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Obey Allah and Obey the Messenger

Bird's Eye View of Hadith

Session 2/7 – Understanding Hadith
& Hadith e Jibril

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About the Sessions



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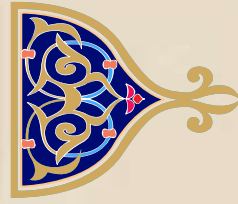
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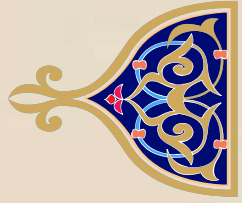
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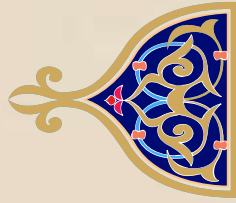


Sessions Overview

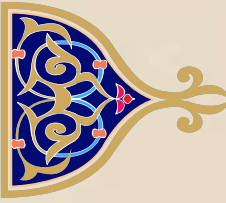


- ❖ This course comprises seven (7) distinct sessions, each offering a few essential aspects related to Hadith.
- ❖ Each session is structured to last approximately one hour.
- ❖ Every session will involve an in-depth analysis of a carefully selected Hadith, facilitating a profound understanding of its message and relevance.





Seven Sessions



- ❖ Session 1: Introduction and the Significance of Sunnah
 - In this initial session, we lay the foundation by understanding the importance of the Sunnah in conjunction with the Quran
- ❖ Session 2: Understanding Hadith
 - Session two delves into the concept of Hadith itself, providing a clear understanding of its nature and relevance
- ❖ Session 3: Classification of Hadith
 - In session three, we delve into the classification of Hadith, categorizing them based on their authenticity and significance
- ❖ Session 4: The Stages of Hadith
 - Session four guides us through the various stages in the transmission and documentation of Hadith, shedding light on their historical journey
- ❖ Session 5: Exploring Hadith Collections
 - In session five, we embark on an exploration of the rich tradition of Hadith collections, uncovering their role in preserving Islamic knowledge
- ❖ Session 6: Sahih Bukhari and Muslim: Pinnacle of Authenticity
 - Session six shines a spotlight on the renowned Sahih Bukhari and Muslim, elucidating their exceptional status as reliable Hadith collections
- ❖ Session 7: Manners of learning Hadith and Conclusion
 - Our final session, session seven, discusses the manners and etiquette of learning Hadith while culminating the course with a conclusion



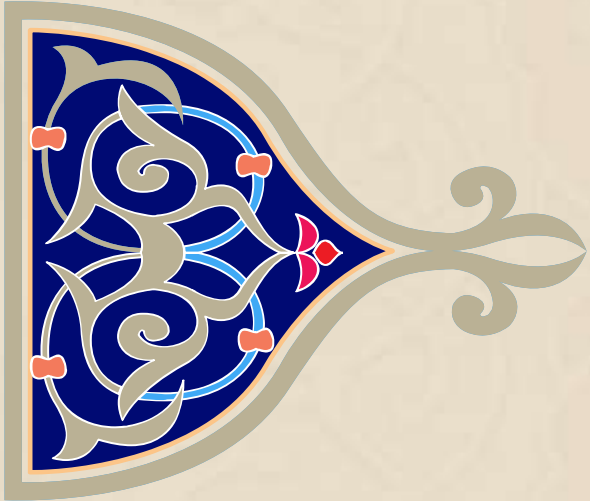
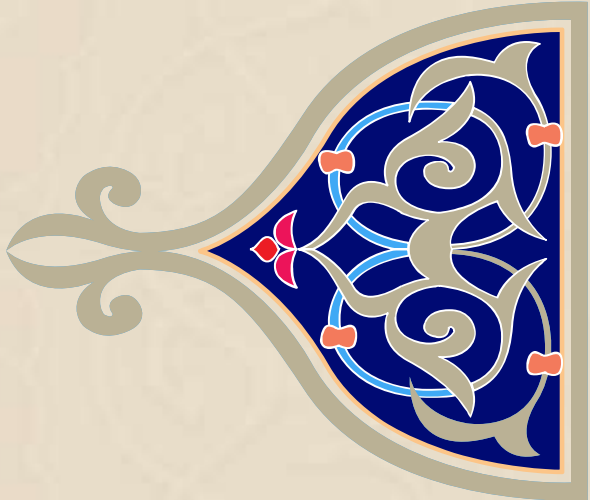


Key Learnings Goals



- ❖ Understanding the significance of Sunnah
- ❖ Comprehending the nature of Hadith
- ❖ Knowing the Hadith classification
- ❖ Familiarity with Hadith collections
- ❖ Adopting proper etiquettes for learning Hadith
- ❖ Applying Hadith knowledge
- ❖ Engaging in informed discussions





Session 2a
Understanding
Hadith

What is Hadith?

- ❖ A hadith refers to one narration about a saying, action, or approval of the Prophet ﷺ.
- ❖ Made of two parts
 - The Sanad (chain)
 - The Matn (content)
- ❖ Example
 - Musaddad narrated to us, saying: Yahya narrated to us from Shubah from Qatadah from Anas from the Prophet ﷺ: “None of you believes until he loves for his brother what he loves for himself.” Sahih al-Bukhari 13. Book 2, Hadith 6.



