

The Proofs of Tawheed

From the Book:

*Dalaa'il at-Tawheed Khamsoon Su'aalan wa Jawaaban fil-
'Aqeedah*

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Q1: What are the three fundamental principles that are obligatory (*waajib*) upon all of mankind to have knowledge of?

A1: Knowledge of their Lord, religion, and Prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

Q2: Who is your Lord?

A2: My Lord is Allaah who has nurtured me and everything in existence by His blessings and favor. He is the One that I worship, and I do not have anyone other than Him whom I worship, and the proof is His statement ﷻ

﴿ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴾

“All praise is due to Allaah Lord of everything in existence.”

[Soorah al-Faatihah (1):2]

Everything that Allaah has created is from His creation, and I am one from amongst that creation.

Q3: What is the meaning of *Rabb* (Lord)?

A3: Al-Maalik (The King), al-Ma'bood (The One Who is worshipped), al-Mutasarrif (The One Whom everyone is under His disposal). He is the only One to Whom worship is rightfully due.

Q4: Based upon what knowledge do you know your Lord?

A4: I know Him by His Signs and that which He has created. From His Signs are the night and the day and the sun and the moon. From His creation are the seven heavens and all contained within it and the seven earths and all contained within it as well as all that is between them. The proof is His statement, ﷻ

﴿ وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ اللَّيْلُ وَالنَّهَارُ وَالشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ لَا تَسْجُدُوا لِلشَّمْسِ وَلَا لِلْقَمَرِ وَاسْجُدُوا لِلَّهِ

الَّذِي خَلَقَهُنَّ إِن كُنتُمْ إِيَّاهُ تَعْبُدُونَ ﴾

“And from among His signs are the night and the day, and the sun and the moon. Do not prostrate yourselves to the sun nor to the moon, but prostrate yourselves to Allaah Who created them, if it is Him Who you really worship.”

[Soorah Fussilat (41):37]

And His saying,

﴿إِنَّ رَبَّكُمُ اللَّهُ الَّذِي خَلَقَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ فِي سِتَّةِ أَيَّامٍ ثُمَّ اسْتَوَىٰ عَلَى الْعَرْشِ
يُغْشَى اللَّيْلَ النَّهَارَ يَطْلُبُهُ حَثِيثًا وَالشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ وَالنُّجُومَ مُسَخَّرَاتٍ بِأَمْرِهِ ۗ أَلَا لَهُ الْخَلْقُ
وَالْأَمْرُ ۗ تَبَارَكَ اللَّهُ رَبُّ الْعَالَمِينَ﴾

“Indeed your Lord (*Rabb*) is Allaah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then ascended over the Throne (in a manner befitting His Majesty). He brings the night as a cover over the day, seeking it rapidly, and the sun, the moon, and the stars are subjected to His Command and Order. Surely, His is the creation and the Commandment (i.e. the *Qur’aan*). Blessed is Allaah, the Lord (*Rabb*) of all that exists.”

[Soorah al-A’raaf (7):54]

Q: What is your *Deen* (religion)?

A: My *Deen* is Islaam. Islaam is to submit to Allaah and to succumb completely to Allaah, and to Him Alone. The proof of this is His saying, ﴿

﴿إِنَّ الدِّينَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ الْإِسْلَامُ﴾

“Truly, the *Deen* (religion) with Allaah is Islaam.”

[Soorah Aali ‘Imraan (3):19]

And another proof is His saying, ﴿

﴿وَمَنْ يَتَّبِعْ غَيْرَ الْإِسْلَامِ دِينًا فَلَنْ يُقْبَلَ مِنْهُ وَهُوَ فِي الْآخِرَةِ مِنَ الْخَاسِرِينَ﴾

“And whoever seeks a *Deen* (religion) other than Islaam, it will never be accepted of him, and in the hereafter he will be one of the losers.”

