



Clouds of Thought

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كن واحدا لواحد على طريق واحد - (Be one for One on one way – you will reach)
(تصل)

Surah An Noor 41: (أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ يَسْجُدُ لَهُ مَنْ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَالطَّيْرِ صَافَّاتٍ كُلُّ قَدْ عَلِمَ صَلَاتَهُ وَتَسْبِيحَهُ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ بِمَا يَفْعَلُونَ) (See you not (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) that Allah, He it is Whom glorify whosoever is in the heavens and the earth, and the birds with wings out-spread (in their flight)?). Of each one He (Allah) knows indeed his Salat (prayer) and his glorification, [or everyone knows his Salat (prayer) and his glorification]; and Allah is All-Aware of what they do.)

- Be unique and one but don't be many faces. A person needs to be one face which is the face of a slave who surrenders and submits to Allah (ﷻ).
- He's a slave wherever He may be and he's one with everyone.

Hadith: عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ - رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ - قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " تَعَسَّ عَبْدُ الدِّينَارِ وَالدَّرْهَمِ وَالْقَطِيفَةَ وَالْخَمِيسَةَ، إِنْ أُعْطِيَ (The Prophet ﷺ) said, "Perish the slave of Dinar, Dirham, Qatifa (thick soft cloth), and Khamisa (a garment), for if he is given, he is pleased; otherwise he is dissatisfied." - Sahih al-Bukhari 6435

- We cannot be on the path to Allah (ﷻ) except on tawheed.

Surah Al An'am 162-163:

قُلْ إِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

Say (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم): "Verily, my Salat (prayer), my sacrifice, my living, and my dying are for Allah, the Lord of the 'Alamin (mankind, jinn and all that exists).

لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَبِذَلِكَ أُمِرْتُ وَأَنَا أَوَّلُ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

"He has no partner. And of this I have been commanded, and I am the first of the Muslims."

Tawheed is Mighty and Honorable (التوحيد عزيز):

- It's important we ask Allah (ﷻ) to protect our tawheed from shirk because shirk is so hidden. For this reason the Prophet (ﷺ) told us to seek refuge with Allah (ﷻ) from shirk.



Dua: اللهم إني أعوذُ بك أنْ أشركَ بك و أنا أعلمُ ، و أستغفركَ لما لا أعلمُ

O Allah I seek Your refuge should I associate with You while I know and I seek Your forgiveness for which I do not know

Sahih Aj Jami'e 3731, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

- Ibn Al Qayyim said 'tawheed is very gentle, it's pure and clean, crystal clear, like a white cloth, and it reflects'. With tahweed we'll have clarity, but it's important we don't spoil our tawheed.

Surah Az Zumar 29: (ضَرَبَ اللَّهُ مَثَلًا رَجُلًا فِيهِ شُرَكَاءُ مُتَشَابِهُونَ وَرَجُلًا سَلَمًا لِرَجُلٍ هَلْ يَسْتَوِيَانِ مَثَلًا ۗ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ۗ بَلْ أَكْثَرُهُمْ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ)
(Allah puts forth a similitude: a (slave) man belonging to many partners (like those who worship others along with Allah) disputing with one another, and a (slave) man belonging entirely to one master (like those who worship Allah Alone). Are those two equal in comparison? All the praises and thanks be to Allah! But most of them know not.)

- The one with tawheed cannot be equal to the one who's committing shirk. A person cannot reach to the top with two coaches and two masters. For this reason it's important to be one for One on one way.

The Way to Allah (ﷻ) is Straight

Surah Al An'am 153: (وَأَنَّ هَذَا صِرَاطِي مُسْتَقِيمًا فَاتَّبِعُوهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعُوا السُّبُلَ فَتَفَرَّقَ بِكُمْ عَن سَبِيلِهِ ۗ ذَٰلِكُمْ وَصَّاكُم بِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ)
("And verily, this (i.e. Allah's Commandments mentioned in the above two Verses 151 and 152) is My Straight Path, so follow it, and follow not (other) paths, for they will separate you away from His Path. This He has ordained for you that you may become Al-Muttaqun (the pious - see V.2:2).")

- Following the Quran and the Sunnah is the Straight Path. The way to Allah (ﷻ) is one and it will not change. If we change routes then we'll be lost.
- Ibn Al Qayyim said if a slave is turning towards Allah (ﷻ) for a thousand years but turns away for a moment then he'll lose. May Allah (ﷻ) keep our hearts firm on His deen. Ameen.
- It's difficult to turn away from Allah (ﷻ) so it's important we are one for One on one way because then we will reach.

How do we apply what we learned and change for the better?

- Ask Allah (ﷻ) to keep you firm on tawheed and protect you from shirk
- Follow the Quran and Sunnah

May Allah (ﷻ) keep us firm on tawheed and keep us away from shirk. Ameen.