

## The Importance of *Aqidah Akhlak (Moral)* in Building Noble Character

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### Abstract

*This article discusses the importance of strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals in the lives of individuals and communities. A strong foundation of faith provides certainty, stability and a clear view of the purpose of life, while noble morals reflect behavior that is in accordance with religious and moral values. A strong foundation of faith is the basis for the development of good morals, while noble morals are concrete evidence of the beliefs held. Strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals provides benefits such as peace of mind, a strong personality, and a harmonious society. The method in this research is qualitative and literature study as the data collection. This article provides an understanding of the importance of strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals in everyday life and how the two are interconnected and influence each other. by strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals, individuals can live life with integrity and provide benefits for themselves and the surrounding community.*

**Keywords:** *Aqidah, moral, Foundation*

### Abstrak

Artikel ini membahas tentang pentingnya memperkuat fondasi akidah dan membangun akhlak mulia dalam kehidupan individu dan masyarakat. Fondasi akidah yang kuat memberikan kepastian, kestabilan, dan pandangan yang jelas tentang tujuan hidup, sementara akhlak mulia mencerminkan perilaku yang sesuai dengan nilai-nilai agama dan moral. Fondasi akidah yang kuat menjadi dasar bagi pembangunan akhlak yang baik, sementara akhlak mulia menjadi bukti konkret dari keyakinan yang dimiliki. Memperkuat fondasi akidah dan membangun akhlak mulia memberikan manfaat seperti ketenangan jiwa, kepribadian yang kuat, dan masyarakat yang harmonis. Metode dalam penelitian ini yaitu kualitatif dan studi literatur sebagai pengambilan datanya. Artikel ini memberikan pemahaman tentang pentingnya memperkuat fondasi akidah dan membangun akhlak mulia dalam kehidupan sehari-hari dan bagaimana keduanya saling berhubungan serta saling mempengaruhi. dengan memperkuat fondasi akidah dan membangun akhlak mulia, individu dapat menjalani kehidupan dengan penuh integritas dan memberikan manfaat bagi diri sendiri serta masyarakat sekitar.

### INTRODUCTION

In the course of human life, there are two important aspects that must be continuously developed and strengthened. First, is a solid belief or faith as the basis for living this life. Second, is noble character which is a reflection of good ethical and moral values. These two aspects are interrelated and complementary, because a strong foundation of faith will affect a person's behavior and morals. (Uthmani, 2021) .

*Aqidah* is a system of beliefs inherent in a person related to belief in the existence of God, religious teachings, and moral values that are believed to be true. A strong foundation of faith provides certainty and stability in living life. When a person has a solid foundation of faith, he will have a strong grip to face the various challenges and trials faced in his life.

In addition, a strong foundation of faith also provides a clear view of the purpose of life and the meaning of life itself. By understanding the principles believed in the creed, one can live life with full awareness and wisdom. A strong foundation of faith also provides the courage to act in accordance with the values believed, even though it sometimes contradicts the norms that develop in society.

However, a strong foundation of faith is not enough. Along with that, noble morals also need to be developed as concrete evidence of their beliefs. Good morals reflect behavior that is in accordance with religious and moral values. Noble morals include honesty, politeness, justice, compassion, empathy, and a number of other positive values. (Azizah, 2022).

Developing noble morals is not an easy task. It involves a great deal of self-control, reflection

and self-awareness. One needs to face various situations and tests in daily life, and be able to act well even when faced with difficulties or temptations. Noble morals also mean being able to maintain a good relationship with Allah SWT and His fellow creatures.

In shaping noble morals, a strong foundation of faith plays an important role. The belief in the existence of an almighty God and the existence of life after death is the main motivation in living life with good morals. This belief affects a person's behavior and actions, because he is aware that all actions will be accounted for before God.

In addition, belief also provides a foundation for a person to understand the values desired by religion and morality. (Niam, 2021). In certain religions, there are teachings that teach about kindness, justice, and compassion for others. By understanding and practicing these teachings, a person can live a life with noble morals.

The importance of strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals applies not only to individuals, but also to society as a whole. A society that has a strong foundation of faith and good morals will tend to create a harmonious and loving environment. Honesty, justice, and mutual respect will be the basis for interacting between individuals and between groups. (Jannah, 2020). Moral creed is an important foundation in shaping noble human beings, and creating devoted humans. The existence of moral creed learning teachers can instill a good sense of discipline in students. People who have good morals will be favored by God and humans.

In today's complex social context, where there are rapid changes and challenges, strengthening the foundations of faith and building noble morals becomes increasingly important. Societies that ignore religious values and morality tend to experience chaos and instability. (Bunayar et al., 2023).. Therefore, real efforts are needed to prioritize the values of faith and morality in everyday life.

This article will further discuss the importance of strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals in the context of modern life. Through a deep understanding of the creed and the application of moral values, it is

hoped that we can live a life full of peace, harmony, and bring benefits to ourselves and the surrounding community.

## METHODS

This research uses a qualitative approach. Qualitative research is research that explains social and humanitarian phenomena with data collection in the form of studies. (Assyakurrohim et al., 2023). Library materials are used as a source of research problems. Reading materials such as books, journals, and the like are collected as basic theoretical materials which will then be analyzed using the deductive method.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In everyday life, we are often faced with various choices and situations that require wisdom in action. A strong foundation of faith and well-developed noble character will guide us in facing every test and challenge that comes our way. In this discussion, we will explore the importance of strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble character, and how the two are interconnected and influence each other.

### 1. A Strong Foundation of Belief

A strong foundation of faith serves as a solid foundation in living this life. *Aqidah* is a belief system that influences a person's outlook on life, values, and behavior. A strong foundation of faith provides certainty and stability, and provides meaning in living life. (Santoso, 2013).

