

## Akhirah—The Afterlife

Judgement	Muslims believe Allah knows everything and therefore Allah will judge a person based on how they have lived their life. People will be separated. Those who have lived a good life will go to Jannah, those who have lived a bad life will go to Jahannam.
Jannah	Muslims believe Jannah is a place of beauty. Those who have lived a good life will be rewarded in Jannah.
Jahannam	Some Muslims believe Jahannam is a place of fiery torture for eternal afterlife. Other Muslims believe that Jahannam is not forever and Allah will forgive them once they are pure.

## Zakat

What is Zakah?	Zakah is a pillar of Islam and is compulsory for Muslims. It is the belief that Muslims should give 2.5% of their annual income to charity.
Who is Zakah paid to?	In Muslim countries Zakah is paid to the state, whereas in other countries Zakah will be paid to the Mosque.
What happens with the money?	The money is used to help people in poverty, debt or distress.
Why is it important?	One of the meanings of Islam is 'peace' and it is important to Muslims to create a harmonious society. They believe Zakat helps to do this.

## Key Terms

Islam	The religion of the Muslims, a monotheistic faith regarded as revealed through Muhammad as the Prophet of Allah
Muslim	A person who follows Islam
Abrahamic Religion	An Abrahamic religion is a religion whose followers believe in prophet Abraham. The best known Abrahamic religions are Judaism, Christianity and Islam
Qur'an	The holy book of Islam
Allah	The name used for God in Islam
Pilgrimage	A journey to a place which is special for religious reasons
Akhirah	Muslims teachings about life after death
Resurrection	The belief that humans will be raised again in the next life
Jannah	This is paradise—a beautiful and attractive place
Jahannam	This is a place of pain and suffering (hell)
Judgement	The belief that humans will be judged in the afterlife
Zakat	One of the five pillars that states Muslims should give 2.5% of their income to charity.
Five Pillars	The most important duties of a Muslim
Makkah	The city in Saudi Arabia where Muslims go on a pilgrimage.
Ka'bah	The cube shaped building in Makkah

## Hajj—A pilgrimage to Makkah

<b>Where is Makkah?</b>
It is in Saudi Arabia, and is the holiest place on earth for Muslims. Around 3 millions pilgrims attend Hajj every year.
<b>Why do Muslims visit Makkah?</b>
They believe prophets such as Ibrahim, Isma'il and Muhammed lived and preached here.
<b>Why are Muslims expected to go here at least once?</b>
Makkah is a pilgrimage that is one of the five pillars of Islam—'Hajj'.
<b>Who is expected to go to Makkah?</b>
People that are healthy enough and are able to afford all the expenses and expected to perform Hajj at least once.
<b>What are the origins of the Hajj?</b>
The teachings of Hajj can be traced back 4000 years ago to the time of Ibrahim.

## Key People

Isma'il	Isma'il is one of the sons of Ibrahim. Muslims believe that Ibrahim and Isma'il were chosen to rebuild the Ka'bah in Makkah.
Musa (Moses)	Muslims believe Allah instructed Moses to free the slaves from Egypt and because he completed this he was given the rules of right and wrong. (The Ten Commandments).
Isa (Jesus)	Muslims believe Isa (Jesus) is one of the most honoured prophets of Allah. However, Muslims reject the idea that Jesus was the son of God and they also do not believe he was killed on a cross. They believe Allah saved him from this death.