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2. *Iqâmat-as-Salât* (to offer the compulsory congregational prayers properly and punctually).
3. To pay *Zakât* (*Zakât* is mandatory charity. When a Muslim owns 85 grams of gold or its equivalent in cash, 2.5% must be paid after possessing this quantity for a year. *Zakât* is also due on other forms of property, the details of which will be discussed later).
4. *Hajj* (the greater pilgrimage to the House of Allâh in Makkah) for whoever is able to do so.
5. To observe *Sawm* (fasting during the month of Ramadhân): [With the intention to abstain from the start of dawn until sunset from food, drink and everything else which breaks (invalidates) the fast].

(Agreed upon) *

* Throughout the book henceforth, a *Hadîth* related by Bukhâri and Muslim both will be called agreed upon.

