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In This Month's Issue

A photograph of two women wearing blue hijabs with a white star on the side. They are holding hands and looking towards the camera. The woman on the left is smiling slightly, while the woman on the right has a more serious expression. In the background, another person wearing a similar blue hijab with a white star is visible, along with a red and white striped garment.

The United Colors of Islam

The Deen Show

with Eddie

Snoop Dogg joined "The Nation" but is this Islam?

In this episode of TheDeenshow we'll be talking about this group of people who call themselves the nation of Islam, Snoop Dogg joined this group, but does this have anything to do with the real Islam? Find out more in this episode of TheDeenshow as we talk with a former top Minister who used to be a part of the nation. Imam Qasim will be helping us (God willing) to have a better understanding about this group the nation and their teachings which have nothing to do with real Islam.



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Allah says in Qur'aan 5:91

Satan only wants to cause between you

animosity and hatred

through intoxicants and gambling
and to avert you from the remembrance
of Allah and from prayer.

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not desist?**



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There is No Racism in Islam

“God said: ‘What prevented you (O Satan) that you did not prostrate when I commanded you?’ Iblees (the Satan) replied: ‘I am better than him (Adam). You created me from fire, and him You created from clay.’” (Quran 7:12)

So begins the history of racism.

Satan thought himself superior to Adam on account of his origins. Since that day, Satan has misled many of Adam’s descendants into also believing themselves superior to others, causing them to persecute and exploit their fellow man. Quite often, religion has been used to justify racism. Judaism, for example, despite its Middle-Eastern origins, is readily passed off as a Western religion; but the entry of Jews into all levels of Western society actually betrays Judaism’s elitist reality. A pious reading of the bible verse:

“There is no God in all the world but in Israel.” (2 Kings 5:15)

...would be to suggest that in those days God, or God, was not worshipped except by Israelites. However, Judaism today remains centered around its boast of ‘chosen’ racial superiority.

“Say: ‘O Jews! If you pretend that you are the beloved slaves of God to the exclusion of the rest of humanity, then long for death if you are really truthful.’” (Quran 62:6)

Conversely, while most Christians are overwhelmingly non-Jew, Jesus, as the last of the Israelite Prophets, was sent to none but the Jews.[1]

“And (remember) when Jesus, son of Mary, said: ‘O Children of Israel! I am the Messenger of God sent unto you, confirming the Torah before me and bearing glad tidings of a Messenger after me whose name shall be Ahmad[2]...’” (Quran 61:6)

And likewise every Prophet was sent exclusively to his own people.[3] every Prophet, that is, except Muhammad.

“Say (O Muhammad): ‘O People! I am the Messenger of God sent to you all...’” (Quran 7:158)

As Muhammad was God’s final Prophet and Messenger, his mission was a universal one, intended for not only his own nation, the Arabs, but all the peoples of the world. The Prophet said:

“Every other Prophet was sent to his nation exclusively, while I have been sent to all of humanity.” (Saheeh Al-Bukhari)

“And We have not sent you (O Muhammad) except as a bearer of glad tidings and a Warner to all mankind, but most of people know not.” (Quran 34:28)

Bilal the Abyssinian (Now Ethiopia)

One of the first to accept Islam was an Abyssinian slave named Bilal. Traditionally, black Africans were a lowly people in the sight of Arabs who thought them to be of little use beyond entertainment and slavery. When Bilal embraced Islam, his pagan master had him brutally tortured in the scorching desert heat until Abu Bakr, the Prophet’s closest friend, rescued him by buying his freedom.

The Prophet appointed Bilal to call the believers to prayer. The athan heard from

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minarets in every corner of the world since, echoes the exact same words recited by Bilal. Thus, a onetime lowly slave won a unique honor as Islam's first muezzin.

