

Chapter – 02

Oneness of God

(توحيد)

❖ شَهِدَ اللَّهُ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ وَالْمَلَائِكَةُ وَأُولُو الْعِلْمِ قَائِمًا بِالْقِسْطِ
لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ .

Allah Himself bears witness, that there is no God but He; and likewise do the angels and all who possessed knowledge (scholars), bear witness in truth and justice, that there is no God but He, the Almighty, the Wise. (03:18)

❖ وَلَا تَقُولُوا ثَلَاثَةً انْتَهُوا خَيْرًا لَكُمْ إِنَّمَا اللَّهُ إِلَهٌ وَاحِدٌ سُبْحَانَهُ أَنْ
يَكُونَ لَهُ وَلَدٌ .

And do not say “Three”; desist, for your own good; undoubtedly Allah is the only One God; Purity is to Him from begetting a child. (04:171)

Dear People! The idol worshipers of earlier age used to believe that for every purpose, there is a god, an idol (and that is a planet from our solar system); For example, Saturn for houses, Mars for war, Jupiter for knowledge, Venus for music, and Mercury for literature, books and magazines. They considered Sun as their prime god. In Moon they saw an old woman is busy working on a spinning wheel. They used to consider Jupiter as ‘most favorable’; Venus as ‘promising’; Saturn as ‘very unlucky’; and Mars as ‘ill-fated’.

They never believed in one God. Till this time, the Hindu religion is prevalent more or less similarly. Some believe in god, geo, matter and aakash; and some believe in father (god), son (Jesus) and Rooh-ul-quds (Holy Spirit). All such types of believers exist even now.

The self-existing Persona is only Allah سبحانه و تعالی. Other than God, whatever or whoever (بالعرض) is present, is the creation of God. When it is told that God is self-created, self-existed and self-prevailed persona, the disbelievers could not conceive it, and said: Whether Allah can do all such works? For this, Chapter Saad (ص) of Quran, Verse 5 describes:

جَعَلَ الْآلِهَةَ إِلَهًا وَاحِدًا إِنَّ هَذَا لَشَيْءٌ عَجَابٌ

(Has He made all the gods into one single God?)

This is very strange!

On the other hand Sophist, the fallacy philosopher, says that this world is merely a fake; it is simple imagination. Just think over it! Is it really so that whatever going on in this world is nothing but imagination? Or is there any reality in it?

Whether in this world, only the creations (بالعرض) are present and the Creator (وجود) does not exist? ---- No, it is not possible; any creations cannot exist without its Creator.

Who is the Creator? He is Allah سبحانه و تعالی. He is different from all. The existence of God itself is a proof that He is present. His presence is evident like a bright shiny sun and a glowing lamp. It will be wrong if anybody wants to see Him through logic; it will be senseless.

Since Angels are free from materialism therefore they are the firm believers of توحيد, 'Oneness of God'. Those human beings who are given the right knowledge by Allah سبحانه و تعالی, they also believe in the Oneness of God.

Somebody should tell these materialistic people that:

- As per Science, “Any matter or an object at rest will remain at rest unless acted on by an unbalanced force. An object in motion continues in motion with the same speed and in the same direction unless acted upon by an unbalanced force”. These things are among the properties of Matter.
- Knowledge, intension, or self-generated actions are not the properties of Matter. Knowledge is a non-materialistic property. This property leads to the right path or to the ‘Right Persona’, i.e. Allah سبحانه و تعالی.

Look! In our houses the water coming out from the water taps point out that their conduits are connected with the reservoir water, its origin. Similarly, whatever the awareness we have, call our attention towards the knowledge of God and his Persona. Moreover, it also reflects that this knowledge is His-own and He exists.

One should look at this world and think over whether this whole world is administered by somebody, or running itself haphazardly? No! Never! Whatever is going on in this world is running under a comprehensive system. Everybody will agree that nothing ‘by-chance’ is here in this world. All is controlled by ‘the Laws of Nature’.

The Lord of this entire universe does justice. It will be quite unreasonable if anyone considers that He is not doing justice. --- He is ‘Fair’. All His work is unbiased and is running utterly with His Wisdom.

