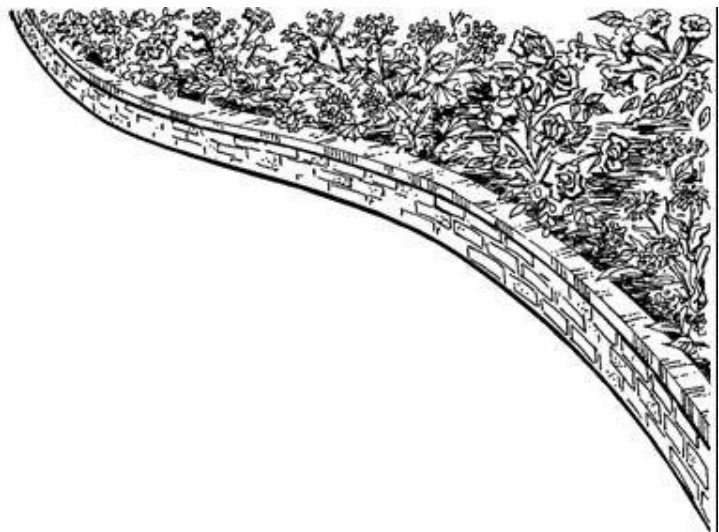


Islamic Studies

Deen and Shariah

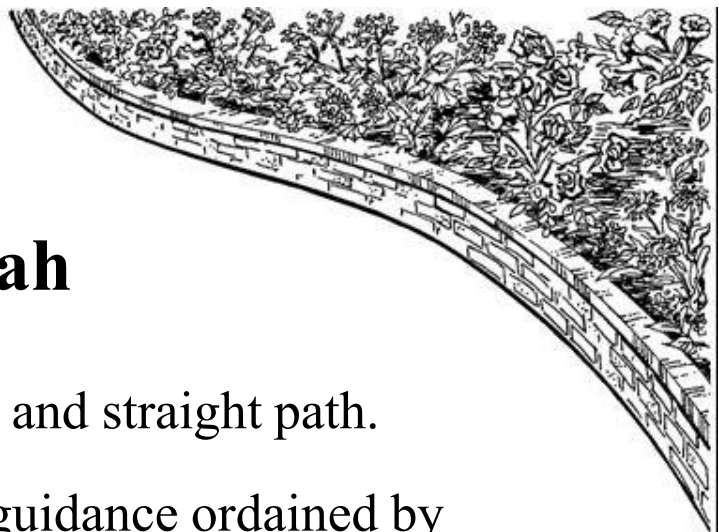
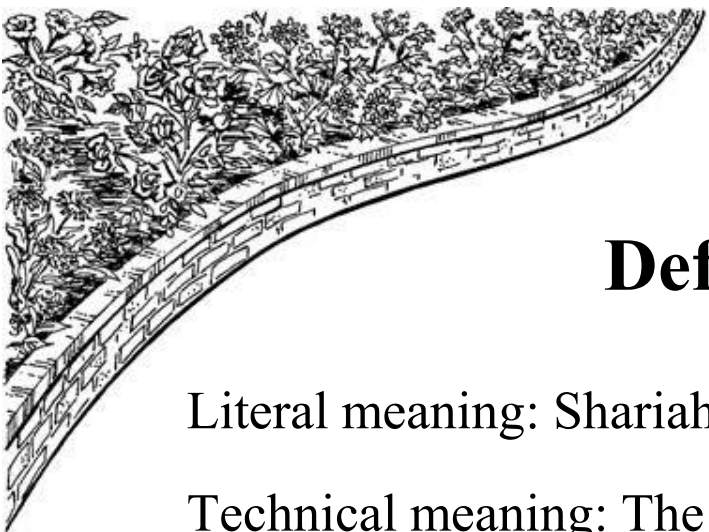


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"Explaining the literal and technical meaning of Shariah.

Distinguishing between Deen and Shariah in terms of scope and application."





