

Tawheed Basics 8

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Islam teaches that Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) was the ‘abd of Allaah and the rasool of Allaah.

The first word, ‘abd, means slave or servant of Allaah, and therefore that he was not an object of worship in and of himself.

The second word, rasool, means that he was the messenger of Allaah - that he was sent to all of mankind to bring them the message of all the Prophets, the message of Tawheed ul Uloohiyah – meaning the message that Allaah alone has the right to be worshipped.

Islam also teaches that it is not enough to merely state the testimony of faith on your tongue; there are certain conditions which must be fulfilled as well.

Among them are:

The person should have knowledge of what they are saying i.e. what it means.

The person should be certain that they really mean what they are saying.

The person should be sincere and true in what they are saying.

The person should love what he is saying and have love for Allaah and all his Prophets, as well as loving the people who love them.

The person should have submission to Allaah, accepting happily what Islam decrees and asks of a person.