

AN UNDERSTANDING OF:

- **BEGINNING OF THE UNIVERSE**
- **THE CREATOR**
- **THE WORLD**
- **THE CREATION**
- **THE HUMAN BEING**
- **THE SACRED PLACES**
- **PURPOSE OF LIFE**

Prepared by Light of Hira

AT THE VERY BEGINNING...

No
Matter

No Time

No Finite
Life

Big Bang

- Possible!

God

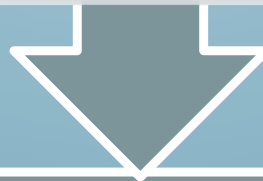
- All Powerful!

Descartes' Conclusion

(Great Philosopher, Father of Modern Science – i.e. scientific method)



The UNIVERSE is too perfect and too complex to be a product of its own
In order to justify its existence we HAVE to ACCEPT the Existence of ONE
God.



God

Existent Prior to all Existence

Success
27-



The
Universe



Creator &
His qualities 6-9



Creator of all
Creation & Human
Being 10-17



His Prophets &
Messengers 18-22



His sacred places
on Earth 23-26

Creator of Eternal Life



World of Souls (Explanation of 'Dejá vue')



Hereafter (Ākhirah)

Paradise (Jannah)

Hellfire (Jahannam)

Creator

Worldly Life

of

Death

Temporal

Life

Life in the Grave

World's Destruction

Resurrection

Day of Judgement

Creator	He is the Self-Sufficient	He has no partner
Far		He has no intermediary
Greater than what the	He is the Absolute	He does not need our worship
Human can Imagine	He is the Guardian of the Faith	There is no compulsion in Religion

Creator He alone rewards those who do good and
punish those who do evil, in the Hereafter.

Far

Greater He alone determines what is good and
what is evil in this world.

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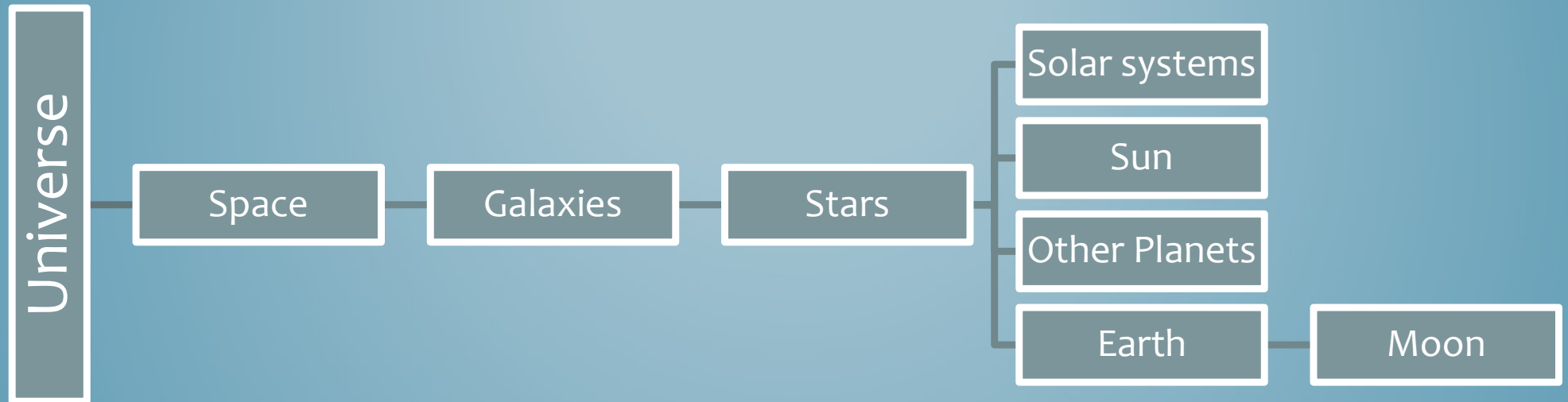
what the He has no Gender, Weakness or
Human Deficiency.

Human

can He is Unique in every way...

