Lesson 1

Topic: Need for Ahkam

The Islamic ideologies are divided to...

## A) Osul al-deen: pillars of religion

The beliefs that build the Islamic belief system and are meant to be reached by intellect and heart build the Islamic belief system, consisted of: 1. Tawhid: (oneness of Allah), 2.Adl (justice of Allah) 3. Nobowwah (prophethood) 4. Imamah (successorship of the 12 Imams) 5. Ma'aad (Day of Judgment)

## B) Foru' al-deen (the branches of religion)

The practical precepts of religion which reflect the beliefs in one's actions; and they are: 1. Salah, 2. Fast, 3. Khums, 4. Zakah, 5. Hajj, 6. Jahad, 7. Amr bel Ma'ruf, 8. Nahy anel Munkar, 9. Tawalli, 10. Tabarri.

In order to reach the purpose of Allah in our creation and to pass the test that we are all in, we must have a plan and that is to follow Allah's orders through religion's laws, because Allah is the only one who knows the best for us; but the prophet and the Imam is the one who is in charge to make sure these rules are taught.

A student of seminary studies Ahkam (religion's rules) in brief and then in depth from the first year of his/her education.