“And indeed We have honored the Children of Adam...” (Quran 17:70)

Western romantics hail ancient Greece as being the birthplace of democracy.[4] The reality was that, as slaves and women, the vast majority of Athenians were denied the right to elect their rulers. Yet, Islam ordained that a slave could himself be ruler! The Prophet ordered:

“Obey your ruler even if he be an Abyssinian slave.” (Ahmad)

Footnotes:

[1] The bible agrees. Jesus is reported to have said: ‘I have not been sent except to the lost sheep

of the House of Israel.’ (Matthew 15:24). Hence, every one of his famous twelve disciples was an Israelite Jew. The one biblical passage where Jesus tells them to: ‘Go and preach unto all nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.’ (Matthew 28:19), commonly quoted to prove the Gentile mission as well as the Trinity, is not found in any pre-16th century manuscript and thus considered ‘a pious fraud.’

[2] One of the names of Muhammad, may the mercy and blessings of God be upon him.

[3] And We sent to every nation a Messenger (saying): ‘Worship God (alone) and shun false deities.’ (Quran 16:36)

[4] Democracy is a Middle-Eastern invention, first seen in the civilization of Ebla in 3rd millennium BC, and then in Phoenicia and Mesopotamia during 11th century BC. It did not appear in Athens until 15th century BC.

The Quran Mentions

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PROPHETS

1. Adam
2. Idris (Enoch)
3. Nuh (Noah)
4. Hud
5. Salih
6. Ibrahim (Abraham)
7. Ishma'il (Ishmael)
8. Ishaq (Isaac)
9. Lut (Lof)
10. Ya'qub (Jacob)
11. Yusuf (Joseph)
12. Shu'aib
13. Ayyub (Job)
14. Musa (Moses)
15. Harun (Aaron)
16. Dhu'l-kifl (Ezekiel)
17. Dawud (David)
18. Sulaiman (Soloman)
19. Ili'as (Elias)
20. Al-Yasa' (Elisha)
21. Yunus (Jonah)
22. Zakariyya (Zachariah)
23. Yahya (John)
24. Isa (Jesus)
25. Muhammad

most of whom are mentioned in the Bible as well.

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Islam covers every aspect of life; it is not a religion that is only practiced once a week or during specific celebrations. Islam, through the words of God in the Quran, and the traditions of Prophet Muhammad, may the mercy and blessings of God be upon him, offers advice and guidance from dawn till dusk, from birth until death. Islam even teaches the believers the best way to greet each other; it is a complete way of life.

What exactly does the word Islam mean? It is an Arabic word that comes from the root, sa - la - ma, that means submission to the will of God. It also shares the same root for the Arabic word meaning peace. However, it is a descriptive word that entails more than tranquillity and calmness, it also encompasses the concepts of safety, security and submission. In fact, Islam in the legal sense means submission to the One God who grants us safety, security, peace and harmony. The word Muslim (i.e. the one who submits to the will of God) is also derived from the same root, as is the Islamic greeting - Assalam.

In previous articles we have discussed the fact that all believers are linked together by various means. Most importantly is the belief that there is no god worthy of worship but Allah and that Muhammad is His messenger. This is what distinguishes believers from non-believers. However, believers are also reminded of the bonds between them whenever they greet one another. The Islamic greeting - 'Assalam', is in fact an invocation whereby one asks God to grant protection and security to his fellow Muslim brother. This greeting encourages believers to be a worldwide community unencumbered by tribal or nationalistic loyalties and bound together by peace and unity.

Prophet Muhammad commanded us to greet our fellow Muslims whom we know and those whom we do not know.[1] Thus believers try to establish peace and friendly relations by greeting and meeting one another. When Muslims of any nationality, ethnicity or colour meet they will greet each other as family. Believers also have rights over one another.

The Muslim has five rights over his fellow-Muslim: he should greet him with 'salaam', visit him when he is sick, attend his funeral, accept his invitation, and ask God to have mercy on him when he sneezes.[2]

The Islamic greeting is Assalam Alaikum (May God grant you protection and security). The response to this is wa Alaikum Assalam. These brief Arabic words let Muslims know that they are among friends, not strangers. A few words of greeting reveal so much.

