

Belief in Allah (swt)

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Outline

- God's existence
- Belief in Allah/Tauheed
- Types of Tauheed
- Polytheism

Does God Exist...!?

“It is easy for a person to say that God does not exist, but it is impossible for anybody to prove it. On the other hand, to the one who believes in God, there are many evidences of his existence.”

God's Existence

- Mainly people deny God's existence on the basis of Intellect or Science.
- Five senses (Taste, Touch, Smell, Hear and Sight)
- Scientific theories keep changing over time, whereas Islamic principles are unchangeable.
 - Theory of Geocentrism and Heliocentrism
 - The Big Bang Theory
- There are many things that exist, but we can't see:
 - Sound waves, Radio waves, Wi-Fi & Bluetooth signals, Emotions, etc

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- We can not understand many things on the basis of Science and Intellect:
 - Soul روح
- There are many rational proofs for the existence of God:
 - This Universe and its perfect system
 - Human being
- Many verses of Holy Quran and Prophet's Ahadith describe the existence of God.
- Importance of Quran and Sunnah (Prophet's Character)

Tauheed

- Literal meaning of Tauheed is “unification” (making something one). It comes from the Arabic word وَحَدَّ (wahhad) which itself means to unify.
- It means, believing that Allah is one with no partner or associate in his lordship (Rububiyah), divinity (Uluhiyah) or names and attributes (Al-asma Wa-ssifat).
- Tauheed is the cornerstone of Iman. All the other beliefs in Islam revolve round belief in Allah.

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- The message of every Prophet was Tauheed,

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ مِنْ رَّسُولٍ إِلَّا نُوحِي إِلَيْهِ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنَا فَاعْبُدُونِ (الانبیاء: 25)

We did not send before you any messenger, but we revealed to him that there is no god but I (Allah SWT), so worship me.

وَابْرِهِيمَ إِذْ قَالَ لِقَوْمِهِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَاتَّقُوهُ ذَلِكُمْ خَيْرٌ لَّكُمْ إِن كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ [العنكبوت 16]

لَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا نُوحًا إِلَى قَوْمِهِ فَقَالَ يُقَوْمِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ مَا لَكُمْ مِنْ إِلَهٍ غَيْرُهُ [الأعراف 59]

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وَالِى مَدْيَنَ أَخَاهُمْ شُعَيْبًا قَالَ يُقَوْمِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ مَا لَكُمْ مِنْ إِلَهٍ غَيْرُهُ [الأعراف 85]

Types of Tauheed

1. Tauheed ar-Ruboobiyyat (oneness of lordship): To believe that Allah is the only Rabb or the lord of the universe. He alone is the creator, sustainer and provider.

وَلَئِنْ سَأَلْتَهُمْ مَنْ خَلَقَ السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْاَرْضَ وَسَخَّرَ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ لَيَقُوْلَنَّ اللّٰهُ فَاَنۢى يُؤْفَكُوْنَ (العنكبوت: 61)

If you ask them 'O Prophet' who created the heavens and the earth and subjected the sun and the moon 'for your benefit', they will certainly say, "Allah!" How can they then be deluded 'from the truth'?

Activity

Write down some attributes of Allah SWT
that you know the meaning of.

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2. Tauheed al-asma Wa ssifat (oneness of Allah's names & attributes): This category of Tauheed requires that Allah may only be described with the names and attributes of perfection which have mentioned by Allah and His Messenger.

لَيْسَ كَمِثْلِهِ شَيْءٌ وَهُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْبَصِيرُ (الشورى: 11)

There is nothing like Him, for He 'alone' is the All-Hearing, All-Seeing.

وَلِلَّهِ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَىٰ فَادْعُوهُ بِهَا (الاعراف: 180)

The most beautiful names belong to Allah, so call on him by them.

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3. Tauheed Al-Uloohiyyah (oneness of worship): It means devoting all acts of worship, both inward and outward, in word or deed, to Allah alone, and not worshipping anything or anyone other than Allah.

وَقَضَىٰ رَبُّكَ أَلَّا تَعْبُدُوا إِلَّا إِيَّاهُ (الاسراء: 23)

“And your lord has decreed that you worship none but Him.”

إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ (الفاتحة: 4)

- You alone we worship; and upon You, we call for help.

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قُلْ إِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٦٢﴾ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَبِذَلِكَ أُمِرْتُ وَأَنَا أَوَّلُ الْمُسْلِمِينَ ﴿١٦٣﴾ [الانعام
[163,162]

Say: "Verily, my Salah, my sacrifice, my living, and my dying are for Allah, the Lord of the all that exists."

➤ Tauheed al-Uloohiyah is singling out Allah with worship.

- None besides him is worshiped
- None besides him is call upon
- No one is sought for rescue
- No one is scarified to or slaughtered for or made an oath for, except him.

Effects or Benefits of Tauheed

➤ Acceptance of deeds

وَلَقَدْ أُوحِيَ إِلَيْكَ وَإِلَى الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ لَئِنْ أَشْرَكْتَ لَيَحْبَطَنَّ عَمَلُكَ وَلَتَكُونَنَّ مِنَ الْخَاسِرِينَ (الزمر: 65)

It has already been revealed to you and to those before you (that): If you associate (partners with Allah), your deeds shall be rendered useless, and you shall be among the losers.