Imagine

Creator of All Creation



Creator of All Creatures



Creator of All Creatures

4 Famous Angels

Gabriel (Closest to God
i.e. Jibra'il)

Leader of all the Angels

Conveyed God's Divine
Message to His Prophets
& Messengers

Michael (Mika'il)

In charge of Nature
e.g. rains

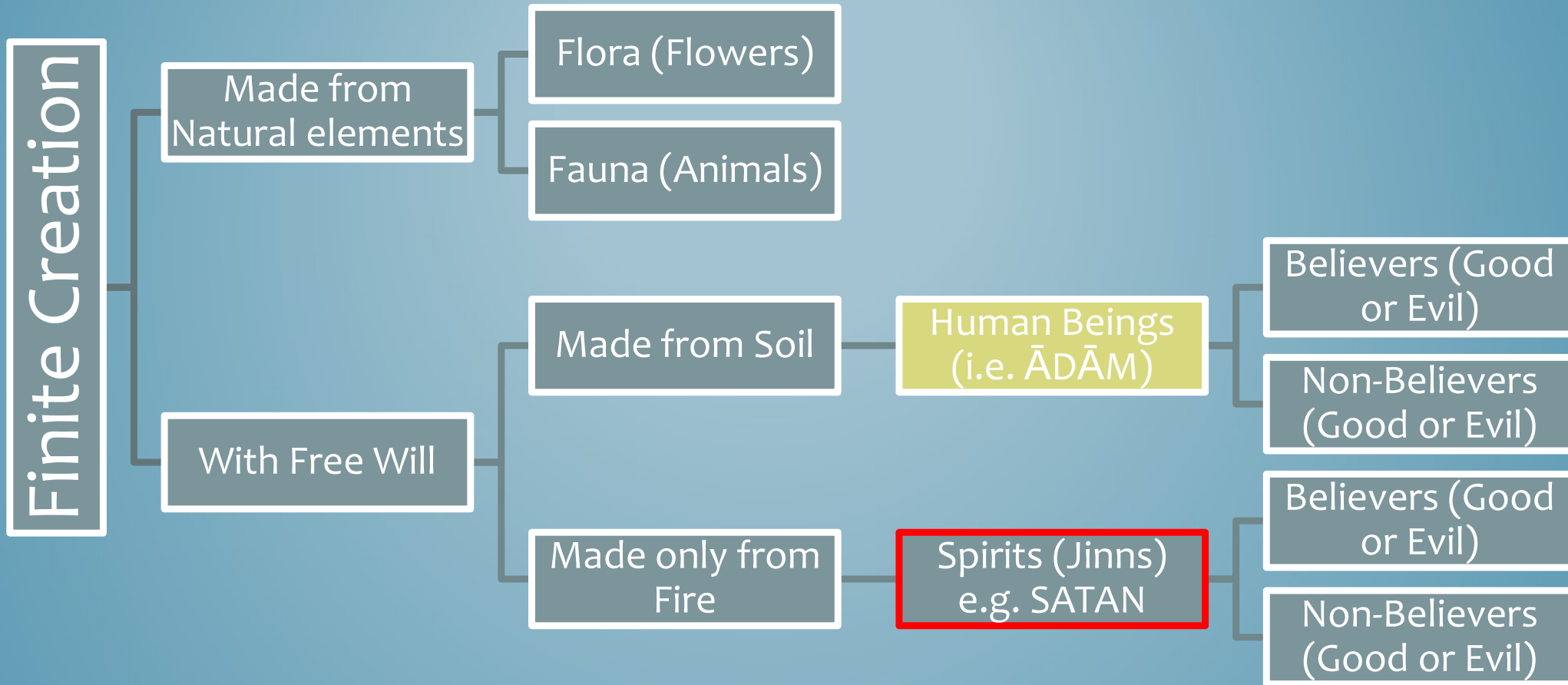
Raphael (Israfil)

