

ISLAMIC STUDIES

TEST-1

Question - 1

Tauheed is the fundamental belief of Islam. Explain its importance and impacts on human life.

Introduction:-

Tauheed (Oneness) means to believe that there is only one God; Allah Almighty. This belief emphasizes the unity and the uniqueness of Allah Almighty. Tauheed declares that there is only one creator, sustainer and the ruler of the universe.

اشهد ان لا اله الا الله وحده لا شريك له

'I witness, there is no worthy for worship, but Allah, the One, without any other one'

This states that there is only He, who is worthy for worship. There is no other god (and) on the idols that are worthy for worship. The submission and the prostration is only for Almighty Allah.

'Indeed, I am Allah, There is no deity except me'

(Al-Quran)

The second part of the Kalma Touheed emphasises that 'He is alone'. As the Quran says

قل هو الله احد

'Say, there is only Allah'

Another Ayaat of this Surah says

'And there is no partner of Him'

As, it is clear from the Quran that Allah is only the

sovereign power who is responsible for controlling the whole system of this universe. He gives life and death

Types of Touheed :-

There are three types of Touheed which emphasizes the unity of God in different ways:

i - Touheed Al-Rabubiyyah:

Touheed al-Rabubiyyah means the Oneness of lordship, affirming that Allah is the sole creator of the universe and the only sustainer

"If there is another God in the universe (you will see) there would be chaos."

(Al-Awwan)

ii - Touheed Al-Alluhiyyat :-

This types of Touheed emphasizes that only Allah is worthy

for worship, all the prayers, praises and fears are for Him.

“O mankind worship your lord, who created you and those before you.”

(Al-Awwan)

iii - Touheed al-Asma wa Al-Sifat :-

This means the Oneness of the names and the attributes that belongs to Allah Almighty.

The 99 Attributes of the Allah only affirms his qualities. There is no-one other ~~that~~ who possess such attributes. He is the only One who is the owner of ~~such~~ names. Such as:

‘The provider’

الرزاق

‘The Creator’

الخالق

‘The Merciful’

الرحيم

Importance of the Touheed:-

Touheed is the fundamental and the basic belief of Islam.

To enter in Islam, it is must to affirm the Oneness of Allah Almighty.

Touheed plays a significant role in the life of Muslims and is important in many ways:

i- Foundation of Islam:

Touheed is the main door to enter in the fort of Islam.

It's the foundation of Islam, one who believes in oneness of God can be consider as a true Muslim by words and heart.

ii- Unifies the Muslim World:

Touheed has created harmony and solidatory in the Muslim world. It equalizes the society

and gathers them at the single platform. irrespective of the cast and creed.

iii- Guides Moral and Ethical Behaviour :-

One who believes in the Oneness of God, practice all those deeds that help in the character building of one's. Touheed guides people in every aspect and nourish the moral and the ethical behaviour of people.

Impacts of Touheed on human life :-

Touheed leaves a great impact on human life. Either it is individual or collective life, it plays a great role.

Following are the impacts of Touheed on human life.

1- Spiritual Impacts of Touheed:-

Touheed enlighten the spirits of the muslim leaving a great impact

a- Inner peace:

Touheed brings the inner peace, a sense of tranquility and satisfaction in life.

الابكر الله تظمن القلوب

"Indeed, in the remembrance of Allah, there is assurance of hearts."

b- Spiritual Growth:

It foster the spiritual, self-reflection and deeper connection with Allah.

c) Purpose and Meaning of life:

Touheed reveals the main purpose of life. The place of human in its universe and

his worth.

2- Psychological Impacts of Touheed:-

The belief of Touheed gives a strength to the psychological system of human; such as
a- Reduction of stress, anxiety

Touheed's belief gives a motivation to human, that there is a sustainer who will handle our worries and will fix everything, giving us the hope.

b- Resilience and Hope

In case of any adversity, a firm belief of Touheed allows us to have hope and resilience that there will be ease after that. As Quran says

"Indeed, there is ease after hardship."

