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- Tawâf* : (الطواف) The circumambulation of the Ka'bah.
- Tawâf-al-Ifâda* : (طواف الإفاضة) The circumambulation of the Ka'bah by the pilgrims after they come from Mina on the tenth day of Dhul-Hijja. This *Tawâf* is one of the essential ceremonies (*Rukn*) of the *Hajj*.
- Tawâf-ul-Wadâ'* : (طواف الوداع) The *Tawâf* made before leaving Makkah after performing *Hajj* or 'Umra.
- Tayammum* : (التيمم) To put or strike lightly the hands over clean earth and then pass the palm of each on the back of the other, blow off the dust and then pass them on the face. This is performed instead of ablution (*Wudû'*) and *Ghusl* (in case of *Janaba*).
- Ath-Thalatha* : (الثلاثة) The three compilers of *Ahadith* — Abu Dâwûd, Nasâ'i and Tirmidhi.
- Thaniyat-al-Wadâ'* : (ثنية الوداع) A place near Al-Madina.
- Tharîd* : (الثريد) A kind of meal, prepared from meat and bread.
- Thaur* : (الثور) A well-known mountain in Al-Madîna.
- Thunya* : (الثنية) is a kind of trade in which a person sells the fruit of his garden still on trees for a certain price but on condition that he will keep some of its fruit. This is unlawful because 'some' is not a fixed measure, and it is fraudulent.
- Tilâ'* : (التلع) A kind of alcoholic drink prepared from grapes.
- Tubbân* : (تبان) Shorts that cover the knees (used by wrestlers).
- Tulaqâ'* : (الطلقاء) Those persons who had embraced Islâm on the day of the conquest of Makkah.
- Tûr* : (الطور) A mountain.
- Uhud* : (أحد) A well-known mountain in Al-Madîna. One of the great battles in the Islâmic history took place at its foot. This battle is called *Ghazwa Uhud*.
- Ummah* : (الأمّة) Nation; referring to the Muslim people.
- Umm-ul-Mu'minin* : (أم المؤمنين) 'Mother of the believers'. It is a title given to the wives of the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم . The plural of it is *Ummahât-ul-*

Mu'minin.

- Umm-ul-Walad*: (أم الولد) A slave-woman who begets a child for her master.
- 'Umra* : (العمرة) A visit to Makkah during which one performs the *Tawâf* around the Ka'bah and the *Sa'y* between As-Safâ and Al-Marwa. It is also called 'lesser *Hajj*'. (See *Sahih Al-Bukhâri*, Vol. 3).
- 'Umra* : (العمري) To gift a house to somebody.
- Uqîya* : (أوقية) (Plural: *Awâqin*) 128 grams. It may be less or more according to different countries.
- Urbân* : (العربان) *Urbân* means earnest money. If somebody settles the price of an animal and pays a certain amount as earnest money that if he did not buy this animal, the seller will keep the earnest money and in case the deal is accomplished, the buyer will deduct the earnest money from the price paid. It is prohibited.
- Urfut* : (العرفط) The tree which produces *Maghâfir*.
- Ushr* : (العشر) One-tenth of the yield of land to be levied for public assistance (*Zakât*). (See *Sahih Al-Bukhâri*, *Hadith* No. 1483).
- Wahy* : (الوحي) The Revelation or Inspiration of Allâh to His Prophets.
- Waihaka* : (ويحك) 'May Allâh be Merciful to you.'
- Wailaka* : (ويلك) 'Woe upon you!'
- Walâ'* : (الولاء) *Al-Wâla'* is a right to inherit the property of a freed slave to the person who has freed him. *Ahadith* has made it clear that *Wâla'* is a part like a lineage. It cannot be sold or gifted, so selling it or offering it as a gift is prohibited.
- Walî* : (الولي) (Plural: *Auliyâ'*) Protector, guardian, supporter, helper, friend.
- Walîma* : (الوليمة) The marriage feast.
- Waqf* : (الوقف) Religious endowment.
- Wars* : (الورس) A kind of shrub used for colouring yellow.
- Wasâyâ* : (الوصايا) Wills or testaments. (Singular: *Wasîyya* الوصية)
- Al-Wâsil* : (الواصل) One who keeps good relations with his kith and kin.
- Wasila* : (الوسيلة) The means of approach or achieving closeness to Allâh by getting His favours.
- Wasq* : (الوسق) (Plural: *Awsaq* or *Awsuq*) A measure equal to 60 *Sa* = 135 kg. approx. It may be less or more.
- Wisâl* : (الواصل) Observing *Saum* (fast) for more than one day continuously.
- Witr* : (الوتر) An odd number of *Rak'at* with which one finishes one's *Salât* (prayers) at night after the night prayer or the *Ishâ* prayer.
- Wudû* : (الوضوء) Ablution, which is washing the face and the hands up to the elbows, wiping the head and ears with wet fingers, and washing the feet up to ankles for the purpose of offering prayers or doing circumambulation round the Ka'bah.

