

The Concept of Dawah

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Allah SWT created *Asbab*, the causes, reasons or tools for doing things. He created *Jahannum*, the hell and covered it with pleasant things. Necessities were created for humans like food, clothes, shelter, means for transportation, sexual desire, ambient temperatures, etc. Fulfilling such necessities leads to tranquillity. These have been ensured by Allah SWT. In addition, He sent *Anbiyaa'*, the prophets, about 124,000 in number, for divine guidance of the humans, as *Ihsan*, excelling in goodness. This was the purpose of the life of the humans. The reason for these arrangements was Love of Allah SWT with Bani Adam, progeny of Adam (AS), the humans.

Allah SWT extends *Ikram*, respects humans in comparison to other creatures. So He has guided them to eat using their hands as compared to other animals eating with their mouths directly. He has granted them means of transportation on earth, in water and in air. He has provided them with *Halal*, lawful and *Tayyab*, hygienic *Rizq*, foods and other provisions. The greatest *Ikram* from Allah SWT on humans has been the grant of *Emaan*, the faith. Humans have been advised to obey Him through *Ibadaat*, the prayers.

This World has been created as *Darul Huqooq*, the place of fulfilling the rights of the Creator and the creatures while the *Akhirah*, Hereafter, the life after death is the place of rewards for good or bad deeds of the humans. This World is perishable and the life of the Hereafter is everlasting. Man needs certain minimum requirements for life which are provided by Allah SWT but his objective of life is to worship Him, do good deeds as an attempt to obey commandments of Allah SWT, which is His right on the humans.

The message of Allah SWT is available in the form of Qur'an and Sunnah and it has to be implemented by Muslims, the followers of the Last Prophet Muhammad SAW in their life and to be extended to the rest of the Muslims and non-Muslims throughout the World.