'Aqîdah

What every Muslim must know

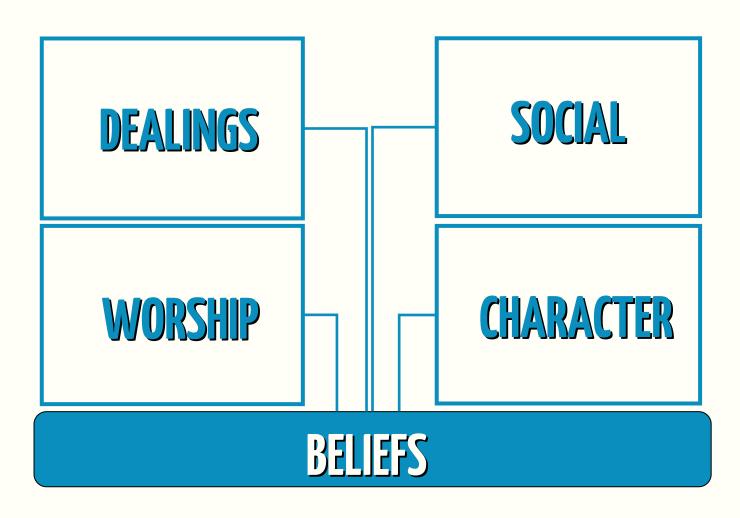
(Based on Treatise of al-Imâm at-Tahâwî)



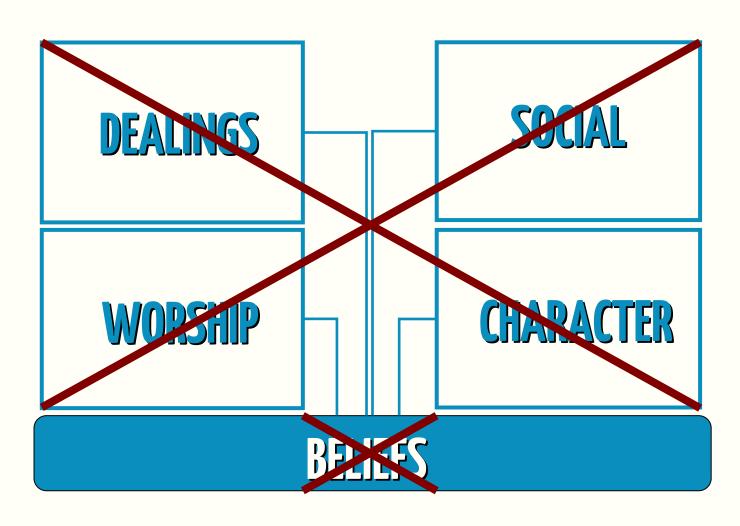
Overview

- Importance of correct 'Aqîdah
- Imân/Islâm, kufr (disbelief), shirk
- Allâh and His Attributes
- Tawhîd
- Taqdîr (fate)
- Prophets, Angels, Books
- Âkhirah (Hereafter/Afterlife)

Correct Belief



Incorrect Belief



Correct Belief

SUNNAH - SAHABAH

AHLUS SUNNAH WAL JAMA'AH

DISBELIEF (KUFR)

REJECT EVERYTHING

REJECT PARTS

DENY ABSOLUTE, CLEAR COMMANDS, ETC.

ASCRIBING PARTNERS (SHIRK)

