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## INTRODUCTION

### TAWHEED – EXISTENCE OF ALLAH

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) loves His slaves and gives so much confirmation that He exists and is not absent. But if we want to make Him absent in our life then He will not be apparent to us.
- The meaning of to witness to (لا إله إلا الله) does not mean we need to go to the sky in order to believe, but to be a humble slave of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). To believe that He is so kind, He is so

generous, He loves His slaves and He is so merciful.

- The belief in the existence of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is very important. We need to believe Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is present more than we are present. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is present though He rose over The Throne in a manner that suits His Majesty. He is so visible, so apparent, He is The Most Exalted, and He deals with us with all His Names whether we know or do not know.
- It is important to feel that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is the main in our life before ourselves. And that He exists before we exist.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is The Most Near and The Most Compassionate Companion Who nurtures us with His gentleness and care. He never

neglects us or abandons us or makes us feel awkward.

- Even if we are far away and do not have feelings for Him, He will still wait for us. And when we show feelings for Him, He will draw closer to us, though He is The Lord, He is The King and He owns everything.
- The Nurturing of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is all the time whether we feel it or do not feel it, whether we see it or do not see it. Even if people are sinners going far away from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), He will still send reminders and miracles to them in order to come to Him with their feelings and movements of heart.
- It is our faith and how much we believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) that will reach, so we need to

believe in the existence of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى)

before the existence of anything in this life.

- We can go through different scenes and sceneries in this life, but the existence of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is before the existence of anything else.
- If we do not see Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), it does not mean He is not there, He is with us more than anything physical around us.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is above the seven heavens, He rose over The Throne in a manner that suits His majesty. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is with us by His knowledge, seeing, hearing, companionship and all His Most Beautiful Names and Attributes, so we should not forget Him.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is The Most Subtle and will not force Himself on us, but when He brings signs to us, we truly feel, “we did not worship you as you deserve to be worshipped.”
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) shows us many ayat to show (لا إله إلا الله), but we miss many ayat. And we will see more of (لا إله إلا الله) when our heart changes without interference from anything.
- When the Bedouin was asked, “how do you know your Lord exists?” He said, “when I am determined to do something and then that determination goes away or when I am not determined to do something and then I am determined”.

## SURAH ADH DHAARIYAAT 21

وَفِي أَنْفُسِكُمْ أَفَلَا تُبْصِرُونَ

And in yourselves. Then will you not see?

- Every situation that comes to us is to make us know He exists and to know Who He is.
- We can be so conscious if someone of position is present, but what about the angels? They are honorable scribes who exist though we do not see them, so we should respect them. And even more is Allah (سبحانه) Whom we should respect Him before we love because there is no love without magnification.
- We should respect His messengers, respect His words, respect His nurturing, respect His decrees and legislation. It is just to respect. And that is belief in the unseen.

- Before any worship, the minimum is to believe in the existence of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). All that we do is for Him, but it will not make sense if we do not believe in His existence. When we are conscious of His existence then it will make us from the Slaves of the Most Merciful.

## SURAH AL FURQAN 63 TO 67

63

وَعِبَادُ الرَّحْمَنِ الَّذِينَ يَمْشُونَ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ هَوْنًا وَإِذَا خَاطَبَهُمُ  
الْجَاهِلُونَ قَالُوا سَلَامًا

And the servants of the Most Merciful are those who walk upon the earth easily, and when the ignorant address them [harshly], they say [words of] peace,

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وَالَّذِينَ يَبِيتُونَ لِرَبِّهِمْ سُجَّدًا وَقِيَامًا



And those who spend [part of] the night to their  
Lord prostrating and standing [in prayer]

65

وَالَّذِينَ يَقُولُونَ رَبَّنَا اصْرِفْ عَنَّا عَذَابَ جَهَنَّمَ ۚ إِنَّ عَذَابَهَا كَانَ  
غَرَامًا

And those who say, "Our Lord, avert from us the  
punishment of Hell. Indeed, its punishment is  
ever adhering;

66

إِنَّهَا سَاءَتْ مُسْتَقَرًّا وَمُقَامًا

Indeed, it is evil as a settlement and residence."

