

# The Purpose And Content Of Traditional Sufism

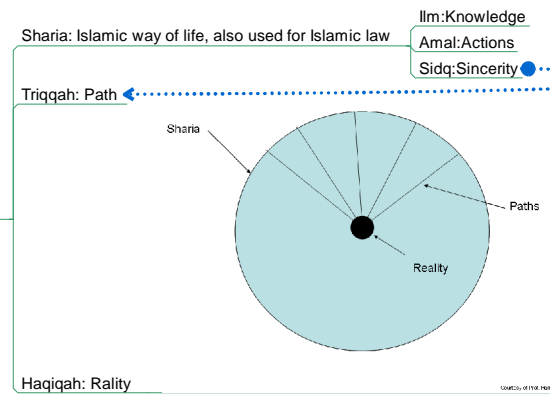
Perfecting The Religious Experience

- Islam (Submission:Free of defects)
- Iman (Belief:Safe)
- Ihsan Perfection)

Acting On The Spiritual Self

- Commanding Self
- Conscious Self
- Satisfied Self

Methodology



Miscellaneous

- Wali & Sheikh: The spiritual guide:
- Dhikr: The invocation and its various styles
- Khalwa: Isolation
- Kashf: Enlightenment, intuitive knowledge

Exoterism Vs. Esoterism

- Zahir:Exoterism (Explicit Text)
- Batin:Esoterism (Speculative Text, Allegorical Meaning)

Complementary not contradictory or hierarchical

Knowing

- The knowledge of Certainty
- The eye of Certainty
- The reality of certainty

Example of difference between hearing about an event and experiencing the event