- Yalamlam* : (يلملم) The *Miqât* of the people of Yemen.
- Yamâma* : (اليمامة) A place in Saudi Arabia towards Najd. Here a battle took place between the early Muslims and the followers of Musailima — the false prophet.
- Yaqîn* : (اليقين) Perfect absolute Faith.
- Yarmûk* : (اليرموك) A place in Shâm.
- Ya Sabâhâ* : (يا صباحاه) An exclamation indicating an appeal for help.
- Yathrib* : (يثرب) One of the names of Al-Madîna.
- Yaum An-Nafr* : (يوم النفر) The 12th or 13th of Dhul-Hijja when the pilgrims leave Mina after performing all the ceremonies of *Hajj* at 'Arafât, Al-Muzdalifa and Mina.
- Yaum An-Nahr* : (يوم النحر) The day of slaughtering the sacrificial animals, i.e., the 10th of Dhul-Hijjah.
- Yaum Ar-Ru'us* : (يوم الرؤوس) Meaning 'day of heads'. It is the name of the day following the 'Eid day ('*Eid-al-Adha*).
- Yaum At-Tarwiya* : (يوم التروية) The eighth day of the month of Dhul-Hijja, when the pilgrims leave Makkah for Mina.
- Zakât* : (الزكاة) A certain fixed proportion of the wealth and of every kind of the property liable to *Zakât* of a Muslim to be paid yearly for the benefit of the poor in the Muslim community. The payment of *Zakât* is obligatory as it is one of the five pillars of Islâm. *Zakât* is the major economic means for establishing social justice and leading the Muslim society to prosperity and security..
- Zakât-ul-Fitr* : (زكاة الفطر) An obligatory *Sadaqâ* to be given by Muslims before the prayer of '*Eid-al-Fitr* (See *Sahîh Al-Bukhârî*, Chapter 70, Vol.2).
- Zamzam* : (زمرم) The sacred well inside the *Haram* (the grand mosque) at Makkah.
- Zanâdiqa* : (الزنداقية) Atheists.
- Zarnab* : (زرنب) A kind of good smelling grass.
- Az-Zihâr* : (الظهار) One's telling to his wife, "You are unlawful to me for cohabitation like my mother."
- Zuhr* : (الظهر) Noon, mid-day *Salât* (prayer) is called *Zuhr* prayer.

APPENDIX II

In the Name of Allâh, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

WHY ALLÂH SENT PROPHETS AND MESSENGERS عليهم السلام؟

Ever since people innovated the dogma of *Shirk*, (i.e. joining others in worship along with Allâh), Allâh had been sending Prophets and Messengers to His devotees in order to invite them to the worship of Allâh and Allâh Alone, to order them not to ascribe partners unto Him and bring them out of the darkness of polytheism into the light of Monotheism. All the Prophets preached *Tauhid* (i.e. Monotheism, the Belief in the Oneness of Allâh, the Glorious, the Elevated). The following Verses from the Noble Qur'ân illustrate this fact:

“Indeed We sent Nûh (Noah) to his people, and he said: ‘O my people! Worship Allâh! You have no other *Ilâh* (God) but Him. (*Lâ ilâha illallâh*, none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh). Certainly, I fear for you the torment of a great Day!’ ” (V. 7:59).

