

REAL FAITH

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Galip Hasan KUŞÇUOĞLU, Sheikh of the Galibi Tariqat , emphasizes especially on the subject “RELIGIOUS FAITH” on his recent conversations.. There are 6 conditions of faith. These are::

- a) Believe in Allah
- b) Believe in Angels
- c) Believe in the Scripture
- d) Believe in Prophets
- e) Believe in the Day of Judgement
- f) Believe that the Fate, The Good and The Bad is from Allah.

The word “condition” expresses certainty. For example, when someone applies for a job, some conditions are put forth. If one of those conditions are missing, he can not get the job. If one of the application conditions are missing for a student to be registered for a school, he will not be able to registered.

The ones who are subject to Sharia Mohammadi , can not fulfill some of the conditions of the Faith. What are those? First of them is “to believe the Prophets of Allah”. In the below verses of Kor’an:

1-Say (O Muslims), "We believe in Allah and that which has been sent down to us and that which has been sent down to Ibraahim (Abraham), Ismaa'il (Ishmael), Ishaaque (Isaac), Ya'qoob (Jacob), and to Al-Asbaat [the twelve sons of Ya'qoob (Jacob)], and that which has been given to Moosa (Moses) and 'Iesa (Jesus), and that which has been given to the Prophets from their God. We make no distinction between any of His Prophets, and to Him we have submitted (in Islaam)." **(Surah al-Baqarah, 136)**

2-The Messenger (Muhammad) believes in what has been sent down to him from his God, and (so do) the believers. Each one believes in Allaah, His Angels, His Books, and His Messengers. They say, "We make no distinction between one another of His Messengers" -- and they say, "We hear, and we obey. (We seek) Your Forgiveness, our God, and to You is the return (of all)." **(Surah al Baqarah, 285)**

3-Say (O Muhammad): "We believe in Allaah and in what has been sent down to us, and what was sent down to Ibraahim (Abraham), Ismaa'il (Ishmael), Ishaaque (Isaac), Ya'qoob (Jacob) and Al-Asbaat [the twelve sons of Ya'qoob (Jacob)] and what was given to Moosa (Moses), 'Iesa (Jesus) and the Prophets from their God. We make no distinction between one another among them and to Him (Allaah) we have submitted (in Islaam)." **(Ali Imran, 84)**

4-And those who believe in Allaah and His Messengers and make no distinction between any of them (Messengers), We shall give them their rewards, and Allaah is Ever Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful. **(Surah An-Nisa , 152)**

There is no superiority between the Prophets, while saying, “ believe in them without making any discrimination” , the ones who are subject to Muhamadian Shari’a; they see the last Prophet Muhammad(s.a.v) as superior to the others. This sight and opinion, indicates that they don’t have full faith in the Prophets that Allah had brought down to the world.

In fact, Had not the religion wars in history been emerged from contesting the Prophets and discriminating among them? Why the Crusades had been made? Why the members of the Sharias' are enemies to each other in the Century we live in?

Another item which is missing among the conditions, is "to believe in the Books of Allah". In general of the Muhammadian Shari'a, there is the false belief and thought that "the books before Kor'an have become invalid". But there is not any verse in Koran indicating that "the books before Kor'an have become invalid". Koran indicates that It had been sent to approve the previous Books and to tell the good news of the subsequent. The verses about the subject are:

1- "And who believe in that which is sent down to you, and that which was sent down before you(the Books and the Prophets), and have certain faith in the Hereafter." (**AL-BAQARA, 4**)

2-Say (O Muhammad (sallallaahu 'alayhy wa sallam)): "Whoever is an enemy to Jibrael (Gabriel) (let him die in his fury), for indeed he has brought it (this Qur'aan) down to your heart by Allaah's Permission, confirming what came before it [i.e. the Tauraat (Torah) and the Injeel (Gospel)] and guidance and glad tidings for the believers. (**Surah Al-Baqarah, 97**)

The verse clearly informs that Koran had been brought to verify the previous Books on the contrary to the opinion, "the Books before Koran have become invalid".

3-Say (O Muslims), "We believe in Allaah and that which has been sent down to us and that which has been sent down to Ibraahim (Abraham), Ismaa'il (Ishmael), Ishaaque (Isaac), Ya'qoob (Jacob), and to Al-Asbaat [the twelve sons of Ya'qoob (Jacob)], and that which has been given to Moosa (Moses) and 'Iesa (Jesus), and that which has been given to the Prophets from their God We make no distinction between any of them, and to Him we have submitted (in Islaam)." (**Surah al-Baqarah, 136**)