MULTIPLE GODS

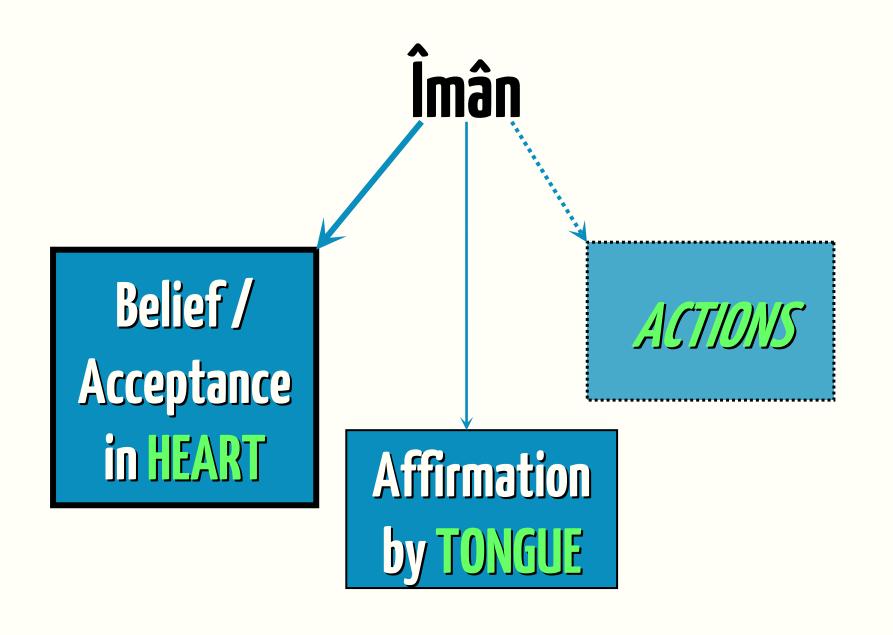
COMPOSITE GOD

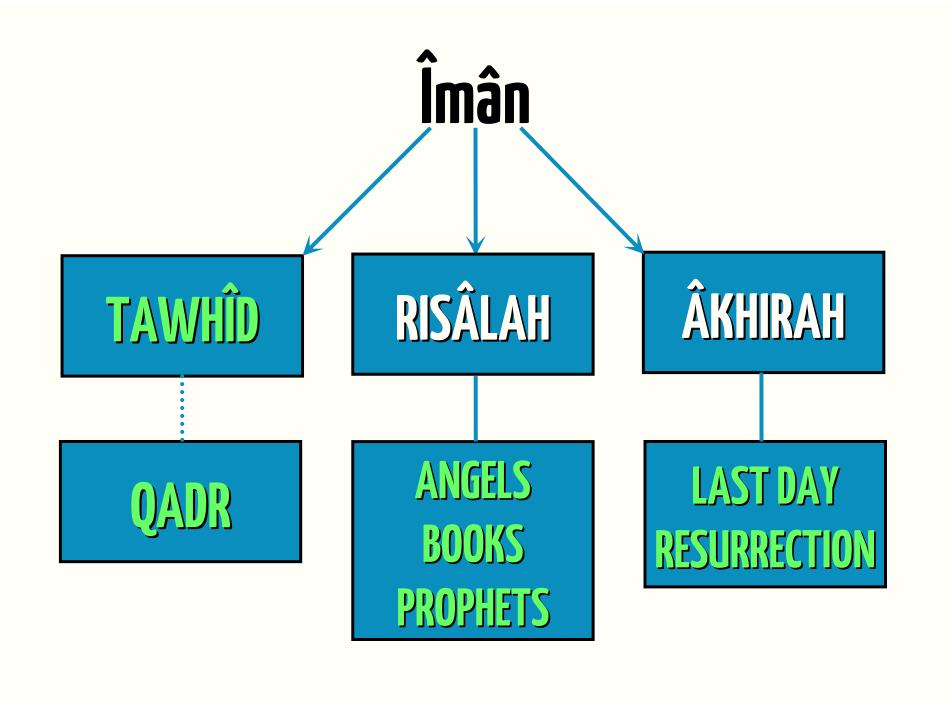
GODS OF MEANS

SEEKING HELP

TACKLING ATHEISM

- BELIEVE in the *Unseen* without logic/proof
- 2 simple logical proofs
- Creation of the universe
- The Beginning of Existence





