

MY JOURNEY TO ISLAM

BOOK 1



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Dear Children!

This book is about learning the basics of our beautiful Deen, Islam.

These are the things every Muslim should believe. They help us understand who Allah is, why we are here, and how to live a good life.

We will explore simple ideas about Allah, His Prophets, Angels, and more!

Five Pillars of Islam

Shahada (Belief):

Saying and believing, *"There is no god but Allah, and Muhammad (ﷺ) is His Messenger."* This is how someone becomes a Muslim.

Salah (Prayer):

Praying to Allah five times every day. It helps us remember Allah and thank Him.

Zakah (Giving):

Sharing a small part of what we have (money or food) with poor people who need help.

Sawm (Fasting):

Not eating or drinking during the day in the month of **Ramadan** to please Allah and understand how poor people feel.

Hajj (Trip to Makkah):

Visiting the holy city of **Makkah** once in your life if you are healthy and can afford it. This is a special way to show love to Allah.

Chapter 1: Who is Allah?

Allah is our Creator. He made everything in the universe, from the stars in the sky to the fish in the sea. Allah is One, and there is no one like Him.

What we believe about Allah:

- Allah has no beginning and no end.
- Allah sees, hears, and knows everything.
- Allah doesn't get tired, hungry, or sleepy.
- Allah loves us and takes care of us.

Dua:

"Oh Allah, make us strong in our Deen and help us live as good Muslims. Aameen." آمين

Chapter 2: Our Belief in Prophets

Allah sent Prophets to teach people how to worship Him and live good lives.

Prophets are the best of people. They always obey Allah.

The last and greatest Prophet is Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. He is our guide, and we follow his sunnah (way).

Story of Prophet Nuh (AS):

Long ago, people stopped worshipping Allah. Allah sent Prophet Nuh to guide them. He built a huge ark (boat) with Allah's help. Only the believers joined him, and they were saved from the flood.

Chapter 3: The Angels

Angels are special creations of Allah. They are made of light and always obey Him.

Some important angels:

- **Jibreel (AS):** Brings messages to the Prophets.
- **Mikail (AS):** Brings rain and looks after the earth.
- **Israfeel (AS):** Will blow the trumpet on the Day of Judgment.
- **Malak-al-Maut:** The angel of death.

Allah appointed selected Angels to write down everything we say and do!

Chapter 4: The Books of Allah

Allah sent books to guide people.

The Qur'an is the last and perfect book.

It was given to Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and will remain with us forever.

Other books include:

- **Taurah:** Given to Prophet Musa (AS).
- **Zabur:** Given to Prophet Dawood (AS).
- **Injil:** Given to Prophet Isa (AS).

Chapter 5: Qadr (Allah's Plan)

Everything happens by Allah's will. He knows what has happened, what is happening, and what will happen. This is called Qadr.

If something good happens, we say:

Alhamdulillah اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ

(All praise is for Allah).

If something bad happens, we say:

Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'un

اِنَّا لِلّٰهِ وَاِنَّا اِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ

(We belong to Allah, and to Him we will return).

Chapter 6: The Day of Judgment

One day, everyone will stand before Allah to be judged. Allah will look at our deeds.

If we did more good than bad, we will go to Jannah (Paradise). If not, we will have to answer for our mistakes.

Jannah:

A beautiful place with rivers, gardens, and everything we could ever want.

Chapter 7: Basic Rules for Life

Islam teaches us how to live a good life.

Here are some rules:

- Always tell the truth.
 - Pray Salah five times a day.
 - Be kind to your parents, teachers, and friends.
 - Keep clean and take care of your body.
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Chapter 8: The Pillars of Islam

These are the five things every Muslim must do:

- **Shahadah:** Believing in Allah and His Prophet.
- **Salah:** Praying five times a day.
- **Zakah:** Giving money to the poor.
- **Sawm:** Fasting in Ramadan.
- **Hajj:** Going to Makkah once in a lifetime if we can.

Chapter 9: A Few Important Sunnat's

The sunnah is the way Prophet Muhammad ﷺ lived.

Here are some Sunnat's for children:

- **Smile** – it's a sunnah too!
- **Say Bismillah** before you eat.
- **Say Alhamdulillah** after you finish.
- **Use your right hand** when eating or drinking.

Chapter 10: Duas for Children

Here are a few short duas to memorize:

- Before eating:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ وَعَلَى بَرَكَاتِهِ اللَّهُ

Bismillah wa 'ala barakatillah

- Before sleeping:

اللَّهُمَّ بِاسْمِكَ أَمُوتُ وَأَحْيَا

Allahumma Bismika amutu wa ahya

- After waking up:

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَحْيَانَا بَعْدَمَا أَمَاتَنَا وَإِلَيْهِ النُّشُورُ

Alhamdulillahiladhi ahyaana bada ma
amaa tana wa ilayhin-nushoor

Conclusion

You have now been introduced to the basic beliefs as a muslim.

Always remember, Allah loves those who try their best to obey Him.

Let's end with a dua:

"Ya Allah, keep me on the straight path and make me a good Muslim. Ameen."

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