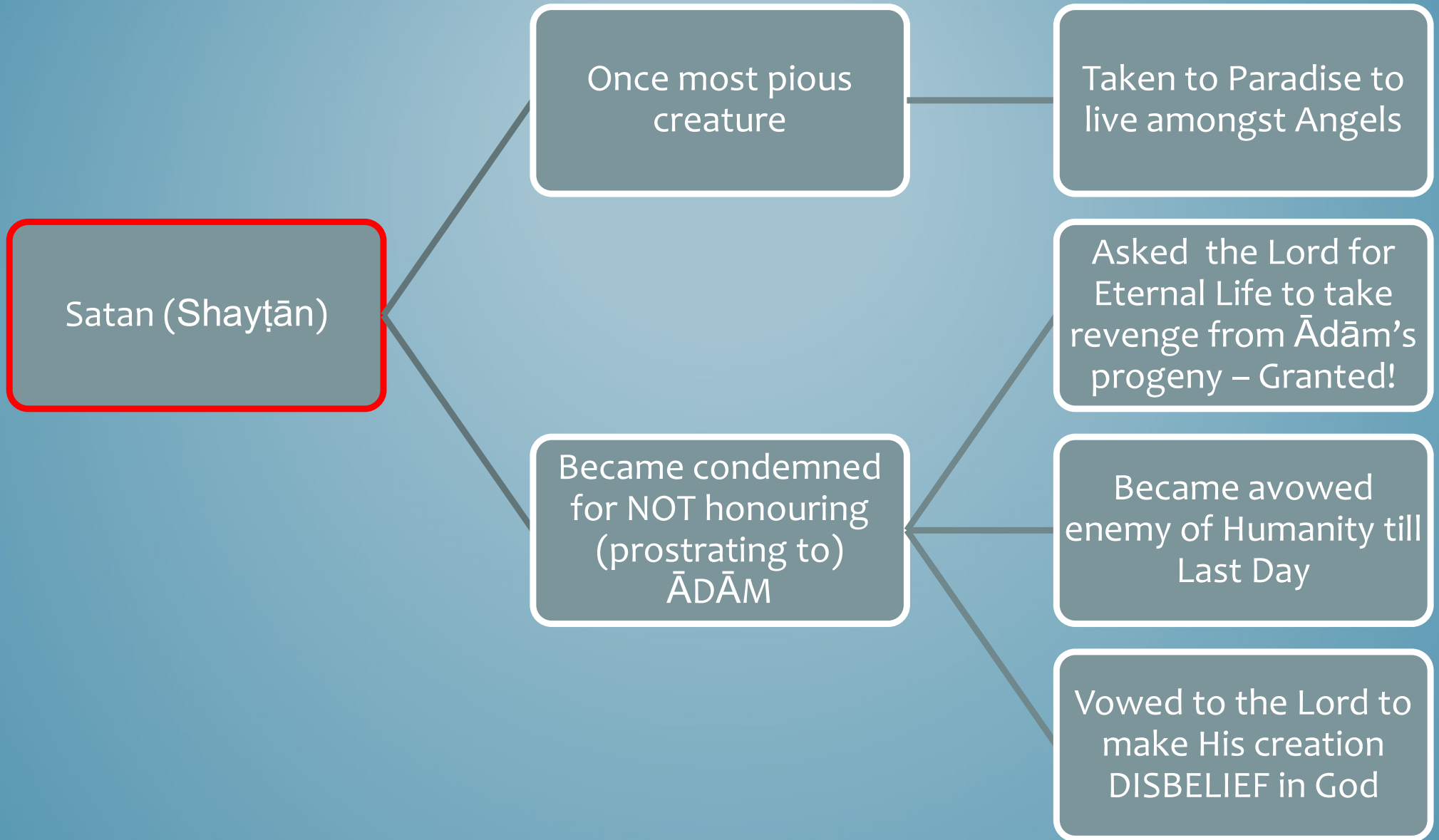
Will blow Trumpet on Day
of Judgement

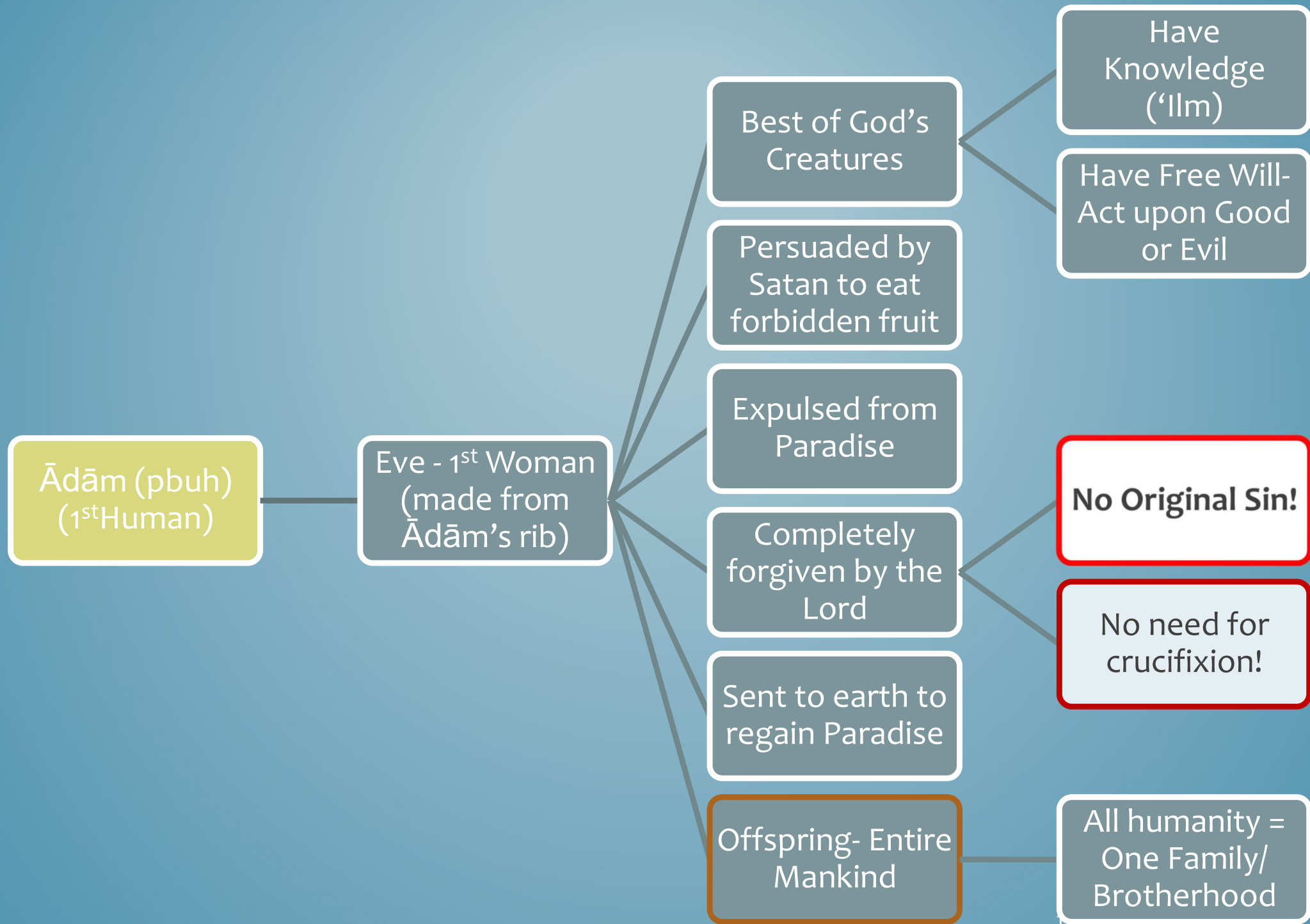
Izrael (Angel of Death)