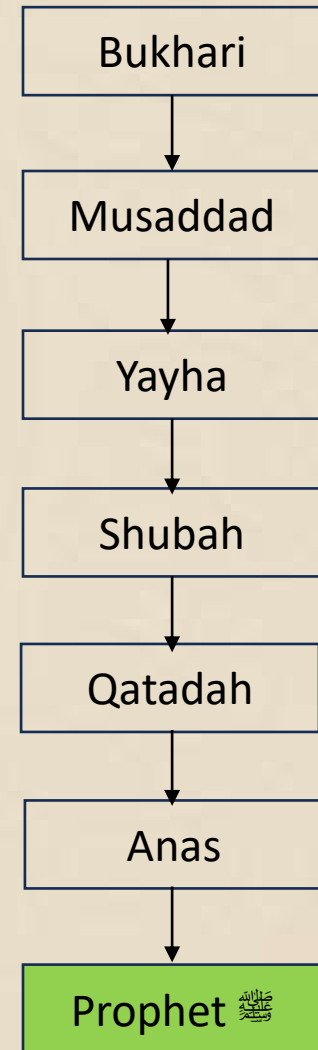
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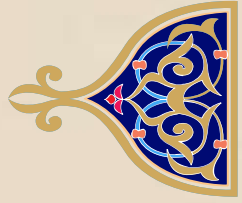
- ❖ The early hadith scholars were concerned about verifying the narrations of the Prophet ﷺ, so they were not satisfied if Qatadah (who is a generation after the Prophet ﷺ) said, “The Prophet ﷺ said ...”
- ❖ They would ask, “Who told you that?”
- ❖ So, Qatadah would instead say, “According to Anas (a companion of the Prophet ﷺ), the Prophet ﷺ said ...”
- ❖ This became common practice. Then, Qatadah’s student Shubah would say, “According to Qatadah: According to Anas, the Prophet ﷺ said ...”



Sanad (Chain)

- ❖ More names were added subsequently.
- ❖ This creates a chain of narrators for the hadith back to the Prophet ﷺ.
- ❖ In the hadith quoted above, the chain of narrators is, “Musaddad narrated to us, saying: Yahya narrated to us from Shubah from Qatadah from Anas.”
- ❖ The speaker in “Musaddad narrated to us” is the collector of the collection the hadith is taken from, Bukhari.
- ❖ Chain is important for authenticity





Matn (Content)



- ❖ Matn refers to the actual content it conveys
- ❖ Saying, action or approval of the Prophet ﷺ



Elements of Hadith

Narrator

Sanad (Chain)

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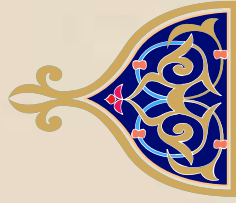
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Hadith Book





Session 2b
Hadith e Jibril



Hadith e Jibreel



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Source: Şaḥīḥ Muslim 8

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Hadees e Jibreel



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Beginning

- ❖ One day, the companions of the Prophet ﷺ were sitting with him.
- ❖ Suddenly a stranger appears with white clean clothes and black hair.
- ❖ He goes to the Prophet ﷺ and sits very close in front of him.
- ❖ He begins asking questions to the Prophet ﷺ.



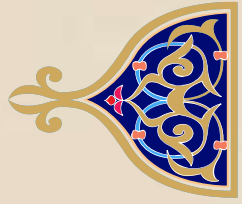


Question 1: Islam

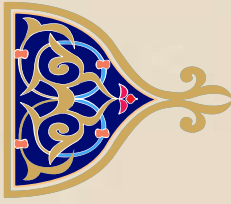


- ❖ Question 1: Tell me about Islam?
- ❖ The Prophet ﷺ's response, Islam is:
 - 1) To testify there is no God but Allah and Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah;
 - 2) To establish prayer;
 - 3) To give charity;
 - 4) To fast the month of Ramadan, and
 - 5) To perform pilgrimage to the House if a way is possible.
- ❖ The man responds 'You have spoken the truth'





Five Pillars of Islam



Proclaim Shahdah

Establish Prayer

Give Charity (Zakath)

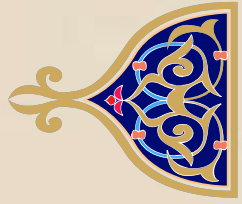
Fast in Ramadan

Perform Hajj

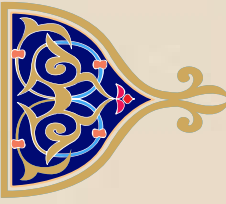


Question 2: Iman (Faith)

- ❖ Question 2: Tell me about faith?
- ❖ The Prophet ﷺ's response, faith is to believe:
 - 1) in Allah;
 - 2) His angels;
 - 3) His Books;
 - 4) His Messengers;
 - 5) the Last Day;
 - 6) in providence, its good and its harm.
- ❖ The man responds 'You have spoken the truthfully'



Elements of Faith (Iman)



Belief in Allah

Belief in Angels

Belief in Books

Belief in Messengers

Belief in the Last Day

Belief in Qadr





Elements of Iman – Belief in Allah



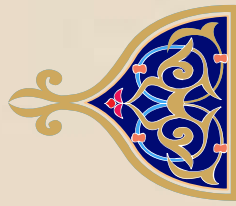
- ❖ Strong conviction that there is no God but Allah
- ❖ Surah Al-Ikhlās gives the introduction to this ONE God
- ❖ Belief in all His attributes
 - Merciful
 - Forgiving
 - Powerful
 - ...

Elements of Iman – Belief in the Last Day

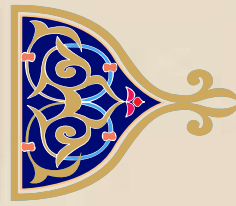
- ❖ Let us understand this considering the following
 - Belief in Allah and His attributes
 - Attributes
 - Al-Hakam – The judge, the giver of justice
 - Al-Adl – The utterly just
 - Al-Muqsit – The Equitable
 - He will not let the wrongdoers go unpunished
 - He will not disappoint the virtuous by not rewarding them
 - Belief in the Quran
 - Several verses in the Quran emphasizing that there will be day of judgement (Then indeed, after that you are to die. Then indeed you, on the Day of Resurrection, will be resurrected. [23 :15-16])
 - Logic
 - Morality
 - Concept of peace and human values is useless without hereafter
 - Justice in this world not complete
 - Biggest truth of life is death
 - Scientific – Universe is expanding, and it will collapse one day