[Soorah Aali ‘Imraan (3):85]

And another proof is His statement, ﴿

﴿الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتَمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيتُ لَكُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا﴾

“This day I have perfected your *Deen* (religion) for you, completed My favor upon you, and chosen Islaam as your *Deen* (religion).”

[Soorah al-Maa'idah (5):3]

Q: Upon what is this *Deen* established?

A: Islaam is built upon five pillars. The first is to bear witness that none has the right to be worshipped except Allaah and to bear witness that Muhammad ﷺ is His slave and messenger. Thereafter, establishing the *Salaah* (prayer), paying the *Zakaat* (a certain fixed proportion of wealth of every kind of property liable to *Zakaat* of a Muslim to be paid yearly for the benefit of the poor in the Muslim communities), fasting the month of *Ramadaan*, and performing the *Hajj* (pilgrimage) once in a lifetime for those who have been granted the ability to make the *Hajj* (pilgrimage).

Q: What is *Eemaan* (faith)?

A: *Eemaan* (faith) is to believe in Allaah, His angels, His Books, His messengers, the Day of Judgment, and to believe in the good and the bad of His *Qadar* (divine decree). The proof is His saying, ﷻ

﴿ ءَامَنَ الرَّسُولُ بِمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْهِ مِنْ رَبِّهِ وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ كُلٌّ ءَامَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَمَلَائِكَتِهِ وَكُتُبِهِ

وَرُسُلِهِ ﴾

“The Messenger (Muhammad ﷺ) believes in what has been sent down to him from His Lord (*Rabb*), as well and so do the believers. Each one believes in Allaah, His angels, His Books, and His messengers.”

[Soorah al-Baqarah (2):285]

Q: What is *Ihsaan* (perfection in worship)?

A: *Ihsaan* is to worship Allaah as though you see Him, and if you are not able to worship Him as though you see Him; then worship Him knowing that He sees you. The proof of this is His saying, ﷻ

﴿ إِنَّ اللَّهَ مَعَ الَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ مُحْسِنُونَ ﴾

“Truly, Allaah is with those who fear Him and keep their duty to Him and those who are *muhsinoon* (those who worship Allaah with *Ihsaan*).”

[Soorah an-Nahl (16): 128]

Q: Who is your prophet?

A: My prophet is Muhammad bin ‘Abdullaah bin ‘Abdul Muttalib bin Haashim, and Haashim is from the Quraish, and the Quraish are from Kinaanah, and Kinaanah are from the ‘Arab, and the ‘Arab are from the progeny of Ismaa’eel bin Ibraheem, and Ismaa’eel is from the offspring of

Ibraheem, and Ibraheem is from the progeny of Nuh, may Allaah bestow His peace and blessings upon all of our prophets ﷺ.

Q: With what thing did he become a prophet? And with what did he become a messenger?

A: He became a prophet with Soorah al-'Alaq and a messenger with Soorah al-Muddaththir.

Q: What is his ﷺ greatest miracle?

A: His greatest miracle is the *Qur'aan* that challenges all of creation to produce a chapter equivalent to those found within the *Qur'aan*. No one has ever been able to achieve this regardless of their eloquence in the language and their extreme urge for the *Qur'aan* to become effaced and non-existent and their enmity for it and those who follow it. And the proof is His saying, ﷻ

﴿ وَإِنْ كُنْتُمْ فِي رَيْبٍ مِّمَّا نَزَّلْنَا عَلَىٰ عَبْدِنَا عَلَىٰ سُورَةٍ مِّن مِّثْلِهِ وَادْعُوا شُهَدَاءَكُمْ
مِّن دُونِ اللَّهِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ ﴿٢٣﴾ فَإِنْ لَّمْ تَفْعَلُوا وَلَنْ تَفْعَلُوا فَاتَّقُوا النَّارَ الَّتِي وَقُودُهَا
النَّاسُ وَالْحِجَارَةُ أُعِدَّتْ لِلْكَافِرِينَ ﴿٢٤﴾ ﴾

“And if you are in doubt concerning that which we have sent down (i.e. the *Qur'aan*) to our slave (Muhammad ﷺ) then produce a chapter equivalent to it and call your witnesses besides Allaah, if you are truthful. But if you do not do it, and you can never do it, then fear the fire (Hell) whose fuel is men and stones, prepared for those that disbelieve.”

