

- (a) Rabia Al Adawiyya contributed to the progression of Islam throughout her life. She was the first female sufi and pushed forward the movement of Sufism. She was an excellent role model for all Muslims throughout the ages as she dedicated her whole life to Allah, living in solitude praying to God and learning - this contributed greatly to Islam as a role model.
- (b) Rabia Al Adawiyya devoted her life to prayer and her love for Allah. She did not learn what she knew from a teacher, she taught herself which was very unusual for a woman of her time. She lived as a hermit with little to no possessions as she ~~was~~ followed the beliefs of Islam very strictly. Another dedication Rabia made was travelling to Mecca as a Hajj pilgrim which was very rare for a woman of her time. She coped with the physical hardship of her journey but felt no reverence for the Ka'ba for "it is the man of the house whom I wish to see". Rabia set an example for all Muslims demonstrating that the love of God was for God alone "If I tore you out of fear of hell, burn me in hell" but "If I adore you for you alone do not deny me your eternal love". Although Rabia was never made a saint she has been described as a 'Sufi saint' through her influence of Sufism through her dedication and love for God.

(c) Hajj is one of the five pillars of faith in Islam thus expressing the beliefs of Islam through practice. It is expected of every Muslim to travel once in their lives as a Hajj pilgrim "if health permits it" as the Qur'an instructs. While a Muslim is on Hajj they pray to Allah and dedicate their time to following the beliefs of Islam and the will of Allah. They run 7 times counter-clockwise around the Ka'ba, back + forth between the hills, they travel to Mecca and pray all day ~~and wear white garments~~ to express their devotion and follow the instructions + beliefs of Islam seen in the Qur'an. White garments are worn by all pilgrims as a symbol of equality before God. All the while expressing the beliefs of Islam through devotion to Allah

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