

ESSENTIALS OF ISLAMIC BELIEFS

Imam Ahmad al-Dardir's Kharida Explained

Lesson Eight: Prophethood

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Review Lesson Nine

One. The Need for Prophets

Two. The Attributes of Prophets: Necessary,
Possible, and Absurd

Three: The Final Messenger Muhammad (peace
be upon him)



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Lesson Ten: The Hereafter (Lines 54-57)

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One. Belief in the Hereafter



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Belief in the Unseen: Opening of Revelation

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“Alif-Lam-Meem. This is the Book in which there is no doubt—a guidance for those mindful of Allah: those who believe in the Unseen; establish prayer; spend from what We have provided for them; and who believe in what has been revealed to you and what was revealed before you, and have certitude in the Hereafter. It is they who are truly guided by their Lord, and it is they who will be successful.”

[Qur'an, 2.1-5]

What is ‘the Unseen’?

الذَّٰرِ ۝ ذَٰلِكَ الْكِتَٰبُ لَا رَيْبَ فِيْهِ هُدًى
لِّلْمُتَّقِيْنَ ۝ الَّذِيْنَ يُؤْتُونَ الصَّلَاةَ
وَمِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ يُنفِقُوْنَ ۝ وَالَّذِيْنَ يُؤْمِنُوْنَ بِمَا أُنْزِلَ
إِلَيْكَ وَمَا أُنْزِلَ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ وَبِآخِرَتِهِمْ هُمْ يُوَفُّوْنَ ۝
أُولَٰئِكَ عَلَىٰ هُدًى مِنْ رَبِّهِمْ وَأُولَٰئِكَ
هُمُ الْمُفْلِحُونَ ۝

Text. Belief in the Hereafter

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٥٤. وَيَلْزَمُ الْإِيمَانُ بِالْحِسَابِ وَالْخَيْرِ وَالْعِقَابِ وَالْثَوَابِ
٥٥. وَالْخَيْرِ وَالصِّرَاطِ وَالْمِيزَانِ وَالْخَوْضِ وَالنَّيْرَانِ وَالْجَنَّةِ
٥٦. وَالْجِنِّ وَالْأَنْفَالِ ثُمَّ الْآثِيْبَا وَالْخَوْرِ وَالْوِلْدَانِ ثُمَّ الْأَوْثِيَا
٥٧. وَيُكَلِّمُ نَارَ جَهَنَّمَ خَيْرَ الْبَشِيْرِ مِنْ كُلِّ خَلْقٍ حَتَّىٰ تَخْرُجَ نَارُ كَافَّةٍ

54. It is binding to believe in the Reckoning, / The Gathering, punishment, reward,
55. The gathering, the Path, the Scales, / The Pool, the Fire, the Garden,
56. The Jinn, Angels, and all Prophets / The houris, the youth, and also in saints
57. And everything that the Prophet came with / That is necessarily known to be of the religion

Line 54: Reckoning, Gathering...

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٥٤. وَيَلْزَمُ الْإِيمَانُ بِالْحِسَابِ وَالْخَيْرِ وَالْعِقَابِ وَالْثَوَابِ

54. It is binding to believe in the Reckoning, / The Gathering, punishment, reward,
One. Reckoning
Two. Gathering
Three. Punishment
Four. Reward

Line 55: The Gathering, Scales... Heaven, Hell

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٥٥. وَالْخَيْرِ وَالصِّرَاطِ وَالْمِيزَانِ وَالْخَوْضِ وَالنَّيْرَانِ وَالْجَنَّةِ

55. The gathering, the Path, the Scales, / The Pool, the Fire, the Garden,
Five. Gathering
Six. The Path
Seven. The Scales
Eight. The Pool
Nine. The Fire
Ten. The Garden

Line 56: Jinn, Angels... Saints

٥٦- وَالْجِنُّ وَالْأَنْفَالُ ثُمَّ الْأَنْبِيَا وَالْحُزُرُ وَالْوَلَدَانِ ثُمَّ الْأَوْلِيَا

56. The Jinn, Angels, and all Prophets / The houris, the youth, and also in saints

11. The Jinn
12. The Angels
13. All Prophets
14. The Houris and Youth
15. The Saints

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Line 57: The Necessarily Known

٥٧- وَيَكُنْ مَا جَاءَ عَنِ النَّبِيِّهِ مِنْ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ ضَارٍّ فَالْعَزِيزُ

57. And everything that the Prophet came with / That is necessarily known to be of the religion

One. Comprehensive Principle: "What is necessarily known of the religion" (al-ma'lum min al-din bi'l darura)

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Consequences of Belief in the Hereafter

Urgency and Purpose
The Meccan Suras of the Qur'an
Sense of responsibility
Hope and Fear

Readings:

- One. The Lives of Man - Imam Haddad
- Two. Remembrance of Death and the Afterlife - Imam Ghazali

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Two. Statement of Belief

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Line 58: The Comprehensive Statement

٥٨- وَيَنْطَوِي فِي كَلِمَةِ الْإِسْلَامِ مَا قَدْ مَضَى مِنْ سَائِرِ الْأَحْكَامِ

**58. The Statement of Islam contains within it /
Everything that has been mentioned above.**

What *La ilaha illa'l Llah* expresses

By expression

By indication

By implication

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Implications of La ilaha illa'l Llah

There is no god but God

There is *none free of need of any other, whom all are
in need of* except God

Neediness and Gratitude

Yearning and turning

Hope and Fear

Love and Presence

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Next: Lesson

Eleven

The Realization of Faith

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