A Reminder To The Muslims That Islām Is The Only True Religion And Every Other Religion Is False



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Indeed, the Islāmic religion is the correct and sound religion that is required from all of the inhabitants of the earth. Allāh, the Most High, 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."²

And He, the Most High, said:

﴿إِنَّ ٱلدِّينَ عِندَ ٱللَّهِ ٱلْإِسْلَمُ وَمَا ٱخْتَلَفَ ٱلَّذِينَ أُوتُوا ٱلْكِتَابَ إِلَّا مِنْ بَعْدِ مَا جَآءَهُمُ ٱلْعِلْمُ بَعْيًا بَيْنَهُمْ وَمَن يَكْفُرْ بِعَايَتِ ٱللَّهِ فَإِنَّ ٱللَّهَ سَرِيعُ ٱلْحِسَابِ ۞ فَإِنْ حَآجُوكَ فَقُلْ أَسْلَمْتُ وَجُهِى لِلَّهِ وَمَن يَكْفُرْ بِعَايَتِ ٱللَّهِ فَإِنَّ ٱللَّهَ سَرِيعُ ٱلْحِسَابِ ۞ فَإِنْ جَآجُوكَ فَقُلْ أَسْلَمْتُ وَجُهِى لِلَّهِ وَمَنِ ٱتَّبَعَنِ وَقُل لِلَّذِينَ أُوتُوا ٱلْكِتَابَ وَٱلْأُمِيِّنَ ءَأَسْلَمْتُمْ فَإِنْ أَسْلَمُوا فَقَدِ ٱهْتَدَوا وَجُهِى لِللهِ وَمَنِ ٱتَّبَعَنِ وَقُل لِلَّذِينَ أُوتُوا ٱلْكِتَابَ وَٱللَّهُ بَصِيرٌ بِٱلْعِبَادِ﴾
وَإِن تَوَلَّوْا فَإِنَّمَا عَلَيْكَ ٱلْبَلَغُ وَٱللَّهُ بَصِيرٌ بِٱلْعِبَادِ﴾

"Truly, the religion with Allah is Islam. Those who were given the Scripture (Jews and Christians) did not differ except, out of mutual jealousy, after knowledge had come to them. And whoever disbelieves in the Ayat (proofs, evidences, verses, signs, revelations, etc.) of Allah, then surely, Allah is Swift in calling to account. So if they dispute with you (Muhammad) say: "I have submitted myself to Allah (in Islam), and (so have) those who follow me." And

 $^{^1}$ This treatise is an excerpt from a refutation written by the Shaykh, as recorded in his Majmūʻ Al-Fatāwá Wa Al-Maqālāt (2/277)

² Āl 'Imrān: 85

say to those who were given the Scripture (Jews and Christians) and to those who are illiterates (Arab pagans): "Do you (also) submit yourselves (to Allah in Islam)?" If they do, they are rightly guided; but if they turn away, your duty is only to convey the Message; and Allah is All-Seer of (His) slaves."³

And Allāh, the Exalted and Most High, had described the Jews and Christians with disbelief due to what they said regarding Allāh, and due to their distortion and changing of their Scriptures, and their transgression of [Allāh's] boundary in speech and action, out of following what their tongues describe and what their souls desire. May Allāh curse them. How can they deviate from the Truth!

Allāh, the Most High, said:

"Surely, they have disbelieved who say that Allah is the Messiah, son of Maryam (Mary). Say (O Muhammad ﷺ): "Who then has the least power against Allah, if He were to destroy the Messiah, son of Maryam (Mary), his mother, and all those who are on the earth together?" And to Allah belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth, and all that is between them. He creates what He wills. And Allah is Able to do all things."4

³ Āl 'Imrān: 19-20

⁴ Al-Mā'idah:17

And He, the Most High, said:

