ISLAM IS TRUTH

ONE God, NE Humanity, ONE Religion, MANY Prophets

(Peace be upon them)

"Then why are there so many different religions?"



In The Name of Allah, The All-Merciful, The All-Compassionate

The Qur'an, in Arabic, is the exact Word of God (Allah) revealed to His Final Prophet, Muhammad (peace be upon him).

This selection of verses is the English translation of the meaning of what Allah says in The Qur'an, His Final Revelation to mankind, about the Message of Islam taught by all Prophets.

Text in Italics is added to explain the context of the verses.

ONE God

And your God is **One** God.

There is none worthy of worship except Him, the All-Merciful, the All-Compassionate.

[The Qur'an, Chapter 2, Verse 163]

Say: He is **Allah**, the One and Only (God); Allah, the Eternal, Absolute (the One on whom all depend, while He is independent of all); He did not beget, nor was He begotten; And there is none like unto Him.

ONE Humanity

O Mankind! Allah created you from a single pair of a male and a female (Adam and Eve), and made you into nations and tribes so that you may know each other.

Surely, the most honoured of you to Allah is the most righteous of you.

[49:13] **ONE Religion**

The Religion and Way of Life with Allah is **Islam**, that is, submission to the Will of Allah.

MANY Prophets

In every nation, Allah has raised a Messenger, who preached the **same message**:
Worship **only** Allah, and avoid evil.

Allah has mentioned the stories of some Messengers in The Qur'an, and others He has not.



ONE Human Family
"We are all Children of Adam.
None is superior to another
except in righteousness."
(Prophet Muhammad)

Adam to Muhammad: Just ONE Message! ISLAM - The Religion of All Prophets

All Prophets, Same Religion

Allah has ordained for you the same Religion - Islam - which He had enjoined on Noah, and which He has revealed to Muhammad, and which He had enjoined on Abraham, and Moses and Jesus. So uphold the Religion.

[42:13]

Abraham, Prophet of Islam

Abraham was neither a Jew nor a Christian, but he was a strict believer in One God, a **Muslim**, submitting to the Will of Allah, and he did not associate partners with Allah.

ONE Direction: The Ka'bah

- The first House established for the worship of One God, Allah
 Built under divine command
- by Abraham & his son, Ishmael
- The direction for prayer, not an object of worship

Then why so many different religions?

The One Religion from God - Islam - brought by previous Prophets became many different religions when it was altered with deviations & distortions.

Divisions & Deviations

And people became **divided** even after knowledge (from the Prophets) came to them due to selfish envy (and transgression) between themselves ...

Allah tells the Prophets: "And indeed, this Brotherhood of yours is a single Brotherhood (sharing the same Religion), and I am your Lord. So fear only Me." But people have **divided** their affair (of unity) between them into sects; each party rejoices in that (deviated belief) which is with itself.

[23:52-53]

Religion from God is One & the same. Man-made religions are many & different.

Muhammad & The Qur'an: Truth Restored ISLAM - Renewed, Complete, Perfected

Final Prophet

 ${\cal M}$ uhammad is the Messenger of Allah and the **Last** of the Prophets.

33:40]

O Muhammad, call mankind **back to Islam** ... Say to them: "Allah is our Lord and your Lord."

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Islam's universal call:

Final Revelation

Allah has revealed to you, (O Muhammad), the Book, (The Qur'an), setting forth the truth, confirming the Revelations prior to it, just as in the past, He had revealed the Torah (to Moses), and the Gospel (to Jesus).

[3:3]

Choose Islam

Allah says: This day, I have **completed** for you your Religion, and I have **perfected** upon you My Blessings, and I have **chosen** for you **Islam** to be the Religion and Way of Life.

[5:3]

Makkan (Mecca)

ONE World

Hope for Peace in the world lies in Islam's noble call to Equal Justice: Stand firm for Justice for all people, rich or poor, even if it is against your own interests. [4:135] No Justice, No Peace.

Religion

Allah knows best.