Definition of Shariah

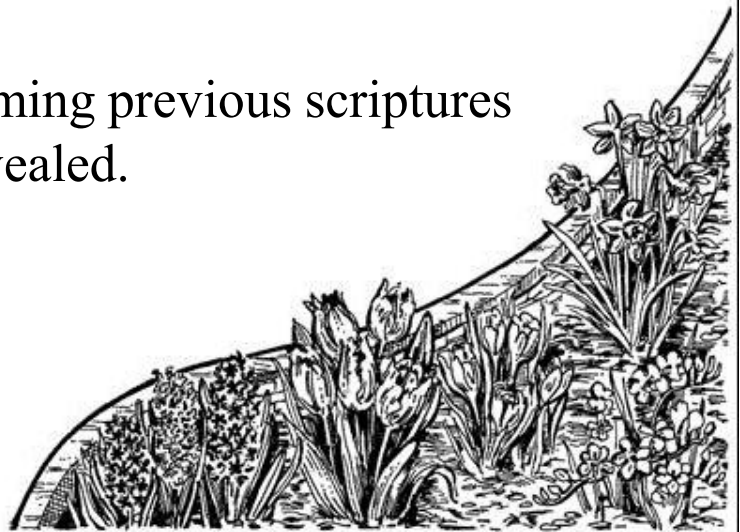
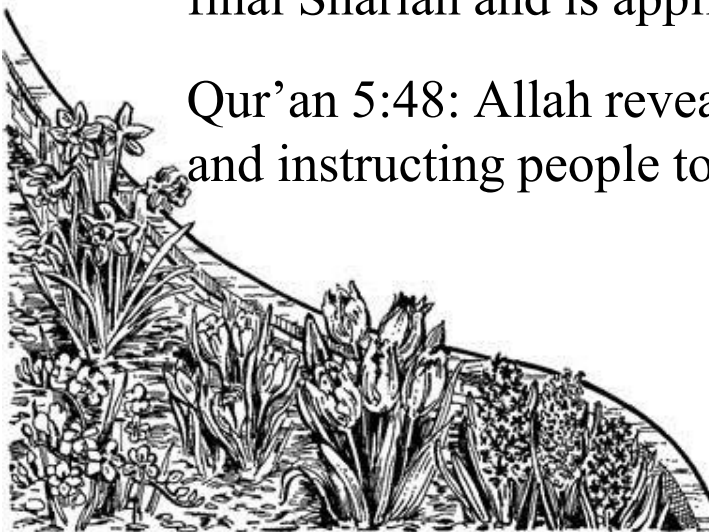
Literal meaning: Shariah refers to a wide, clear, and straight path.