***"When you are greeted with a greeting, greet in return with what is better than it, or (at least) return it equally. Certainly, God is Ever a Careful Account Taker of all things."* (Quran 4:86)**

Better Islamic greetings include, Assalam Alaikum wa Rahmatullah, which means, May God grant you protection, security and mercy, and Assalam Alaikum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh, which means, May God grant you protection, security, mercy and may He bless you. Greeting in return with something better would be, for

example, after hearing the words Assalam Alaikum you would respond, wa Alaikum Assalam wa Rahmatullah.

Making that small effort to greet others in this manner at every opportunity increases rewards. Each time a believer says the words Assalam Alaikum or responds to this greeting, his bank of good deeds is increased.

One day a man passed by the Prophet Muhammad while he was sitting with some men, and said "Assalamu Alaikum". The Prophet said "He will have 10 rewards". Another man passed by and said "Assalamu alaikum wa rahmatullah". The Prophet said he will have 20 rewards". Another man passed and said "Assalamu alaikum wa rahmat ullaah wa barakaatuh". The Prophet said, and he will have 30 rewards.[3]

In addition, throughout the Quran, God repeatedly points out that this is the Islamic greeting. God assures us that struggling to please Him will result in peace and security in Paradise, and when the believer enters paradise he will be greeted by the words Assalam Alaikum.

***"And those who believed (in the Oneness of God and His Messengers and whatever they brought) and did righteous deeds, will be made to enter Gardens under which rivers flow, - to dwell therein for ever (i.e. in Paradise), with the Permission of their Lord. Their greeting therein will be, salam!"* (Quran 14:23)**

***"Salam Alaikum for you persevered in patience! Excellent indeed is the final home!"* (Quran 13:24)**

***"When those who believe in Our Ayat (proofs, evidence, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.) come to you, say, "Assalam Alaikum"; your Lord has prescribed Mercy for Himself, so that if any of you does evil in ignorance, and thereafter repents and does righteous good deeds (by obeying God), then surely, He is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful."* (Quran6:54)**

***"Those whose lives the angels take while they are in a pious state (i.e. pure from all evil, and worshipping none but God Alone) saying (to them), Assalam Alaikum enter you Paradise, because of that (the good) which you used to do (in the world)."* (Quran 16:52)**

***"But when you enter the houses, greet one another with a greeting from God, As-salamu Alaikum - blessed and good."* (Quran 24:61)**

***"And those who kept their duty to their Lord will be led to Paradise in groups and when they reach it the its gates will be opened and the keepers will say, Salam Alaikum, you have done well, so enter here to abide therein."* (Quran 39:73)**

Prophet Muhammad reiterated God's message when he said, "You will not enter Paradise until you believe, and you will not believe until you love one another. Shall I tell you about something which, if you do it, will make you love one another? Greet each other with Salam".[4]

Footnotes:

[1] Saheeh Al-Bukhari, Saheeh Muslim

[2] Saheeh Al-Bukhari

[3] Saheeh Al-Bukhari

[4] Saheeh Muslim

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This universal brotherhood preached by Islam was championed by the Prophet's Companions after him. When the Companion, Ubada bin as-Samit, led a delegation to Muqawqis, the Christian patriarch of Alexandria, the latter exclaimed: 'Get this black man away from me and bring in his stead another to talk to me! ... How can you be content that a black man should be the foremost among you? Is it not more fitting that he be below you?' 'Indeed no!', Ubada's comrades replied, 'Though he is black as you see, he is still the foremost among us in position, intelligence and wisdom; for black is not despised among us.'

