

## Islamiyat

Q2) Explain the Doctrine of Tauhid in Islam and its importance in human life?

Answer:

### A. Introduction:

Islam finds its basis in the concept of Tauhid, when someone becomes a muslim, they first proclaim the Oneness of Allah

"Say: There is No God but He, the living, the self-sustaining, and Prophet is His last Messenger - Quran

Followed by the recognition of Prophet Muhammad as the last and final Messenger.

### B. Punishment of Shirk:

Shirk is one of the gravest sins considered in Islam. Allah says in the Holy Quran

"Allah forgives not that Partners are set up with Him"

- Most Islamic scholars agree that Allah forgives all sins, except shirk.

### C. The Sole Creator:

Allah is the sole creator of the

Sole Creator of the Universe who not only created everything on this Earth but also is sustaining their living. From a plant to the biggest and heaviest creatures. Every creation of Allah lives and breathes with the will of Allah.

Quran in this regard says:

"And not even a leaf fall except in his knowledge."

Allah is therefore the Only sustainer of the World.

#### D. All encompassing; All knowing:

Allah knows all the secrets of the Universe and more. He knows what is in the hearts of the Believers and nothing can be hidden from Him.

"Allah knows Everything that is in the Heavens and that is upon Earth; and Surely Allah has Complete knowledge of Everything"  
- Quran.

#### E. Our time is counted; we shall return to Allah

A major concept of Tawhid and Islam is the concept of life After Death. It is, however, very different from all other religions. It doesn't state humans being born again on Earth like in most Polytheistic Religions. Islam explains it as a concept that all humans and animals will die one day by Allah's will and will be resurrected in front of Allah. Their good-doings and wrong

doings will be measured and they will be awarded heaven ~~and~~ or hell accordingly.

Quran says

“Every soul shall taste death and only on ~~your~~ <sup>the</sup> day of judgement will you be paid your full recompense”

### Importance in Human Life

For a muslim, Tauhid is the basic belief around which his life revolves.

#### A. Submission to Allah:

Tauhid means that a Muslim submits his entire existence to Allah. Whatever he does or strives for is in accordance to the Commandments of Allah and he spends his life as per the Islamic ways.

#### B. World is a temporary Abode:

The concept of life after death means that this world is a temporary Abode for a believer. He refrains from what Allah and His Prophet have explained as prohibited and focuses only on his hereafter.

Quran says

“Take whatever Allah's Messenger gives you, and whatever he forbids you from, leave it. And fear Allah. Surely Allah is severe in Punishment”

Prophet has been reported to have said

"World is a believer's prison and non-believers Paradise"

### C. Fighting in Allah's way:

- Islam has made Jihad mandatory for All muslim believing Men and Women. The degree of Jihad, however, varies from fighting your neighbors to fight non-believers army.

If a non-believers army attacks a muslim land; all believing healthy Men are asked to strive in the way of Allah.

Quran says

"Fight in the way of Allah those who fight you".

### D. Establishing Islamic Political System:

As the Religion of Allah is a Deen and Not merely a Religion; a muslim is expected to play his role in establishing an Islamic Political system, Shariah, and abide by it.

### E. Tauhid makes a Muslim Brave:

Due to Allah being the King of the World, a muslim is only expected to fear Allah and no other worldly Power. This makes a muslim Brave as he Only fears Allah and no human existing on earth.

"Fear Allah for he should be feared"

- Quran.

## F. Surrender to Islamic Economic System

Muslim has to follow the Islamic Economic System in order to be a Practicing Muslim. Islam mandates the Payment of Zakat, forbids Interest and encourages alms giving. Interest is said to be War with Allah by Allah himself.

Zakat is a Pillar of Islam and a muslim cannot be one without paying Zakat. Prophet said

“Zakat is a right that Poor have upon the rich”

### Conclusion:

Tauhid is one of the Main concepts in Islam. Being a muslim means believing that there is only one God and that is Allah.

Quran says in Surah Ikhlas:

“Say I seek refuge from the King of Mankind, the Lord of Mankind. From the evil of the sneaking whisper, who whispers in the heart of Mankind.”

It influences every aspect of a muslim because he leads a life to please only Allah and no one else.

Q3 . Describe the peaceful co-existence in the teaching of Islam . How can it transform the society .

Answer:

A. Introduction:

Islam is a religion that doesn't only deal with worshipping God but also is a way of life . It encompasses a complete way of living and also the interpersonal relationships of Muslims with Muslims as well as other members of the community . Islam comes from the word 'Silm' meaning peace .

B. Prophet's example:

Prophet set an excellent example of creating a peaceful society under his rule . Numerous incidences under him that helped him create a peaceful society .

1. Conquest of Mecca :

The conquering of Mecca that was an excellent example of how Prophet only wanted peace and never revenge . Prophet announced general amnesty for everyone who threw away his arms and took refuge in his home .

2. Charter of Madinah :

Prophet created brotherhood between Muhajir and Ansar . He also played a pivotal role in reconciliation between Aus and Khazij warring tribes .

### 3. Treatment of Prisoners and rules of War:

Prophet ﷺ laid down the most humane rules of war in the ignorant Arab society  
Prophet has reported to have said

“ Do not damage the harvested crop, Nor slaughter the cattle ”

As for treatment of Prisoners he gave strict commandments to be very humane with them

“ Do not kill the war-wounded or the fleeing ”

### E. Respect for other religions:

Islam teaches muslims to respect all religions, no matter what.

Prophet ﷺ has said

“ Do not say bad things against the idols lest they, in their ignorance, say such things about your God ”

### D. Avoiding Wars and Conflicts:

Islam always asks muslims to wage war in defensive capacity and never as offensive army.  
Reported by companions of Prophet, Prophet always preferred peaceful means over war.

### E- Respect and honor of all ages:

Islam undoubtedly teaches muslims to regard elders but it is often ignored how Islam preaches the love for the young  
Prophet has said.

“ Anyone who doesnot honor the Elders and love the younger, is not from us ”

## F. Respect for all races:

No one in Islam is superior to another based on race or color. Only superiority is based on Taqwa in Islam.

Hadith:

“No Arab has any superiority over a non-arab or a non-arab over an arab ~~except~~”

This leads to establishment of a peaceful society as no one feels discriminated against based on unjust criteria.

## How will it transform the society ?

### A. Love and Tolerance :

A peaceful society begins love and tolerance in the society which leads to creation of a happy and prosperous society. Everyone no matter belonging to whatever religion and creed respects everyone else. This is the key to solving many contemporary issues such as

- 1- Islamophobia
- 2- Hate crimes
- 3- Sectarian violence
- 4- Racial killing

### B. Progressive society is generated :

A peaceful society is the prerequisite of a progressive society where everyone strives for the best and no one leg-pulls anyone.

### Conclusion:

Islam not only encourages but teaches it's followers to create peace on earth.

“Do not create mischief on earth”

- Quran.

It is the solution to all contemporary issues of the world.