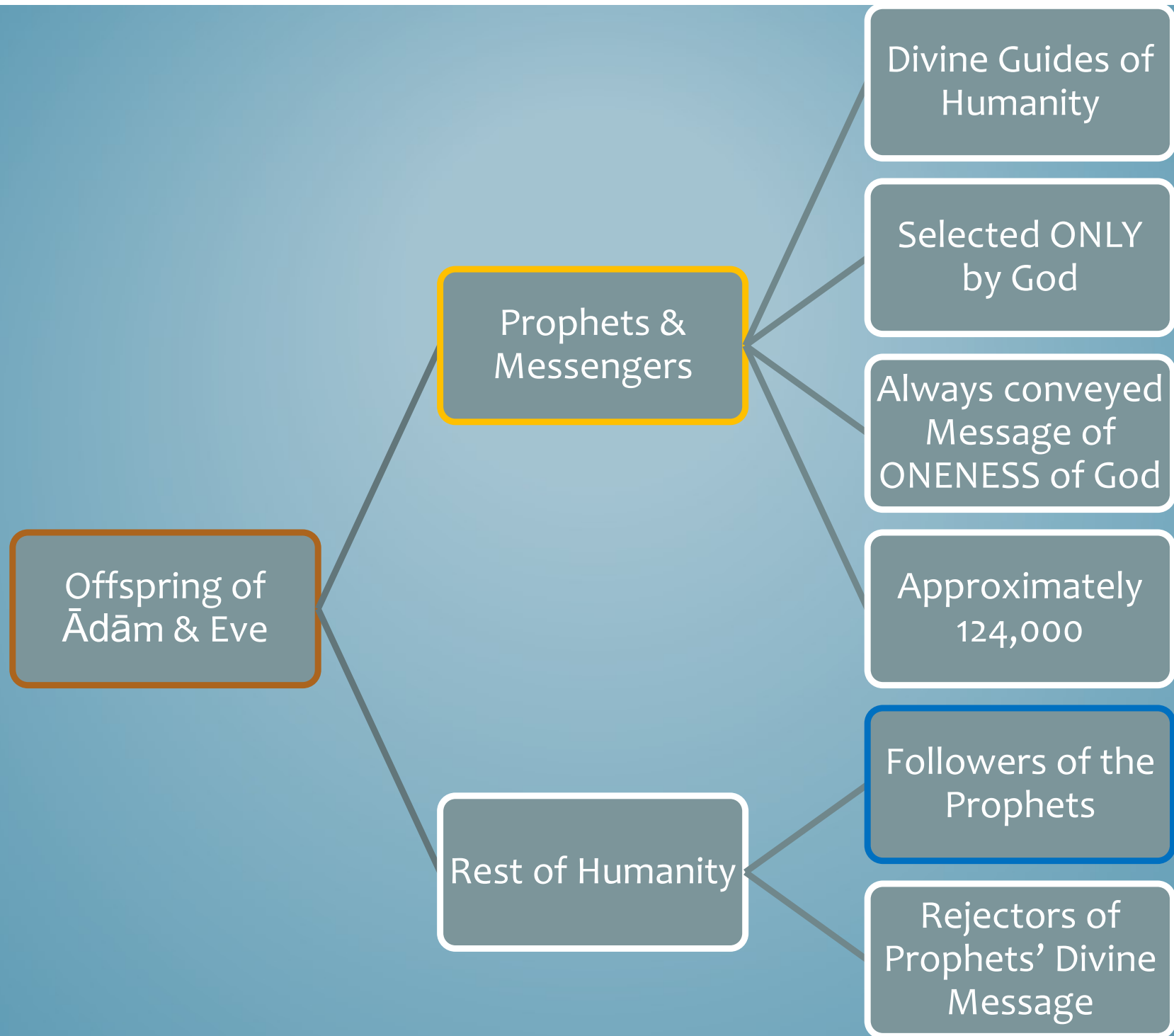
Removes souls of living
beings on Divine
Command