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ

{There is no God but Him, the All-Mighty, the All-Wise, (03:06)}

Look! Straight line is one, while irregular lines may be many. The straight path and the right religious conviction is always one. Since a straight line is smaller too, therefore it is easy to pass through it. True religions are all one. All Prophets have preached for **توحيد**, ‘the Oneness of God’. There are no conflicts among true believers on awareness given by all the Prophets as regards to the Almighty God. However, ‘His Orders’ were given as per needs of the circumstances prevailed. When by the time, the environments changed, the ‘Orders’ are also modified. Now whatever misunderstandings are coming up, Islam is removing them and facts are brought forward.

Dear People! The Self-Existing Persona is God. He is ‘One’. His good names and attributes, that are not permanent, are also there with Him. This feature is explicable as well. Remember that God has created all things with His knowledge and intension. It is not like that the things created earlier, and then He got its knowledge.

The knowledge that Allah **سبحانه و تعالی** had earlier, is termed as, **حقائق الاشياء** or **اعیان ثابتة**. But, all these known things did not come to existence at once. In fact, things occur when God orders for them with **مُحْن**, to materialize.

Christians give a perception of “father, son and rooh-ul-quds”. Hindus present an idea of “god, geo and matter”. And some people go for “aakash”, means the extensiveness of knowledge. These people have gone down in the slush of “Trinity” or trio, due to their ignorance and lack of knowledge. They call “father” to God. They give the name “son” to ‘عين ثابتة’, and “matter” to ‘حقائق الاشياء’. They say “rooh-ul-quds” and “geo” to ‘تجليات الاسماء’ (God’s Glories). Hence, God says:

وَلَا تَقُولُوا ثَلَاثَةً انتَهُوا خَيْرًا لَّكُمْ إِنَّمَا اللَّهُ إِلَهٌ وَاحِدٌ سُبْحَانَهُ أَنْ يَكُونَ لَهُ وَلَدٌ

{And do not say “Three”; desist, for your own good; undoubtedly Allah is the only One God; Purity is to Him from begetting a child. (04:171)}

Make it clear! When your existence is not your own then how your actions could be your own? Note it down, that God has created you and all your actions.

Idol worshipers (Hindus) believe in deva (male-idols) as well as devi (female-idols). They have an idol for every work. They saw something in the Supernatural-World (عالم مثال), that means they saw God’s Glories once and started worshipping it. They look at thousand more Glories later but they never think of it. They saw just one Glory earlier and made it an ‘idol’. Just believing in one face and rejecting other faces – strange --! Any person who has some wisdom will never do such things. Instead, he should be always ready to accept the new God’s Glories all the time, and for God he should always say:

یہ سب روپ تیرے ہیں، تو بہر و بیبا ہے
تو ہر رنگ میں رہ کے سب سے جدا ہے

(These are all your Glories, You are colorful,
You exist with each color yet different from all)

So, Allah (وجود حقیقی) سبحانہ و تعالیٰ is the sole Real Persona who exists; no one is before Him nor after; nobody is alike, and neither anyone can come in opposition to. He is incomparable; He is unprecedented; He is unique. He is لا شریکَ لَهُ.

On the other hand, our **بالعرض** existence is at the mercy of God. We are probable; rather non-existent. Whatever being realized it is due to God; as per His knowledge; and it is Nature’s Charisma.

Probable's existence and nonexistence both are equivalent. This probable was nothing before, is nothing as yet, and he will not be something even after. ---- In fact, our vision became limited to ourselves (بالعرض), and do not search for the Creator (بالذات).

بابِ وحدتِ کا بن گیا دریاں

وہم باطل بھی کیا قیامت ہے

(I stand as caretaker on the door of 'One Entity'
Any wrong perception is really awful.)

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ مُحَمَّدٌ رَّسُولُ اللَّهِ

This is what we are taught by

مُحَمَّدٌ رَّسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ

And 'Oneness of God' توحيد is the fundamental belief of Muslims;

We should hold this faith forever.

اللَّهُمَّ أَرِنَا حَقَائِقَ الْأَشْيَاءِ كَمَا هِيَ تَوَفَّنَا مُسْلِمِينَ وَأَلْحِقْنَا بِالصَّالِحِينَ۔
اللَّهُمَّ أَرِنَا الْحَقَّ حَقًّا۔ وَأَرْزُقْنَا اتِّبَاعَهُ۔ وَأَرِنَا الْبَاطِلَ بَاطِلًا۔ وَأَرْزُقْنَا اجْتِنَابَهُ۔