67

وَالَّذِينَ إِذَا أَنْفَقُوا لَمْ يُسْرِفُوا وَلَمْ يَقْتُرُوا وَكَانَ بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ قَوَامًا

And [they are] those who, when they spend, do  
so not excessively or sparingly but are ever,  
between that, [justly] moderate

- What is a slave of Allah? A slave of the One Who is Most Perfect, whose perfection cannot be encompassed. We will attach to His perfection and this is the only thing that will make us survive when we are a slave of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). He is The Most Beloved, The Most Exalted Who amazes the minds.
- We want to be a slave of The Most Merciful in times of afflictions, confusion, trials, disbelief and shirk because Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) wants to show us tawheed, belief, gratitude and obedience. He will show us furqan (criterion). We want to attach to the One Whose mercy fills the horizons, to the Most Merciful.
- The mercy of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is great and vast, even if we are in the middle of the sea, we can attach to the vast mercy of Allah

(سبحانه وتعالى). Even if we are in the middle of disbelief and shirk, we believe in Allah Ar Rahman – The Most Merciful.

- Allah Ar Rahman keeps us going and gives us so much hope. When we have strong belief in His existence, then we will witness that He is our Lord and He will never leave anyone without sending nurturing, reminders and blessings.

## TAWHEED – LORDSHIP OF ALLAH

- The Lordship of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is never absent and never discontinued. Even if we escape from one nurturing, we will still face another nurturing. He will bring so much evidence so that we are purified and understand Who He is.

○ Why does Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) nurture us in life?

Because we are made of sand, earthy components with different natures, but when we accept the nurturing of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), He will reform us and beautify us in order to deserve to be near to Him.

○ If the heavens and the earth were not created in vain, so do we think we are in this life in vain? Do we think anything that happens is in vain?

### SURAH AL ANBIYA 16

وَمَا خَلَقْنَا السَّمَاءَ وَالْأَرْضَ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا لَآعِبِينَ

And We did not create the heaven and earth  
and that between them in play.

- We want to be nurtured, and not only to be reformed, but to be nurtured for the best – for Ihsaan, which is more than Islam and Iman.

## SURAH AL MULK 2

الَّذِي خَلَقَ الْمَوْتَ وَالْحَيَاةَ لِيَبْلُوَكُمْ أَيُّكُمْ أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا ۚ وَهُوَ  
الْعَزِيزُ الْغَفُورُ

[He] who created death and life to test you [as to] which of you is best in deed - and He is the  
Exalted in Might, the Forgiving

- Everyone has the opportunity to reach Firdaous Al 'Ala, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) nurtures everyone that they can reach it if they accept it; He is never unjust in His nurturing.
- Even if our nurturing is different from one another, all nurturing is comparable in its beauty; however, not everyone will be in

Firdaous Al 'Ala though everyone has the opportunity to do so.

- That's why we want to be foremost and to be truthful with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), and these are Awliya Allah. If anyone wants to harm Awliya Allah, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will declare war against them, why? To keep their purity and make the path easy for them to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). They are the ones who chose Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), so surely Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will remove obstacles in their way. He will fight for them.

ALLAH DECLARES WAR AGAIN THE  
ONE WHO HARMS HIS WALI

قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: "إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى قَالَ: "مَنْ  
عَادَ لِي وَلِيًّا، فَقَدْ آذَنْتَهُ بِالْحَرْبِ"

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "Allah, the Exalted, has said: 'I will declare war against him who treats with hostility a pious worshipper of Mine.'<sup>1</sup>

- All that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) has placed us in is customized for us. On the Day of Judgement, the sun will draw near and the people will sweat according to their level of sins, and this is the ability of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) that there is sun, but the levels of sweat are different for all. And similarly, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) nurtures us all, but the way we are nurtured is different.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) gives value to everyone because everything belongs to Him. When we want to nurture someone, we highlight the

<sup>1</sup> Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari Book 1, Hadith 386

fault and want to reform it. But Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) brings us the best from us so that we attach to Him.

## SURAH AL FATIHA 2 TO 3

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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

[All] praise is [due] to Allah, Lord of the worlds -

3

الرَّحْمَنُ الرَّحِيمُ

The Entirely Merciful, the Especially Merciful,

- There is nothing greater than to love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and love the Prophet (ﷺ). Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) appreciates it that we believe in Him and love Him absolutely. And when we love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and His Messenger (ﷺ), then we will have a sound and good heart.



