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Introduction:

The Tauheed in Islam is / Belief in the unity or oneness of Allah is known as Tauheed which is the basic foundation and the most important principle of Islamic faith. If the Tauheed is not exist in an individual or a Society, it will not purely uphold the Islam. This unity of Allah is expressed in the Kalima 'La ilah ill Allah'. 'There is no deity but Allah'. It is the expression of this belief that differentiates a Muslim from an unbeliever.

Tauheed an important pillar in Islam. Tauheed, is to believe in the following ~~five~~ articles of faith.

- i. Allah
- ii. His Angels
- iii. His revealed books
- iv. The day of resurrection
- v. Al-Qadar

The ~~believe~~ believe in Allah means declaring Allah to be the only God in the heavens and the earth and all that exists. According to Quran (He is Allah (the) one - 112:1 and there is none coequal or comparable to him - 112:4

Three aspects of Tauheed:

A. Oneness of the lordship of Allah,

Tauheed-or-Rububiyyah, is to believe that there is only one lord for all the universe and he is, its creator, organizer, planner, sustainer, and the giver of security, and this is Allah.

B. Oneness of the worship of Allah;

Tauheed-al-Uhdiyyah, to believe that none has the right to be worshipped (e.g. praying, invoking, asking for help from the unseen, fasting, charity etc) but Allah.

C. Oneness of the names and the qualities of Allah

Tauheed-al-Asma was sifat, means to believe that Allah has unique names and attributes, and that no one is like Him in his regard. Affirming His name (Allah).

Importance of unity of Allah:

He is unique in his person which means that Allah is one. There is no plurality of Gods. He neither has offsprings nor was he born of anyone. For example man may attain perfection to a certain degree in the attribute of kindness,

but only Allah possesses the perfection of the attribute of kindness. Quranic verse, 'Allah is ever an all-watcher over you - 4:1. He has no being or end, Quranic verse, Allah is he who created you, then provided food for you, then will cause you to die, then he will give you life (on day of resurrection) - 30:40.

Proof of the unity of Allah:
 when we observe and ponder over the universe, we arrive at the conclusion through reasoning that such an organized and well operated world could not have come into existence on its own. Quranic verse, Allah is the creator of all things and he is the one, Inevitable - 13:16. Quranic verse, The creation of the heavens and the earth, in the alternation of night and day, there are indeed signs for men of understanding - 3:190.

Effects of Tauheed upon the individual life of a Muslim:

According to the Quran, Allah has created everything in the heaven and the earth for the service of man who has been gifted with the power of controlling the rest of earthly creation.

Tauheed frees man from slavery:

Tauheed frees man from slavery to the forces of nature, non-living objects and other human beings, thus leads to this moral and spiritual advancement and development.

Tauheed increase our tolerance:

Tauheed increase our tolerance, Quranic verse, Allah say, He created and made us into nations and tribes so that we may know each other - Surah al-Hujurat.

Tauheed develops Morals and bravery:

It develop Morals and bravery. Allah has gives us a lengthy list of command when we listen to Him and obey Him, then we increase our share of good deeds. Quran say, gives respect to parent - 17:24.

Tauheed reduces sins and uplifts good qualities:

Tauheed reduces sins and uplifts good qualities, Allah tells us in Surah Inqan that he does not like people who are boastful and deluded. He tell us not to walk proudly. Tauheed develops humanity.

Tauheed importance in collective life:

Tauheed has importance in collective life also, which are follow:

Tauheed create brotherhood concept:

Tauheed create brotherhood concept, the believers are nothing else than brothers in Islamic religion - 49:10

Equality of mankind:

It creates equality of mankind, the Allah say, and fear Allah through whom you demand your mutual rights, and do not cut the relations of kinships - Quran 4:2.

Tauheed keep ummah together:

The help to keep together the ummah community, the tauheed helps the muslim ummahs to help each other.

Quranic verse His command, when he intends a thing, is only that he says to it, Be, and it is 36:82.

Tauheed helps in jihad:

Tauheed helps in jihad when needed, the concept of tauheed will help the muslim ummah for jihad in the collective sense. As Quran say, fight against such of those who have been given the Scripture, as believe

not in Allah on the last day — 9:29.

Conclusion:

Tauheed, is belief in the oneness of Allah and His Angels, books, and the day of judgement. The muslim ummah is together due to tauheed. The Tauheed created the tolerance, moral values, and there is nothing but one Supreme being which is controlling the whole universe. If a muslim do not believe in oneness of Allah then he is not a muslim, it is the most important and fundamental belief.

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Introduce:

The Arabic word for prayer is Salat. The offering of prayers in Salat is the first of the acts of worship enjoined by Islam. It is the foremost duty of a Muslim and the chief pillar in which the structure of Islam stands. It is the distinguishing feature between a Muslim and non-Muslim. The Holy Prophet PBUH is reported to have said 'Verily between a man and polytheism and unbelief is abandoning the (prescribed) prayer.'