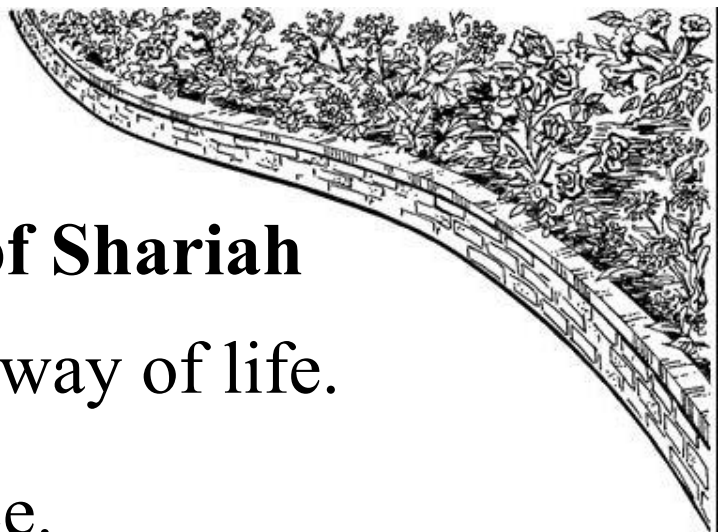
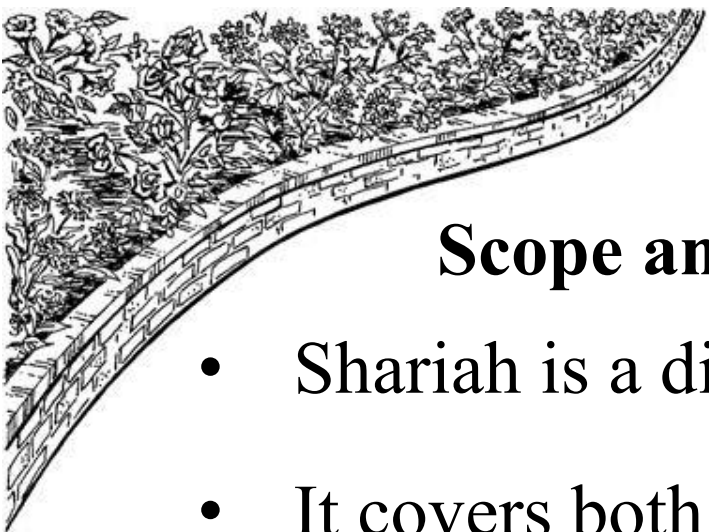
Technical meaning: The laws, commands, and guidance ordained by Allah (SWT) and conveyed through His Prophets.

All Prophets brought the same Deen—belief in One God and submission to Him—but their Shariah could differ.

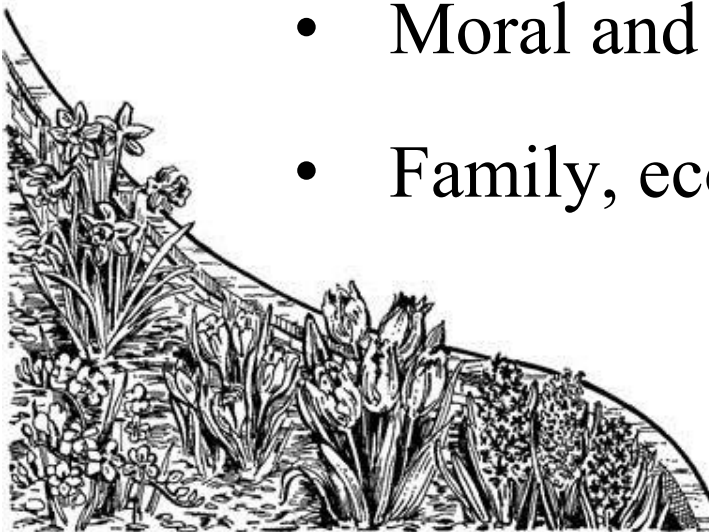
Islamic Shariah, revealed through Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), is the final Shariah and is applicable for all times.

