

Class 6

‘Faith - The Kalimah’

Meaning, Importance, Merits & Conditions of the Kalimah

TAWHEED

It is common knowledge that Tawheed is the basis of the religion of Islam and that it is most precisely expressed in the formula, "*La Ilaaha Ill Allah*". This seemingly simple formula forms the dividing line between Eeman (True belief in Allah) & Kufr (disbelief).

Our Beloved Prophet ﷺ spent 10 years preaching Just the Kalimah, at that time there was no SALAH, no Fasts, no ZAKAT, nothing. All He wanted people to do was to Believe in **"LA ILAHA ILL ALLAH Mohammed ur Rasool Allah"** so it is a must for us to PONDER over this and learn about it.

True meaning of La Ilaaha Ill Allah

What a lot of Muslims believe the meaning is-"No God but Allah" or "No Creator but Allah"

These Sentences are CORRECT but NOT the TRUE meaning...

The True Meaning is- **"NONE HAS THE RIGHT TO BE WORSHIPPED BUT ALLAH"**

"IMPORTANCE OF THE KALIMAH"

Definitely there could be no greater and more important a statement than '*Laa ilaaha illa Allah*' (there is no one worthy of worship but Allah). It is the statement of declaration of belief in Allah which is the dividing line between Imaan and kufr. It was the call of all of the previous Messengers and Prophets.

The first question in the grave will be about this 'Kalima'.

Allah (S.W.T.) Himself attested to the importance of this statement in the Qur'aan: He (S.W.T.) said: *"...and know that Laa ilaaha ill Allah (that there is no deity worthy of worship but Allah)..."* [Qur'an 47:19, 20:8, 3:18, 59:22-3]

The Place of 'Kalimah' in the Life of a Muslim

Some of the time we pronounce it are: -

- (a) Adhaan.



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- (b) Iqaamah
- (c) During Tashahud.
- (d) During times of 'Dhikr'

THE MERITS OF THE 'KALIMAH' (LAA ILAAHA ILL ALLAH)

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said: "*The best remembrance of Allah is to say 'laa ilaaha ill Allah' (there is no deity worthy of worship except Allah).*"

Some Merits of the 'Kalimah': -

- Al-Jannah is its reward.
- Uttering it before death will cause one to be admitted to the Jannah.
- It is a refuge from the Fire of Hell.
- It is a cause for a Muslim to be forgiven.
- It is the best of good deeds.
- It wipes out sins.
- It is the best of deeds and it multiplies into many good deeds.
- It is a protection against Satan.
- It is a safety from the darkness and the punishment of the graves and from the Day of Resurrection.
- The eight doors of Paradise will be accessible to its pronouncer.

The conditions of La ilaha illallah and its meaning:

La ilaha illallah is the key to Paradise, but every key should have teeth by which it opens or it would not be useful.

The conditions of La ilaha illallah are the teeth of this key, and they are: -

1. **Al-'Ilm** (Knowledge of the meaning of the shahadah)
2. **Al-Yaqeen** (Certainty – perfect knowledge of it that counter-acts suspicion and doubt)
3. **Al-Ikhlaas** (Sincerity which negates shirk)
4. **Al-Sidq** (Truthfulness that permits neither falsehood nor hypocrisy)
5. **Al-Mahabbah** (Love of the shahadah and its meaning, and being happy with it)
6. **Al-Inqiaad** (Submission to the duties that must be performed with sincerity to Allah (alone))

7. **Al-Qubool** (Acceptance that contradicts rejection).

WORKSHEET:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B00ZLczzYj-KTzFCM0xrTE5OTTg/view?usp=sharing> Download the sheets from the link above... There are three PDF files, download them and print them. The Worksheets are to make it interactive, fun and easier to learn, it is not madatory for everyone to do it. Please remember *Sis Metinee Adam* who volunteered to make these Worksheets for the course. JazakAllah Khair!

TIPS FOR THE TEST: -

1. Do not have to memorize any of the Ayahs or Hadeeths.
2. Memorize the True meaning of the Kalimah.
3. Remember the importance and merits of the Kalimah
4. By heart the Conditions of La Ilaaha Ill Allah (English or Arabic one is enough)



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