➤ Forgiveness of sins

مَا مِنْ نَفْسٍ تَمُوتُ وَهِيَ تَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَأَنِّي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ، يَرْجِعُ ذَلِكَ إِلَى قَلْبٍ مُوقِنٍ، إِلَّا غَفَرَ اللَّهُ

Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said: "There is no soul that died bearing witness to La ilaha illallah, and that I am the Messenger of Allah, from the heart with certainty, but Allah will forgive it."

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➤ Freedom from hell fire

• يَخْرُجُ مِنَ النَّارِ مَنْ قَالَ: لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، وَكَانَ فِي قَلْبِهِ مِثْقَالُ شَعِيرَةٍ مِنْ خَيْرٍ

- "Whoever said "None has the right to be worshipped but Allah and has in his heart good (faith) equal to the weight of a barley grain will be taken out of Hell."

➤ Attainment of paradise

• مَنْ مَاتَ وَهُوَ يَعْلَمُ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ دَخَلَ الْجَنَّةَ

"Whoever dies knowing that there is no god but Allah will enter paradise."

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➤ Cause of Intercession of Prophet ﷺ

أَسْعَدُ النَّاسِ بِشَفَاعَتِي يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ مَنْ قَالَ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، خَالِصًا مِنْ قَلْبِهِ أَوْ نَفْسِهِ

The luckiest person who will have my intercession on the Day of Resurrection will be the one who said sincerely from the bottom of his heart "None has the right to be worshipped but Allah."

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➤ Self Respect

When a believer believes that Allah SWT alone can benefit or harm a person. So he will never bow his head to anyone other than Allah SWT.

وہ ایک سجدہ جسے تو گراں سمجھتا ہے
ہزار سجدوں سے دیتا ہے آدمی کو نجات

➤ Humbleness

A believer never becomes proud of power, wealth and worth because he knows that everything is provided by Allah SWT and He can take it away.

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- Bravery

- The Believer knows that life, properties and everything belong to Allah SWT alone, no can give life or take it except Allah SWT.

- Obeying

- The Believer knows that Allah SWT is all aware of his every action. He even knows our thoughts and intentions, bad or good. So, he believes we can not hide anything from Allah SWT, or evade Allah's grip. So this concept makes him to observe Allah's laws.

Polytheism (Shirk)

Polytheism

- Literal meaning of polytheism or Shirk is making a partner of someone.
- In religious sense Polytheism means ascribing any partner with Allah swt in his lordship, divinity and names & attributes.
- Polytheism is the gravest sin of all sins and it is an unpardonable sin.

وَإِذْ قَالَ لُقْمَنُ لِبْنِهِ وَهُوَ يَعِظُهُ يَا بُنَيَّ لَا تُشْرِكْ بِاللَّهِ إِنَّ الشِّرْكَ لَظُلْمٌ عَظِيمٌ (لقمان: 13)

(Remember) when Luqman said to his son, while he was advising him,
“My dear son, do not ascribe partners to Allah. Indeed, ascribing partners
to Allah (shirk) is grave transgression.”

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إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَغْفِرُ أَنْ يُشْرَكَ بِهِ وَيَغْفِرُ مَا دُونَ ذَلِكَ لِمَنْ يَشَاءُ (النساء: 48)

Indeed, Allah does not forgive associating others with Him but forgives anything else of whoever He wills.

- The punishment of shirk is permanent hell fire.

إِنَّهُ مَنْ يُشْرِكْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدْ حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ الْجَنَّةَ وَمَأْوَاهُ النَّارُ وَمَا لِلظَّالِمِينَ مِنْ أَنْصَارٍ (المائدة: 72)

Indeed, he who associates others with Allah - Allah has forbidden him Paradise, and his refuge is the Fire. And there are not for the wrongdoers any helpers.

Shirk
(Polytheism)

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graph TD; A[Shirk (Polytheism)] --> B[Major (Al-akbar)]; A --> C[Minor (Al-asghar)]; B --> D[Lordship]; B --> E[Names & Attributes]; B --> F[Divinity]; C --> G[Showing Off];
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Major
(Al-akbar)

Minor
(Al-asghar)

Lordship

Names &
Attributes

Divinity

Showing Off

Minor Shirk

- **Ar-Riya (acts performed to show off):** Any act of worship or any religious deed done in order to gain praise, fame or for worldly benefit, falls under this category.

عن أبي سعيد الخدري رضي الله عنه مرفوعاً: "ألا أخبركم بما هو أخوف عليكم عندي من المسيح الدجال؟ قالوا: بلى يا رسول الله، قال: الشرك الخفي يقوم الرجل فيصلي فيزيّن صلاته لما يرى من نظر رجلٍ".

The Prophet ﷺ said: "Shall I tell you what I fear more for you than the Antichrist?" They said: "Yes, O Messenger of Allah." He said: "Hidden polytheism; when a man gets up to pray and improves his prayer because he sees another man watching him."