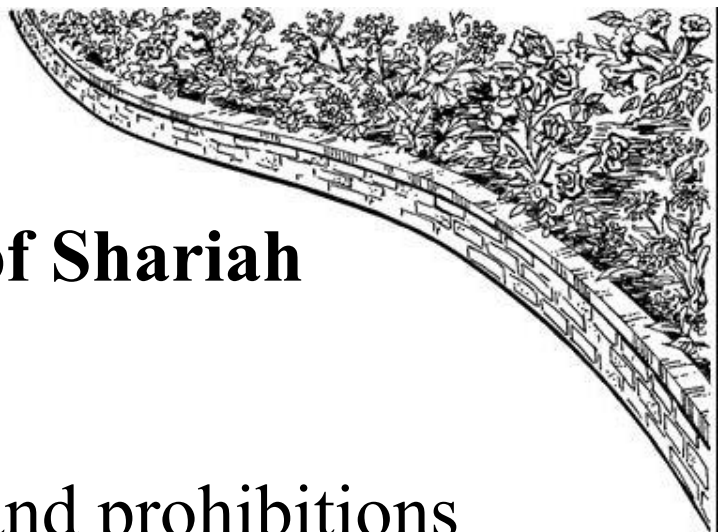
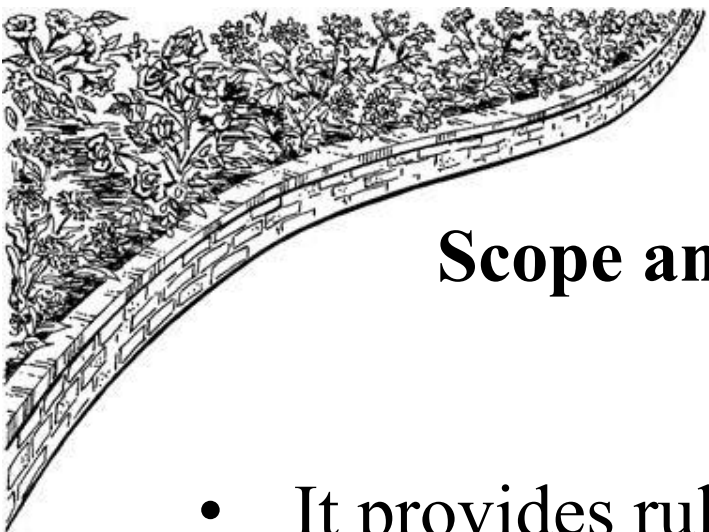
Qur'an 5:48: Allah revealed the Qur'an confirming previous scriptures and instructing people to judge by what He revealed.