“And to ‘Âd (people, We sent) their brother Hûd. He said: ‘O my people! Worship Allâh! You have no other *Ilâh* (God) but Him. (*Lâ ilâha illallâh*, none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh). Will you not fear (Allâh)?’ ” (V. 7:65).

“And to (the people of) Madyan (Midian), (We sent) their brother Shu‘aib. He said: ‘O my people! Worship Allâh! You have no other *Ilâh* (God) but Him. (*Lâ ilâha illallâh*, none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh). Verily, a clear proof (sign) from your Lord has come unto you, so give full measure and full weight and wrong not men in their things, and do not make mischief on the earth after it has been set in order, that will be better for you, if you are believers.’ ” (V.7:85)

“And to Thamûd (people, We sent) their brother Salih. He said: ‘O my people! Worship Allâh! You have no other *Ilâh* (God) but Him. (*Lâ ilâha illallâh*, none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh).’ ” (V. 7:73).

“And verily, We have sent among every *Ummah* (community, nation) a Messenger (proclaiming): Worship Allâh (Alone) and avoid (or keep away from) *Tâghûr*^[1] (all false deities i.e. do not worship *Tâghûr* besides Allâh).” (V. 16:36).

[1] The word *Tâghûr* covers a wide range of meanings: It means anything i.e., all the false deities worshipped other than the Real God (Allâh). It may be Satan, devils, idols, stones,

Every Prophet was sent unto his own nation for their guidance, but the Message of Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم was general for all mankind and jinn. As in *Surat Al-A'râf* (Allâh addresses His Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم):

“Say (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم): ‘O mankind: Verily, I am sent to you all as the Messenger of Allâh.’ ” (V. 7:158).

So the aim of sending these Prophets and Messengers to men and jinn was only that they should worship Allâh Alone, as Allâh تعالى said:

“And I (Allâh) created not the jinn and men except they should worship Me (Alone)” The Qur’ân (V. 51:56).

And to worship Allâh means to obey Him and to do all He has ordained, — and to fear Him by abstaining from all He has forbidden.

Then those who will obey Allâh will be rewarded in Paradise, and those who will disobey Him will be punished in the Hell-fire.

sun, stars, angels human beings e.g. ‘Îsa (Jesus), Messenger of Allâh, who were falsely worshipped and taken as *Tâghût*. Likewise saints, graves, rulers, leaders, are falsely worshipped, and wrongly followed.

TAUHID — (ISLAMIC MONOTHEISM)

Tauhîd (Islamic Monotheism) has three aspects:

(A) Oneness of the Lordship of Allâh; *Tauhîd-ar-Rubûbiyya*: To believe that there is only one Lord for all the universe and He is, its Creator, Organizer, Planner, Sustainer, and the Giver of security, and that is Allâh.

(B) Oneness of the worship of Allâh; *Tauhîd-al-Ulûhiyya*: To believe that none has the right to be worshipped (e.g. praying, invoking, asking for help from the unseen, swearing, slaughtering sacrifices, giving charity, fasting, pilgrimage) but Allâh.

(C) Oneness of the Names and the Qualities of Allâh: *Tauhîd-al-Asmâ was-Sifât*: To believe that:

- (i) We must not name or qualify Allâh except with what He or His Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم has named or qualified Him;
- (ii) None can be named or qualified with the Names or Qualifications of Allâh; e.g. *Al-Karîm*;
- (iii) We must believe in all the Qualities of Allâh which Allâh has stated in His Book (the Qur'ân) or mentioned through His Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) without changing their meaning or ignoring them completely or twisting the meanings or likening them (giving resemblance) to any of the created things e.g. Allâh is present over His Throne as mentioned in the Qur'ân (V. 20:5):-

“The Most Gracious (Allâh) rose over (*Istawa*) the (Mighty) Throne (in a manner that suits His Majesty),” over the seventh heaven; and He comes down over the first (nearest) heaven to us during the last third part of every night and also on the day of 'Arafah (*Hajj*, i.e. the 9th of Dhul-Hijja), as mentioned by the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم, but He is with us by His Knowledge, not by His Personal-Self (*Bi-Dhâtihî*).

