

Goal of Life

Session Three

Questions

- 1) What are some questions that Ayatullah Mutahhari raises in this chapter? Give at least two, and write your own answers to these questions.
- 2) What helps human beings advance towards God?
- 3) What qualities would be part of a 'perfect' human being?

Faith

- 1) Acceptance of God – with the heart and mind
- 2) Surrendering to God - complete
- 3) Consciousness of God – Taqwa
- 4) Obedience to God – with the body

Faith is knowing with the heart
and saying with the tongue
and acting on its principles.

Holy Prophet (s)

The goal of Religion is Faith
and the goal of Faith is Certainty

Imam Ali (a)

Islam is a rank

and **Faith** is a rank above Islam

and **Taqwa** is a rank above Faith

and **Certainty** is a rank above Taqwa

and mankind has been given very little of certainty

Surely you are holding on to the lowest rank

of Islam

so be careful it does not slip from your grip.

Imam as-Sadiq (a)

Effects of Faith

- Tranquility
- Strength
- Fortitude
- Benevolence
- Hope

Faith and Good deeds

Faith and Good deeds are the two wings with which a human being flies towards God.

Good deeds are a manifestation of Faith.

Good deeds and Faith affect one another.

Perfection

Who is a perfect human being?

- 1) One who benefits from Nature
- 2) One who benefits from the Hereafter
- 3) One for whom God is everything
- 4) One who has Wisdom and Justice