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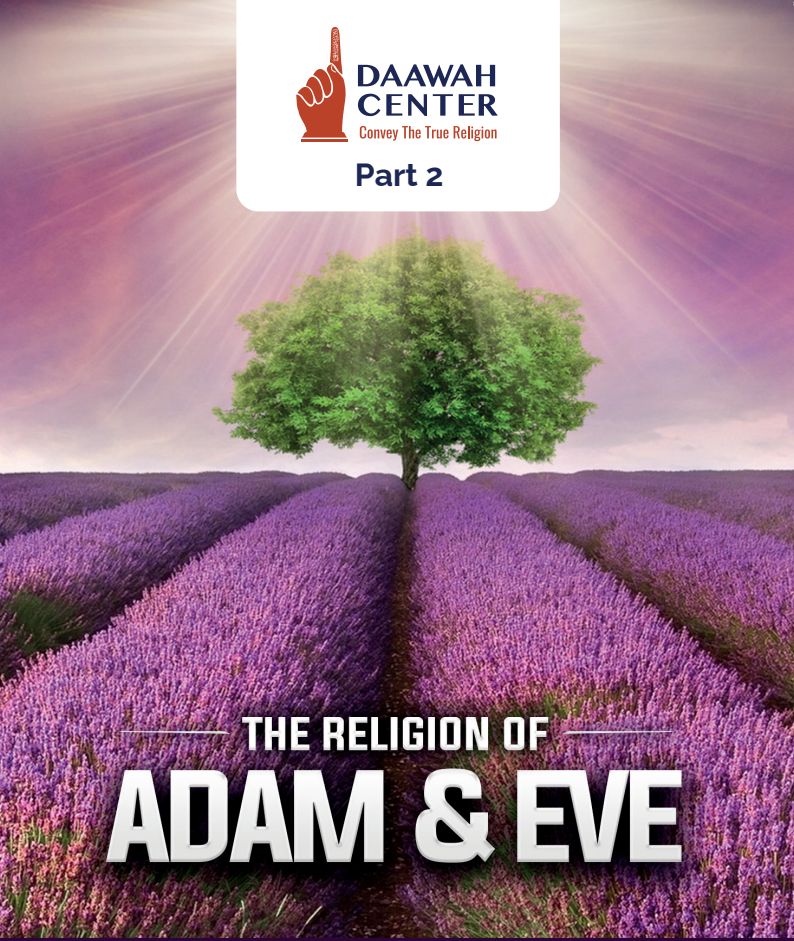

THE RELIGION OF ADAM & EVE

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Just One Message

Since the creation of Adam and Eve, throughout history, just one original message has been delivered repeatedly to humankind. To command people to believe in their Creator and worship Him alone, to remind them of it, and to get them back on track; many Prophets and Messengers including Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus, and Muhammad were sent by the Only true God, Allah the Creator. This one and original message was:

YOUR TRUE GOD, ALLAH, IS ONE. WORSHIP HIM ALONE.

These Prophets and Messengers all preached the same message; therefore their religion must be the same! Submission to Allah (God) is the essence of their message. This word 'SUBMISSION' is the meaning of the Arabic word 'ISLAM'.

The Qur'an confirms that submission to God, or 'Islam', is the true religion of Adam and all God's Prophets and Messengers.

The Bible mentions many statements in which Jesus teaches his followers to do the Will of God and to keep His commandments. Similarly, the Bible reports these words which refer to the meaning of Islam (submission to God) stating: "Submit yourselves therefore to God." (James 4:7)

The word 'Muslim' means a person who submits his or her will to Allah, the One True God. Muslims are true followers of Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus, Mohammad, and the rest of the Prophets.