4- Righteousness is not whether you turn your faces to the East or to the West; but righteous is he who believes in Allah and the Last Day and the Angels and the Scripture and the Prophets; and gives his wealth for the love of Allah to relatives, orphans and the needy, and the wayfarer, and those who ask, and for slaves; and establish the prayer and pay the Zakat; and those who keep their pledges when they make them, and show patience in hardship and adversity, and the time of distress. Such are the true believers; and such are the Godfearing. (**Al-Baqara, 177**)

5-The Messenger (Muhammad) believes in what has been sent down to him from his God, and (so do) the believers. Each one believes in Allaah, His Angels, His Books, and His Messengers. They say, "We make no distinction between one another of His Messengers" -- and they say, "We hear, and we obey. (We seek) Your Forgiveness, our God, and to You is the return (of all)." (**Surah al Baqarah, 285**)

6- He was revealed to you the Scripture with truth, confirming that which was revealed before it, even as He revealed the Torah and the Gospel. Previously, for a guidance to mankind, and had revealed the Criterion. Those who deny the signs of Allah shall receive a heavy penalty; and Allah is Mighty, Able to Requite. (**Al-Imran, 3,4**)

7- O you who believe! Stand out firmly for justice, as witnesses to Allah, even though it be against yourselves, or your parents, or your kindred, and whether it be against rich or poor, for Allah is nearer to both. So follow not caprice, lest you lapse; and if you lapse or fall away, then surely Allah is ever Informed of what you do. (**An-Nisa, 136**)

Allah wants us to believe in the Books before Koran in the above verses and in many verses. If we think that the previous Books are invalid, how can we have faith in a book which is invalid? Isn't that a contradiction?

9- And in their footsteps, We sent 'Iesa (Jesus), son of Maryam (Mary) , confirming the Tauraat (Torah) that had come before him, and We gave him the Injeel (Gospel), in which was guidance and light and confirmation of the Tauraat (Torah) that had come before it, a guidance and an admonition for Al-Muttaqoon (the pious -- see V.2:2). (**Surah al-Maidah, 46**)

10- And We have sent down to you (O Muhammad) the Book (this Qur'aan) in truth, confirming the Scripture that came before it and Mohayminan (trustworthy in highness and a witness) over it (old Scriptures) . So judge between them by what Allaah has revealed, and follow not their vain desires, diverging away from the truth that has come to you. To each among you, We have prescribed a law and a clear way.

If Allaah willed, He would have made you one nation, but that (He) may test you in what He has given you; so strive as in a race in good deeds. The return of you (all) is to Allaah; then He will inform you about that in which you used to differ. **(Surah al-Maidah, 48)**

11-And this (the Qur'aan) is a blessed Book which We have sent down, confirming (the revelations) which came before it, so that you may warn the Mother of Towns (i.e. Makkah) and all those around it. Those who believe in the Hereafter believe in (the Qur'aan), and they are constant in guarding their Salaat (prayers). **(Surah al-An'am, 92)**

12- This Koran could not have been invented apart from Allah, but it is a confirmation of that which was before it, and an explanation of the Book-wherein there is no doubt-from the God of the Worlds. **(Yunus, 37)**

13- “In their stories there is a lesson for men of understanding. This is no invented tale but a confirmation of the previous and a detailed explanation of all things and a mercy to people who believe. **(Yusuf, 111)**

17- “ Thus We have revealed unto you the Book, and those unto whom We gave the Book, they believe therein; and of these there are some who believe therein. AND none deny Our revelations save the disbelievers. **(Al-Ankebut, 47)**

18- “As for that which We inspire in you of the Scripture, it is the truth confirming that which was revealed before it. Surely Allah is indeed observer, Seer of his slaves.
(Al-Fatır, 31)

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“And recall the event when We brought to you a group of the jinn so that they might listen to the Koran. When they they reached the place they said to each other: “Give ear!” and when the recitation was over, they returned to their people as warners.”
(Al-Ahqaf, 29)

“They said to them: “O our people! We have just listened to a Book that has been sent down after Moses. It confirms what came before it, and guides to the Truth and to a straight Road.”
(Al-Ahqaf, 30)

The ones who are subject to Mohammadian Shari'a, in order to achieve the real faith; without considering superlativeness among the Prophets, should believe in Eminent Muhammad, Jesus, Moses and all the Prophets that God had sent. They should believe in all the Books, Kor'an, Gospel, Torah, Psalm that had sent by Allah without thinking that they have become invalid, they should believe in all the books that had come to the Prophets and accept their existence. Sheikh Galip Efendi explains that those who do not have that kind of faith, suffer from weakness in real faith.

The real Compassion will begin after the real faith have been caught. When the real faith is being accepted, a Divine Love, closeness and friendship will be incurred between the members of the Sharias. Believers who are enemies to each other and see unbeliever one another will embrace each other. In solving problems, common decisions will be taken. Common projects will be made and bridges of love will be built and as Galip Hasan KUŞÇUOĞLU says; ‘our world will be Heaven’.