

Q102: Elucidate the doctrine of Tauheed (Unity of God) Describe its importance in individual and collective life.

I INTRODUCTION:

"Tauheed" the first pillar of Islam, it means to accept the Oneness of Allah almighty. Tauheed is the base of Islam, it guide a person toward brightness and unveiled the purpose of life. However, Tauheed has great importon on human being in this life and hereafter.

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ (سورة الفلق)

"Allah is One and Hazrat Muhammad (SAW) is the messenger of Allah"
"First Kalma"

"Islam is like a fort and the gate of that fort is Tauheed"
(Shibli Numani in his book Sirat un-Nabi)

II Literal meaning of Touheed:
Oneness of Allah.

III Contextual meaning:
to accept oneness of Allah and abide the rules and injunctions of Allah almighty

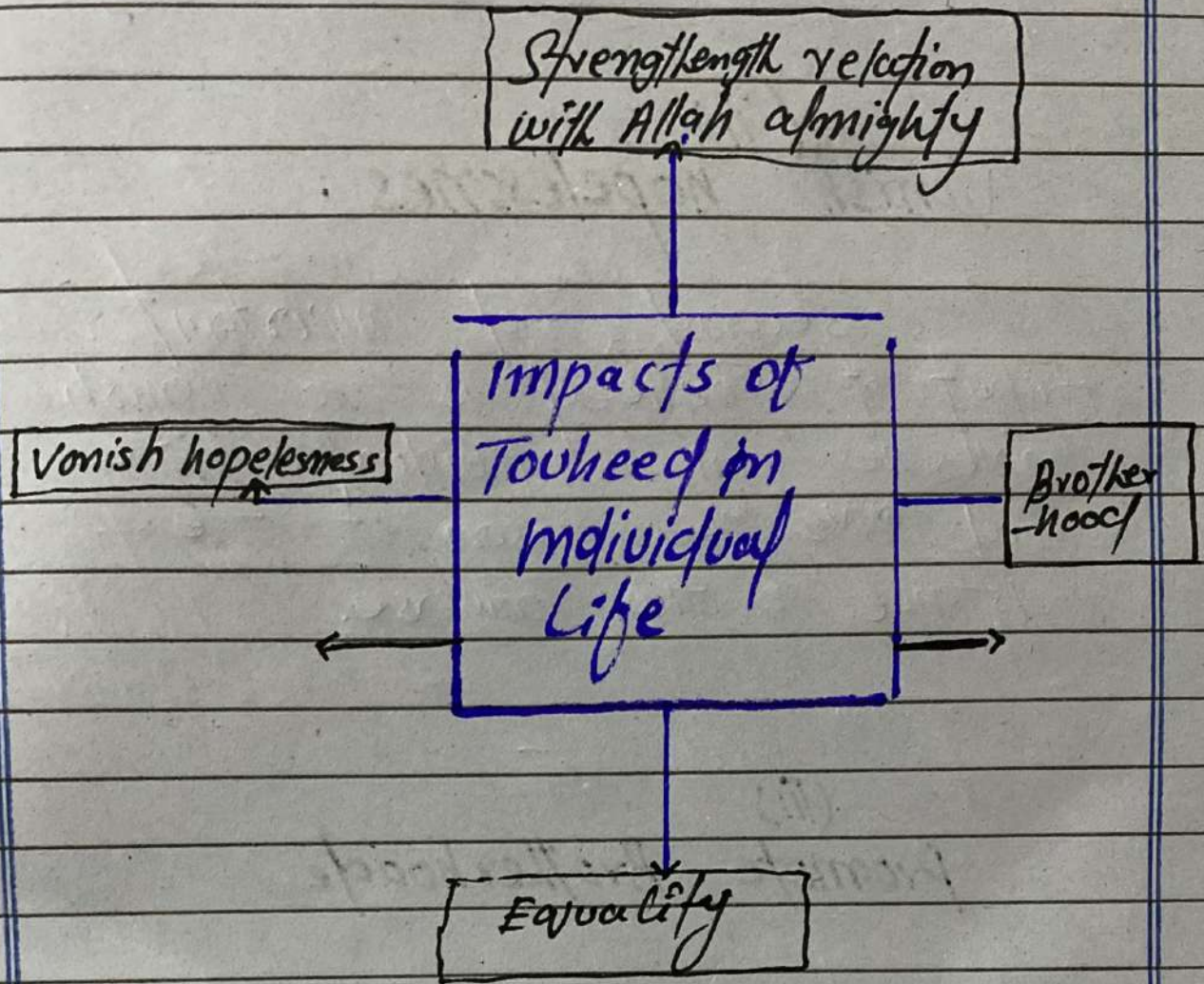
IV According to fiqh:
To believe the Oneness of Allah and adhere the Commandments of Allah and accept the rewards and punishment.

V IMPORTANCE OF TOUHEED
IN INDIVIDUAL LIFE

الله خالق كل شيء وهو على كل شيء شامخ

"Allah is a Creature and omnipresent"
(Surah Al Zumar)

Touheed protect human being in each and every sphere of life. Allah bestow the holy Quran and its complete guideline for humanity in this life and hereafter.



(i)
Strengthen relations with Allah
almighty

واختموه بحبل الله المتين ولا تفرقوه

"Strongly hold the rope of
Allah almighty and do not
divided" (Al-Quran)

In this ayat Allah emphasized
that do not divide into

different segment or groups and be unite in order to be good relation with Allah almighty.

(ii) Vunish hopelessness:

The second and important attribut of Touheed is to vunish hoplessness in individual life and give the reason of the existance to the universe.

(iii) Promote Brotherhoope

Touheed promote brotherhoope among human beings. for example, human being assist each other at the time of adversity and happiness, like, wedding ceremonies, funeral prayers, etc.

المسلم اخ المسلم

"Muslim is the brother of another Muslim"
(Hadith)

(iv) Equality:

Equality is the universal characteristic of Islam and Tawheed. Allah mention several time in the holy Quran, there is no difference or superiority among one between human being, based on colour and caste

“There is no difference among human being in the sight of Allah except piety and humbleness”
(Al-Quran)

VI IMPORTANCE OF TOWHEED IN COLLECTIVE LIFE:

(i) Mutual Cooperation

Tawheed introduce the concept of homogeneity among human being and emphasized brotherhood & greatness.

“الحسنة ينال بها أجر عظيم”

“good deeds are liked Allah almighty”
(Ahadith)

(ii) Harmony and religious Tolerance:

Islam respect each and every sect and creed of people and criticized the aggressiveness and revenge. Most of the Commandment of Allah guide and emphasized the equality and truthfulness.

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"For your Deen favours and my Deen for me"

(Surah Al-Kafirun)

(iii) Responsibility and accountability:

In Islam human beings are guided towards a certain limits or boundaries. If a person cross the limit he will be responsible and accountable to his this approach and actions.

(IV)

Freedom from Tyranny:

Tawheed liberates societies from men made idols, be they political, ideological, or cultural, ensuring freedom and submission only Allah.

CONCLUSION:

Tawheed is not ~~only~~ merely a theological concept but a transformative principle that shape an individual's worldview and society's foundation. Its implementation ensures spiritual fulfillment, moral integrity, and a just unified community, reflecting the true essence of Islam.