The One True God in the Bible (The Old Testament)

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord. (Deut. 6:4)

For I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me. (Isaiah 46:9)

How great you are, O Sovereign Lord! There is no one like you, and there is no God but you, as we have heard with our own ears. (2 Samuel 7:22)

You may know and believe Me and understand that I am He. Before Me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after Me. I, I am the Lord, and besides Me there is no Saviour. (Isaiah 43:10-11)

O Lord, there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears. (1 Chronicles 17:20)

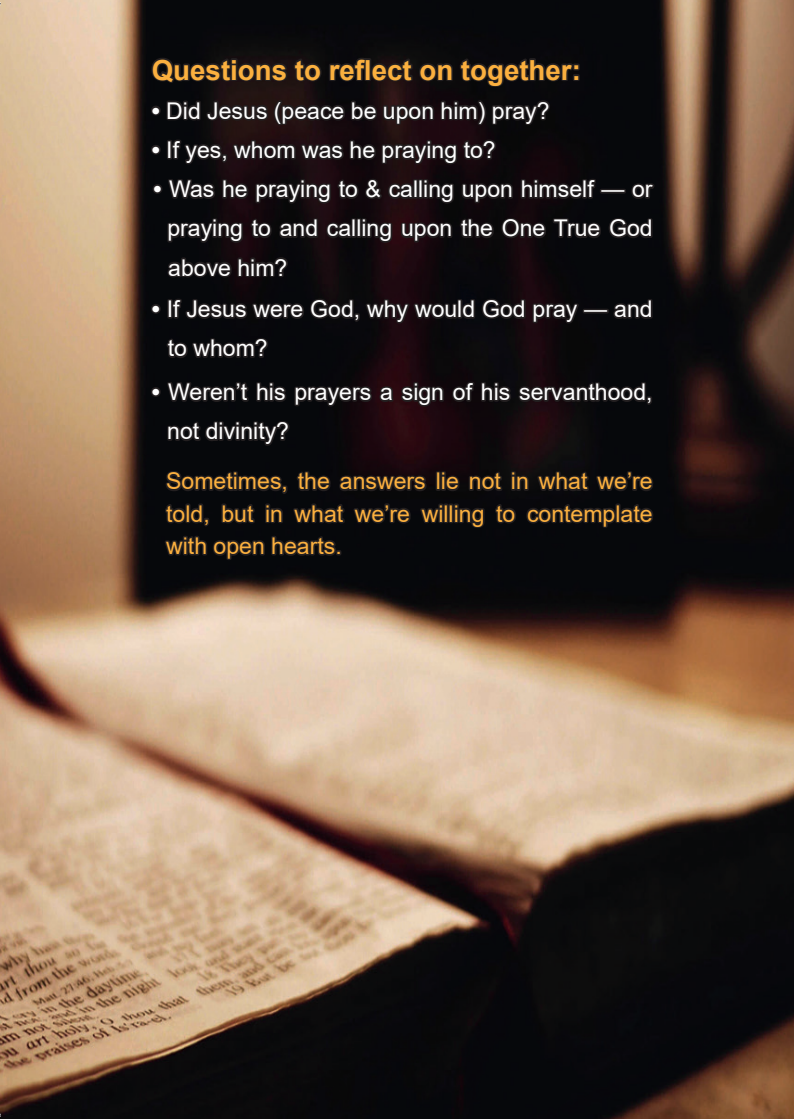
I am the first, the last, the only God; there is no other god but me. (Isaiah 44:6)

There is no other god. "Turn to me now and be saved, people all over the world! I am the only God there is. My promise is true, and it will not be changed. I solemnly promise by all that I am: Everyone will come and kneel before me." (Isaiah 45:21-23)

Questions to reflect on together:

- Did Jesus (peace be upon him) pray?
- If yes, whom was he praying to?
- Was he praying to & calling upon himself — or praying to and calling upon the One True God above him?
- If Jesus were God, why would God pray — and to whom?
- Weren't his prayers a sign of his servanthood, not divinity?

Sometimes, the answers lie not in what we're told, but in what we're willing to contemplate with open hearts.



