



RIGHTS OF GOD

The ultimate purpose of every act of worship and every command in Islam is to deepen a person's spiritual relationship with God.

At its heart, Islamic teaching is rooted in spirituality, for true nearness to God is only attained through spiritual refinement.

One path to achieve this nearness is through observing the five daily prayers.

Islamic philosophy emphasises the profound connection between the body and the mind. Bowing one's head before the Almighty in prayer is not merely a physical gesture but an act that deepens one's spiritual awareness and connection with God.

Much as the modern-day nutritionists advise five portions of food a day for a healthy body, Muslims pray five times a day to improve their spiritual health.



RIGHTS OF HIS CREATION

You cannot truly love the Creator if you do not love and serve His creation. A true Muslim lives for others. Physical acts of worship and devotion are incomplete if they do not shape you into becoming a better, more compassionate human being.

Serving Humanity: Helping those in need, feeding the hungry and providing shelter to the homeless are central to Islamic teaching.

Everyday Ethics and Morals: A Muslim is commanded to uphold absolute integrity in all worldly dealings. This means strict honesty in day-to-day life, honouring contracts, fulfilling promises, dealing fairly with others, and avoiding all forms of deception or exploitation.

Family: The family is the cornerstone of society. Islam therefore emphasises treating parents, spouses, and children with love, compassion, dignity, and respect.

Justice: Islamic standard for justice sets an extremely high bar; the Holy Quran requires a Muslim to stand firmly for justice even if it means testifying against yourselves, your parents, or close relatives.

Social Equality: The Quran establishes that true nobility and high rank in the sight of God are based entirely on righteousness and piety rather than wealth, lineage, or worldly status. When people of different races, financial backgrounds and social classes stand shoulder-to-shoulder in daily prayer, it is designed to systematically dismantle racism and division in society.



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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A MUSLIM?

Spirituality lies at the heart of Islam. Every prescribed act in Islam serves the higher objective of cultivating a deeper spiritual bond with God. Closeness to God is achieved not through ritual alone but through genuine spiritual refinement. And spiritual growth can only be achieved through inner purification.

The path to achieving inner purification and spiritual growth in Islam is through faithfully observing both the rights of God (*Huqūq Allāh*) and the rights of His creation (*Huqūq al-'Ibād*).