"Truly, the Believers are but brothers..." (Quran 49:10)

It is the Hajj, or pilgrimage to Mecca, which remains the ultimate symbol of the oneness and brotherhood of man. Here, rich and poor from all nations stand and bow in unison before God in what is the largest gathering of humanity; testifying to the Prophet's words when he said:

"There is truly no excellence for an Arab over a non-Arab; or for a non-Arab over an Arab; or for a white man over a black man; or for a black man over a white man; except through piety." (Ahmad)

And this confirms the Quran, which says: ***"O humanity! We have created you from a single male and female and have made you into nations and tribes that you may know one another (not that you have pride over one another). Verily, the most honorable of you in the God's Sight is the one most pious..." (Quran 49:13)***

As for nationalism, with its factionalizing of Muslims along ethnic and tribal lines, it is considered an evil innovation.

"If your fathers, your sons, your brothers, your wives, your tribe, the wealth you have gained, the commerce in which you fear a decline, and the dwellings in which you delight are dearer to you than God and His Messenger and striving hard in His Cause, then wait until God brings about His Decision. And God guides not a rebellious people." (Quran 9:24)

The Prophet said: ***"... whoever fights under the banner of the blind, becoming angry for nationalism, calling***



to nationalism, or assisting nationalism, and dies: then he dies a death of jahiliyya (i.e. pre-Islamic ignorance and disbelief)." (Saheeh Muslim)

Rather, the Quran says:

"While those who disbelieved placed in their hearts pride and haughtiness - the pride and haughtiness of jahiliyya, God sent down His tranquility upon His Messenger and upon the Believers..." (Quran 48:26)

In fact, the Muslims in and of themselves constitute a single body and supra-nation, as the Prophet explained:

"The parable of the Believers in their mutual love and mercy is like that of a living body: if one part feels pain, the whole body suffers in sleeplessness and fever." (Saheeh Muslim)

The Quran confirms this unity:

"Thus, We have made you (Believers into) a (single) justly-balanced community..." (Quran 2:143)

Perhaps one of the greatest barriers to the acceptance of Islam by many Westerners is the fallacy that it is primarily a religion for

Colors of Islam



Whites have been called 'caucasian' ever since anthropologists declared the Caucasus Mountains, home to Europe's highest peaks, to be the 'Cradle of the White Race.' Today, the natives of these mountains are Muslims. Amongst many a lesser-known tribe of fierce mountaineers and fair maidens are the Circassians famed for their bravery and beauty and who, as Mamluke rulers of Syria and Egypt, helped defend the civilized world and safeguard its holy lands from the ravages of the Mongol hordes. Then there is the brutalized Chechen, arguably the most unwieldy of all God's creatures, whose tenacity and resistance has helped them avoid the fate of the Circassians. Meanwhile, over 1,000,000 American and North European Caucasian whites - Anglo-Saxons, Franks, Germans, Scandinavians and Celts included - now profess Islam. In fact, Islam peacefully entered parts of Europe before Christianity, when: 'In times long ago, when the Russian Slav had not yet started to build Christian churches on the Oka nor conquered these places in the name of European civilization, the Bulgar was already listening to the Quran on the banks of the Volga and the Kama.' (Solov'ev, 1965) [On 16 May 922, Islam became the official state religion of the Volga Bulgars, with whom today's Bulgarians share a common ancestry.]

Every faith besides Islam calls for the worship of creation in some way, shape or form. Moreover, race and color play a central and divisive role in almost all non-Islamic belief systems. A Christian's deification of Jesus and the saints or a Buddhist's deification of Buddha and the Dalai Lamas has people of a particular race and color being worshipped in derogation of God. In Judaism, salvation is withheld from the non-Jew Gentile. Hinduism's caste system likewise checks the spiritual, socio-political and economic aspirations of the 'unclean' lower castes. Islam, however, seeks to unite and make one all the creatures of the world upon the Unity and Oneness of their Creator. Thus, Islam alone liberates all peoples, races and colors in the worship of God alone.

