the Messenger of Allah, may Allah's prayers and peace be upon him, replied: "*Shouldn't I be a grateful slave?*" ⁴³

⁴³ Sahihul Buhari, 4837.

KEY OF REVELATION

The Qur'an is a source of Divine grace, tranquility and guidance, which began at the very moment when the Prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, met Jibreel and was commanded:

Recite in the name of your Lord who created. Created man from a clinging substance. Recite, and your Lord is the most Generous - Who taught by the pen. Taught man that which he knew not. ⁴⁴

There is a certain **profound effect that the Qur'an has on believers**. Allah says in the following verses:

Allāh has sent down the best statement: a consistent Book wherein is reiteration. The skins shiver therefrom of those who fear their Lord; then their skins and their hearts relax at the remembrance [i.e., mention] of Allāh. That is the guidance of Allāh by which He guides whom He wills. And one whom Allāh sends astray - for him there is no guide. ⁴⁵

The believers are only those who, when Allāh is mentioned, their hearts become fearful, and when His verses are recited to them, it increases them in faith; and upon their Lord they rely - ⁴⁶

⁴⁴ Qur'an, 96:1-5

⁴⁵ Qur'an, 39:23

⁴⁶ Qur'an, 8:2

Say, "Believe in it or do not believe." Indeed, those who were given knowledge before it - when it is recited to them, they fall upon their faces in prostration, And they say, "Exalted is our Lord! Indeed, the promise of our Lord has been fulfilled." And they fall upon their faces weeping, and it [i.e., the Qur'ān] increases them in humble submission. ⁴⁷

These feelings are witnessed by millions of Muslims around the world. For example, during Ramadan, **mosques are filled with the tears of those who listen to the Qur'an and whose souls are awakened.** The Qur'an is profound in the sense that not only do the actual words and meaning have a powerful effect on believers, but even the recitation itself is spiritually healing and awakening. This also applies to non-Muslims, as evidenced by social experiments in which non-Muslims who listened to the recitation of the Qur'an for the first time in their lives, commented after listening that they felt 'relaxed' and 'spiritual'.

⁴⁷ Qur'an, 17:107-109

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*He guides whom He wills to a straight path."*⁴⁸

Only Almighty Allah can give you guidance. If you sincerely ask Him, He will certainly accept your request and guide you to Islam, because He is the One who responds to the supplicant's request.

The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, says: *"Indeed, Allah is Shy and Noble. He is ashamed that the hands of His servant, who raised them towards Him, return them empty and barren."*⁴⁹

You can recite this dua that was transmitted from the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him:

*"My Allah, Lord of Jabraeel, and Mikaaeel and Israafeel, Creator of the heavens and the earth, Knower of the hidden and the visible, You judge between Your slaves in matters in which they differ. Distinguish for me the truth from the falsehood, because only You guide whom You will to the Right Path."*⁵⁰

Finally, I invite you to accept Islam. Accept Islam today and save yourself.

⁴⁸ Qur'an, 2:142

⁴⁹ Sunanu Abi-Dawood, 1488. saheeh, shaikh Albani

⁵⁰ Sahihul Muslim, 770.

How to accept islam?

In order to become a Muslim, you must believe in the **six foundations of Iman (belief)**, namely:

- To believe in Allah
- To believe in angels
- To believe in Revelations (Zaboor, Tawraat, Injeel, Qur'an)
- To believe in Allah's Messengers (Noah, Moses, Jesus, Muhammad, ...)
- To believe in the Day of Judgment
- To believe that everything that happens, good and bad, happens by Allah's will and determination

After that you must practice the **five foundations of Islam**:

- Shahadah
- Prayer five times a day
- Fasting the month of Ramadan
- Give zakat if you are obligated
- Perform Hajj if you are able

After you say these words, that is Shahadah you became a Muslim:

ASHADU AN LA ILAHE ILLALLAH WA ASHADU ANNA MUHAMMADAN ABDUHU WA RASULUHU.

I BEAR WITNESS THAT THERE IS NO GOD WORTHY OF WORSHIP EXCEPT ALLAH, AND I BEAR WITNESS THAT MUHAMMAD IS HIS SLAVE AND HIS MESSENGER.

And what after that? After accepting Islam, **the most important thing for you is to build a connection, i.e. connection with the Almighty Creator** in such a way that you look at the prayer as a communication with the Almighty Allah, because it was said in the hadith that the prayer is a conversation with the Almighty Allah. In prayer (prostration) and outside prayer, **constantly pray to Allah to guide you to the right path and to strengthen you on the truth.**

The most frequent prayer of the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, was:

O Changer of the hearts, make my heart firm upon Your religion. ⁵¹

In addition, **pray for everything that comes to your mind**, and even for things that you consider unimportant, because in this way you express your dependence on Allah, which Allah loves in His servants. In the beginning, you will have many trials, and that is a normal thing for a believer. And know that after accepting Islam, all your previous sins are forgiven and you are now like a new born baby.

Do the people think that they will be left to say, "We believe" and they will not be tried? ⁵²

And whoever relies upon Allāh - then He is sufficient for him. ⁵³

⁵¹ Jaamiut-Tirmidhi, 3522. hasan saheeh

⁵² Qur'an, 29:2

⁵³ Qur'an, 65:3