Creator of All Creatures









Followers of the
Prophets (People
of the Book)

From Ādām to
Moses ﷺ

Jews

From Ādām to
Jesus ﷺ

Christians

From Ādām to
Muhammad ﷺ

Muslims

Prophets (Nabīs) -

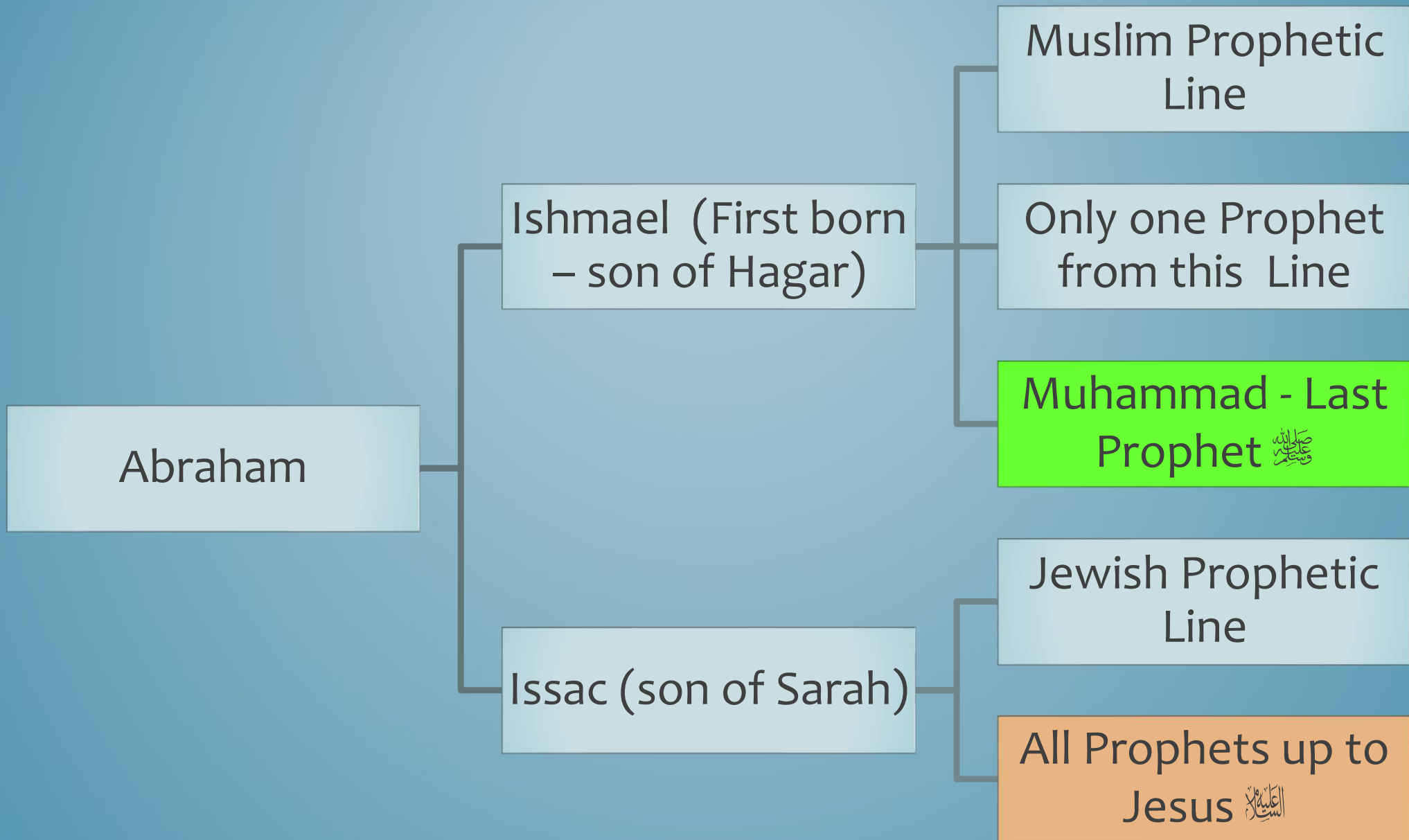
Messenger who received a new Sharī'ah (Divine Law). E.g. Moses received the Torah