Elements of Iman – Belief in the Last Day

- ❖ Benefits of believing in the last day
 - Prompts people to lead a pious life, do righteous deeds, fear Allah stay away from selfishness and arrogance
 - It makes a person satisfied with his lot in life.
 - He does not feel sad or lose heart if he misses a worldly opportunity.
 - Rather, he does what he can possibly do, knowing for certain that Allah will not let the reward of anyone who does a good deed go to waste



Elements of Iman – Belief in Angels



- ❖ Three main creations of Allah
 - Angels – created from Light (Noor)
 - Humans – created from Clay
 - Jinns - created from Fire
- ❖ Humans and Jinns have been give power of choice but Angels just obey what have been commanded
- ❖ They follow every command of Allah (They do not disobey Allah in what He commands them but do what they are commanded. [66:6])
- ❖ They do not eat or drink nor get tired
- ❖ Some angels
 - Jibra'eel (Gabriel) – Charged with delivering divine revelations to Prophets
 - Mika'eel (Michael) – Charged with delivering rain and subsistence etc.
 - Israfeel (Raphael) - Charged with blowing the trumpet
 - Izra'eel (Israel) – Charged with extracting souls
 - Kiraman Katibeen – Two angels who are near us recording our good and bad deeds



Elements of Iman – Belief in Books

- ❖ Another important article of faith
- ❖ Divine revelations were sent down to various prophets through the time
- ❖ Status of Previous books in the current form
 - Any text that corroborates with Quran we accept
 - Any text that contradicts with Quran we do not accept
 - Any text that neither corroborates nor contradicts – neutral
- ❖ All the previous books were meant for the people of the time
- ❖ Quran – the final revelation for all the nations and all times until the day of judgement
- ❖ Four books mentioned in Quran
 - Torah (revealed to Moses),
 - Psalms - Zaboor (revealed to David)
 - Gospel - Injeel (revealed to Jesus),
 - Qur'an

Elements of Iman – Belief in Prophets

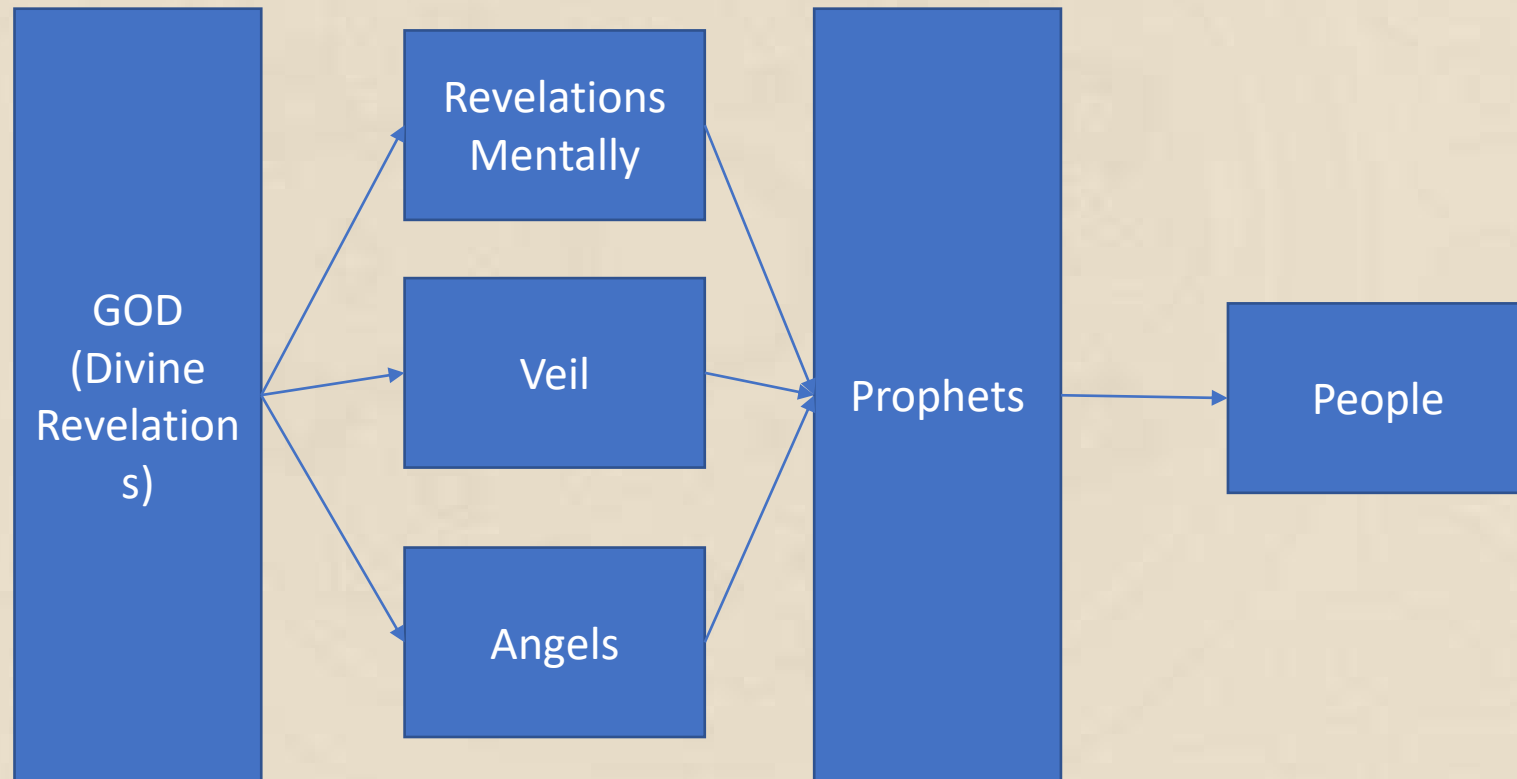
- ❖ Belief in Prophets part of faith
- ❖ A prophet or a Messenger is a person who receives the divine revelation and conveys it to the people
- ❖ Ambassador of Allah on land
- ❖ Manual and Practical Guide
- ❖ Need for a person who purifies their faith
- ❖ Incontrovertible authority
- ❖ Who could provide information beyond human thinking

