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Islam (submission to none but the Creator in all spheres and all affairs of life) is the way of life (*dīn*) ingrained in the human nature. According to Islamic teachings all creations are also Muslim as by default they follow the divine instructions (or programming) innate in the nature of each creation and all species. Man wherever and whenever consciously encounters it recognises it. Similarly, when message of Islam is properly communicated it easily makes its way to the heart and mind of the addressee motivating him/her to accept it, in conducive as well as non-conducive situations. However, acceptance becomes easy in favourable circumstances. This process of accepting Islam by conscious non-Muslims is a continuing phenomenon. In this way, Islam is an ever growing religion and way of life. Now every fifth individual on the globe is a Muslim. At times this process of accepting Islam is accelerated due to even those events which are presented by the full force of media to defame Islam and Muslims. It

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