﴿ لَقَدْ كَفَرَ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا إِنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الْمَسِيحُ ابْنُ مَرْيَمَ وَقَالَ الْمَسِيحُ يَا بَنِي إِسْرَابِيلَ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ رَبِّي وَرَبَّكُمْ إِنَّهُ مَنْ يُشْرِكْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدْ حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ الْجُنَّةَ وَمَا وَمُ النَّارُ وَمَا لِلظَّالِمِينَ مِنْ أَنْصَارٍ ۞ لَقَدْ كَفَرَ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا إِنَّ اللَّهَ ثَالِثُ ثَلَاثَةٍ وَمَا مِنْ إِلَهٍ إِلَّا إِلَهُ وَاحِدٌ وَإِنْ لَمْ مِنْ أَنْصَارٍ ۞ لَقَدْ كَفَرَ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا إِنَّ اللَّهَ ثَالِثُ ثَلَاثَةٍ وَمَا مِنْ إِلَهٍ إِلَّا إِلَهُ وَاحِدٌ وَإِنْ لَمْ مِنْ أَنْصَارٍ ۞ لَقَدْ كَفَرَ النَّذِينَ قَالُوا إِنَّ اللَّهُ ثَالِثُ ثَلَاثَةٍ وَمَا مِنْ إِلَهٍ إِلَّا إِلَهُ وَاحِدٌ وَإِنْ لَمْ يَنْتَهُوا عَمَّا يَقُولُونَ لَيَمَسَّنَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْهُمْ عَذَابُ أَلِيمٌ ۞ أَفَلَا يَتُوبُونَ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَيَعْمُ وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ ﴾

"Surely, they have disbelieved who say: "Allah is the Messiah ['Iesa (Jesus)], son of Maryam (Mary)." But the Messiah ['Iesa (Jesus)] said: "O Children of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord." Verily, whosoever sets up partners in worship with Allah, then Allah has forbidden Paradise for him, and the Fire will be his abode. And for the Zalimun (polytheists and wrong-doers) there are no helpers. Surely, disbelievers are those who said: "Allah is the third of the three (in a Trinity)." But there is no ilah (god) (none who has the right to be worshipped) but One Ilah (God -Allah). And if they cease not from what they say, verily, a painful torment will befall the disbelievers among them. Will they not repent to Allah and ask His Forgiveness? For Allah is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful."5

And He, the Most High, said:

﴿ وَقَالَتِ الْيَهُودُ عُزَيْرُ ابْنُ اللّهِ وَقَالَتِ النَّصَارَى الْمَسِيحُ ابْنُ اللَّهِ ذَلِكَ قَوْلُهُمْ بِأَفْوَاهِهِمْ يُضَاهِءُونَ قَوْلَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ قَبْلُ قَاتَلَهُمُ اللَّهُ أَنَى يُؤْفَكُونَ ۞ اتَّخَذُوا أَحْبَارَهُمْ وَرُهْبَانَهُمْ أَرْبَابًا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ وَالْمَسِيحَ ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهًا وَاحِدًا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا وَرُهْبَانَهُمْ أَرْبَابًا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ وَالْمَسِيحَ ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهًا وَاحِدًا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا فَرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهًا وَاحِدًا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا فَيُ مِنْ دُونِ اللّهِ وَالْمَسِيحَ ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهًا وَاحِدًا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهًا وَاحِدًا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهُ اللّهِ مَنْ دُونِ اللّهِ مُؤْمَا أَمُولُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهُ اللّهِ مَا أَمْرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهُ اللّهِ وَالْمَسِيحَ ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهُ اللّهُ وَاحِدًا لَا إِلَهُ إِلّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهُ اللّهِ لَا لَهُ لِلْهُ لَلْكُولُولُهُمْ أَوْمُ اللّهِ مُنْ دُونِ اللّهِ وَالْمَسِيحَ ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهُ الللّهِ فَا وَاحِدًا لَا إِلَهُ اللّهُ مُنْ مُ أَوْمُ اللّهُ لَوْلَ اللّهِ فَالْمُولِكُونَ ﴾