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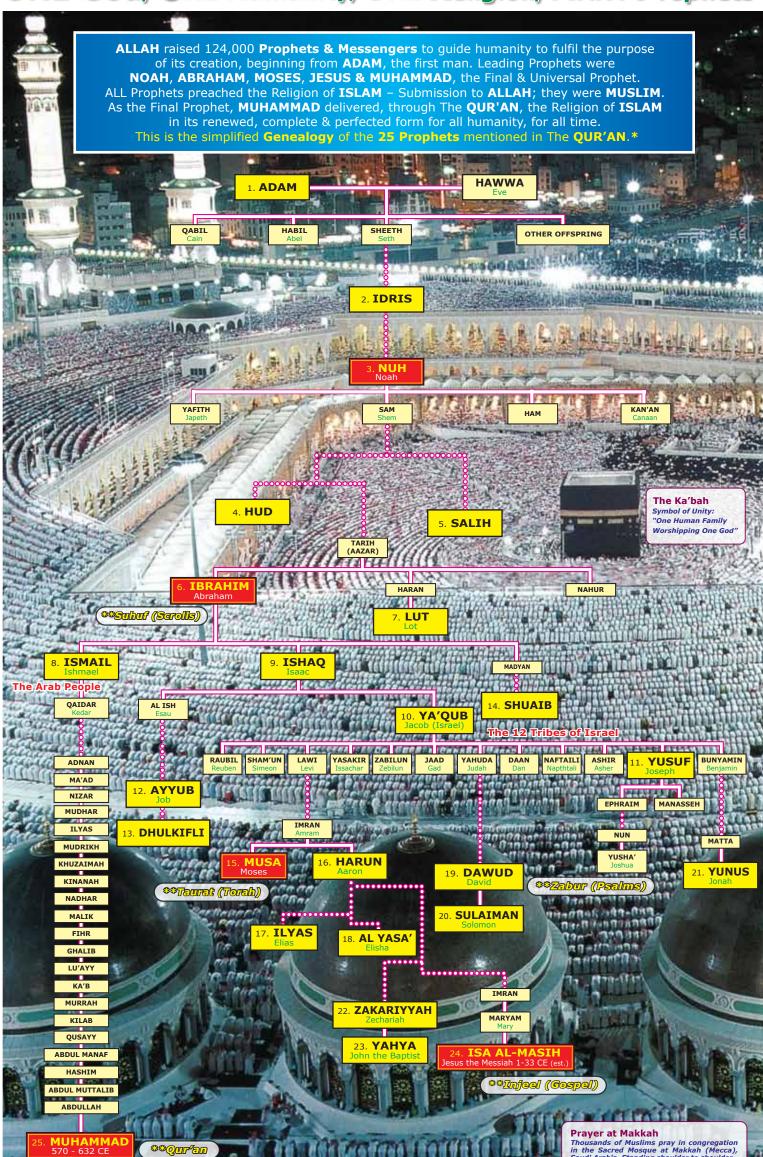


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BELIEFS Fundamental

"All Prophets are brothers; they have different mothers, but their Religion is One." Saying of Prophet Muhammad •

- **The One & Only God** whose Arabic name is **Allah**. Allah is the sole **Creator & Sustainer** of the universes & all that exists. Humanity is created "to worship Allah." [51:56]
- Angels are beings created from "light" who execute all of Allah's commands unfailingly. The Arch-Angel Gabriel brought Allah's messages to the Prophets.
- Divine Guidance sent to humanity through Prophets & Messengers.

 A Prophet was a man appointed by Allah to receive & convey Divine Revelation.

 A Messenger was a Prophet sent to deliver the message of Islam to a nation. 313 of the 124,000 Prophets were Messengers [Source: Al Baihaqi, Al Sunan al Kubra, 9.4, Hadith #17489]. Allah mentions the names of 25 Prophets in The Qur'an.
- **Books of Divine Revelation** given to chosen Prophets. The 4 Books Allah mentions in The Qur'an are the Torah of Moses, the Psalms of David, the Gospel of Jesus & the Final Revelation, **The Qur'an**, revealed to **Muhammad**. **The Qur'an** is the only existing authentic Revealed Book because it is preserved intact in its original form, contents & language. Also, Abraham received Divine Revelation in the form of Scrolls.
- **Accountability in the Hereafter:** Personal free choice & responsibility in our worldly life, Life after death, End of the world, Resurrection, Day of Judgment, Paradise & Hell-fire.
- **Divine Destiny**, in which nothing, good or bad, occurs without Allah's Knowledge & Permission; "Allah has power over all things." [5:120]
- **True Success** for human beings means to fulfil the purpose of their creation, & thus to attain eternal happiness in the Hereafter, & it is achieved through Islam. **Islam** means submission & self-surrender to the Will of Allah, which results in peace. Islam is the complete way of life based on obedience to Allah's Guidance. As preached by Prophet Muhammad, Islam is in its final, complete, perfected & universal form.

 A **Muslim** is one who submits & surrenders to the Will of Allah, adopts the way of life based completely on Allah's Guidance. & thus attains peace within bimself with fellow. based completely on Allah's Guidance, & thus attains peace within himself, with fellow human beings & with the environment, and ultimately the reward of Paradise, & salvation from punishment of Hell-fire, in the Hereafter, by the Mercy of Allah.

NE Human Family, WNE Direction **Equality & Unity in Diversity**

as equals - they face the Ka'bah, the cubical stone building located at its courtyard.

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The *Ka'bah* is the spiritual centre of Islam, a sanctuary & symbol of unity. Muslims, men & women, of diverse races & nations, languages & colours, cultures & class, unite as "One Human Family worshipping One God." Islam is not an Arab religion, but the universal Religion for all peoples.

How Muslims Practise Islam Love God, Do Good to All

- Love Allah & submit to His Guidance in The Qur'an. Muslims testify that "There is none worthy of worship except Allah, & Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah." Muslims affirm their faith with good works.
- Follow the Final Prophet, Muhammad, because he was the most unique, complete and excellent role-model. "If you love Allah, follow Muhammad." [3:31
- "Worship The Creator, Serve His Creation" to bring about a better world. Worship in Islam includes all beneficial & permissible acts done for Allah's sake. Muslims "enjoin all that is right, & forbid all that is wrong." [3:110]
- **Perform Obligatory Acts of Worship** known as the **5 Pillars of Islam** to develop God-consciousness so as to become better human beings. These are **the Testimony of Faith, Formal Prayers five times daily, Charity (Zakat), Fasting in Ramadan & Pilgrimage (Hajj) to Makkah.**
- Be Responsible Caretakers of the environment & all creatures."Do not cause corruption on the earth after it has been set in order." [7:56]

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