

Core Curriculum

2 Foundations of Islam - Theology

2.7 **Ma'ād: The Day of Judgment in Islam**

Question: What is the Day of Judgment?

Answer: The day all humans and jinns are resurrected and put to trial before God and questioned about the kind of life they led when they were alive. Did they worship God? Did they commit evil deeds or good deeds? The Day of Judgment will decide whether or not humans will enter heaven or hell.

Question: What is the difference between Qiyāmah and Ma'ād?

Answer: They are both the same thing, they refer to the resurrection on the Day of Judgment. Qiyāmah literally means to rise up, and Ma'ād means to return back to life.

Question: Who is Isrāfīl?

Answer: The archangel who will blow his trumpet and bring about the Day of Judgment.

Question: What is one way we will be judged on the Day of Judgment?

Answer: We will be presented with two books, one which recorded our good deeds and the other which recorded our bad deeds. Depending on the balance of deeds and God's mercy, we will either enter hell or heaven.

Question: Who are munkir and nakīr?

Answer: They are the angels in our grave that will ask us about our relationship with God.