Tawhîd

Oneness: <u>Unique</u> in Self, Names and Attributes

Negation of Shirk

Dîn of all Prophets & Messengers

Tawhid

CALL OF PROPHETS

RUKN OF ÎMÂN

FIRST

DUTY OF MUKALLAF

FOUNDATION OF DÎN

Allâh and (some of) His Attributes

Existence (intrinsic/nafsî)

First/Last

Oneness

Independence

Creator

NO CHANGE EVER; ALWAYS PRESENT & COMPLETE

Allâh and (some of) His Attributes

Knowledge

Sustainer

Will

Power/Might

Alive & Eternal

NO CHANGE EVER; ALWAYS PRESENT & COMPLETE

Ambiguous Attributes

هُو ٱلَّذِى أَنزَلَ عَلَيْكَ ٱلْكِنْبَ مِنْهُ ءَايَتُ مُّحَكَمَتُ هُنَّ أُمُّ ٱلْكِنْبِ وَأُخُرُ مُتَشَبِهَتُ فَأَمَّ ٱلَّذِينَ فِي فَكُوبِهِمْ زَيْخُ فَي تَبِعُونَ مَا تَشَبَهُ مِنْهُ ٱبْتِعَاءَ ٱلْفِتْنَةِ وَٱبْتِعَاءَ تَأْوِيلِهِ وَمَا يَعْلَمُ تَأُويلَهُ وَإِلَّا ٱللَّهُ فَلُوبِهِمْ زَيْخُ فَي تَبِعُونَ مَا تَشَبَهُ مِنْهُ ٱبْتِعَاءَ ٱلْفِتْنَةِ وَٱبْتِعَاءَ تَأْوِيلِهِ وَمَا يَعْلَمُ تَأُويلَهُ وَالْمَا اللَّهُ اللَّهُ وَمَا يَعْلَمُ مَا تَشَبَهُ مَنْ أَبْعِ عَلَى اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ وَمَا يَعْلَمُ مَنْ عَندِ رَبِنَا وَمَا يَذَكُو إِلَّا ٱلْأَلْبَ اللَّهُ الْمَا لَهُ عَلَيْ مَن عِندِ رَبِنَا وَمَا يَذَكُو إِلَّا ٱلْأَلْبَ اللَّهُ اللهُ اللهُ

It is He who has sent down to you, [O Muhammad], the Book; in it are verses [that are] precise - they are the foundation of the Book - and others unspecific. As for those in whose hearts is deviation [from truth], they will follow that of it which is unspecific, seeking discord and seeking an interpretation [suitable to them]. And no one knows its [true] interpretation except Allah. But those firm in knowledge say, "We believe in it. All [of it] is from our Lord." And no one will be reminded except those of understanding.

Ambiguous Attributes

فَاطِرُ ٱلسَّمَوَتِ وَٱلْأَرْضِ جَعَلَ لَكُومِنَ أَنفُسِكُمْ أَزْوَجًا وَمِنَ ٱلْأَنْعَكِمِ أَزْوَجًا يَذْرَؤُكُمْ فِيةً لَيْسَ كَمِثْلِهِ، شَيْ يَّ وَهُوَ ٱلسَّمِيعُ ٱلْبَصِيرُ اللَّ

... There is nothing like unto Him, and He is the Hearing, the Seeing.

Ambiguous Attributes

Îmân necessary

Howness unknown

asking: innovation

DO NOT delve/interpret/investigate/offer opinion!

Surrender/submit to The Knower (Allâh)
otherwise prevents Tawhîd
results in <u>Tashbîh</u> (likening) or <u>Ta'tîl</u> (denying)

Qadr (Fate) Secret of Allâh (Hidden Knowledge) Both good and bad from Allâh Linked to Tawhid DO NOT delve/reflect/enquire/question otherwise end up a lying, sinner! Written with Qalam (Pen) on Lawh (Tablet) **CANNOT** be changed!