- Adam, Shīth, Idrīs, Abraham ﷺ (peace be upon them)
- Moses (Torah), David (Psalms/Zabūr), Jesus (New Testament/Injīl), Muḥammad ﷺ (Qur'ān)

Messengers (Rasūls) -

Follow the Divine Law of a Prophet or a Messenger before him. E.g. Āron followed the Law of Moses

- Joseph, (Yūsuf), Jonah (Yunus), Shoa'ib, Lot (Lūṭ), Zakariyyā, John the Baptist (Yaḥyā), Ishmael (Isma'īl), Issac (Ishāq), Jacob (Yaqūb) etc.





Jesus (‘Isa عليه السلام)

- Given the New Testament
- Miraculously born of Mary
- The Messiah, the Christ, the word of God, the Anointed One
- Someone else was crucified in his place
- Elevated to Paradise & still alive
- Second coming before Judgement Day
- Will not return in capacity of a Prophet
- Neither will come as a Messenger to bring a new revelation
- Will come as Commander of the faithful to kill the Anti-Christ
- Will follow the Divine Law’s final manifestation as revealed to Muḥammad ﷺ
- Will marry and have children
- Peace & prosperity will reign the world over
- Will die a natural death
- Will be buried next to the grave of Muḥammad ﷺ in Madīnah (Saudi Arabia)

Muhammad ﷺ

- Given the Qur'ān
- Most eloquent of Arabs, yet illiterate
- Known as the most truthful, most trustworthy
- God's answer to Abraham's prayer
- Prophet like unto Moses ﷺ
- Sent for all Humanity
- Mentioned in Hindu, Buddhist, & Zoroastrian Scriptures
- Mercy of the Words

Muḥammad ﷺ – Prophet like unto Moses ﷺ

Moses ﷺ

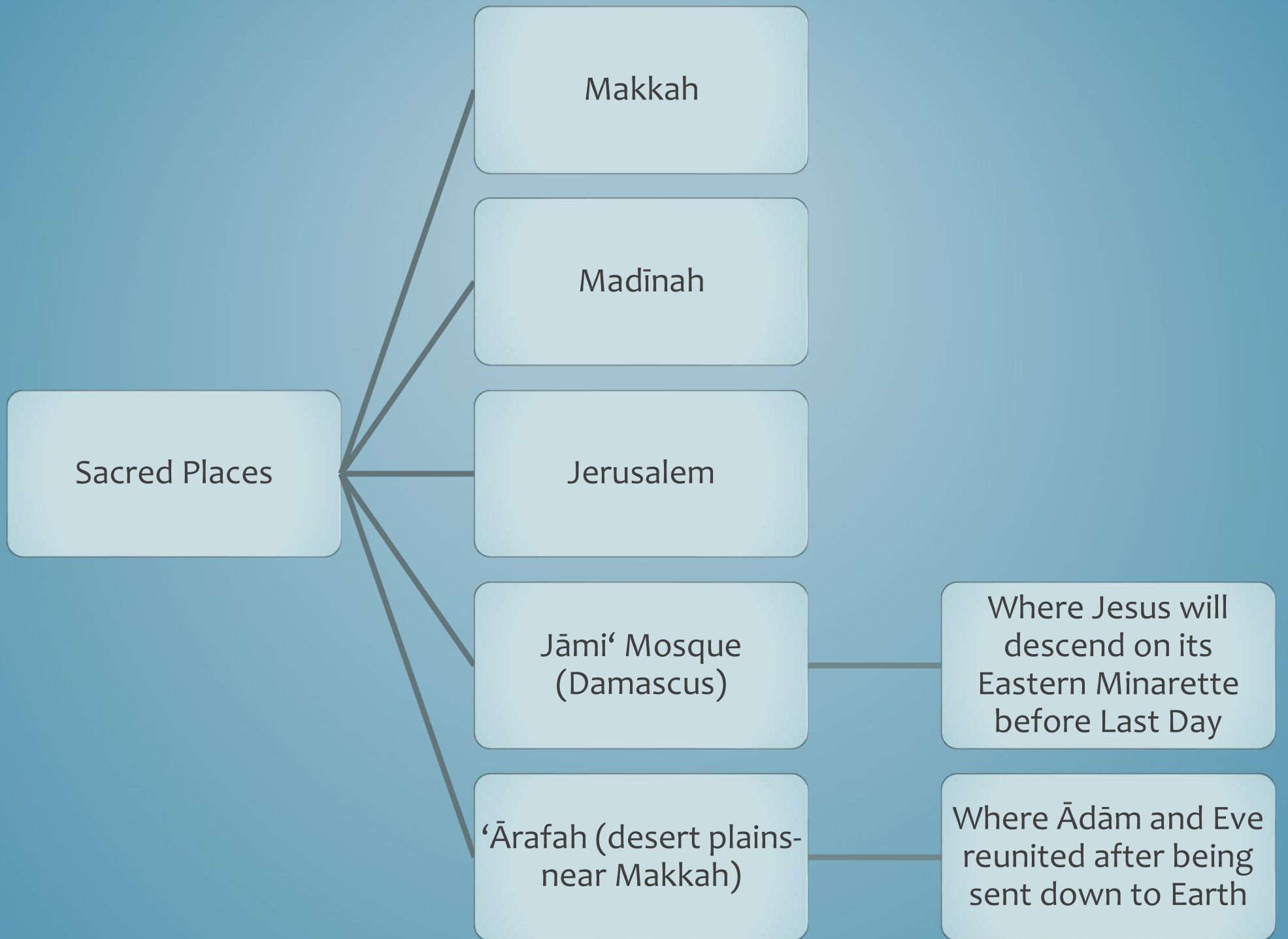
- Married
- Had children
- Emigrated
- Undertook Military expeditions
- Experienced Natural Death