⁵ Al-Mā'idah:72-74

"And the Jews say: 'Uzair (Ezra) is the son of Allah, and the Christians say: Messiah is the son of Allah. That is a saying from their mouths. They imitate the saying of the disbelievers of old. Allah's Curse be on them, how they are deluded away from the truth! They (Jews and Christians) took their rabbis and their monks to be their lords besides Allah (by obeying them in things which they made lawful or unlawful according to their own desires without being ordered by Allah), and (they also took as their Lord) Messiah, son of Maryam (Mary), while they (Jews and Christians) were commanded [in the Taurat (Torah) and the Injeel (Gospel)) to worship none but One Ilah (God -Allah) La ilaha illa Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He). Praise and glory be to Him, (far above is He) from having the partners they associate (with Him).""6

And the noble verses with this meaning are numerous — from what makes it known that the religion of Judaism and Christianity have been abrogated by the legislation of Muḥammad . And what they contain of truth, Islām affirmed it. And what they contain of falsehood is from that which they distorted and replaced in accordance to their desires, to purchase with it a little price. How evil is what they purchase!

The religion of Islām is the correct and sound religion that is required from all of the inhabitants of the earth. It is the religion that all the prophets gave glad tidings of.

An-Nasā'ī reported from the Prophet ﷺ, that he saw a page from the Torah in the hands of 'Umar bn Al-Khaṭṭāb, may Allāh be pleased with him. So, he said: "Are you in doubt, O Ibn Al-

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⁶ At-Tawbah:30-31

Khaṭṭāb?! I have brought it [i.e., Islām] to you white and clear. Were Mūsá to be alive, and you follow him while abandoning me, you would go astray." And in a narration: "Were Mūsá to be alive, he would have to follow me." So, 'Umar said: "I am pleased with Allāh as a Lord, and Islām as a religion, and as Muḥammad as a prophet."

Just as 'Īsá, peace be upon him, came as a reviver for the religion of Mūsá — to make lawful some of what was made unlawful for them, as contained in His, the Most High's statement:

"And I have come confirming that which was before me of the Taurat (Torah), and to make lawful to you part of what was forbidden to you, and I have come to you with a proof from your Lord. So fear Allah and obey me. Truly! Allah is my Lord and your Lord, so worship Him (Alone). This is the Straight Path."⁷

He will also descend at the end of time to revive the Message of Muḥammad . "The Son of Maryam will soon descend among you as a just judge. He will break the Cross, kill the swine, and abolish the Jizyah (a tax taken by the Muslim leader from the Non-Muslims who are under the Muslim government's protection)."

An-Nawawī said in his explanation: "His statement: '[He will] abolish the Jizyah' i.e., he will not accept anything [from the

⁷ Āl 'Imrān: 50-51

⁸ Reported by Muslim.

disbelievers] except Islām or the sword [i.e., battle]." End of quote.

And when the inhabitants of the Earth see this sign, the one whom Allāh guides his heart will return to the religion of Islām. And the one whom Allāh illuminates his insight from the Jews and Christians will enter into it, and he will believe in 'Īsá after the manifestation of radiant signs in which the lights of clear guidance appear before him.

And believing in 'Īsá, peace be upon him, at that time is a confirmation of the Message of Muḥammad , and the religion he brought from his Lord—which is Islām. The lie and falsehood which the rabbis and monks introduced into the Christian and Jewish religion, to lead the people astray and confuse them about their religion will then become clear.