## LOVE OF ALLAH AND HIS MESSENGER

(ﷺ)

قَالَ لِرَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ مَتَى السَّاعَةُ قَالَ لَهُ  
رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " مَا أَعَدَدْتَ لَهَا " . قَالَ حُبَّ  
اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ . قَالَ " أَنْتَ مَعَ مَنْ أَحْبَبْتَ " .

Anas b. Malik reported that a desert Arab said to Allah's Messenger (ﷺ): When would be the Last Hour? Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) said: What preparation have you made for that?

Thereupon he said: The love of Allah and of His Messenger (that is my preparation for the Last Hour) (for the Day of Resurrection). Thereupon he (the Prophet (ﷺ)) said: You would be along with one whom you love.<sup>2</sup>

## TAWHEED – WORSHIP OF ALLAH

<sup>2</sup> Sahih Muslim 2639

- When we know Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is our Nurturer, then all our feelings will be for Him and our devotions will be for Him.
- Praising is for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because if we praise someone so much, we will dispraise them one day.

### DO NOT EXAGGERATE IN PRAISING THE MESSENGER (ﷺ)

عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ، سَمِعَ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ يَقُولُ عَلَى الْمِنْبَرِ  
سَمِعْتُ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ " لَا تُطْرُونِي كَمَا  
أَطْرَتِ النَّصَارَى ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ، فَإِنَّمَا أَنَا عَبْدُهُ، فَقُولُوا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ  
وَرَسُولُهُ " .

I heard the Prophet (ﷺ) saying, "Do not exaggerate in praising me as the Christians praised the son of Mary, for I am only a Slave.

So, call me the Slave of Allah and His  
Messenger."<sup>3</sup>

◉ Shirk is disconnection and it is unjust.

### SUPPLICATION TO BE PROTECTED FROM SHIRK

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ أَنْ أَشْرِكَ بِكَ وَأَنَا أَعْلَمُ، وَأَسْتَغْفِرُكَ لِمَا لَا  
أَعْلَمُ

*Allāhumma innī a`ūdhu bika an ushrika bika wa  
anā a`lam, wa astaghfiruka limā lā a`lam.*

O Allah, I seek refuge in You lest I associate  
anything with You knowingly, and I seek Your  
forgiveness for what I know not.<sup>4</sup>

◉ The right of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is to worship Him  
alone with no partner. A person may commit  
many sins, but not like the severity of shirk.

<sup>3</sup> Sahih al-Bukhari 3445

<sup>4</sup> Sahihut-Tarhib wat- Tarhib 1/19

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will not accept the heart of the slave to be shared. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is so perfect and will not accept to be placed together with a messenger or an angel or any human being, subhan Allah.
- The messengers never told the people to place them in the same position with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

ALLAH FORGIVES ALL SINS AS LONG  
AS WE DO NOT ASSOCIATE WITH HIM

وعن أنس ، رضي الله عنه قال: "سمعت رسول الله ، صلى الله عليه وسلم يقول: "قال الله تعالى: يا ابن آدم، إنك ما دعوتني ورجوتني غفرت لك على ما كان منك ولا أبالي، يا ابن آدم، لو بلغت ذنوبك عنان السماء، ثم استغفرتني غفرت لك ، يا ابن آدم، إنك لو أتيتني بقراب الأرض خطايا، ثم لقيتني لا تشرك به شيئاً، لأتيتك بقرابها مغفرة"

Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Allah, the Exalted, has said: 'O son of Adam, I forgive you as long as you pray to Me and hope for My forgiveness, whatever sins you have committed. O son of 'Adam, I do not care if your sins reach the height of the heaven, then you ask for my forgiveness, I would forgive you. O son of 'Adam, if you come to Me with an earth load of sins, and meet Me associating nothing to Me, I would match it with an earth load of forgiveness.'"<sup>5</sup>

- There is no one who can be equal to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) in His Names, Attributes and Actions.

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<sup>5</sup> Riyadh As Saliheen, At Tirmidhi, Book 1, Hadith 442

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) watches our heart and wants it pure for Him, but when it turns to others, our heart will be in torment.
- Any blessing in life is from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and when we do anything, Who taught us, Who made us do it? It is all Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), so all credit goes to Him.
- We get impressed with our knowledge, mercy and kindness, but the knowledge we have is like a drop in the ocean relative to the knowledge of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). So who are we to be so impressed with ourselves?