"And among His Signs is the creation of the heavens and the earth and the (wonderful) differences of your languages and colors. Verily, in that are indeed signs for people of sound knowledge." (Quran 30:22)

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Oriental or dark-skinned people. No doubt, the racial injustices against many blacks, be they Abyssinian slaves of pre-Islamic Arabia, or 20th century Afro-Americans, has prompted many to embrace Islam. But this is beside the point. The Prophet Muhammad was himself of whitish complexion, described by his Companions as being 'white and ruddy' - a description many tens of millions of believing Arabs, Berbers and Persians share. Even blue-eyed blondes are not so rare amongst Near Easterners. Furthermore, Europe has more indigenous white Muslims than it has 'colored' immigrants. The Bosnians, for example, whose numbers were decimated at the end of the 20th century but who, due to their heroism and tradition of tolerance, have contributed most to Balkan peace and stability. Albanians too, descended from Europe's ancient Illyrians, are also largely Muslim. In fact, one of the 20th century's leading Muslim scholars, Imam Muhammad Nasir-ud-Deen al-Albani, was, as his title suggests, Albanian.

"Truly, We created humans in the best stature." (Quran 5:4)

Chapter 112: One Third of the Quran

An interpretation of chapter 112 which revolves around the concept of God in Islam.

Surah: Al-Ikhlās - Chapter: The Sincerity

Transliteration

1. *Qul auwa Allahu ahad*
2. *Allahu As-Samad*
3. *Lam yalid wa lam yulid*
4. *Wa lam yaqun lahu kufuan ahad.*

English Interpretation

1. Say: **“He is Allah, (who is) One.”**
2. **“Allah, the Self-Sufficient.”**
3. **“He does not give birth, nor was He born.”**
4. **“And there is none equal to Him.”**

(1) Say: **“He is Allah, (who is) One.”**

This verse represents Allah’s own affirmation of His unique Monotheism, His inimitable Oneness. Thus, the first verse is a command to the Prophet, may the mercy and blessings of God be upon him, and whoever reads or recites this verse to affirm Allah’s Unique Oneness. He is one like whom there is no other. There are many unities in this world, but they all are not unique as each unity has others similar to them. For example, there is one Mount Everest, but there are other tall mountains similar to it. In the case of Allah, there is no other unity similar to Him. All other unities can be divided into parts, while Allah is unique in His Oneness and is as such indivisible.

(2) **“Allah, the Self-Sufficient.”**

Allah’s uniqueness is realized in His self-sufficiency. On the other hand, all created beings have needs and are dependent on others to fulfill their needs. Allah is not in need of any of His creation in any way, as nothing they can do can better or benefit His already perfect state. This attribute of self-sufficiency invites the believers to reflect on the purpose and the goals of their worship. Most people worship as if they are doing God a favor. The purpose of human creation is to worship Allah because all human beings have a need to worship Him. He has no need for or from them. Human beings need to worship and glorify God because obedience to divine law is the key to their success in both this life and the next.

(3) **“He does not give birth, nor was He born.”**

This verse describes another aspect of Allah’s Unique Oneness. False religions generally represent God in human terms by either giving Him human characteristics and or human form. This verse deals primarily with two distinct characteristics of human beings and other living creatures in general: coming into existence by being born and procreating by giving birth. “He (Allah) does not give birth,” because there is nothing similar to him. A child is made from portions (sperm and ovum) of the bodies of its parents which is why it is similar to its parents in form and characteristics. If God gave birth, there would be another god like Him, which His uniqueness has already negated. The Almighty also rejected the concept of having a child from the perspective that bearing offspring usually requires a female partner similar in form to the male. Allah also rejected offspring from the general perspective that it is not befitting, since to have a child would reduce him to the status of His creatures. This answers the question of those who claim that since it is agreed that God can do anything, He should be able to have a son if He wished. It is not befitting because it would make God like His creatures. Furthermore people have children out of a need for help to survive in this material world or out of the need for continued existence through one’s progeny.[1] By describing Himself as self-sufficient, Allah also negated this possibility.