[Soorah al-Baqarah (2):23-24]

And in another verse He says,

﴿ قُلْ لِّئِنْ أَجْتَمَعَتِ الْإِنْسُ وَالْجِنُّ عَلَىٰ أَنْ يَأْتُوا بِمِثْلِ هَذَا الْقُرْآنِ لَا يَأْتُونَ بِمِثْلِهِ وَلَوْ
كَانَ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ ظَهِيرًا ﴿٨٨﴾ ﴾

“Say (O Muhammad ﷺ), ‘If mankind and the jinn came together to produce the equivalent of this *Qur'aan*, they could not produce the like thereof, even if they helped one another.’”

[Soorah al-'Israa' (17):88]

Q: What is the proof that he ﷺ is the Messenger of Allaah?

A: His saying, ﷻ

﴿ وَمَا مُحَمَّدٌ إِلَّا رَسُولٌ قَدْ خَلَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِهِ الرُّسُلُ أَفَإِنْ مَاتَ أَوْ قُتِلَ انْقَلَبْتُمْ عَلَىٰ أَعْقَابِكُمْ ۚ وَمَنْ يَنْقَلِبْ عَلَىٰ عَقْبَيْهِ فَلَنْ يَضُرَّ اللَّهَ شَيْئًا وَسَيَجْزِي اللَّهُ الشَّاكِرِينَ ۚ ﴾

“Muhammad (ﷺ) is no more than a messenger and indeed many messengers have passed away before him. If he dies or is killed, will you then turn back on your heels (as disbelievers)? And he who turns back on his heels, not the least harm will he do to Allaah, and Allaah will reward those who are grateful.”

[Soorah Aali ‘Imraan (3):144]

And another proof is His saying, ﷺ

﴿ مُحَمَّدٌ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ۚ وَالَّذِينَ مَعَهُ أَشِدَّاءُ عَلَى الْكُفَّارِ رُحَمَاءُ بَيْنَهُمْ ۖ تَرَاهُمْ رُكَّعًا سُجَّدًا ۚ ﴾

“Muhammad (ﷺ) is the Messenger of Allaah. And those who are with him are severe against the disbelievers and merciful amongst themselves. You see them bowing and falling down prostrate (in prayer).”

[Soorah al-Fath (48):29]

Q13: What is the proof of Muhammad’s ﷺ prophethood?

A13: The proof of his prophethood is His saying, ﷺ

﴿ مَا كَانَ مُحَمَّدٌ أَبَا أَحَدٍ مِّن رِّجَالِكُمْ وَلَكِن رَّسُولَ اللَّهِ وَخَاتَمَ عَلِيمَا النَّبِيِّينَ ۚ ﴾

“Muhammad (ﷺ) is not the father of any of your men, but he is the Messenger of Allaah and the seal of the prophets.”

[Soorah al-Ahzaab (33):40]

These Ayaat (verses) are a proof that he ﷺ is a prophet and the seal of the prophets.

Q14: What did Allaah send Muhammad ﷺ with?

A14: The worship of Allaah Alone without ascribing any partners to Him and to not take another deity along with Allaah. He prohibited from worshipping any aspect of creation such as the angels, the prophets, the righteous, stones, and trees just as Allaah, ﷻ has said,

﴿ وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ مِنْ رَسُولٍ إِلَّا نُوحِي إِلَيْهِ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنَا فَاعْبُدُونِ ۚ ﴾

“And We did not send any messenger before you (O Muhammad ﷺ) except we inspired him and revealed to him (saying): ‘Laa ilaaha ill Ana (None has the right to be worshipped, in truth, except Me)’ so worship Me (Alone and none else).”

