

Understanding Major World Religions
“Understanding Islam (B)”

I. The Koran

A. Oral tradition

1. Key features

B. Arrangement and style

C. Truth

II. Major doctrines

A. Five basic

1. Repetition of Creed

2. Daily Prayer

3. Alms Giving

4. Fasting

5. Pilgrimage

III. Structure and Divisions

A. Not highly structured

1. Key features

IV. Divisions

A. Sunnis

B. Shiites

1. Key differences

C. Sufis

D. Druse

E. Islamic Fundamentalism

1. Key features

V. The Call to Holy War

A. Fighting unbelievers

1. Quoting the Koran

B. Islam's ultimate goal

1. Nation building

C. Good reasons to kill

1. Koran

D. Islamic culture and the Koran