Elements of Iman – Belief in Prophets

- ❖ “And it is not fitting for a mortal that God should speak to him, except by inspiration, or from behind a veil, or by sending a messenger to reveal, by His permission, what He chooses. Surely, He is High, Wise.” 42:51
- ❖ Allah made the communication channel
- ❖ A prophet comes with clear signs
- ❖ Equipped with unusual powers
 - Moses – Serpent and Staff
 - Jesus – Power to cure
 - Mohammed (ﷺ) – superb speech, the Quran



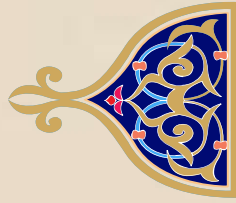
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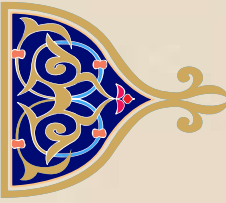
Elements of Iman – Belief in Prophets

❖ Belief in prophets includes:

- Prophets were humans
- Prophets were sent down to every Believing in all prophets
Mohammed (ﷺ) was the last prophet, his death sealed the prophethood (Muhammad is not the father of [any] one of your men, but [he is] the Messenger of Allah and last of the prophets. And ever is Allah, of all things, Knowing [33:40]).
- Important part of faith to believe that there is no prophet after Mohammed (ﷺ)



Elements of Iman – Qadr



- ❖ **Divine Origin of All Outcomes:** All goodness and adversity originate from Allah, the All-Powerful.
- ❖ **Preordained Destiny in His Eternal Script:** Everything, from the tiniest details to the grandest events, is inscribed in His eternal book, reflecting His divine plan.
- ❖ **Omniscient Awareness of Our Future Actions:** Allah possesses perfect knowledge of our future choices and actions, yet He grants us free will without imposing His will upon us.
- ❖ **The Gift of Free Will:** Allah has endowed us with the gift of choice, allowing us to discern and decide between the righteous path and the misguided one, thereby demonstrating His boundless mercy and justice.

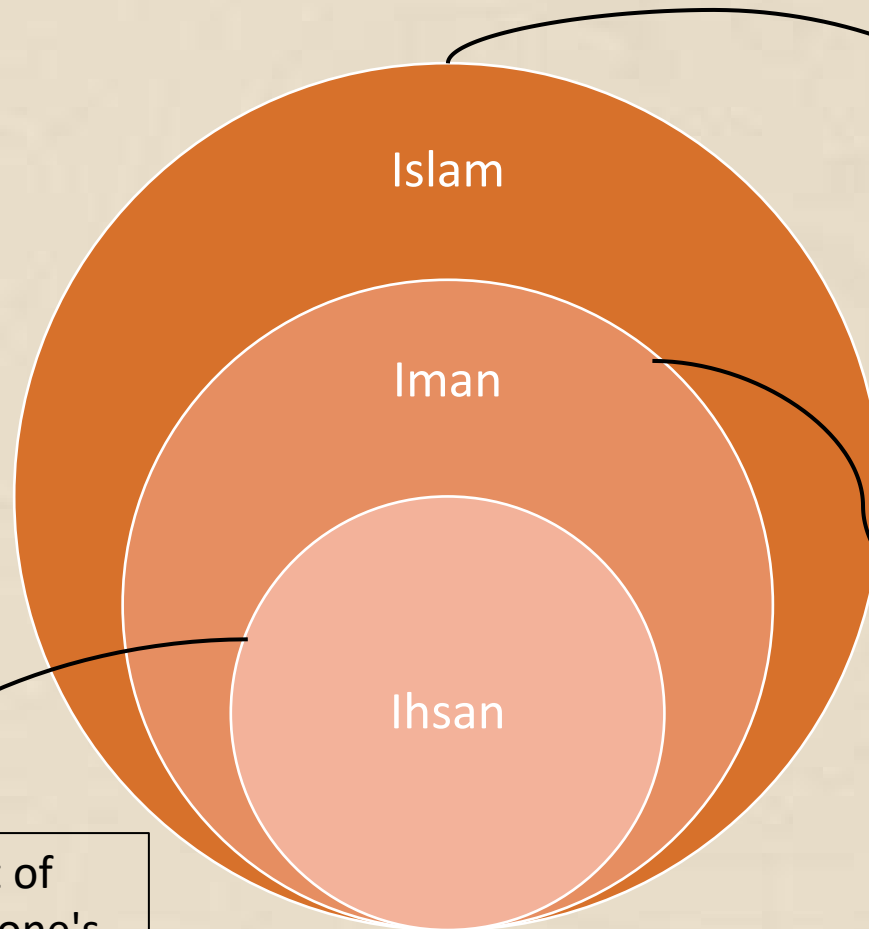


Question 3: Ihsan (Excellence)

- ❖ Question 3: Tell me about ihsan (excellence)?
- ❖ The Prophet ﷺ's response
 - Excellence is to worship Allah as if you see Him, for if you do not see Him, He surely sees you



Islam, Iman and Ihsan



- Islam is the explicit declaration of the Shahada and the active practice of its fundamental components (Prayers, Fasting, Zakath and Hajj).
- The true nature of a person's faith as a Muslim is known only to Allah.
- We consider a person Muslim based on his/her apparent proclamation.

- Iman is the true personal conviction of core beliefs such as belief in Allah, Angels, Books, Messengers, Last Day and Qadr.
- Rewards in the hereafter are primarily based on Iman

- Ihsan is the pursuit of excellence in both one's beliefs and actions.