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For All People - For All Time

Allah does not favor one race over another. When many people think of Islam, they think of Arabs. Many non-Muslims don't realize that less than 15% of Muslims are actually Arab. And not many Muslims know that out of the six scholars who saved the sunnah, only Dawood was Arab. The others: Bukhari, Muslim, at-Tirmidhi, an-Nisaai, Ibn Maja, were not Arab. Salahadin was not an Arab either. Many of the leaders and many of those who fought for Islam, including but not limited to Qutuz, Tariq ibn Ziyad, Imad ad-Din, Zengi, were not Arab either. This should not take away recognition from the Arabs in history who have contributed so highly to Islam. Researching the history of these men in Islam shows that Islam is for all people for all time. Islam connects all nations together with one message

'La illaha ill Allah' - There is no god but God.

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

There are
3 signs
of a hypocrite



when he
speaks
he speaks
LIES



when he
makes a
promise he
breaks it



when he
is trusted
he **betrays**
his trust.

(Sahih Bukhari)



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Chapter 112: One Third of the Quran

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“Nor was He born” subtly rejects the notion that Jesus was God, because he was born. For God to be born, He must first have not existed, which contradicts the basic unique divine attribute of eternal existence.

(4) “And there is nothing equal to Him.” Allah closes the chapter with a restatement of the opening verse. If God is unique, nothing can be equal to Him. If nothing is equal to Him, then He alone is unique. If He alone is Self-Sufficient and all creation is in need of Him, nothing in creation can be equal to Him. If He does not bear offspring, nor did anyone or anything give birth to Him, nothing or no one can be equal to Him as every created being came into existence after a period of non-existence. Every created being has something similar to it, called its pair, or something resembling it, called its equal. If the Creator were from one or other of these species He would have an equal and a similitude.

Thus, this chapter contains the genealogy and description of God, the Most Merciful. It was revealed by Allah to refute beliefs attributed to Him by misguided people concerning His similitude, form, origin and offspring. For example, those who paint pictures or make statues of Allah are claiming similitude, those who worship others besides Him claim similitude, and those who attribute some parts of His creation to others besides Him claim similitude. However, nothing is similar to Him in His Attributes, His Dominion or His Divinity. Therefore, only He alone deserves to be worshipped by His creatures.

Say (O Muhammad): “He is Allah (God), (the) One. (1)

“Allah-us-Samad [Allah (God) the Self-Sufficient Master,

Whom all creatures need, (He neither eats nor drinks)]. (2)

“He begets not, nor was He begotten. (3)

“And there is none co-equal or comparable unto Him.” (4)

(Quran 112:1-4)

Interpretation

(1) “Say” a decisive statement which you believe in and be aware of, “He is Allah (God), (the) One” which means, the oneness is confined to Him, He is the one who alone possesses perfection, Who has the most beautiful names and perfect supreme attributes,. He is unparalleled and matchless.

(2) “Allah-us-Samad” [Allah the Self-Sufficient Master] whom all creatures need. All the inhabitants of the upper and lower world are in utmost need of Him. They ask Him for their needs, and seek Him for their concerns, because He is perfect in his attributes, He is the all-knowing whose knowledge is perfect, He is the most-forbearing whose forbearance is perfect, the most-merciful whose mercy is perfect.

(3) And of his perfection that “He begets not, nor was He begotten” due to the perfection of his opulence [freedom of all needs]

(4) “And there is none comparable to Him.” Neither in His names and attributes nor in His deeds. Far removed is He from every imperfection.

So this Chapter establishes the oneness of God.

Footnotes:

[1] *Tafseer al-Qur’aan al-Kareem,*
Juz ‘Amm, p. 354.

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Islam, the religion of over 1.2 billion people in the world, provides humankind with a unified view about the purpose of our creation and existence, our ultimate destiny and our place among other creatures. It is a way of life that is in complete conformance with nature, and with reason, logic and science.

