

## The three fundamentals



### **In the Name of Allah**

In the name of Allah, the Most Kind, the Most Merciful.

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### **Four Important Things Every Muslim Must Learn**

You should know, may Allah have mercy on you, that every Muslim must learn **four important things**:

#### **1. Knowledge**

This means:

- Knowing Allah
- Knowing the Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم
- Knowing the religion of Islam with proofs

#### **2. Acting on Knowledge**

It is not enough to know. You must **do what you learn**.

#### **3. Calling Others**

You should **teach and invite others** to the truth.

#### **4. Being Patient**

When you follow Islam, some people may make fun of you or be mean. You must **stay patient**.

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### **Proof from the Qur'an**



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Allah says:

“By time, indeed all people are in loss, except those who believe, do good deeds, tell each other the truth, and tell each other to be patient.”

(Surah Al-‘Asr)

Imam Ash-Shafi‘i said:

If Allah only revealed this surah, it would be enough as proof.

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### **Knowledge Comes Before Speaking and Doing**

Imam Al-Bukhari said:

Knowledge comes before speech and action.

Allah says:

“Know that none has the right to be worshipped except Allah, and ask forgiveness for your sins.”

(Surah Muhammad 47:19)

This shows:

- First we learn
- Then we speak and act

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### **Three Things Every Muslim Must Learn and Follow**

Every Muslim must learn and follow **three things**:

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#### **1. Allah Created Us and Did Not Leave Us Alone**

Allah:

- Created us
- Provides for us



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- Did NOT leave us without guidance

He sent a Messenger (Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم).

- Whoever obeys him → goes to Paradise
- Whoever disobeys him → goes to the Fire

Proof:

“We sent a Messenger... but Pharaoh disobeyed, so We punished him.”

(Surah Al-Muzzammil 73:15–16)

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## **2. Allah Does NOT Accept Partners in Worship**

Allah does NOT like:

- Anyone sharing worship with Him
- Not angels
- Not prophets

Proof:

“The places of worship are for Allah alone, so do not call on anyone with Allah.”

(Surah Al-Jinn 72:18)

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## **3. A True Muslim Does Not Support Those Who Fight Islam**

If someone:

- Obeys Allah and the Prophet  
Then they should NOT:
- Support people who fight against Allah and His Messenger

Even if they are family.

Proof:

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“You will not find people who believe in Allah loving those who oppose Allah and His Messenger...”

(Surah Al-Mujadilah 58:22)



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### **The Religion of Ibrahim عليه السلام**

The true religion is the way of Ibrahim عليه السلام.

This means:

- Worship Allah alone
- Be sincere only to Him

Allah says:

“I did not create jinn and humans except to worship Me.”

(Surah Adh-Dhariyat 51:56)

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### **What is Worship?**

Worship means:

- Doing everything for Allah alone

The greatest command:

- **Tawheed (worship Allah alone)**

The biggest sin:

- **Shirk (worshipping others with Allah)**

Proof:

“Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him.”

(Surah An-Nisa 4:36)



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### **The Three Fundamental Principles**

If someone asks you:

“What are the three principles?”

You say:

1. Knowing your Lord
2. Knowing your religion
3. Knowing your Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم

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### **First Principle: Knowing Your Lord**

If someone asks:

“Who is your Lord?”

You say:

My Lord is Allah:

- He created me
- He takes care of me
- He gives me everything
- I worship Him alone

Proof:

“All praise is for Allah, the Lord of all creation.”

(Surah Al-Fatihah 1:1)

Everything besides Allah:

- Is created
- And I am also part of creation

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### **How Do You Know Allah?**

You know Allah by:

#### **1. His Signs**

- Night
- Day
- Sun
- Moon

#### **2. His Creations**

- The heavens
- The earth
- Everything in them

Proof:

“From His signs are the night and the day, the sun and the moon...”

(Surah Fussilat 41:37)

Also:

“Your Lord is Allah who created the heavens and the earth...”

(Surah Al-A'raf 7:54)

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### **Allah Alone Deserves Worship**

Since Allah created everything:

He is the ONLY one who deserves worship.

Proof:



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“O people! Worship your Lord who created you...”

(Surah Al-Baqarah 2:21–22)

Ibn Kathir said:

The One who created everything is the One who should be worshipped.