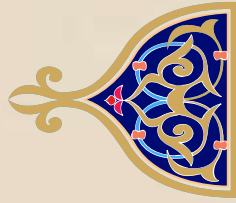
Question 4 & 5: Final Hour

- ❖ Question 4: Tell me about final hour?
- ❖ The Prophet ﷺ's response
 - The one asked does not know more than the one asking.
- ❖ Question 5: Tell me about its signs?
- ❖ The Prophet ﷺ's response
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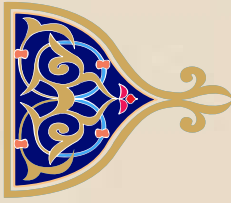
Conclusion of Hadith

- ❖ Then, the man returned, and I remained.
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Axis of Belief



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| Hypocrisy: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extreme disbelief | Non-Muslims: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not believe in GOD• Believe in multiple GODS• Attribute partner to GOD such as son of GOD) | Muslims: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Say verbally• Born in Muslim family | Mu'min: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Personal conviction• Prove with actions• No limit |
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Disbelief (α)

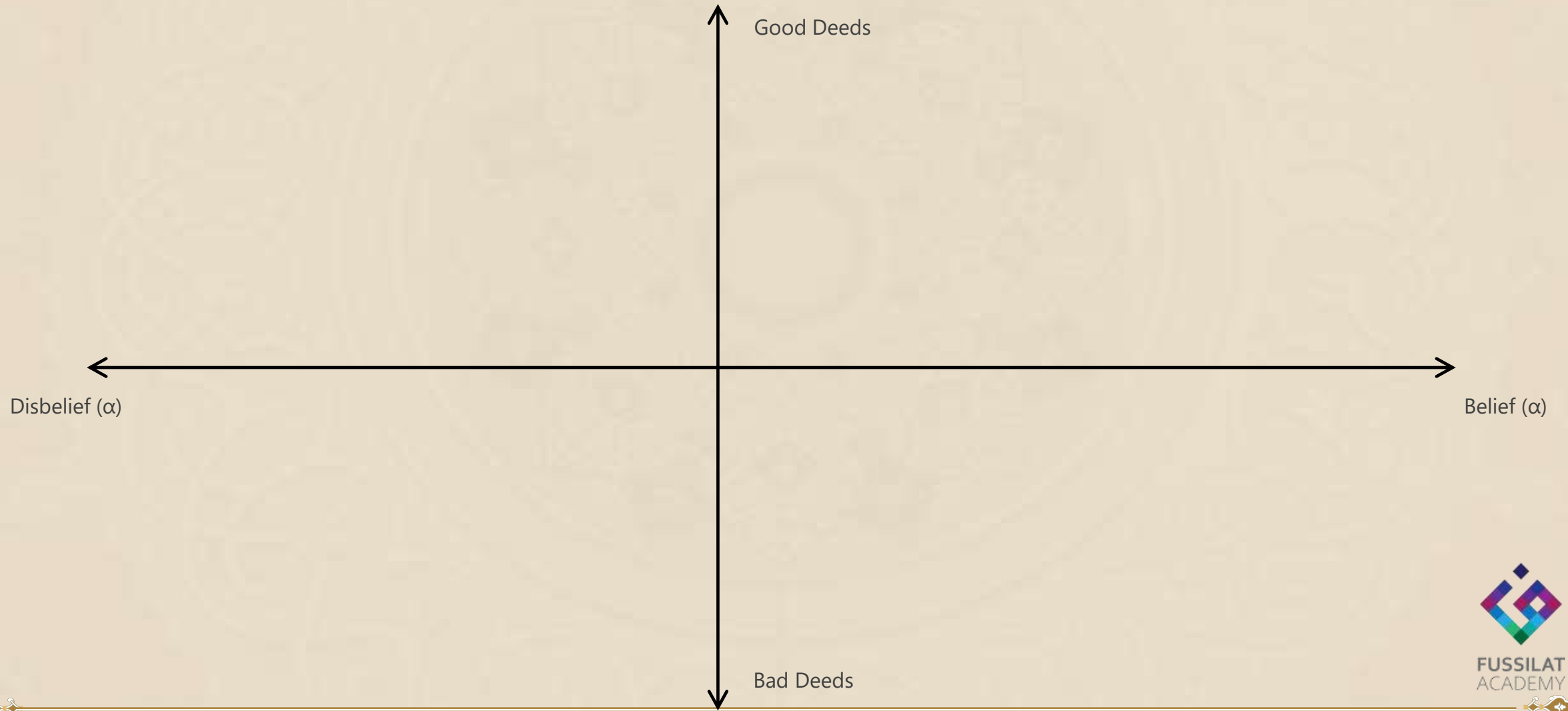
