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the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful*

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# Introduction

In the Name of God, all praises be to Him, the Most Gracious and the Most Merciful; our creator and the creator of the universe.

This book has been written in a humble attempt to help settle some of the common doubts and misconceptions people have about the great religion of Islam. A religion that has captured the hearts of hundreds of millions of people around the world and answered their questions about the unseen.

It is hoped that, with the simple explanation of the topics in this book, I can reach the inner conscience of all brothers and sisters in humanity and show them the truth about the final religion that has been revealed to mankind.

I pray that God blesses this endeavor and forgives me for any shortcomings.

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# What is Islam?

Islam means “surrender and submission of one’s will to the will of Almighty God” in sincere obedience and peace. It is the last religion and the final message sent by God to all of mankind in order to guide them to the right path: to worship and resort to Him Alone, without ascribing to Him any partners or taking any intercessors to communicate with Him. God conveyed His religion of Islam by sending down His revealed scripture, the Qur’an, to His beloved and last chosen Prophet, Muhammad ﷺ, through the angel Gabriel. Muhammad ﷺ taught and exemplified Islam to his followers through the teaching of the Qur’an and through his actions, sayings and noble moral conduct.

The great English playwright, Sir George Bernard Shaw, wrote:

I have always held the religion of Muhammad in high estimation because of its wonderful vitality. It is the only religion which appears to me to possess that assimilating capacity to the changing phase of existence which can make it self appeal to every age.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> George Bernard Shaw, *The Genuine Islam*, vol. 1, p. 8, 1936.

## Chapter 1. What is Islam?