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### **Types of Worship**

All acts of worship must be for Allah alone, such as:

- Du‘a (calling on Allah)
- Fear
- Hope
- Trust
- Love
- Humility
- Repentance
- Asking for help
- Seeking protection
- Sacrifice
- Vows

Proof:

“Do not call upon anyone along with Allah.”

(Surah Al-Jinn 72:18)

Whoever worships others with Allah:

- Has done shirk
- Will not succeed

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### **Proofs for Different Types of Worship**

Allah says:

“Call upon Me, I will answer you.”

(Surah Ghafir 40:60)

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

“Du‘a is worship.”

### **Fear**

“Do not fear them, but fear Me.”

### **Hope**

“Whoever hopes to meet his Lord...”

### **Trust**

“Put your trust in Allah...”

### **Turning to Allah**

“Turn to your Lord...”

### **Asking for Help**

“You alone we worship and You alone we ask for help.”

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

“If you ask, ask Allah.”

### **Seeking Protection**

“Say: I seek refuge with the Lord of the dawn.”

### **Sacrifice**



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“My prayer, sacrifice, life and death are for Allah alone.”

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

“Allah curses the one who sacrifices for other than Allah.”

### **Vows**

“They fulfill their vows...”

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## **Second Principle: Knowing Islam**

Islam means:

- To submit to Allah
- To obey Him
- To stay away from shirk

Islam has **three levels**:

1. Islam
2. Iman (faith)
3. Ihsan (perfect worship)

Each level has its pillars.

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Good. I will continue **exactly from where we stopped**, in **easy English, paragraphs**, and **without leaving anything out**.

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## **The Second Principle (Continued): Knowing Islam**

Islam means:

- To submit to Allah with Tawheed (worship Him alone)

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- To obey Him
- To stay away from shirk (worshipping others with Allah) and its people



Islam has **three levels**, and each level has its own pillars.

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### **Level 1: Islam (Submission)**

Islam is built on **five pillars**:

1. Saying the Shahadah:
  - There is no god worthy of worship except Allah
  - Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم is the Messenger of Allah
2. Establishing the prayer (Salah)
3. Giving charity (Zakah)
4. Fasting in Ramadan
5. Going for Hajj (if you are able)

These are the main actions that show a person is a Muslim.

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### **Level 2: Iman (Faith)**

Iman means:

- Believing in your heart
- Saying it with your tongue
- Acting with your body

Iman has **six pillars**:

1. Belief in Allah
2. Belief in the angels



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3. Belief in the books (like the Qur'an)
  4. Belief in the messengers
  5. Belief in the Last Day
  6. Belief in destiny (good and bad)
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### **Level 3: Ihsan (Perfect Worship)**

Ihsan means:

- To worship Allah as if you see Him
- And even if you do not see Him, know that He sees you

This means:

- Be sincere
  - Be careful
  - Always remember Allah is watching you
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### **The Third Principle: Knowing the Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم**

Now we come to the **third principle**.

You must know:

- Who the Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم is
  - His life
  - His message
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### **Who is the Prophet?**

He is:



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- Muhammad ibn Abdullah
- From the tribe of Quraysh
- From the Arabs

He was the **final Prophet**.

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### **His Life**

- He was born in Makkah
- He lived there for **40 years before prophethood**
- Then Allah chose him as a Prophet

After becoming a Prophet:

- He stayed in Makkah for **13 years calling people to Tawheed**
- Then he moved (made Hijrah) to Madinah
- He lived there for **10 years**

After that:

- He passed away صلى الله عليه وسلم
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### **His Message**

Allah sent him to:

- All of mankind
- And all of jinn

Everyone must:

- Follow him
- Obey him

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Proof:

“Say: O mankind, I am the Messenger of Allah to all of you.”

(Surah Al-A'raf 7:158)

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### **What Did He Call People To?**

He called people to:

- Worship Allah alone
- Leave all false gods (Taghut)

Allah says:

“We sent a messenger to every nation saying: Worship Allah and stay away from false gods.”

(Surah An-Nahl 16:36)

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### **Laws of Islam**

After moving to Madinah:

- Allah revealed laws like:
  - Prayer
  - Zakah
  - Fasting
  - Hajj
  - Other rules

He taught the full religion.