[Soorah al-‘Anbiyaa’ (21):25]

And His saying, ﷻ

﴿ وَلَقَدْ بَعَثْنَا فِي كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ رَسُولًا أَنِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُوا الطَّاغُوتَ ﴾

“And verily, We have sent to every nation a messenger (proclaiming), Worship Allaah (Alone) and leave off and keep totally away from *Taaghoot* (everything that is worshipped other than Allaah).”

[Soorah an-Nahl (16):36]

And His saying, ﷻ

﴿ وَسَأَلْ مَنْ أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ مِنْ رُسُلِنَا أَجَعَلْنَا مِنْ دُونِ الرَّحْمَنِ إِلَهَةً يُعْبَدُونَ ﴾

“And ask: Who have We sent before you (O Muhammad ﷺ) from our messengers whom We caused to make from other than *ar-Rahmaan* gods whom they have worshipped.”

[Soorah az-Zukhruf (43):45]

And His saying, ﷻ

﴿ وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ ﴾

“And I have not created the *Jinn* and the men except for My worship (Alone).

[Sooratudh-Dhaariyaat (51): 56]

So it is known and understood from this that, indeed, Allaah has not created the creation except to worship Him and to single out Him Alone in that worship. For this reason, Allaah sent messengers to His slaves to order them with this.

Q: What is the difference between *Tawheed ar-Ruboobiyyah* and *Tawheed al-Uloohiyyah*?

A: *Tawheed ar-Ruboobiyyah*: The actions of the *Rabb* (Lord), for example, creation, provision, granting life and causing death, sending down rain, causing plants, trees, and grass to grow, as well as disposing all of the affairs.

Tawheed al-Uloohiyyah: The actions of the slave, for example, *Du'aa* (supplication), *Khawf* (fear of His punishment), *Rajaa'a* (hope for His mercy), *Tawakkul* (dependence and reliance on Him), *Inaabah* (turning to Him in repentance), *Raghbah* (fervent desire), *Rahbah* (dread), *Nadhr* (making

vows), *Ista'aanah* (seeking aid and help from Allaah), and other than that from the types of worship.

Q16: What are the types of worship that can never be correct or accepted except when done solely for Allaah Alone?

A16: From its types are, *Du'aa* (supplication), *Ista'aanah* (seeking help and aid), *Istaghaathah* (seeking deliverance and rescue), *Dhabh* (slaughtering), *Qurbaan* (sacrifice), *Nadhr* (making vows), *Khawf* (fear of His punishment), *Rajaa'a* (hope for His mercy), *Tawakkul* (dependence and reliance on Allaah), *Inaabah* (turning in repentance), *Mahabbah* (love), *Khashyah* (awe), *Raghbah* (fervent desire), *Rahbah* (dread), *Ta'alluh* (taking one as a deity), *Rukoo'* (bowing in prayer), *Sujood* (prostration), *Khushoo'* (humility), *Tadhallul* (humbleness and self abasement), and the glorification and exaltation that is from the specific traits of *al-Uloohiyyah*.

Q17: What is the most sublime affair that Allaah has commanded with? And what is the greatest prohibition that Allaah has forbidden?

A17: The most sublime affair that Allaah has commanded with is His *Tawheed* which is to single out Allaah Alone in all worship. The greatest from amongst His prohibitions is the forbiddance of *Shirk*, which is to call upon other than Allaah along with Allaah or to direct other than this from the types of worship to other than Allaah. So whomsoever directs anything from the types of worship to other than Allaah, he has taken that as a lord and deity and has associated partners along with Allaah no matter what he has intended to put forth as an act of worship from any of its types.

Q18: What are the three affairs that are obligatory (*waajib*) upon every *Muslim* and *Muslimah* to have knowledge of and act upon?