First, a strong foundation of faith provides a clear view of the purpose of life and the meaning of life itself. In the creed, there is a belief in the existence of an all-creative and all-powerful God. By understanding the principles believed in the creed, one can live life with full awareness and wisdom. A strong foundation of faith also provides the courage to act in accordance with the values believed, even though it sometimes contradicts the norms that develop in society. (Jannah, 2020).

Secondly, a strong foundation of faith helps one in facing the challenges and trials of life. During life, it is inevitable that we will be faced with various tests and difficulties. A strong foundation of faith is a source of strength and calmness in facing difficult situations. (Sholihah & Maulida, 2020). Belief in the existence of a loving and merciful God gives hope and confidence that every trial faced has wisdom and goodness behind it.

Third, a strong foundation of faith affects the way one views the world and society. In faith, there are moral and ethical values that are upheld, such as honesty, justice, compassion, and kindness to others. A strong foundation of faith encourages a person to practice these values in daily life. This shapes good behavior and gives a positive influence in the social environment.

## 2. Building a Noble Character

Noble character reflects good ethical and moral values. Building noble morals requires awareness, self-control, and commitment to act in accordance with the values believed. Noble morals include various aspects, such as honesty, politeness, justice, compassion, and empathy for others. (Slamet et al., 2023)..

First, building noble morals involves self-control. In the face of temptation and tempting situations, one needs to be able to restrain oneself and control passions and negative emotions. This ability is based on an awareness of the values one believes in and the belief that good actions will bring goodness and reward from God.

Second, building noble morals involves self-reflection and introspection. One needs to critically evaluate one's behavior and actions, and strive for continuous self-improvement. This reflection involves acknowledging mistakes and weaknesses, and striving to change for the better.

Third, building noble morals involves a good relationship with Allah SWT and His fellow creatures. The relationship with Allah SWT is reflected in worship and obedience to Him. Meanwhile, relationships with fellow creatures involve mutual respect, helping each other, and creating harmony in social relations. (Alawi, 2019).

## 3. Relationship between *Aqidah* and *Akhlak (Moral)*

The foundation of strong faith and noble character are interrelated and influence each other. A strong foundation of faith is the basis for the development of good morals, while noble morals are concrete evidence of the beliefs held. (Nuriawati & Achadi, 2023)

In the creed, there are teachings that teach about good moral and ethical values. A strong foundation of faith encourages a person to understand and practice these values in daily life. For example, the belief in the existence of a just God encourages a person to behave fairly and respect the rights of others.

Conversely, noble morals also strengthen the foundation of faith. By practicing noble morals, a person proves his or her beliefs in concrete actions. For example, honesty manifested in daily behavior is concrete evidence of the belief in goodness and justice believed in the creed.

Both strengthen and support each other in living a meaningful life. A strong foundation of faith provides direction and purpose in building noble morals, while noble morals are tangible evidence of the foundation of faith that is embraced.

## 4. Benefits of Strengthening the Foundation of Faith and Building Noble Character

Strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals provides many benefits for individuals and society. First, individuals who have a strong foundation of faith and noble morals tend to have

emotional stability and peace of mind. The belief in the existence of a loving and merciful God provides a sense of security and protection in facing every challenge and trial of life. In addition, good behavior and ethics applied in noble morals provide peace and harmony in relationships with others. (Sholihah & Maulida, 2020).

Second, strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals forms a strong personality and high integrity. A person who has a strong foundation of faith has solid principles and values, which serve as guidelines in making decisions and acting. In difficult situations, individuals with strong faith will be better able to maintain their values and not be swayed by external pressures.

Third, societies that have individuals with a strong foundation of faith and noble morals tend to create a harmonious and loving environment. Interactions based on good moral and ethical values create healthy relationships between individuals and between groups. This contributes to the creation of a just, prosperous, and equitable society.

In conclusion, strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals are very important in living this life. A strong foundation of faith provides certainty, stability and a clear view of the purpose of life. Meanwhile, noble morals reflect behavior that is in accordance with the religious and moral values adopted. Strong foundations of faith and noble character are interconnected and influence each other. Building a strong foundation of faith helps in shaping noble morals, while noble morals become concrete evidence of one's beliefs. Strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals provides benefits for individuals and society as a whole, such as peace of mind, a strong personality, and a harmonious society.

Therefore, it is important for each individual to continue to develop the foundation of faith and build noble morals in living a meaningful life. The ultimate goal is to build and maintain the morality of students to become better individuals. Anticipating the phenomena that occur in society, it is necessary to apply it in primary and secondary educational institutions as well as universities, and no less important is the school (madrasah) to optimize the actual learning system, not only focusing on the substance of the teaching material, but more efforts are made to internalize the values of the teaching material, especially in moral and aqidah akhlak lessons.

## CONCLUSIONS

Strengthening the foundation of faith and building noble morals play a very important role in the lives of individuals and society. A strong foundation of faith provides certainty, stability and a clear view of the purpose of life, while noble morals reflect behavior that is in accordance with religious and moral values. Both are interconnected and influence each other.

It is important for every individual to continue to develop the foundation of faith and build noble morals in daily life. Thus, individuals can live life with peace, integrity, and provide benefits to themselves and the surrounding community. Character education must be instilled from an early age and will be the main foundation for the formation of the nation's character. Given the importance of character education, education must make efforts to introduce and develop character education for students.

## ADVICE

Based on the results of the research, the author can provide suggestions for each individual and society to start making a strong foundation for the good of themselves and the surrounding environment. Because the benefits are no doubt. In addition, hopefully further similar research can perfect this research.

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