



In The Name of Allah, The Most Merciful, The Bestower of Mercy



The Second Principle: Part 2.1

“What is your religion?”

My religion is Islaam; (Islaam) means for you to submit ones self to Allah, and to turn to Him in obedience.

How do I submit myself to Allah?

1. The first step would be for you to know who are Allah and His messenger! Then to pronounce it verbally with your tongue and to believe in your heart without any doubt (having full knowledge) that there is no deity (other gods, statues, persons or anything else) worthy of worship (or has a right to be worshipped) except Allah alone and that Muhammad is the slave and Messenger of Allah. (Salla allahu alaihi was salaam)

Words of Shaykh Fawzaan (may Allah preserve him): said, “Bearing witness that he is the Messenger of Allaah requires having faith (eemaan) in him; obeying him in what he commanded; keeping away from what he prohibited; believing in whatever he informed; and following him in what is prescribed as Law.”

This entire statement is called the *Shahadah, the Kalimah* or Declaration of Faith. This statement is said when a person accepts Islam, after making wudhu (ablution), in the call to prayer, and in the tashahhud. Just to name a few.

Proof For this statement: This proof can be found in many places from Qur’aan and Ahaadith. Using the Noble Qur’aan find Surah Aali Imran: 18; and Surah Al-Ahzaab: 40 (read, recite, remember and reflect upon the ayaat).

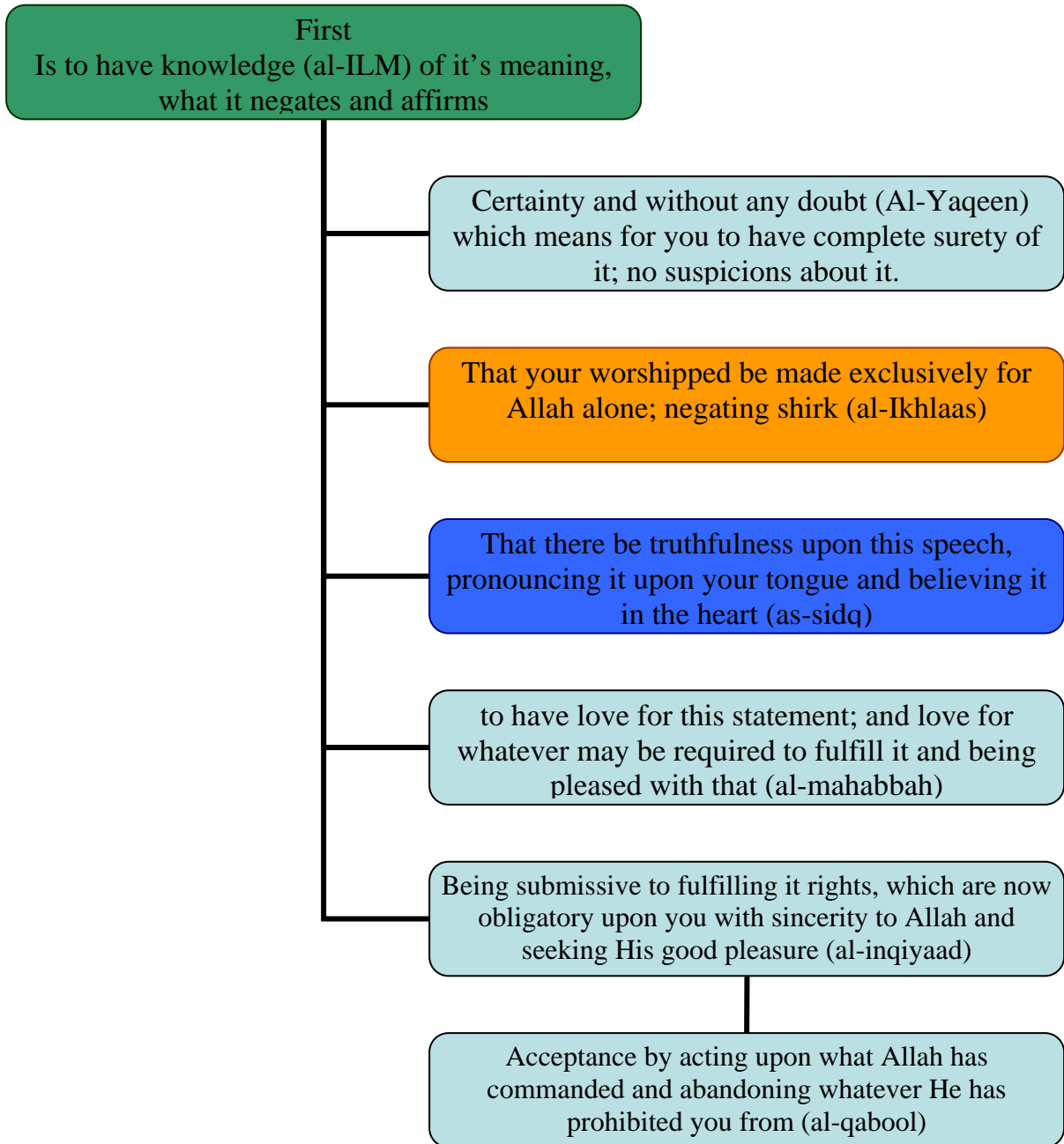
Practice writing: *La ilaha illa Allah in Arabic* {use 47:19 to see how it is written}

Homework:

Use the Study sheet “The Declaration of Faith” from page two of this worksheet to help you understand the conditions for the Kalimah.

The Declaration of Faith

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Vocabulary Words for this lesson:

Al-Ilm, al-yaqeen, al-Ikhlaas, as-sidq, al-Mahabbah, al-Inqiyaad, al-qabool, and Kalimah

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