

Islam is a Complete Religion

Allah said: **"This day, I have perfected your religion for you, completed My Favour upon you, and have chosen for you Islam as your religion"**. [5:3]

All the Prophets and Messengers Were Muslims

Allah, the Exalted said:

"It is He (Allah) Who has named you Muslims both before and in this (the Quran)". [22:78]

And He said: **"Ibrahim (Abraham) was neither a Jew nor a Christian, but he was a true Muslim Hanifa (Islamic Monotheism - to worship none but Allah Alone) and he was not of Al-Mushrikun (polytheists)"**. [3:67]

Abu Hurairah (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that the Prophet **salla allahu alayhi wa salam** said: **"The Prophets are paternal brothers; their mothers are different, but their religion is one"**. [Bukhari no. 3443]

Shaikhul-Islam Ibn Taymiyyah (728 H.), may Allah have mercy upon him, said: **"All the Prophets were sent with the religion of Islam"**. [al-Uboodiyah (1/44)]

History of Islam

Ibn Abbas (may Allah be pleased with him) said: **"Between Adam and Noah was ten generations. All of them were upon Islam"**. [Tabaqaat Ibn Sa'd (1/53) with an authentic chain of narration]

Every Child is Born Upon Islam

Abu Huraira (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that the Messenger of Allah **salla allahu alayhi wa salam** said: **"Every child is born upon the Fitrah (Islam)..."** [Bukhari no. 1359]

Islam Has Five Pillars

Abdullah Ibn Umar (may Allah be pleased with him) said: The Prophet **salla allahu alayhi wa salam** said: **"Islam has been built on five [pillars]: testifying that there is no deity worthy of worship except Allah and that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, establishing the salah (prayer), paying the zakat (obligatory charity), making the hajj (pilgrimage) to the House, and fasting in Ramadhan"**. [Bukhari no. 8 and Muslim no. 16]

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What Does Islam Mean?

Imam at-Tabari (310 H), may Allah have mercy upon him, said: **"The origin of Islam is submission ... Verily a Muslim is named a Muslim because he submits his limbs to the obedience of his Lord"**. [Tafsir at-Tabari (2/510)]

Shaikhul Islaam Ibn Taymiyyah (728 H.), may Allah have mercy upon him, said: **"The word Islam combines two meanings. One of the two meanings is surrendering and submission. The second is having sincerity in that and solely giving that submission for Allah... Its symbol is the statement: *La ilah ila Allah* (there is no God worthy of worship except Allah). Islam has two meanings: one of them is a religion that is shared (among the Prophets). It is to worship Allah alone without any partner, which all the Prophets were sent with. As the unity of their religion is proven in the texts of Qur'an and Sunnah. The second is what Muhammad was specified with in terms of religion, legislation, and methodology..."** [Majmoo' al-Fatawa (2/173)]

Shaikhul Islaam Muhammad Ibn Abdul Wahab (1206 H.), may Allah have mercy upon him, said: **"Islam is to submit to Allah with Tawheed (to single out Allah in worship), to yield to Him with obedience,**

and to dissociate from polytheism and its people". [Thalathatul-Usool pg. 4]

Why is it called Islam?

Shaikh Bin Baz (1420 H.) , may Allah have mercy upon him, said: **"The religion of Allah is called Islam because it is surrendering/humiliation to Allah, yielding to His obedience, and abandoning His disobedience. So like this it was called Islam.."**

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Islam is the Religion of Allah

Allah, the Exalted said in the Qur'an:

"Truly, the religion with Allah is Islam". [3:19]

And He said: **"And whoever seeks a religion other than Islam, it will never be accepted of him, and in the Hereafter he will be one of the losers"**. [3:85]

Ubayy bin Ka'b (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that the Messenger of Allah salla allahu alayhi wa salam said to him: **"...Indeed, the religion with Allah is *Al-Hanafiyyah, Muslimah* (Islam), not Judaism, nor Christianity. Whoever does good, it shall not be rejected from him."** [Saheeh Tirmidhi no. 3783]

Bismillah ar-Rahman ar-Raheem

All Praise is due to Allah and may Peace and Blessings be upon the Prophet, his Companions, and his followers until the Last Day.

As for what proceeds:

This is the second pamphlet in the *Introduction to Islam* series. These pamphlets are designed to introduce authentic Islam in a simple and clear manner. In this pamphlet, you will learn about Islam . I ask Allah , our Lord, to guide us to the straight path. Verily, He is capable of all things.