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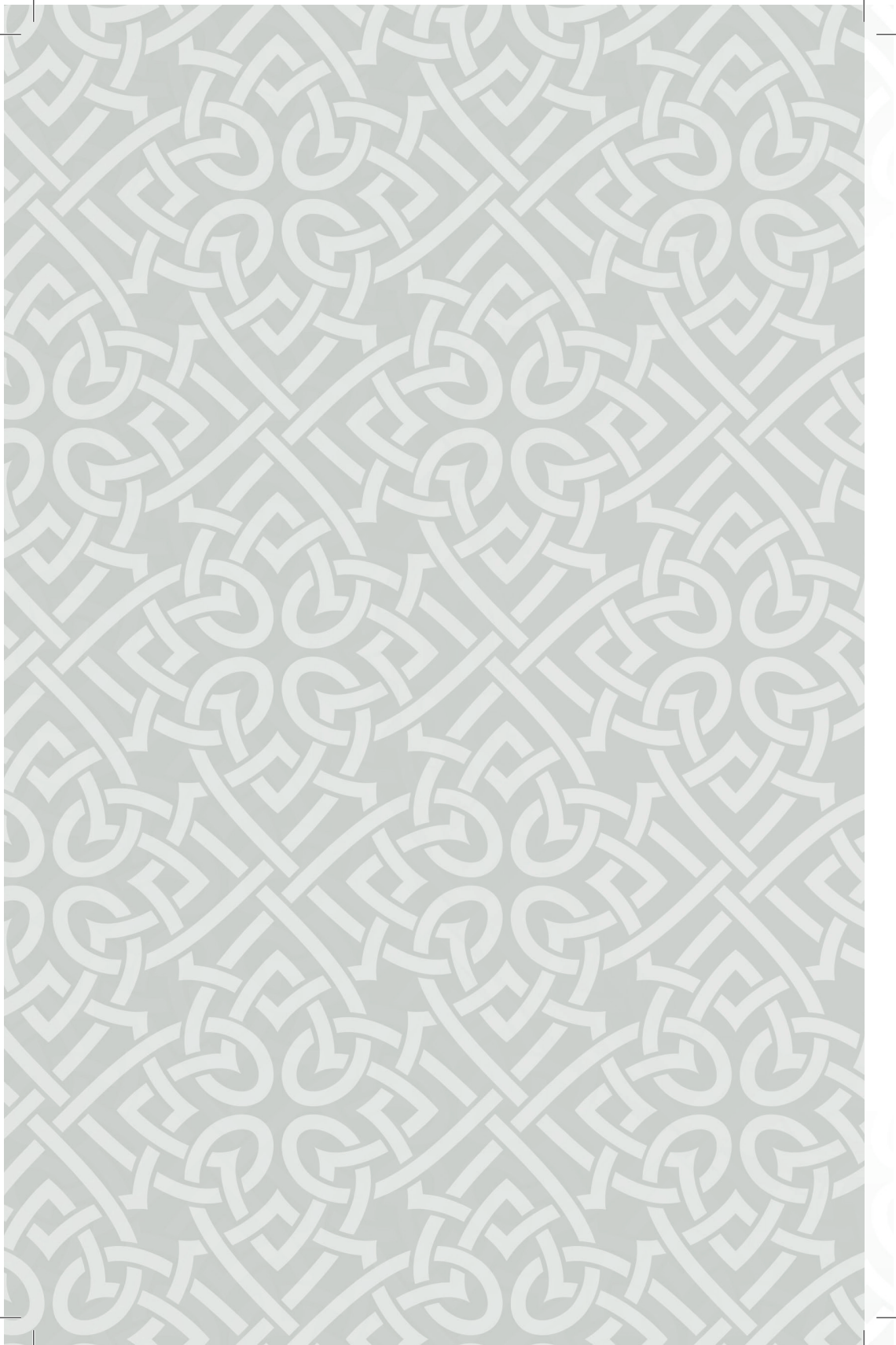
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In the Name of Allah,
the Lord of Grace,
the Ever-Merciful



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Preface

All praise be to Allāh ﷻ who has made our faith complete and perfected the grace He always bestows on us. Peace and blessings be to Prophet Muḥammad ibn ‘Abd Allāh ﷺ whom Allāh ﷻ sent as bearer of glad tidings and a warner, giving him the role of one who calls people to Allāh ﷻ by His leave and a light-giving beacon. Guidance is the greatest blessing Allāh ﷻ, the Lord of all the worlds, bestows on anyone, and the most important guidance He grants is the one that shows the right faith, which is the only one Allāh ﷻ accepts from His servants. That is Islām, which means submission to Him. Allāh Almighty has commanded His servants to request Him for guidance in every unit of their prayers, saying: *‘Guide us along the right path’*.

In his infinite wisdom, Allāh ﷻ let Muslims differ for a variety of reasons, some differences are the result of ignorance while others are due to following one’s own desire. The Prophet ﷺ foretold of such differences among Muslims. He said:

‘The Jews split into seventy-one different groups: one of these will be in heaven and seventy in hell. The Christians split into seventy-two groups: seventy-one of which will be in hell and one in heaven. By Him who holds Muhammad’s ﷺ soul in His hand, my nation will split into seventy-three groups; only one of which will be in heaven and seventy-two in hell’. He was asked: *‘Messenger of Allāh ﷻ, who are these?’* He said: *‘The group.’*

(Abū Dāwūd, 4597)

The fact that such differences in faith may exist makes it a bidding duty of every Muslim who is keen to follow the truth to look for the path followed by the Prophet ﷺ and his companions. It is a path of knowledge and action. Every Muslim should follow their example.

The work we present you today is a brief book in which the author has tried to present what the Prophet ﷺ and his companions followed in the most important area of religion, which is 'beliefs'. He describes the deviant beliefs that are contrary to the Islamic faith, so that you will be well aware of what is right.

We pray to Allāh to grant rich reward to the author, and also to reward everyone who has contributed to this work, in translation, design, publication and follow-up. May He benefit with it every one of our Muslim brethren who reads it. All praise be to Allāh ﷻ Who blesses all good efforts.

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Introduction

All praise be to Allāh ﷻ: we praise Him, seek His help and pray for His forgiveness of our sins and misdeeds. Whomever Allāh ﷻ guides shall never go astray and whomever He leaves astray cannot find guidance.

I bear witness that there is no deity other than Allāh ﷻ, the One who has no partners and Who says:

“It is He Who has sent among the unlettered a Messenger from themselves reciting to them His verses and purifying them and teaching them the Book and the Wisdom - although they were before in clear error.”

(Sūrah al-Jumu‘ah, 62:2)

I also bear witness that Muhammad ﷺ is Allāh’s servant and messenger, with whose message Allāh ﷻ has favoured mankind. He says:

“Certainly did Allāh ﷻ confer [great] favor upon the believers when He sent among them a Messenger from themselves, reciting to them His verses and purifying them and teaching them the Book and the Wisdom, although they had been before in manifest error.”

(Sūrah ‘Āli ‘Imrān, 3:164)

Allāh ﷻ, the Sublime, sent His messenger, Muḥammad ﷺ, with guidance and the true faith, so that he may bring people out of darkness into the light and out of manifest error into perfect guidance that ensures the comfort and reassurance