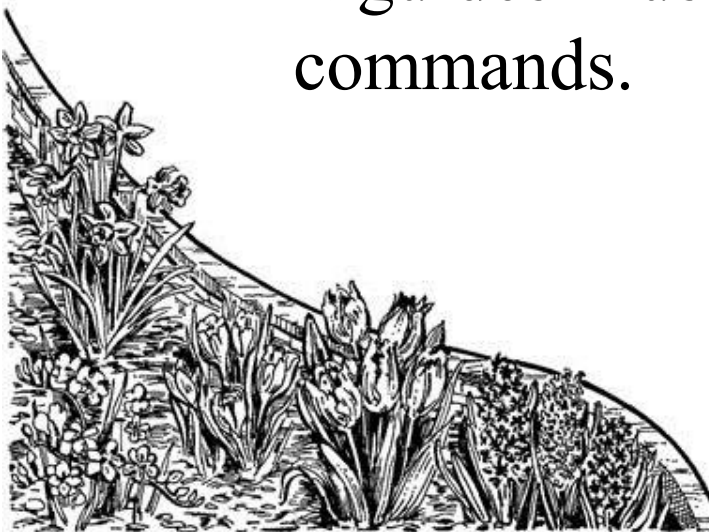


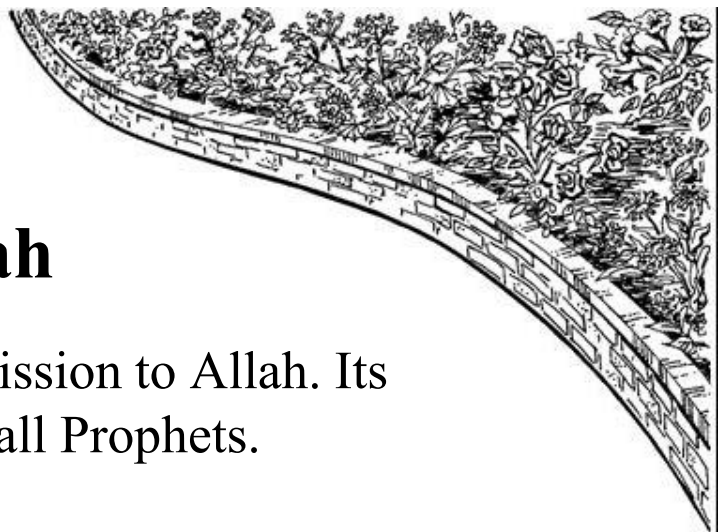
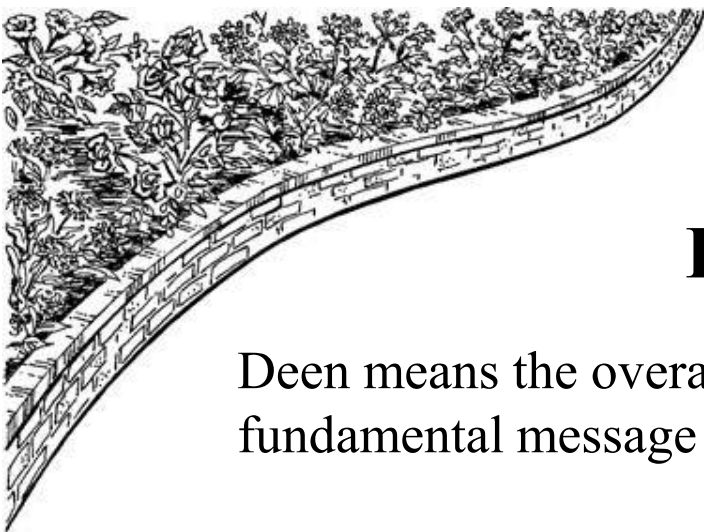
Scope and Importance of Shariah

- Shariah is a divinely ordained way of life.
 - It covers both faith and practice.
 - It includes:
 - Worship and personal conduct
 - Moral and social values
 - Family, economic, and legal matters
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Scope and Importance of Shariah

- It provides rules, commands, and prohibitions for human conduct.
 - Its primary sources are the Qur'an and Sunnah.
 - It guides Muslims to live according to Allah's commands.
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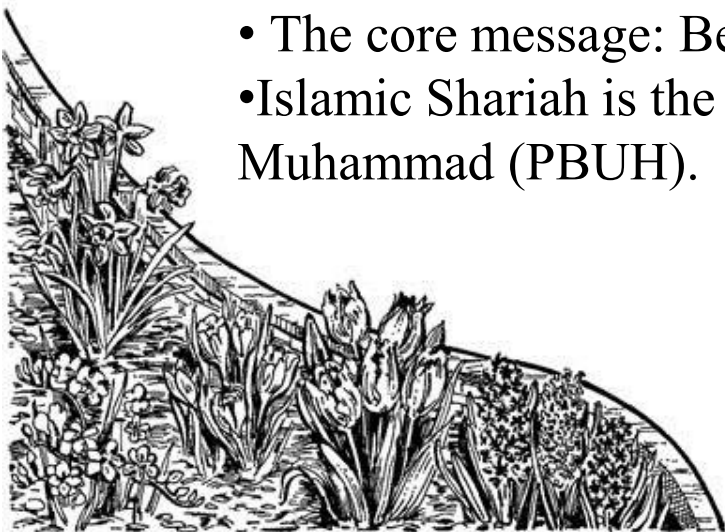
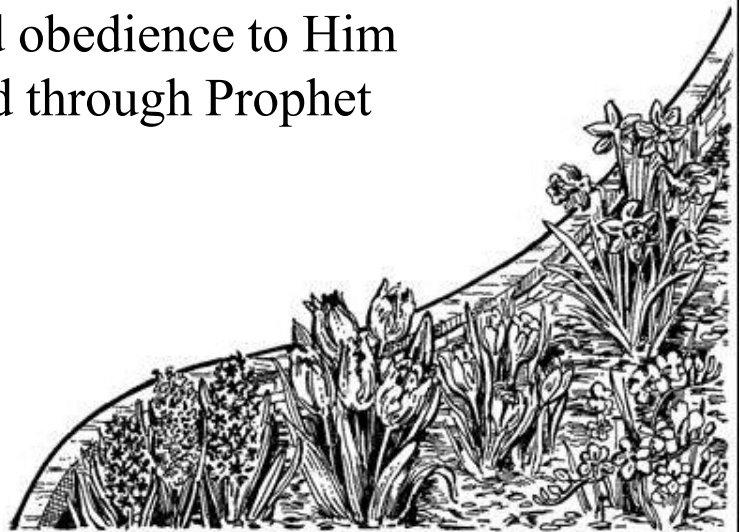


