



Islam

Salvation In Islam

The Reward Of Heaven, The Punishment of Hell



“For those who reject God, is a great penalty: but for those who believe and work righteous deeds, is forgiveness, and a magnificent reward” (sura 35:7)

The Seven Core Beliefs Of Islam



#1 – Belief in God.

“The core of the Islamic creed is bearing witness to the phrase, La illaha illa Allah, ‘There is no true deity deserving worship but God.’ The testimony to this belief, called tawhid, is the axis around which all Islam revolves” (islamreligion.com).

Cardinal sin of Islam: Ascribing a partner to God.

John 1:1 – “The Word was God.”

John 1:14 – “The Word became flesh.”

John 10:30-33 – “I and My Father are one.”

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#2 – Belief in angels.

“In the Islamic worldview, there are no fallen angels: they are not divided into ‘good’ and ‘evil’ angels . . .

*Satan is not a fallen angel, but is one of the jinn, a creation of God parallel to human beings and angels”
(islamreligion.com).*

All angels good, jinn (genies) are good and bad.

2 Pet. 2:4; Jude 6 – Some angels have rebelled against God.

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#3 – Belief in revealed books of God.

The Torah of Moses (Ours polluted by Jews)

The Gospel (Ours polluted by early Christians)

The Psalms of David (Ours polluted by Jews)

The Scrolls of Moses and Abraham (Lost)

The Qur'an ("confirms whatever is true in previous scriptures and rejects whatever alterations and changes human hands have made to them")

Not one shred of evidence of Bible's corruption!

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#4 – Belief in God’s many prophets.

“Muslims believe in those prophets mentioned by name in Islamic sources, such as Adam, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Ishmael, David, Solomon, Moses, Jesus, and Muhammad . . . to name a few. A general belief is held in those not mentioned by name . . . Muslims firmly believe the final prophet was the Prophet of Islam, Muhammad, and there will be no prophet or messenger after him”
(islamreligion.com).

Who is “the Comforter?”

John 14:26 – The Holy Spirit, not Muhammad.

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#5 – Belief in the Last Day.

“Islamic doctrine holds that human existence continues after the death of the human body in the form of spiritual and physical resurrection” (islamreligion.com).

Got this one right!

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#6 – Belief in divine measurement.

“Everything good or bad, all moments of happiness or sorrow, pleasure or pain, come from God,” and “God knows what the creatures will do, encompassing everything by His knowledge. He knows all that exists, in entirety and totality, by virtue of His eternal foreknowledge” (islamreligion.com).

Hyper-predetermination:

God predetermines every single thing that happens.

Eccl. 9:11 – “Time and chance happen to them all.”

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#7 – Belief in life after death.

“The afterlife will be one of rewards and punishments which is commensurate with earthly conduct. A Day will come when God will resurrect and gather the first and the last of His creation and judge everyone justly”
(islamreligion.com).

**True, but . . .
Not JUST earthly conduct.**

The Five Pillars Of Islam



“While we were one day sitting with the Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings of Allah upon him, there appeared before us a man dressed in extremely white clothes and with very black hair. No traces of travel were visible on him, and none of us knew him. He sat down close by the Prophet, peace and blessings upon him, rested his knees against his knees and placed his palms on his thighs, and said, ‘O Muhammad! Inform me about Islam.’ . . .

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“Muhammad said, ‘Islam is that you should testify that there is no deity save Allah and that Muhammad is His Messenger, that you should perform salah (ritual prayer), pay the zakah (alms), fast during Ramadan, and perform Hajj (pilgrimage) to the House (the Ka'bah at Makkah), if you can find a way to it (or find the means for making the journey to it).’” (Hadith of Gabriel, as told by Umar, the associate to Muhammad and third leader of Islam).

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- #1 – Recite the *shahadah*.**
- #2 – Ritual prayer, five times every day.**
- #3 – Fasting from dawn to sunset during the month of Ramadan.**
- #4 – Alms giving, collected much like a tax.**
- #5 – Pilgrimage to Mecca for *Hajj*, at least one time during one's life, if able.**

What is Islam's Popularity?



Simplicity!

“Dos and Don’ts” of Islam
Versus

Principle-based teaching of Christianity

Col. 2:20-23 – Simple is not always right.

What is Islam Missing?



Atonement for sin!

Atonement – There is a price that must be paid for sin, and God Himself paid the price, in the form of Jesus' death on the cross.

Rom. 3:21-26; Titus 3:3-7

What is Islam Missing?



In Islam, you pay the price for your own sins.

Not the blood of Christ that atones, but your own works, or else suffering the purging fires of hell for awhile.

Islam's plan of salvation: Become a Muslim, beg God for forgiveness, promise to do better.

What is Islam Missing?



On Judgment Day God will determine, with a set of scales, which are heavier – your good deeds or your bad deeds.

If good deeds are heavier, you get to go to heaven, either immediately or after a time of purging in hell.

If bad deeds are heavier, you go to hell, at least for awhile until your sins are purged, or possibly forever.

What is Islam Missing?



In the Bible:

The just penalty for sin is death (Rom. 6:23).

God sent Jesus to pay the penalty for us, and maintained both His perfect justice and His loving desire to be our justifier (Rom. 3:24-26).

Bizarre?

The greatest evidence of God's deep love for mankind! – John 3:16.