A18: *The first affair:* Allaah has created us and provided provision for us, and He has not left us alone to follow our own whims and desires. Rather, He has sent a messenger to us, so whoever obeys him enters *Jannah* and whoever defies him enters the fire of Hell.

The second affair: Allaah is not pleased with associating any partners with Him in His worship (i.e. *Shirk*) regardless if that *Shirk* is with an angel that is close to him or a prophet who He has sent.

The third affair: Whoever obeys the Messenger of Allaah ﷺ, and singles out Allaah alone in worship, it is not permissible for him to take companionship and rapport with those who oppose Allaah and His Messenger ﷺ even if they are from the closest of relatives.

Q19: What is the meaning of Allaah?

A19: Its meaning is the One Who has all rights of (*al-Uloohiyyah* and *al-Uboodiyyah*) worship over the His entire creation.

Q20: For what purpose did Allaah create you?

A20: To worship Him, and Him Alone.

Q21: What is His worship?

A21: His Tawheed and obedience to Him.

Q22: What is the proof for that?

A22: His saying, ﷻ

﴿ وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ ﴾

“And I have not created the *Jinn* and the men except for My worship (Alone).

[Soorah adh-Dhaariyaat (51):56]

Q23: What is the first thing that Allaah has obligated upon us?

A23: Total disbelief (*Kufr*) in *Taaghoot* (everything that is worshipped other than Allaah) and complete faith (*Eemaan*) in Allaah and the proof of this is His saying, ﷻ

﴿ لَا إِكْرَاهَ فِي الدِّينِ ۗ قَدْ تَبَيَّنَ الرُّشْدُ مِنَ الْغَيِّ ۚ فَمَنْ يَكْفُرْ بِالطَّاغُوتِ وَيُؤْمَرْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدِ اسْتَمْسَكَ بِالْعُرْوَةِ الْوُثْقَىٰ لَا انفِصَامَ لَهَا ۗ وَاللَّهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ ﴾

“There is no compulsion in the *Deen* (religion). Truly, the right path has been made clear and distinct from the wrong path. So whoever disbelievers in *Taaghoot* and believes in Allaah; then he has grasped the most trustworthy handhold that will never break. And Allaah is All-Hearer, All-Knower.

[Soorah al-Baqarah (2):256]

Q24: What is the most trustworthy handhold that will never break?

A24: *Laa ilaaha illa Allaah* (none has the right to be worshipped, in truth, except Allaah). The meaning of *Laa ilaaha* (there is no deity worthy of worship in truth) is negation and *illa Allaah* (except Allaah) is affirmation.

Q25: What do we mean here by negation and affirmation?

A25: Negation of everything that is worshipped other than Allaah, as well as, the affirmation that all worship is for Allaah Alone Who has no partners, nor associates whatsoever in this worship.

Q26: What is the proof for that (negation and affirmation)?

A26: His saying, ﷺ

﴿وَأِذْ قَالَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ لِأَبِيهِ وَقَوْمِهِ إِنَّنِي بَرَاءٌ مِّمَّا تَعْبُدُونَ﴾

“And remember when Ibraaheem said to his father and his people, ‘Verily, I am innocent and free from what you worship.’”

[Soorah az-Zukhruf (43):26]

That is the proof of negation.

﴿إِلَّا الَّذِي فَطَرَنِي فَإِنَّهُ سَيِّدِي﴾

“Except Him (i.e. Allaah) Who created me.”

[Soorah az-Zukhruf (43):27]

And that is the proof of affirmation.

Q27: How many are the *Taaghoot*?

A27: The *Taaghoot* are many and their pinnacle is five:

1. Iblees, may Allaah curse him
2. Whoever is worshipped and is pleased with that worship
3. Whoever calls the people to the worship of himself
4. Whoever claims and calls to having knowledge of the unseen
5. And whoever rules by other than what Allaah has revealed