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### **The Religion Was Completed**



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Allah says:

“Today I have completed your religion for you...”

(Surah Al-Ma'idah 5:3)

This means:

- Islam is complete
- Nothing needs to be added

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## **Death and Resurrection**

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم died.

But this does not mean the end.

Allah says:

- People will be brought back to life
- Everyone will be judged

Proof:

“From the earth We created you, and to it We will return you, and from it We will bring you out again.”

(Surah Taha 20:55)

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## **Everyone Will Be Accounted**

Allah will:

- Judge all people
- Reward good
- Punish evil

Proof:

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“So that He may reward those who did evil for what they did, and reward those who did good with the best.”

(Surah An-Najm 53:31)



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### **Those Who Deny Resurrection**

Whoever says:

- “There is no life after death”

This is disbelief.

Proof:

“Those who disbelieve say they will not be resurrected. Say: Yes, by my Lord, you will be resurrected.”

(Surah At-Taghabun 64:7)

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### **Why Did Allah Send Messengers?**

Allah sent messengers to:

- Give good news (Paradise)
- Warn people (Hellfire)
- Call to worship Allah alone

Proof:

“We sent messengers giving good news and warning...”

(Surah An-Nisa 4:165)

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### **Everyone Must Follow the Prophet**

No one is allowed to:

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- Disobey him
- Choose their own way



Proof:

“No, by your Lord, they do not truly believe until they make you judge in their disputes...”

(Surah An-Nisa 4:65)

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### **Final Summary (Very Important)**

The whole book teaches:

You will be asked in your grave:

1. Who is your Lord? → Allah
2. What is your religion? → Islam
3. Who is your Prophet? → Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم

These are the **Three Fundamental Principles**.

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Here are **30 exam questions** based on the book.

They are in **easy English**, mixed styles (MCQ, short answer, fill in the blank), and **nothing extra added**.

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### **Exam: The Three Fundamental Principles**

#### **Part 1: Multiple Choice (Choose the correct answer)**

1. What is the first thing every Muslim must learn?
  - a) Money
  - b) Knowledge
  - c) Sports

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2. What does knowledge include?
  - a) Only knowing people
  - b) Knowing Allah, His Prophet, and Islam
  - c) Only reading books
  
3. What comes after knowledge?
  - a) Sleep
  - b) Acting upon it
  - c) Ignoring it
  
4. What must we do after learning and acting?
  - a) Keep it secret
  - b) Teach others
  - c) Forget it
  
5. What must we have when people harm us?
  - a) Anger
  - b) Patience
  - c) Fear
  
6. Which Surah proves the four matters?
  - a) Al-Fatiha
  - b) Al-Asr
  - c) Al-Ikhlas
  
7. What comes first: knowledge or action?
  - a) Action
  - b) Knowledge
  - c) Both same time
  
8. Who said “Knowledge comes before speech and action”?
  - a) Imam Malik
  - b) Imam Bukhari
  - c) Imam Ahmad
  
9. Why did Allah create us?
  - a) To play

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- b) To worship Him
  - c) To sleep
10. What happens if someone obeys the Messenger?
- a) Nothing
  - b) Goes to Paradise
  - c) Gets rich
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### **Part 2: Fill in the Blanks**

11. Allah did not leave us without a \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Allah sent a \_\_\_\_\_ to guide us.
13. Worshipping others with Allah is called \_\_\_\_\_.
14. The opposite of shirk is \_\_\_\_\_.
15. Islam means to \_\_\_\_\_ to Allah.
16. Iman has \_\_\_\_\_ pillars.
17. Islam has \_\_\_\_\_ pillars.
18. Ihsan means worship Allah as if you \_\_\_\_\_ Him.
19. The Prophet lived in Makkah for \_\_\_\_\_ years before prophethood.
20. He stayed in Madinah for \_\_\_\_\_ years.
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### **Part 3: Short Answer**

21. Name the four things every Muslim must learn.
22. What are the three fundamental principles?
23. What is Tawheed?
24. What is Shirk?

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25. Give two examples of acts of worship.
  26. What are two signs of Allah?
  27. What are two creations of Allah?
  28. What is one pillar of Islam?
  29. What is one pillar of Iman?
  30. Why did Allah send messengers?
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