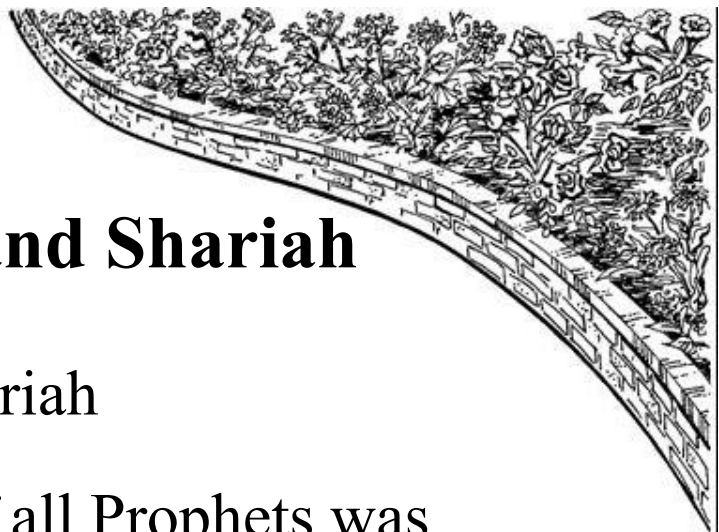
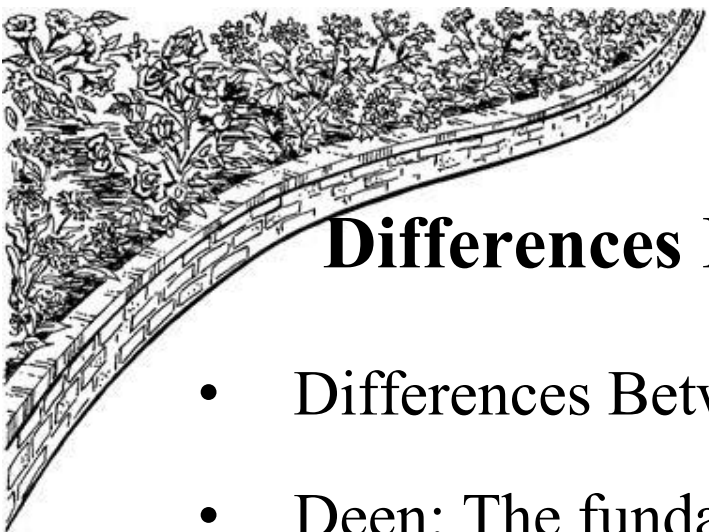
Deen and Shariah

Deen means the overall way of life and submission to Allah. Its fundamental message remained the same for all Prophets.

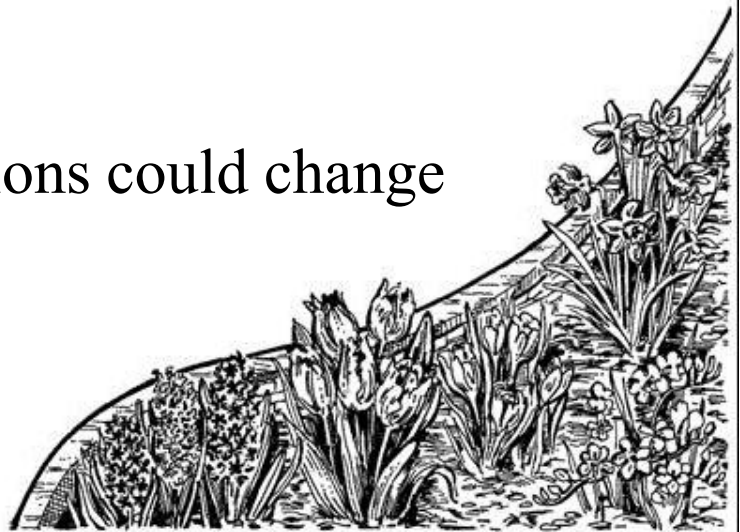
Shariah refers to the divinely revealed laws and practices through which that Deen is followed. These laws could differ among different Prophets and communities.