Also Allâh says:

“There is nothing like unto Him and He is the All-Hearer, the All-Seer” (V.42:11).

This Noble Verse proves the quality of hearing and the quality of sight for Allâh without likening it (or giving resemblance) to any of the created things, and likewise He عز وجل also says:

“To one whom I have created with Both My Hands,” (V.38:75);

And He also says:

“The Hand of Allâh is over their hands.” (V.48:10).

This confirms two Hands for Allâh, but there is no similarity for them. This is the Belief of all true believers, and was the Belief of all the Prophets of Allâh, from Nûh (Noah), Ibrâhîm (Abraham), Mûsâ (Moses) and ‘Îsâ (Jesus) till the last of the Prophets, Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. (It is not as some people think that Allâh is present everywhere — here, there and even inside the breasts of men).

These three aspects of *Tauhid* are included in the meaning of *Lâ ilâha illallâh* (none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh).

It is also essential to follow Allâh’s Messenger, Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم : *Wujûb al-Ittibâ’* and it is a part of *Tauhid-al-Ulûhiyya*.

This is included in the meaning, “I testify that Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم is Allâh’s Messenger,” and this means, “None has the right to be followed after Allâh’s Book (the Qur’ân), but Allâh’s Messenger; صلى الله عليه وسلم”.

Allâh says:

“And whatsoever the Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) gives you, take it, and whatsoever he forbids you, abstain (from it).” (V.59:7)

And also Allâh says:

“Say (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم to mankind), ‘If you (really) love Allâh then follow me [i.e. accept Islâmic Monotheism, follow the Qur’ân and the *Sunna* (legal ways of the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم)], Allâh will love you and forgive you of your sins.’ ” (V.3:31)

SHAHADA — CONFESSION OF A MUSLIM

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Lâ ilâha illallâh, Muhammad-ur-Rasûl Allâh

(None has the right to be worshipped but Allâh,

and Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم is the Messenger of Allâh).

I have noticed that most of mankind, who embrace Islam, do not understand the reality of the meaning of the first fundamental principle of Islam, i.e. *Lâ ilâha illallâh, Muhammad-ur-Rasûl Allâh* (none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh, and Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم is the Messenger of Allâh). So I consider it essential to explain something of the meanings of this great principle in some detail:

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Lâ ilâha illallâh, Muhammad-ur-Rasûl Allâh

“None has the right to be worshipped but Allâh... and Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم is the Messenger of Allâh” has three aspects: a, b and c.

a. It is that, you have to pledge a covenant with (Allâh), the Creator of the heavens and earth, the Ruler of all that exists, the Lord of Majesty and Highness, on four points (or conditions):

Point I: A confession with your heart that the Creator (of everything) is Allâh; it is that you have to say: “I testify that the Creator of all the universe including the stars, the planets, the sun, the moon, the heavens, the earth with all its known and unknown forms of life, is Allâh. He is the Organizer and Planner of all its affairs. It is He Who gives life and death, and He (i.e. Allâh Alone) is the Sustainer, and the Giver of security.” And this is called (your confession for the) “Oneness of the Lordship of Allâh,” — *Tauhid-ar-Rubûbiyya*.

Point II: A confession with your heart that: “I testify that none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh Alone.” The word “Worship” (i.e. *‘Ibâdah*) carries a great number of meanings in the Islamic terminology: it conveys that all kinds of worship are meant for Allâh Alone and none else, whether it be an angel, Messenger, Prophet ‘Îsâ (Jesus) – son of Maryam (Mary), ‘Uzair (Ezra), Muhammad, saint, idol, the sun, the moon and all other kinds of false deities. So pray to none but Allâh, invoke none but Allâh, ask for help from none (unseen) but Allâh, swear by none but Allâh, offer an animal as sacrifice to none but Allâh,...etc, and that means, — all that Allâh and His Messenger Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم

وسلم order you to do, (in the Qur'ân and in the *Sunna* (legal ways of Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) you must do, and all that Allâh and His Messenger Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم forbid you, you must not do. And this is called (your confession for the) “Oneness of the worship of Allâh,” — *Tauhid-al-Ulûhiyya*. And that you (mankind) worship none but Allâh.

