

GCIL Offers Module – D

Faith - Belief in the UNSEEN: 'Seeing is Believing' or 'Believing is Seeing'?

(PART II)

The first blind person to summit Mount Everest—and later scale all Seven Summits—was American mountaineer **Erik Weihenmayer** (b. 1968). He famously overturned the adage “*Seeing is believing*.” When asked how he accomplished such extraordinary feats without sight, he replied:

“Believing is seeing.”

This response is a powerful testament to human brilliance. It reflects the idea that conviction—grounded in intellect and reasoning—precedes perception. What we choose to believe in, even without visible evidence, becomes the lens through which we interpret and act in the world. Faith, when empowered by reason, enables us to rise above limitations. True vision is not confined to the eyes; it comes from inner clarity, purpose, and trust.

Module D of our program is designed to awaken this inquisitive spirit. It explores the profound questions of God’s existence and the certainty of the Hereafter—both of which, according to the Qur’an, lie at the core of faith (*imaniyaat*) and are rooted in the unseen.

God's expectations are based not on what we see, but on what we believe—deep within the human *id*, that instinctual part of our psyche where ancient truths and moral awareness reside. To awaken and affirm this internal compass, God sent prophets as bearers of glad tidings and warnings, often supported by angels and divine scriptures, all of which fall under the realm of *imaniyaat* (Faith).

At **GCIL**, we warmly invite all—regardless of caste, creed, color, or religion—to join us on this intellectually vibrant journey of discovering God and His expectations through reflection and reason. Our sessions are interactive and engaging, aimed at fostering open, respectful dialogue around faith and purpose.

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‘Seeing is Believing’ or ‘Believing is Seeing’?

1. Our Innate Nature (Fitrat): Called al-Hikmah (Wisdom) by God. What is this ‘Wisdom’?
2. The Belief in Divine Books: Is the Message in Each Interlinked? The Message in these Books.
3. The Belief in the Angels: Why is the Belief in Angels a Part of Faith? How the Qur’an Introduces the Angels?
4. The Belief in the Prophets: Why the need for Prophets? The Prophetic Chain: Adam, Noah, Abraham, and his progeny (peace be upon them).
5. Why should someone believe that Muhammad (pbuh) is the messenger of God? Do we need prophets after Muhammad (peace be upon him)?
6. Pre-destination (Taqdeer): Is Everything preordained? Doesn’t this breed a Fatalistic Mindset? Where does this place us in the eyes of God?

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PS The first three Modules A, B & C were titled:

Module A: Approach towards God’s Expectations

Module B: God has Spoken← His Arrangement for Our Guidance

Module C: Faith – Belief in the Unseen: Seeing is Believing OR Believing is Seeing, respectively.