Tawhid - The Oneness of God

ONENESS OF GOD (TAWHID) is the most important Islamic belief. It implies that everything in existence originates from the one and only Creator, who is also the Sustainer and the sole Source of Guidance. This belief should govern all aspects of human life. Recognition of this fundamental truth results in a unified view of existence that rejects any divisions of life into the religious

and the secular. Allah is the sole source of Power and Authority and therefore entitled to worship and obedience from mankind. There is no scope for any partnership with the Creator. Tawhid teaches man that Allah is not born, nor is anyone born of Him. He has no son or daughter. Human beings, like the rest of creation, are His subjects.

What is Islam?

Islaam is complete submission to Allaah, Alone.

"Islam" is the verb from the root "aslama" (a verb), meaning to "surrender; submit; obey; sincerity and in peace."

Unlike the names used for other religions, such as Buddhism, Hinduism and Christianity, the name for the religion of Islaam was both revealed by God and carries a deep spiritual meaning – only by submitting one's will to Almighty God can one obtain true peace both in this life and in the life hereafter. Islaam teaches that all religions originally had the same essential message – which was to submit whole-heartedly to the will of God and to worship Him and Him alone.

For this reason, Islaam is not a new religion but is the same divinely revealed Ultimate Truth that God revealed to all prophets, including Noah, Abraham, Moses and Jesus.

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The Prophet Muhammad's Last Sermon

This sermon was delivered on the Ninth Day of Dhul Hijjah 10 A.H. in the 'Uranah valley of Mount Arafat' (in Mecca).

After praising, and thanking Allah he said:

“O People, lend me an attentive ear, for I know not whether after this year, I shall ever be amongst you again. Therefore listen to what I am saying to you very carefully and TAKE THESE WORDS TO THOSE WHO COULD NOT BE PRESENT HERE TODAY.

O People, just as you regard this month, this day, this city as Sacred, so regard the life and property of every Muslim as a sacred trust. Return the goods entrusted to you to their rightful owners. Hurt no one so that no one may hurt you. Remember that you will indeed meet your LORD, and that HE will indeed reckon your deeds. ALLAH has forbidden you to take usury (interest), therefore all interest obligation shall henceforth be waived. Your capital, however, is yours to keep. You will neither inflict nor suffer any inequity. Allah has Judged that there shall be no interest and that all the interest due to Abbas ibn 'Abd'al Muttalib (Prophet's uncle) shall henceforth be waived...

Beware of Satan, for the safety of your religion. He has lost all hope that he will ever be able to lead you astray in big things, so beware of following him in small things.

O People, it is true that you have certain rights with regard to your women, but they also have rights over you. Remember that you have taken them as your wives only under Allah's trust and with His permission. If they abide by your right then to them belongs the right to be fed and clothed in kindness. Do treat your

women well and be kind to them for they are your partners and committed helpers. And it is your right that they do not make friends with any one of whom you do not approve, as well as never to be unchaste.

O People, listen to me in earnest, worship ALLAH, say your five daily prayers (Salah), fast during the month of Ramadan, and give your wealth in Zakat (charity). Perform Hajj if you can afford to.

All mankind is from Adam and Eve, an Arab has no superiority over a non-Arab nor a non-Arab has any superiority over an Arab; also a white has no superiority over black nor a black has any superiority over white; except by piety and good action. Learn that every Muslim is a brother to every Muslim and that the Muslims constitute one brotherhood. Nothing shall be legitimate to a Muslim which belongs to a fellow Muslim unless it was given freely and willingly. Do not, therefore, do injustice to yourselves.

Remember, one day you will appear before ALLAH and answer your deeds. So beware, do not stray from the path of righteousness after I am gone.

O People, no prophet or apostle will come after me and no new faith will be born. Reason well, therefore, O People, and understand words which I convey to you. I leave behind me two things, the QURAN and my example, the SUNNAH and if you follow these you will never go astray.

All those who listen to me shall pass on my words to others and those to others again; and may the last ones understand my words better than those who listen to me directly. Be my witness, O ALLAH, that I have conveyed your message to your people”.

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