3- Social Impacts of Touheed

a- Unity and Brotherhood:

Touheed unifies humanity by the eradication of racial, ethnic aspects of society.

b- Social Justice:

It brings justice in society because one can be fear of Allah and avoid the injustice and cruelty.

4- Practical Impacts :-

a- Decision Making :-

It gives strength of decision making considering Allah's will and guidance.

b- Prioritization :-

Touheed's major impact is that people will prioritize the will of Allah and His pleasure while doing every matter of his life.

Question-2

Elucidate the Prophet (SAW) is the perfect example of the for an individual.

Introduction :-

Prophet Muhammad (SAW) is the last prophet of Allah Almighty. He is the perfect example for an individual. Prophet's (PBUH) ^{teachings} guides us in every aspect of life, either it is individual or collective, social or societal, economic or political, thus, he is the beacon of light for all of the mankind.

"Indeed, in the life of Muhammad, you have perfect example to follow."

(Al-Quran)

Muhammad (SAW) as a teacher:-

Prophet Muhammad (SAW) is an embodiment, who gives everyone the knowledge of every aspect. An individual can find and seeks guidance of every matter of his life.

His teachings had not leave any aspect of life. He (SAW) himself said

"Indeed, I have been sent as a teacher towards you"

His companions, Sahaba got teachings in the gatherings called 'Suffa'. where they individually discuss their matters and seeks guidance. Sahaba used to learn the verses of Quran from Prophet (PBUH) and later on memorise it. Also they have learnt the Hadith

from him (SAW). Prophet (SAW) has taught us about

- i- Moral and ethical behaviours.
- ii- life rules.
- iii- Rights of parents, children, spouses
- iv- manners of living in society.
- v- Justice

Prophet (SAW) as a peacemaker:

The one who seeks guidance from Prophet's life will find the best peacemaker in the world. He (SAW) said

"I am the blessing for all the universes".

That's why he called as "Rehmat ul lilalameen" the blessing for all universes. He (SAW) was such a peacemaker that even the circumstance of chaos and anarchy, he has

proven himself to be a peace-maker. An incident shows best example, when the Ka'aba was ^{being} rebuild, a dispute arise among the tribes of Mecca. Each tribe wanted to ^{place} the 'Black Stone' (Hajr e Aswad) in the Ka'aba and they wanted to get that Holy job done by their tribe. Four days of fight resolved when Muhammad (SAW) presented a peaceful solution of this that the head of each tribe come forward and the stone was placed on the cloth, the heads hold the ~~the~~ corner of the cloth and then prophet (SAW) fixed the stone in the wall of Ka'aba. That's how the dispute was gone.

Prophet (SAW) as a Military Strategist :-

Even during the wars and battle Prophet (SAW) made the history for the people who seeks guidance from his life. He (SAW) made the strategies such as

- Do not harm the children
- Do not harm the oldage person and women.
- Do not cut the trees and do not harm the field

He emphasizes that:

"Do not ~~cut~~ the green tree even if you are in the state of war."

His merciful behaviour during the wars, and at the time of Makkah conquest when he forgave all of his enemies give lessons to the whole humanity.

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Prophet (SAW) as a justice:

Prophet's (SAW) state was just and everyone who brings his suite to him, he made decision with justice and equality. Even the disbelievers, jews brought their cases before him (SAW) and he resolved them with justice while considering the laws and rules of their ^{respective} religion.

“And when you speak, be just, even if it concerns to your near relative.”

(Al-Quran)

Once a jew brought his suite before Prophet (SAW). There was a dispute among a jew and a muslim, after hearing both Prophet (SAW) gave stance in the favor of jew as he was on the point.

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Conclusion:-

From all these aspects, ~~it~~ it is emphasize that one can find guidance in every aspect of life. He (SAW) guides in every matter as he gave us the practical example as a teacher, peacemaker, military strategist and a justice.