And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? And he (Jesus) said unto him, Why callest thou me good? There is none good but one, that is, God. (Matthew 19:16-17)

And eternal life means to know you, the only true God, and to know Jesus Christ, whom you sent. (John 17:3)

Worship the Lord your God and serve only him! (Matt. 4:10)

And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this, thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these. (Mark 12:29-31)

And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but He. (Mark 12:32)

Jesus answered, "My teaching is not my own. It comes from the one who sent me." (John 7:16)



And your god is one God. There is no deity [worthy of worship] except Him, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful. (2:163)

Say, "He is Allah, [who is] One, Allah, the Eternal Refuge. He neither begets nor is born, nor is there to Him any equivalent." (112:1-4)

There is no deity except Me, so worship Me. (21:25)

It is Allah, your Lord! There is no god but Him, the Creator of all things. Then worship Him, and He has the power to dispose of all affairs. (6:102)

Is there a deity with Allah? High is Allah above whatever they associate with Him. (27:63)

Is there a deity with Allah? Say, "Produce your proof, if you should be truthful." (27:64)

Allah – there is no deity except Him, the Ever-Living, the Sustainer of [all] existence. Neither drowsiness overtakes Him nor sleep. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. Who is it that can intercede with Him except by His permission? He knows what is [presently] before them and what will be after them, and they encompass not a thing of His knowledge except for what He wills. (2:255)



The Prophet's Mosque, Madinah, Saudi Arabia

Conclusion

All God's Prophets and Messengers including Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus, and Muhammad were sent by the same God, Allah the Creator, to convey the same message:

The true God, Allah, is only ONE. Worship Him ALONE.

Since these Prophets and Messengers all preached the same message, their religion must be the same! Submission to the Will of God is the essence of their message. This word ***'SUBMISSION'*** is the meaning of the Arabic word ***'ISLAM'***.

The Qur'an confirms that ***'Islam'*** is the true religion of Adam and Eve and their descendants until the Day of Judgment.

Ultimately, to attain salvation, we must believe in the above-mentioned message willingly and wholeheartedly. But this is not enough!

We must also believe in all God's true Prophets (including Prophet Muhammad) and follow their true religion, guidance, and teachings.

This is the gateway to a happy, eternal life!

Definitions of Major Names in Islam

Allah: is the proper name of the One True God, the Creator. These are just some of the names and attributes of Allah: The Lord, The Compassionate, The Merciful, The Sovereign Lord, The Judge, The All-Knowing, The All-Seeing, The All-Hearing, The Great One, The All-Forgiving, The Most High.

Muhammad ﷺ (may Allah's blessings and peace be upon him): was born in Makkah around 570 CE. He became known by his people as Al-Amin (the trustworthy one). He is the last Prophet of the One True God, Who sent him to all humankind to command them to worship Allah the Creator alone.

The Glorious Qur'an: is the final Word of Allah, the One True God, as revealed to Prophet Muhammad. The Qur'an is a divine constitution sent down to regulate and govern our human life.

Islam: means submission to Allah, the One True God. Islam teaches us that the gateway to a happy, content, and eternal life is through believing in Allah and His final Prophet Muhammad, and pronouncing this testimony: ***"I testify that there is no god but Allah, and I testify that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah."***

Muslim: is one who submits to Allah, the Creator. Muslims have faith in Allah and do good deeds. They obey the commandments that Muhammad, Jesus, and all of the Prophets (may God's peace be upon them) taught and obeyed, such as believing in One True God, praying, prostrating, and kneeling down in worship.

Mosque (Masjid): refers to a clean place of prostration that is used by Muslims mainly for prayer and worship. Furthermore, a Mosque is a quiet and peaceful hub dedicated for remembering Allah (God), supplicating to Him, and reciting the Glorious Quran.



Allah in Arabic



Muhammad in Arabic



A Muslim supplicating to Allah (the true God)



The Glorious Qur'an

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http://www.allahsquran.com

http://www.quranexplorer.com

http://www.islamhouse.com

http://www.edialogue.org

http://www.islamreligion.com

http://www.newmuslimguide.com

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The Testimony of Faith

The Gateway to Islam

“I testify that there is no god worthy of worship except Allah, and I testify that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah.”

In Arabic:



Ash-hadu an lā ilāha illā Allāh, wa ash-hadu anna Muḥammadan Rasūlu Allāh.

This declaration of faith is known as the Shahādah (Testimony of Faith). It is the first and most fundamental pillar of Islam. Whoever sincerely believes these words and declares them embraces Islam.

The Shahādah beautifully summarizes the essence of Islam: belief in Allah alone as the One True God, who alone is worthy of worship, and belief that Muhammad is His final Messenger. It reflects the truth, beauty, clarity, and simplicity of the Islamic faith.



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