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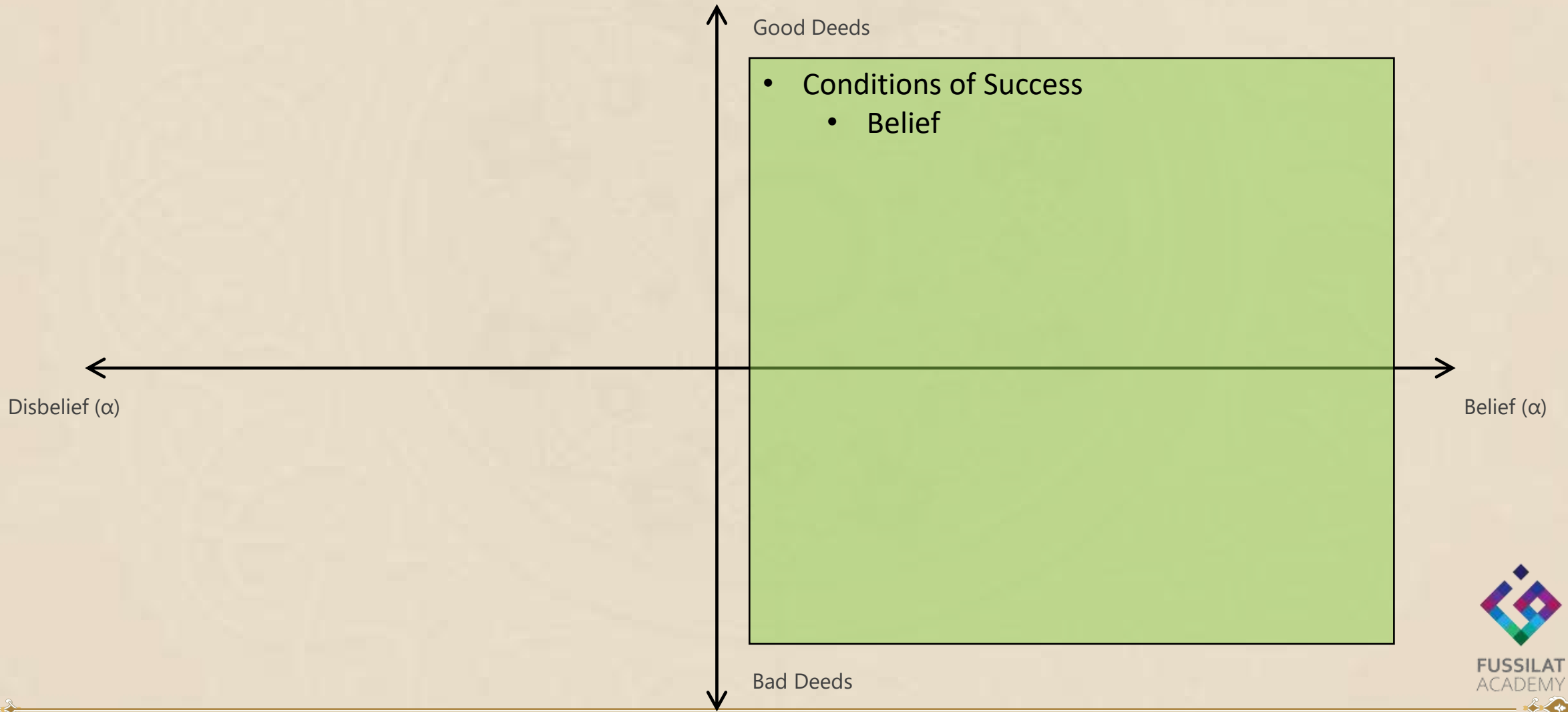
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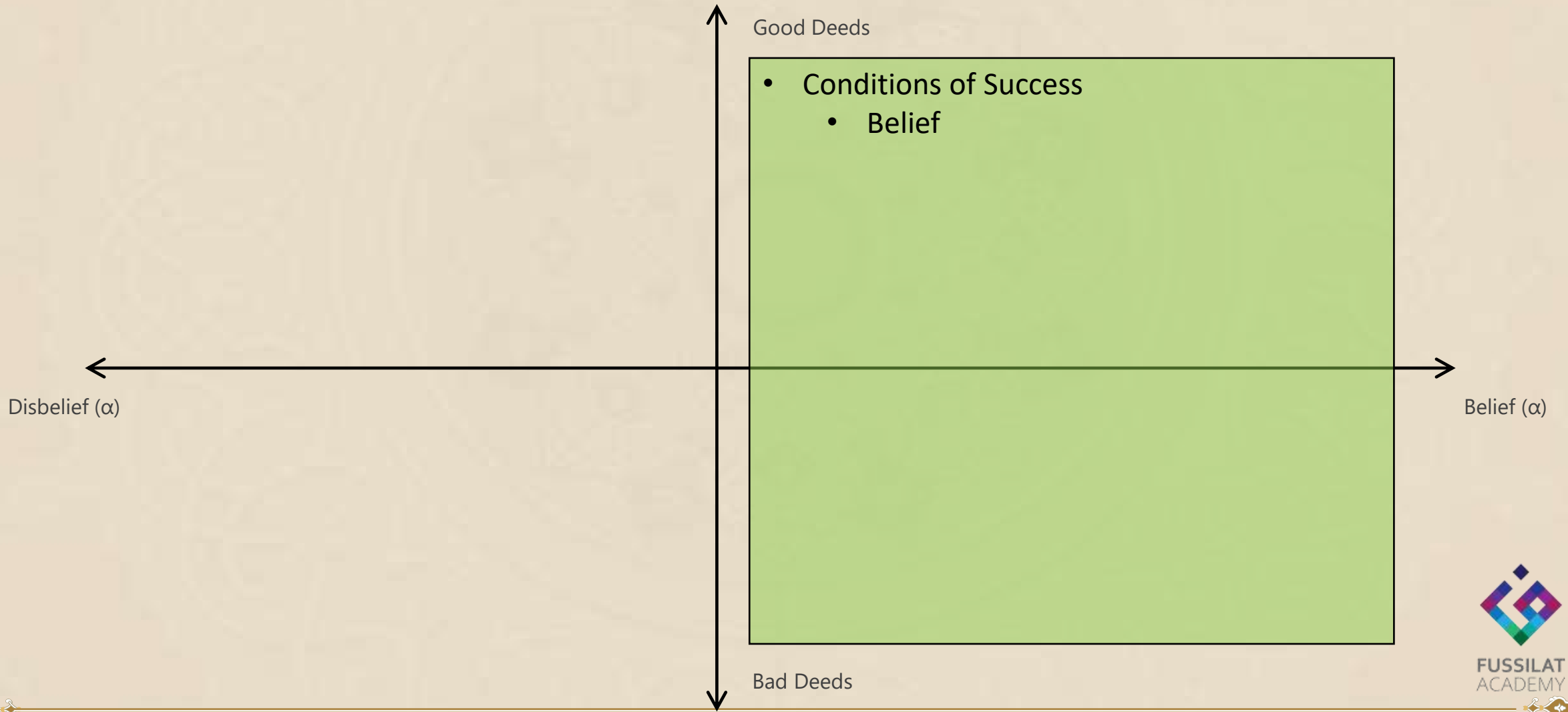
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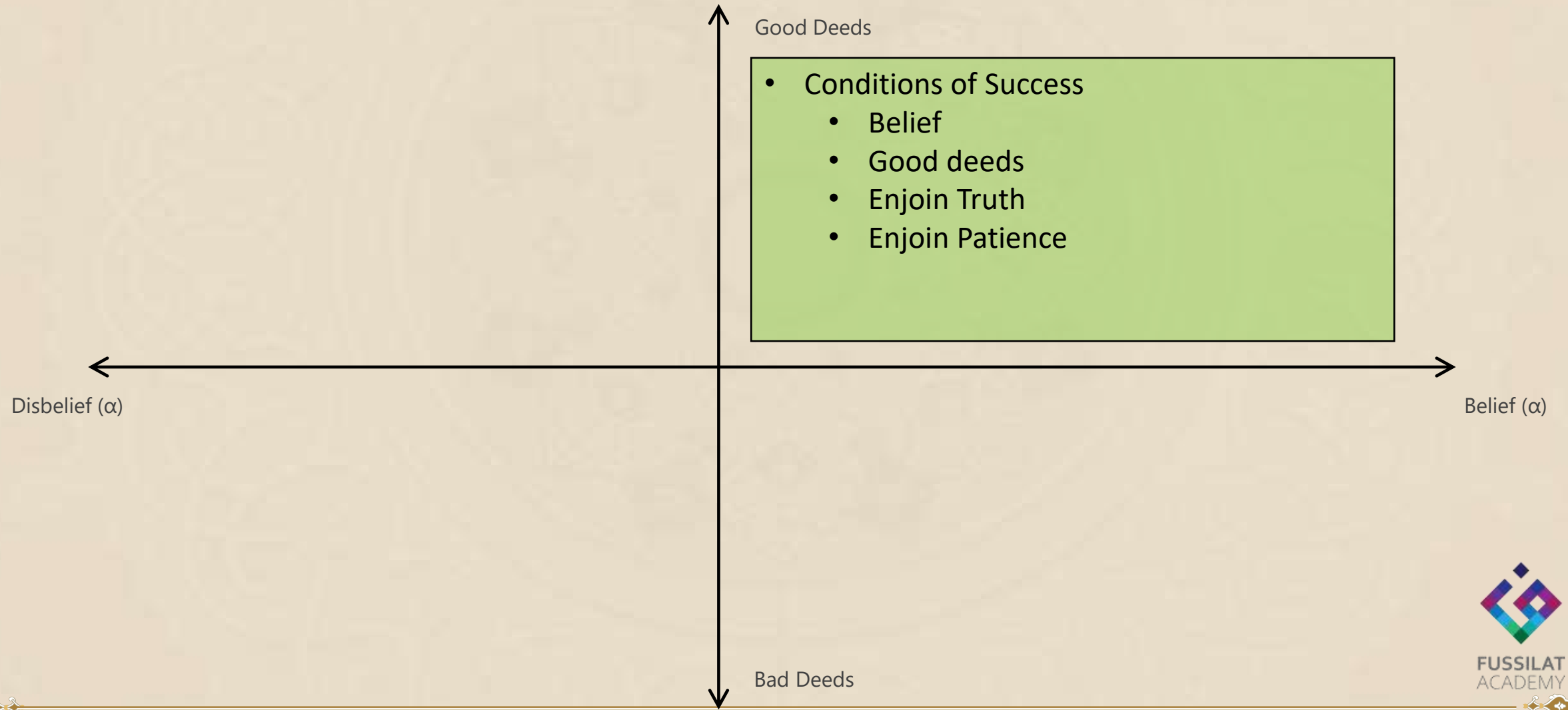
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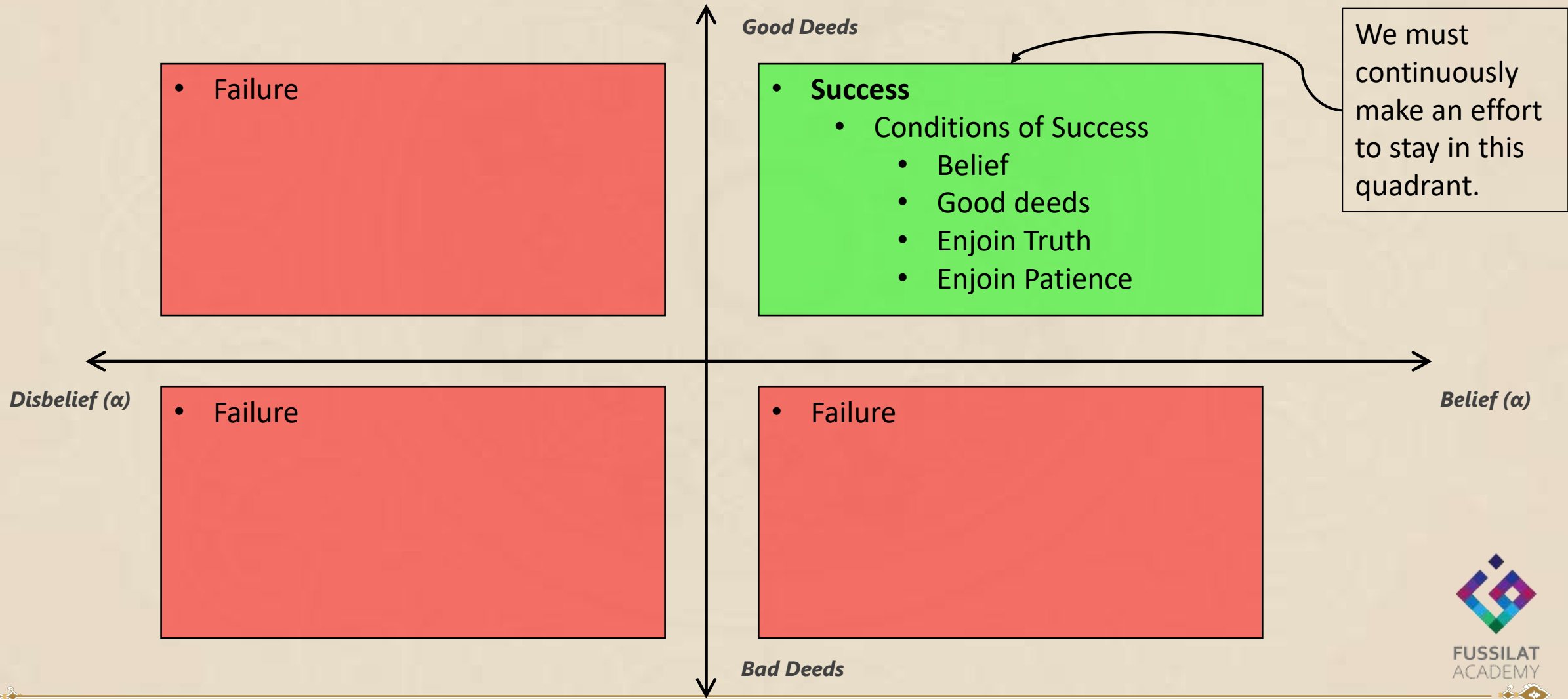
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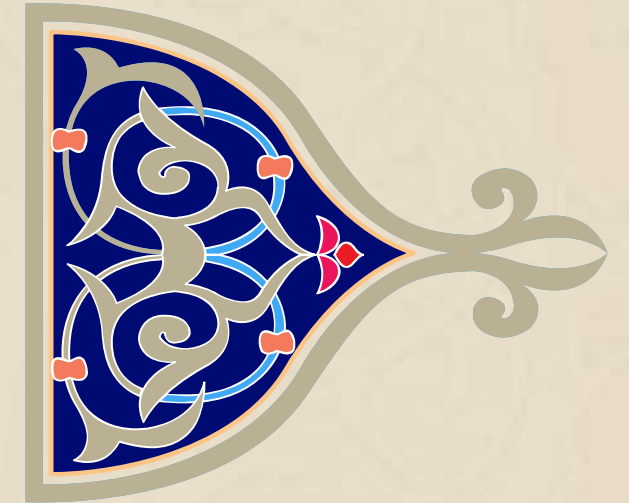
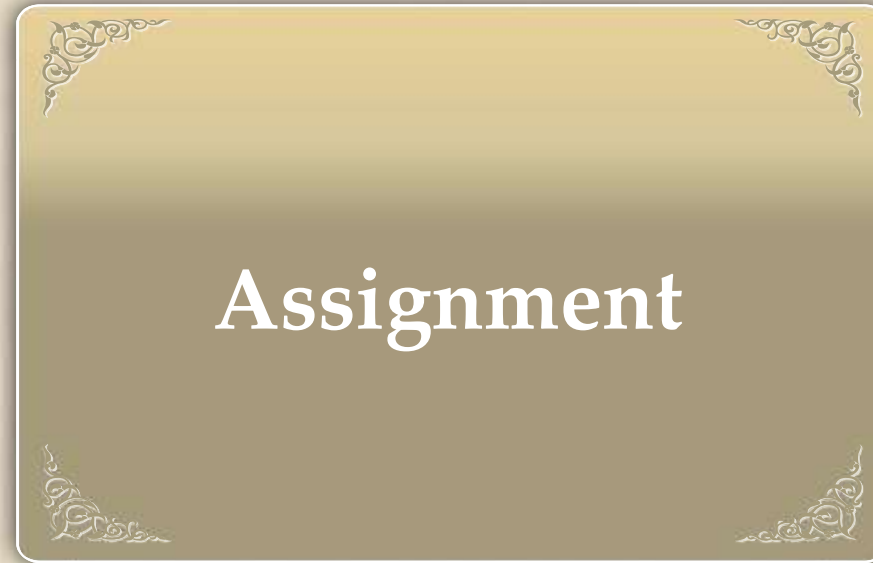
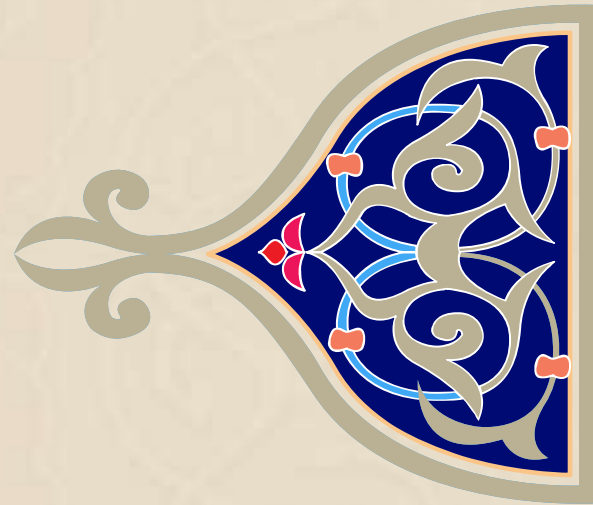


