



Islam - Does belief in Akhirah (life after death) help Muslims lead a good life?



Key Vocabulary

Akhirah	Life after death
Allah	The Muslim name for God
Qur'an	Holy book for Muslims
Jihad	struggle (Often a personal struggle to live life in the right way)
Interpretation	the way you understand something – this may be different to another person's view of the same thing
Hadith	words and actions of Muhammad as a person not messenger of Allah.

Muslims believe that Allah will decide their next life. This is really important as the afterlife is seen as being more important than life on earth which is a test designed by Allah to see how we cope with different situations. Each day is a struggle for Muslims to follow their faith – they put this effort in to please Allah and hopefully achieve a positive afterlife.

Useful texts:

- Qur'an 10:56 'He gives life and causes death and to him you will be returned.'
- Qur'an 2:218 'But those who have believed, migrated and striven for God's cause, it is they who can look forward to God's mercy: God is most forgiving and merciful.'
- Qur'an 2:28 - How can you disbelieve in Allah when you were lifeless and He brought you to life; then He will cause you to die, then He will bring you [back] to life, and then to Him you will be returned.
- Qur'an 4:124 - And whoever does righteous deeds, whether male or female, while being a believer - those will enter Paradise and will not be wronged, [even as much as] the speck on a date seed.



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