Point III: A confession with your heart that: “O Allâh! I testify that all the best of names and the most perfect qualities with which You have named or qualified Yourself in Your Book (i.e. the Qur'ân) or as Your Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم has named or qualified You with his statement, I believe that all those (names and qualities) are for You without changing their meanings or neglecting them completely or likening them (giving resemblance) to others.” As Allâh says:

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This confirms two Hands for Allâh, but there is no similarity for them. Similarly Allâh says:

“The Most Gracious (Allâh) rose over (*Istawa*) the (Mighty) Throne.” (V.20:5).

So He rose over the Throne really in a manner that suits His Majesty. And Allâh is over His Throne over the seventh heaven, as the slave-girl pointed towards the heavens, when Allâh's Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) asked her as to where Allâh is. He only comes down over the first (nearest) heaven to us during the last third part of every night and also on the day of 'Arafah (*Hajj*, i.e. the 9th of Dhul-Hijja), as mentioned by the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم, but He is with us by His Knowledge only, not by His Personal-Self (*Bi-Dhâtîhi*). It is not as some people say that Allâh is present everywhere — here, there, and even inside the breasts of men. He sees and hears all that we do or utter. And this is called (your confession for the) “Oneness of the Names and Qualities of Allâh” — *Tauhid-al-Asmâ was-Sifât* and this is the right Belief, the Belief which was followed by the Messengers of Allâh [from Nûh (Noah), Ibrâhîm (Abraham), Mûsa (Moses), Dâwûd (David), Sulaimân (Solomon), 'Îsâ

(Jesus) to Muhammad ﷺ and the Companions of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ] and the righteous followers of these Messengers عليهم السلام .

Point IV: A confession with your heart: “O Allâh! I testify that Muhammad ﷺ is Your Messenger.” That means that none has the right to be followed after Allâh, but Prophet Muhammad ﷺ as he is the last of His Messengers. As Allâh says:

“Muhammad (ﷺ) is not the father of any man among you, but he is the Messenger of Allâh and the last (end) of the Prophets. And Allâh is Ever All-Aware of everything.” (V.33:40).

“And whatsoever the Messenger (Muhammad ﷺ) gives you, take it and whatsoever he forbids you, abstain from it,”(V.59:7).

And Allâh says:

“Say (O Muhammad ﷺ to mankind): ‘If you (really) love Allâh, then follow me (i.e. accept Islamic Monotheism, follow the Qur’ân and the *Sunna*).’ ” (V.3:31)

As for others than Muhammad ﷺ, their statements are to be taken or rejected as to whether these are in accordance with Allâh’s Book (i.e. the Qur’ân) and with the *Sunna* (legal ways, orders, acts of worship, statements) of the Prophet ﷺ or not. As the Divine Revelation has stopped after the death of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and it will not resume except at the time of the Descent of ‘Isâ (Jesus) — son of Maryam (Mary) and he (i.e. Jesus) will rule with justice according to the Islamic laws, during the last days of the world as it has been mentioned in the authentic *Hadîth* (i.e. narration of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ). (*Sahih-Al-Bukhari, Hadîth* No. 2222).

b. It is essential to utter: *Lâ ilâha illallâh, Muhammad-ur-Rasûl Allâh* (none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh, and Muhammad ﷺ is the Messenger of Allâh.) As it has come in the statement of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ to his uncle Abû Tâlib at the time of the latter’s death: “O uncle, if you utter it (*Lâ ilâh illallâh, Muhammad-ur-Rasûl Allâh*, none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh, and Muhammad ﷺ is the Messenger of Allâh), then I shall be able to argue on your behalf before Allâh, on the Day of Resurrection.” Similarly, when Abû Dhar Al-Ghifârî embraced Islam, he went to *Al-Masjid-al-Harâm* and he proclaimed it loudly in front of the Quraish infidels until he was beaten severely.