Muḥammad ﷺ

- Married
- Had Children
- Emigrated
- Undertook Military expeditions
- Experienced Natural death

Jesus

- Not yet married
- Has not fathered yet
- Not migrated
- No military expeditions undertaken yet
- Alive



Makkah



Place where the Ka'bah is located

Visited by all the Prophets for circumambulation of Ka'bah to honour the Lord

Birthplace of Prophet Muḥammad ﷺ

Place of Ḥajj (pilgrimage)

First monotheistic altar to God built by Ādām

Destroyed by the Floods of Noah

Rebuilt by Abraham and son Ishmael

Centre of the Earth

Located underneath the Ka'bah of Paradise circumambulated by Angels

Location of ZamZam Well - to quest thirst of Hagar and Ishmael – Running till today!

Madeenah

Place where Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was ordered by God to migrate

City where the Mosque of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is built

Location of the grave of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ

Jesus عليه السلام will be buried next to grave of Muhammad ﷺ

Jerusalem

Place where Al-Aqsā Mosque is located (silver dome)

Once the first direction of Prayer for Muslims according to Abraham's tradition

Also honoured by the Jews who claim it sits on Solomon's temple

Mosque where Prophet Muhammad s led prayers with ALL the Prophets' souls on Mi'rāj

Place where the Dome of the Rock is located (As-Sakhra Mosque)

Hexagonal structure decorated with a Golden Dome

The Night Journey of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ to the Heavens took place from this site (i.e. Mi'rāj – the Ascension)

Outer success in this World

Wealth; Relationships;
Power; Fame; Glory.

Not guaranteed to last.

Inner Success in this World

Have No Fear; Have
Security; Have Safety;
Have Tranquillity; Have
Peace → Submission
(to Divine Will)

Guaranteed by:
Belief = IMĀN
+
Faith = ISLĀM

• IMAAN

- Belief

• 'AMAL (deeds)

- Performance of Good deeds
- Abstention from Sins (bad deeds)
- ONLY sincere intention (IKHLAAS) secures Divine Acceptance