Salat help us keep away from indecency:

The Salat help to keep man away from sins and indecency, evil and helps to remember Allah which makes him attain the highest degree of moral and spiritual perfection. Quran verse, indeed prayer save human from immorality of character and wrong doing. - 29:45. Surah-e-Almabara.

Salat purifies man physically and spiritually:

It is once reported that once the Holy Prophet asked his companions: 'tell me, if there is a stream at the door of one of you in which he washes himself

five times a day. Furthermore he says
 This is likened to five prayers with
 which Allah washes away all the sins
 - Bukhari muslim.

a) Purification of soul

The Quran refer to prayer as
 sustenance for the human soul, so that
 person who does not pray must be
 considered as spiritually dead.

b) patience

The Salat give patience to
 human kind Quran verse ... we shall
 test you with something of fear, hunger,
 loss of wealth, lives and fruits, but give
 glad tidings to As-Sabirin - 2:155
 Surah (cow)

Salat gives Moral:

The Salat build the human kind as
 to remember the humanity, help the
 needy. Quran verse, now we used to
 feed Al-muskirin (the needy) - 74:44.

a) punctuality

Observance of prayer five times a
 day is a obligatory for all muslim adults
 in every condition. Quranic verse, who
 believe is the ghalib and perform As-
 salat and spend out of what we
 have provided for them.... - 2:3.

b) Humanitarian Spirit:

A unique service that the Holy prophet PBUH rendered to humanity is that he made prayer not only the foundation stone of the individual development of man but also the basis of the vast brotherhood of the Muslim. Quranic verse, and we made them leaders, guiding (mankind) by our command, and we revealed to them the doing good deeds... - 21:73.

Salat also impact socially:

The salat also impact socially is human kind life. It impact on equality of life, mutual help unity in muslim and discipline.

a) Equality

In a mosque, all man where the rich and poor stand together and where all follow the Imam, teaches the lesson of equality Quranic verse, ... Allah is ever well-Acquainted with what you do.... - 4:135.

b) Mutual help :

prayer is also a means of seeking help and guidance from Allah. In a Mosque everyone ^{seek} help from Allah. However Salat can Mutual help like Salat for rain is a Mutual help. Quran, we ask for help for everything - 1:5.

Conclusion:

Salat is an important pillar in Islam. It is necessary to perform the Salat. As for those who do not pray, the Quran tells that in hell, when they will be asked by the dwellers of the garden, for what cause you are in the hell - 74:42, they will say, not performing of Salat 74:43

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Introduction:

Islam has granted unprecedented spiritual, social, political, economic and cultural status to women. Islamic view has given a position of dignity and honour to women. Such beneficent regulation is essential for peace, comfort, happiness, continuation of the human species and mankind progress. The Islam also safeguarded women rights keeping view her vulnerabilities.

Status of women in Islam:

Islam holds that women is a human being, and she has a soul similar to that of man. Thus men and women are quite equal to each other in their origin.

Quran, Be dutiful to your Lord, who created you from a single person (Adam) and from him he created his wife (Hawwa) -

4:1

Economic aspect in status of women:

Islam has granted the economic rights to the women. They get inheritance, own property and run business. Muhammad Qutb in his opinion, the misunderstood religion write on female economic independence.

Political aspect of women in Islam:

The History of the Islamic civilization will surely finds a clear evidence of women's equality with man in what today's political rights. Quran, The right to political power (Allah has promised, whenever do righteous goods, that he will certainly grant the succession to (the present ruler) — 24:55

Rights of women in Islam

Islam has recognised the all right of women in Islam. In eyes of Islam all are equal. Quran And women have similar rights which have man — 2:228.

Right to select spouse on her own will:
According to Islamic law, women cannot be forced to marry anyone without their consent. The prophet Muhammad gave girls the right to choice... a story reported by Ibn Abbas.

Rights for life after marriage
The rules for married life in Islam are clear and in harmony with upholding human rights. Quran... men are maintainers of women... 4:34.

Right to property
Islam upholds the rights of women in terms of property rights. Quran, there is a share for men and a share for women of property of their parents - 4:7.

Right to Divorce or Khul
Islam gave the right to Divorce or Khul. She could exercise this right whenever she had a matter to do so.

Conclusion:

Islam has granted the women the unprecedented socio-economic and political rights. Islam has ensured the right of women in every aspect. From the history till in this 21st century, Islam is the only religion which ensures ~~em~~ all types of rights to the women.

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Peace in Islam:

Islam is an Arabic word and denotes submission, surrender and obedience,

As a religion, Islam stands for complete submission and obedience to Allah & that is called Islam.

The other literal meaning of the word Islam & peace and this signifies that one can achieve real peace of body and of mind only through submission and obedience to Allah.

Quran, Those who believe and act righteously, joy is for them, and a blissful home to return to - 13-29:

Self-Purification in Islam:

Purification of the soul is the most important theme in Islamic theology. Since it is an effective method to attain pleasure of God. According to the Islam, obtainment of *falah* in this life and the next is directly connected to *tasfiyah*.

Quran: "he will indeed be successful who purifies it and he will indeed fail whoever pollutes it & corrupts it - 91/11-12"