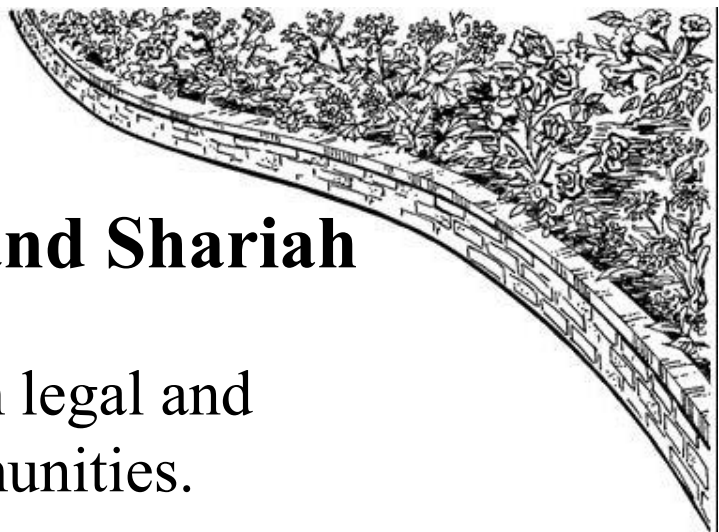
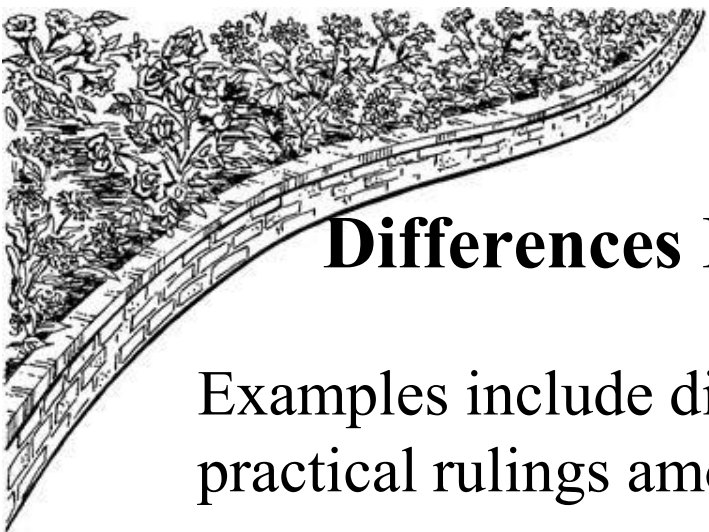
In short:

- One Deen → Different Shariahs
 - The core message: Belief in One Allah and obedience to Him
 - Islamic Shariah is the final Shariah revealed through Prophet Muhammad (PBUH).
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Differences Between Deen and Shariah

- Differences Between Deen and Shariah
 - Deen: The fundamental message of all Prophets was the same:
 - Believe in One God
 - Do not associate partners with Him
 - Follow His Messengers
 - Shariah: Specific laws and regulations could change from one Prophet to another.
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Differences Between Deen and Shariah

Examples include differences in certain legal and practical rulings among previous communities.

The Shariah brought by Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) is the final Shariah.

Therefore, Deen represents the enduring foundation of submission to Allah, while Shariah represents the divinely revealed laws and practices through which that submission is lived out.

