



6703 - Is It Easy to Convert to Islam?

the question

My father is African American and my mother is white and I have done a lot of research on this religion. I am 16 and I really want to become a Muslim. I wanted to know if I could be one?

Summary of answer

Becoming Muslim is very easy and anyone can do it even if he is all alone in the desert or in a locked room. So, get up, have a shower and say: 'Ash-hadu alla ilaha illallah wa ash-hadu anna Muhammadan `abduhu wa rasuluhu (I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah and I bear witness that Muhammad is His slave and Messenger).'

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

Among the [beauties of Islam](#) is the fact that in this religion there are no intermediaries in the relationship between a person and his Lord.

Entering this religion does not involve any special ceremonies or procedures that need to be done in front of any other person, nor does it require the consent of any specific people.

[Becoming Muslim](#) is very easy and anyone can do it [even if he is all alone in the desert or in a locked room](#) . All it takes is to say [two beautiful sentences](#) which sum up the meaning of Islam and which include the statement that a person is the slave of his Lord and that he submits himself to Him and recognizes that He is his God and Helper and Protector Who decrees for him whatever He wills; and that Muhammad is the slave and Messenger of Allah whom he must follow with regard to what was revealed to him from Allah, for obeying the Messenger is part of obeying Allah.

Whoever utters these twin statements of faith, with conviction and believing in them, becomes a



Muslim, sharing all the rights and duties that other Muslims have.

After that he can start straight away to do the things that Allah has made obligatory, such as the [five daily prayers at the right times](#) , [fasting during the month of Ramadan](#) , and so on.

From this, it should be clear to you that you can become a Muslim straight away, so get up, have a shower and say: “Ash-hadu alla ilaha illallah wa ash-hadu anna Muhammadan `abduhu wa rasuluhu (I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah and I bear witness that Muhammad is His slave and Messenger).”

For more information, please see the following category: [Know Islam](#).

May Allah help you to do all that is good and guide your steps aright. May He decree for you happiness in this world and the next. Peace be upon those who follow true guidance.

And Allah knows best.