Qadr (Fate)

ٱلَّذِى لَهُ، مُلْكُ ٱلسَّمَوَتِ وَٱلْأَرْضِ وَلَمْ يَخَّخِذُ وَلَـدُاوَلَمْ يَكُن لَّهُ، شَرِيكُ فِي ٱلْمُلْكِ وَخَلَقَ كُلُّ شَيْءٍ فَقَدَّرَهُ، نَقَدِيرًا ﴿ ﴾ فَقَدَرَهُ، نَقَدِيرًا ﴿ ﴾

... He created everything and determined it with [precise] determination [decreed it in a detailed way]

Qadr (Fate)

مَّاكَانَ عَلَى ٱلنَّبِيِّ مِنْ حَرَجٍ فِيمَا فَرَضَ ٱللَّهُ لَهُ اللَّهِ اللَّهِ فِي ٱلَّذِينَ خَلَوْا مِن قَبْلُ وَكَانَ أَمَرُ ٱللَّهِ قَدَرًا لَقَدُورًا ﴿٣٠﴾

... Allâh's command is always a destiny decreed (decided decree)

Qadr (Fate)

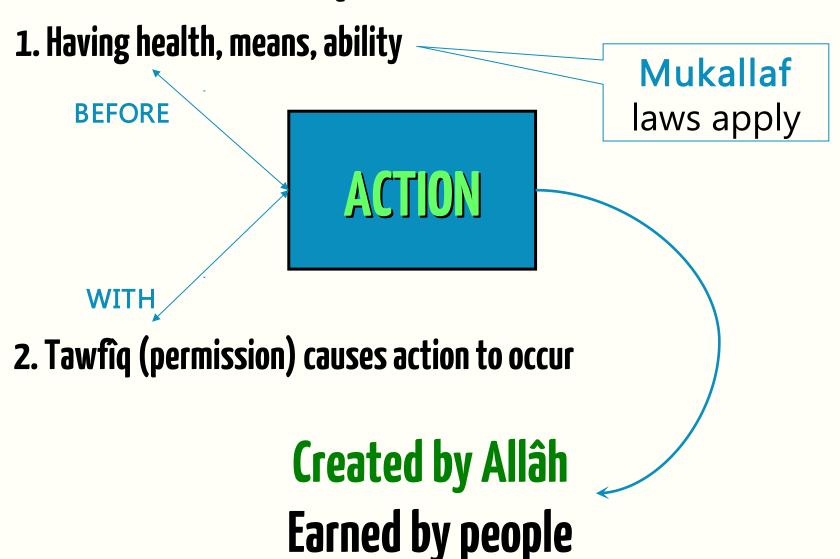
Everyone eased towards what he has been created for