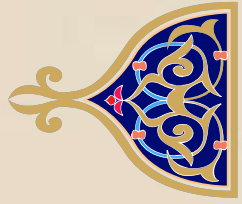
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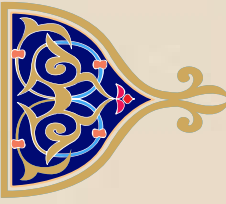
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Belief and Faith



❖ What are the elements of belief and faith?



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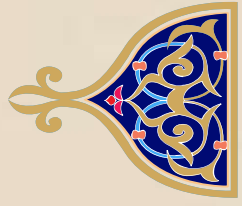
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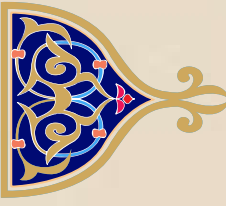
❖ Session 3: Classification of Hadith

- In session three, we delve into the classification of Hadith, categorizing them based on their authenticity and significance
- Learn in depth a selected Hadith





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سُبْحَانَكَ اللَّهُمَّ وَبِحَمْدِكَ، أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ،
أَسْتَغْفِرُكَ وَأَتُوبُ إِلَيْكَ

Glory is to You, O Allah, and praise is
to You. I bear witness that there is
none worthy of worship but You. I
seek Your forgiveness and repent to
You.



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