

A Matter of Faith



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A matter of faith hoists the tenets of Islam to correct the misdemeanours altering its indoctrination. Gimba frowns at the Faithful's hypocrisy and unwholesomeness in their service to Allaah and therefore calls for a religious re-engineering; one that will efficiently-cum-effectively meet earthly and heavenly standards.

Gimba also painstakingly outlines the responsibilities and qualities of good leadership as pivotal to national development.

Unlike any other religious literature, Gimba's pedagogical prowess marks a difference in his choice of language and analogies, and in references and inferences.

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Dedication

For those
with the *Umaan* to live,
act, and stand up for the
integrity of our *deen*, *Manistada'atum*.

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