• Success in the Hereafter

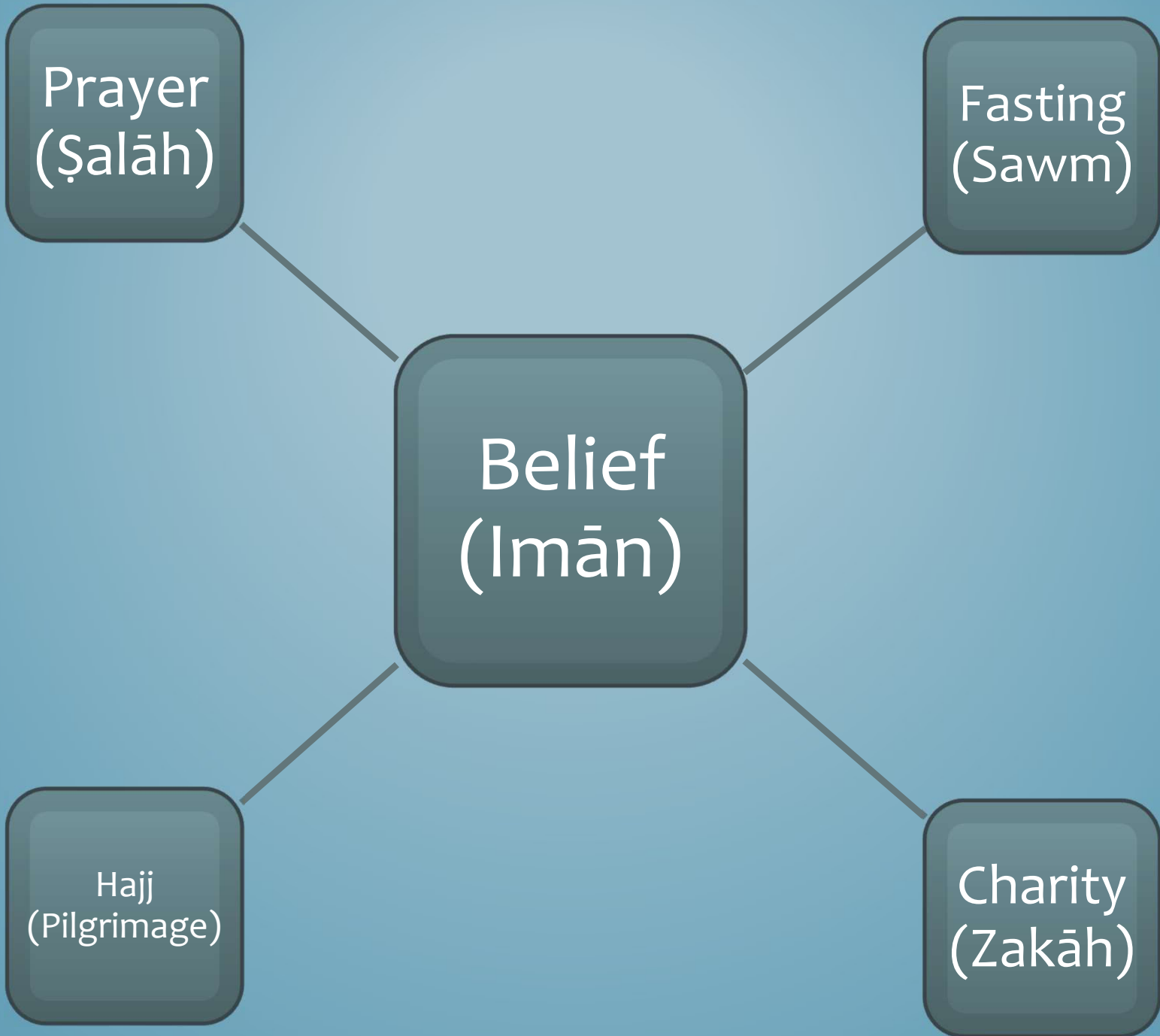
Oneness of
God



Prophethood
of Last
Prophet
(Muhammad
ﷺ)

Islamic
Belief
Faith
Statement





Ṣalāh

- 5 times daily prayer

Sawm

- Fasting in Ramaḍān

Zakāh

- Charity to poor (2.5% of annual profit on personal wealth)

Hajj

- Pilgrimage to Makkah (when affordable & it becomes mandatory)

Exam
Preparation
(‘Ālamul
Arwah)

In Spirit,
prior to
Worldly Life

All human beings exist in
spirit & waiting to arrive
on Earth

Exam
(Dunyaa:
Dārul
Imtihān)

Life on
Earth

Complete guidance from
cradle to grave as to how
to lead one’s life

Waiting for
(‘Ālamul
Barzakh)

Life in the
Grave

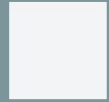
Preview of what’s to come
in the Hereafter

Result &
Reward
(Ākhirah:
Darul Jazā)

Life in the
Hereafter

Eternal Success or Failure:
1 day (hereafter) =1000
years long

Purpose of Life



- Sacrifice precious time, money and effort for the sake of God.
- Can aim for (but not expect) any worldly gains, such as recognition, fame or materialistic gains.
- Look only to be rewarded by God in the Day of Judgement.
- Invest precious time, money and effort with God for the **ETERNAL RETIREMENT.**