

## CORE BELIEF ON...



<b>God</b>	One God (in essence), in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.	One God in one person: Allah.
<b>Scripture</b>	The Bible is inspired by the Spirit through the agency of prophets and apostles over many centuries.	The Bible has been corrupted, but is acceptable where it agrees with the Koran, dictated directly to Mohammed by the angel Gabriel. The hadith is also regarded as authoritative.
<b>Humanity</b>	Created in God's image, yet guilty and corrupt in Adam's fall (original sin).	Human beings are not created in God's image. There is no inherent sinfulness; sin is simply a matter of personal choice.
<b>Christ</b>	Eternally God, incarnate from the Virgin Mary: divine and human natures united inseparably in one person; was crucified, buried, and raised on the third day.	A great prophet who prepared the way for Mohammed. Misunderstands Christianity as implying that God had intercourse with Mary. "God has no son." Jesus is only human, but a great prophet who performed miracles. It seemed he was crucified, but a disciple took his place and Jesus ascended into heaven.
<b>Salvation</b>	By grace alone, in Christ alone, through faith alone. Good works are the fruit of salvation, not its basis.	A record of good deeds and bad deeds is kept in Paradise; salvation is hoped for on the basis of good deeds outweighing the bad.
<b>The Holy Spirit</b>	Second person of the Trinity, "Lord and giver of life."	Given the denial of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit is identified with the non-divine angel Gabriel.
<b>Return of Christ</b>	Jesus will return as the judge of the world, raising all people: the justified to everlasting life, and those who do not believe in Christ to everlasting death.	Jesus will return (with Mohammed) to lead his followers to Allah, repenting of their blasphemies and embracing Islam.
<b>Heaven and Hell</b>	The future hope is "the resurrection of the body and life everlasting" in a renewed creation. There will be unending fellowship and joy in the presence of the Triune God and one another, without sin, sorrow, or death.	All will be raised, and non-Muslims will be consigned to hell along with Muslims whose bad deeds outweigh the good. In Paradise, the faithful indulge every desire (including sexual intercourse with virgins).