Fortune/wretchedness by Decree of Allâh

Allâh Knows everything

Decided/decreed in detailed/decisive manner

Capabilities



Prophets/Messengers



CHANNEL OF COMMUNICATION DELIVER MESSAGE TRUTHFULLY

Prophets/Messengers

NUMBER <u>**NOT</u>** Defined</u> HUMAN

THEY <u>DO NOT</u> SHARE ATTRIBUTES OF ALLÂH

CANNOT CONTROL

MISTAKES

KNOWLEDGE OF UNSEEN GIVEN, NOT INTRINSIC

DO NOT LOWER STATUS;
BELIEVE IN ALL

CANNOT HEAR OR SEE FROM AFAR

صلى الله عليه وسلم Final Messenger

SENT FOR ENTIRE WORLD: JINN AND MANKIND

CLAIM OR BELIEF OF PROPHETHOOD

AFTER HIM IS CLEAR DISBELIEF

SEAL OF THE PROPHETS

LEADER OF THE MESSENGERS

Companions

BEST AFTER PROPHETS

LOVE = SIGN OF ÎMÂN

HATRED = SIGN OF NIFÂQ & DISBELIEF

DO NOT EXCEED BOUNDARIES

Friends of Allâh

ONE PROPHET IS BETTER THAN ALL AWLIYÂ' COMBINED

THE KARÂMÂT OF AWLIYÂ' ARE TRUE
THEY <u>CANNOT</u> BRING KARÂMÂT AT WILL

TRUE SIGN OF WILÂYAH: OBEDIENCE

Books of Allâh

4 Main Books: Qur-ân, Injîl, Zabûr & Tawrâh
BELIEVE in all the books

Only Qur-an protected

Qur-ân abrogates <u>all</u> previous scriptures Anything which contradicts is rejected

Qur-ân: Word of Allâh & Uncreated

Anyone who claims Qur-ân is created = disbeliever

Angels

Created from light ALWAYS obey, fulfil commands Different responsibilities e.g. revelation, natural cycles, aid, destruction, death, Trumpet, scribes Humans do not become angels! Shaytân was **NEVER** an angel

Âkhirah (Afterlife)

NEED: REWARD and PUNISHMENT
Outcome/effects of moral actions
Glory of Allâh to be manifest
Prevents evil & misconduct

Why not this world?

- 1. Test
- 2. Limited world

The Grave

Barzakh life

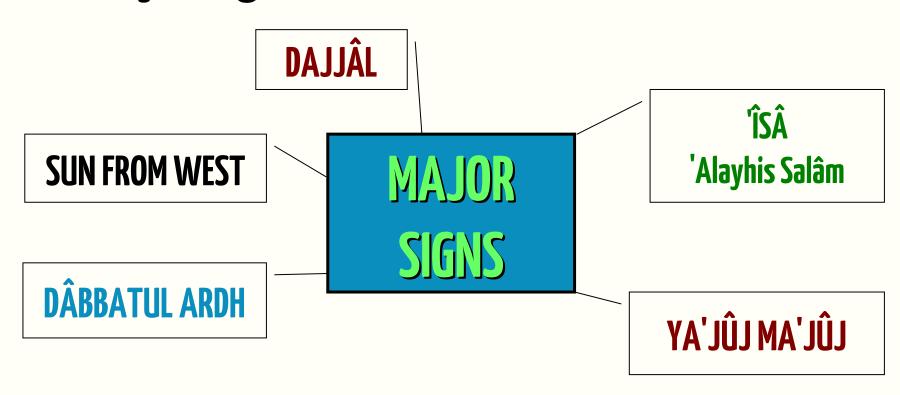
REWARD / PUNISHMENT of barzakh even if not buried

Questioning in the grave by angels

The Last Day

When? Known only by Allâh

Everything ceases to exist besides Allâh



Resurrection

Brought back to life with ease With body, not just soul

Day of Judgement
Stand before Creator to give account
Day of Recompense/Accountability

Some Stages

al-'ArDh vs. al-Hisâb Qirâ-at-ul-kitâb (reading of the book) as-Sirât (Bridge), Mîzân (Scales) Jannah (out of His Grace, Generosity) Jahannam (out of His Justice) Both have been created, never to end

Miscellaneous

MI'RÂJ (ASCENSION)

HAWDH (POOL)

SHAFÂ-'AH (INTERCESSION)

MÎTHÂQ (COVENANT)

RU'YAH (SEEING)

'ARSH (THRONE)

KURSÎ (CHAIR)

LAWH (TABLET)

QALAM (PEN)

The Straight Path

TA'TÎL (DENYING)

YA'S (DESPAIR)

QADR (DENYING FATE BELONGS TO ALLÂH)

KHAWÂRIJ

蓔 STRAIGHT PATH TASHBÎH (LIKENING)

AMN (CERTAINTY)

JABR (FATALISM)

MU'TAZILAH

Summary

- Allâh and His Attributes
- Angels
- Revealed Books/Scriptures
- Prophets/Messengers
- Last Day/Resurrection
- Taqdîr good or bad from Allâh

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