

In The Name of Allaah, The Most Merciful, The Bestower of Mercy.

Belief in Allaah is to believe in Allaah's Oneness - **(1)** the Oneness of Allaah in His Lordship, **(2)** the Oneness of Allaah in His Names and Attributes and **(3)** that Allaah alone has the right to be worshipped. Therefore, belief in Allaah is founded on these three requirements and one cannot be a believer until he fulfils them.

Belief In The Oneness of Allaah's Lordship

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

قُلِ اللَّهُمَّ مَلِكُ الْمَلِكِ تُوتَى الْمَلِكُ مِنْ تَشَاءُ وَتَنْزِعُ الْمَلِكُ مِمَّنْ تَشَاءُ وَتُعِزُّ مَنْ تَشَاءُ وَتُذِلُّ مَنْ تَشَاءُ بِيَدِكَ الْخَيْرُ إِنَّكَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Say (O Muhammad): “O Allah! Possessor of the kingdom, You give the kingdom to whom You will, and You take the kingdom from whom You will, and You endue with honour whom You will, and You humiliate whom You will. In Your Hand is the good. Verily, You are Able to do all things. [Surah Aal Imran. Verse 26]

Belief in the Oneness of Allaah's Names and Attributes:

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

وَلِلَّهِ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَىٰ فَادْعُوهُ بِهَا وَذَرُوا الَّذِينَ يُلْحِدُونَ فِي أَسْمَائِهِ سَيُجْزَوْنَ مَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ

And (all) the Most Beautiful (perfect) Names belong to Allah, so call on Him by them, and leave the company of those who belie or deny (or utter impious speech against) His Names. They will be requited for what they used to do. [Surah Al-A'raaf. Verse 180]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

هُوَ اللَّهُ الَّذِي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ عَلِيمٌ الْغَيْبِ وَالشَّهَادَةِ هُوَ الرَّحْمَنُ الرَّحِيمُ
هُوَ اللَّهُ الَّذِي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْمَلِكُ الْقُدُّوسُ السَّلَامُ الْمُؤْمِنُ الْمُهَيْمِنُ الْعَزِيزُ الْجَبَّارُ الْمُتَكَبِّرُ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ عَمَّا يُشْرِكُونَ

هُوَ اللَّهُ الْخَلِيقُ الْبَارِئُ الْمُصَوِّرُ لَهُ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَىٰ يُسَبِّحُ لَهُ دَمَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ

He is Allah, than Whom there is La ilaha illa Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He) the All-Knower of the unseen and the seen (open). He is the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful. He is Allah than Whom there is La ilaha illa Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He) the King, the Holy, the One Free from all defects, the Giver of security, the Watcher over His creatures, the All-Mighty, the Compeller, the Supreme. Glory be to Allah! (High is He) above all that they associate as partners with Him. He is Allah, the Creator, the Inventor of all things,

the Bestower of forms. To Him belong the Best Names . All that is in the heavens and the earth glorify Him. And He is the All-Mighty, the All-Wise. [Surah Al-Hashr. Verses 22-24]

The Names and Attributes of Allaah are affirmed as they have been stated in the Qur'an and Sunnah - neither saying how they are nor likening them to the creation; neither distorting their meaning nor negating them. We negate everything Allaah has negated from Himself and everything His Messenger has negated from Allaah, and we neither go beyond what is stated in the Qur'aan nor what is stated in the authentic Prophetic narrations. Whoever does not believe in Allaah's Names and Attributes cannot be a believer, and disbelieving in a single Name or Attribute of Allaah is tantamount to disbelief. Allaah [The Exalted] said:

كَذَٰلِكَ أَرْسَلْنَاكَ فِي أُمَّةٍ قَدْ خَلَتْ مِن قَبْلِهَا أُمَمٌ لَّتَتْلُوا عَلَيِّهِمُ الذِّكْرَ وَوَحَيْتَآ إِلَيْكَ وَهُمْ يَكْفُرُونَ بِالرَّحْمٰنِ قُلْ هُوَ رَبِّي لَا إِلٰهَ إِلَّا هُوَ عَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَإِلَيْهِ مَتَابِ

Thus have We sent you (O Muhammad) to a community before whom other communities have passed away, in order that you might recite unto them what We have inspired to you, **while they disbelieve in Ar-Rahmaan [the Most Beneficent (Allah)];** Say, "He is my Lord! La ilaha illa Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He)! In Him is my trust, and to Him will be my return with repentance". [Surah Ar-Rad. Verse 30]

Belief That Allaah Alone Has The Right to Be Worshipped

Allaah [The Exalted] said: [وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ مُخْلِصِينَ لَهُ الدِّينَ] -And they were commanded not, but that they should worship Allah, and worship none but Him Alone. [Surah Al-Bayyinah. Verse 5]

Allaah [The Exalted] said: [وَأَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَلَا تُشْرِكُوا بِهِ شَيْئًا] - Worship Allah and join none with Him in worship]. [Surah An-Nisaa. Verse 36]

Allaah [The Exalted] said: [وَلَقَدْ بَعَثْنَا فِي كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ رَّسُولًا أَنِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُوا الصُّلُوعَ] - And verily, We have sent among every Ummah (community, nation) a Messenger (proclaiming): "Worship Allah (Alone), and avoid (or keep away from) Taghut (all false deities, etc. i.e. do not worship Taghut besides Allah)]." [Surah An-Nahl. Verse 36]

Allaah [The Exalted] said: [وَقَضَىٰ رَبِّيَ أَلَّا تَعْبُدُوا إِلَّا إِيَّاهُ] - And your Lord has decreed that you worship none but Him]. [Surah Al-Israa. Verse 23]

Allaah [The Exalted] stated that Prophet Ibraaheem [peace be upon him] said to his people:

إِنِّي بَرَاءٌ مِّمَّا تَعْبُدُونَ
إِلَّا الَّذِي فَطَرَنِي

Verily, I am innocent of what you worship, except Him (i.e. I worship none but Allah

Alone) Who did create me. [Surah Az-Zukhruf. Verses 26-27]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

قُلْ إِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ ۚ وَبِذَلِكَ أُمِرْتُ وَأَنَا أَوَّلُ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

Say (O Muhammad): “Verily, my Salat (prayer), my sacrifice, my living, and my dying are for Allah, the Lord of the ‘Alamin (mankind, jinns and all that exists). He has no partner. And of this I have been commanded, and I am the first of the Muslims.” [Surah Al-An'aam. Verses 162-163]

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