

Y6.5 ISLAM 2: Does belief in Akhirah (life after death) help Muslims lead good lives?

Islam was founded by the prophet (messenger) Muhammad (PBUH) in the early 7th Century.

Who was Muhammad?

Muhammad was a prophet.

Couldn't read or write.

Grandfather told him to worship one God – Allah.

Became a merchant and met many people.

Honest man.

Prayed to Allah alone in a cave.

Fasted because he didn't want to stop praying.

An angel came to him and asked him to recite something.

He couldn't read or write so Angel gave him a passage to repeat.

Muhammad repeated this message to others.

Angel visited him lots of times giving him different messages to repeat.

These messages make up the Quran.

The messages teach Muslims how to lead good lives.

Janna (Paradise, Heaven) is called by eight names in the Qur'an. They have been translated into English as:

- paradise,
- a garden on high,
- a home that will last,
- garden of eternity,
- garden of everlasting bliss,
- gardens of delight,
- home of peace,
- home of the righteous.

Entry to Paradise is limited to those who believe in God and his messengers, and who have led a good life on earth.



The eight doors of heaven

• **Baab As-Salaat**

Those who were punctual and focused in their [prayers \(salaat\)](#) will be granted entry through this door.

• **Baab Al-Jihad**

Those who have died in the defense of Islam ([jihad](#)) will be granted entry through this door.

• **Baab As-Sadaqah**

Those who frequently give away in charity ([sadaqah](#)) will be admitted into Jannah through this door.

• **Baab Ar-Rayyaan**

The people who constantly observed fasting (especially during [Ramadan](#)) will be granted entry through this door.

• **Baab Al-Hajj**

Those who observe the [Hajj pilgrimage](#) will be admitted through this door.

• **Baab Al-Kaazimeen Al-Ghaiz Wal Aafina Anin Naas**

This door is reserved for those who control their anger and forgive others.

• **Baab Al-Iman**

This door is reserved for the entry of such people who have sincere faith and trust in Allah, and who strive to follow the commands of Allah.

• **Baab Al-Dhikr**

Those who constantly remembered Allah ([dhikr](#)) will be admitted through this door.

