

ISLAM

THE RELIGION OF
KNOWLEDGE

Islam is the religion of knowledge. The first ayah (verse, sign) of the Qur'an to be revealed enjoined reading, which is the key to knowledge.

Allah says in the Qur'an:
"Read! In the Name of your Lord Who has created (all that exists).
He has created man from a clot (a piece of thick coagulated blood).
Read! And your Lord is the Most Generous.
Who has taught (the writing) by the pen.
He has taught man that which he knew not"
[Qur'an: Al-'Alaq: 1-5]

In Islam, knowledge comes before action; there can be no action without knowledge, as Allah says:
"So know (O Muhammad) that Laa ilaaha ill-Allah (none has the right to be worshipped but Allāh), and ask forgiveness for your errors, and also for (the errors of) believing men and believing women"
[Qur'an: Muhammad:19]

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