## KNOWLEDGE OF ALLAH

وَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " الْأُولَى كَانَتْ مِنْ مُوسَى  
نَسِيَانٌ - قَالَ وَجَاءَ عُصْفُورٌ حَتَّى وَقَعَ عَلَى حَرْفِ السَّفِينَةِ ثُمَّ نَقَرَ

فِي الْبَحْرِ فَقَالَ لَهُ الْخَضِرُ مَا نَقَصَ عِلْمِي وَعِلْمُكَ مِنْ عِلْمِ اللَّهِ  
إِلَّا مِثْلَ مَا نَقَصَ هَذَا الْعُصْفُورُ مِنَ الْبَحْرِ".

He said: 'And a sparrow came, until it perched on the edge of a boat, and pecked at the sea.

So Al-Khadir said to him: My knowledge and your knowledge do not diminish anything from the knowledge of Allah, but like what this sparrow diminishes of the sea.'<sup>6</sup>

- Someone might say, "I do not want to commit shirk so I will be away from people", but we will only end up committing shirk with ourselves. We will be humble when we are with people.

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<sup>6</sup> Jami` at-Tirmidhi 3149

## SURAH IBRAHIM 24 TO 25

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أَلَمْ تَرَ كَيْفَ ضَرَبَ اللَّهُ مَثَلًا كَلِمَةً طَيِّبَةً كَشَجَرَةٍ طَيِّبَةٍ أَصْلُهَا  
ثَابِتٌ وَفُرُوعُهَا فِي السَّمَاءِ

Have you not considered how Allah presents an example, [making] a good word like a good tree, whose root is firmly fixed and its branches [high] in the sky?

25

تُؤْتِي أُكْلَهَا كُلَّ حِينٍ بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهَا ۖ وَيَضْرِبُ اللَّهُ الْأَمْثَالَ لِلنَّاسِ  
لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَذَكَّرُونَ

It produces its fruit all the time, by permission of its Lord. And Allah presents examples for the people that perhaps they will be reminded.

- Our manners cannot be reformed with shirk, but our manners will be reformed with tawheed.



## TAWHEED – NAMES AND ATTRIBUTES OF ALLAH

- All of the Names of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) are the most beautiful, most majestic.
- (لا إله إلا الله) purifies us from anything other than Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and affirms the perfection of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- And the Names and Attributes of Allah never change so this gives us comfort. This makes us accept changes in people because no one has perfect names, attributes and actions except Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- Everyone will die but Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will not die. Everyone needs to be maintained, but Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is impeccable. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى)

will show us His perfection through opposites in life.

- Nothing in life can keep us together and protect us from being scattered and all over the place except tawheed. All praises are due to Allah – Lord of the Worlds.
- He gave us a limited time in this earth and we will face limited situations, but there is an eternal life in paradise.
- May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) make us among those who always believe in (لا إله إلا الله محمد رسول الله). That is the key to paradise and the key to any worship.

# LIVE WITH THE QUR'AN – SURAH AAL IMRAAN

## SURAH AAL IMRAAN 17

الصَّابِرِينَ وَالصَّادِقِينَ وَالْقَانِتِينَ وَالْمُنْفِقِينَ وَالْمُسْتَغْفِرِينَ  
بِالْأَسْحَارِ

The patient, the true, the obedient, those who spend [in the way of Allah], and those who seek forgiveness before dawn.

- This ayah is about those who are firm in these worships.
- (الصَّابِرِينَ) (The patient,): patience is part their quality and they are in constant patience. They are dipped in patience; they do not think, “should I be patient or not”?, why?
- (وَالصَّادِقِينَ) (the true,): because they want to be truthful in their feelings and truthful in their worships.

- (وَالْقَانِتِينَ) (the obedient,): they are devoted and busy in worship.
- (وَالْمُنْفِقِينَ) (those who spend [in the way of Allah],): they are giving.
- (وَالْمُسْتَغْفِرِينَ بِالْأَسْحَارِ) (and those who seek forgiveness before dawn.): they seek forgiveness before dawn.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) gifted them these qualities so it became a part of them.
- Patience without tawheed is pain.
- Truthfulness without tawheed is a lie.
- Devotion without tawheed is tiredness.
- Giving without tawheed is loss.
- Seeking forgiveness without tawheed is deception.

MAY ALLAH KEEP US FIRM IN BELIEF AND PROTECT US  
FROM SHIRK. AMEEN.

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