Allāh, the Most High, said in the story of 'Īsá, peace be upon him, with the People of the Scripture—those that said they killed him—in clarification of their lie and that among them are those who will later believe in 'Īsá, peace be upon him, before his death—because death is a must for every mankind in this worldly life:

"But Allah raised him ['Iesa (Jesus)] up (with his body and soul) unto Himself (and he is in the heavens). And Allah is Ever All-Powerful, All-Wise. And there is none of the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians), but must believe in him ['Iesa (Jesus), son of Maryam (Mary), as only a Messenger of Allah and a human being], before his ['Iesa (Jesus) or a Jew's or a Christian's] death (at the time of the

appearance of the angel of death). And on the Day of Resurrection, he ['Iesa (Jesus)] will be a witness against them."

And this situation that was explained by the Noble Qur'ān came after He had described them with disbelief in the previous verse. And that is His, the Most High's, statement:

"And because of their (Jews) disbelief and uttering against Maryam (Mary) a grave false charge (that she has committed illegal sexual intercourse). And because of their saying (in boast), "We killed Messiah 'Iesa (Jesus), son of Maryam (Mary), the Messenger of Allah," - but they killed him not, nor crucified him, but the resemblance of 'Iesa (Jesus) was put over another man (and they killed that man)."¹⁰

And in the era of Allāh's Messenger , and after the legislation of Islām becomes clear to the inhabitants of the earth, those whom Allāh illuminates their insight from the Jews and Christians will enter Islām after they know the truth, and they will free themselves from the beliefs that oppose the legislation Allāh put in place for His slaves—which is singling Allāh, the Majestic and Most High, out in worship, and not ascribing any partners with Him in worship or belief.

⁹ An-Nisā':158-159

¹⁰ An-Nisā':156-157

The religion of Islām is the [sole] religion that Allāh was pleased with for His prophets from eternity. Allāh, the Most High, said:

"Truly, the religion with Allah is Islam." 11

And He, the Most High, said:

"And who turns away from the religion of Ibrahim (Abraham) (i.e. Islamic Monotheism) except him who befools himself? Truly, We chose him in this world and verily, in the Hereafter he will be among the righteous. When his Lord said to him, "Submit (i.e. be a Muslim)!" He said, "I have submitted myself (as a Muslim) to the Lord of the 'Alamin (mankind, jinns and all that exists)." And this (submission to Allah, Islam) was enjoined by Ibrahim (Abraham) upon his sons and by Ya'qub (Jacob), (saying), "O my sons! Allah has chosen for you the (true) religion, then die not except in the Faith of Islam (as Muslims - Islamic Monotheism)."" 12

And the religion of Islām is the [only] straight path that leads to Allāh—as occurs in the exegesis of Sūrah Al-Fātiḥah. The slave invokes his Lord to guide him to the straight path and to distance him from the path of those who have earned Allāh's

¹¹ Āl 'Imrān:19

¹² Al-Bagarah:130-132

wrath—and they are the Jews; those who disobeyed Allāh upon knowledge and awareness—and the path of the misguided—and they are the Christians; those who worship Allāh upon ignorance and misguidance.

And from what we have mentioned, it is clear that the path to Allāh is one, and it is the religion of Islām. And it is the [religion] which Allāh sent His prophet, Muḥammad , with; just as He sent all the messengers. And that all what opposes it, like Judaism, Christianity, Fire worship, Idol worship, and so on, are from the religions of disbelief, and are all false. They are not a path to Allāh, nor do they lead to His paradise, rather, they only lead to His wrath and torment. Just as He, the Most High, 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." 13

And the Prophet said: "No one hears of me from this Ummah [i.e., all of mankind], whether Jew or Christian, then he dies and did not believe in what I was sent with, except that he will be from the people of the Fire." 14

And Allāh is the One that is asked to bestow upon us and all the Muslims, understanding of the religion and firmness upon it, to rectify our hearts and deeds, to guide us all to the straight path, and to distance us from the path of those who have earned His wrath and the misguided ones. Indeed, He is the One capable of that. And may Allāh bless and grant peace to our prophet, Muhammad, his household, and his companions.

¹³ Āl 'Imrān: 85

¹⁴ Reported by Imām Muslim in his Ṣaḥīḥ.