

Tawhid, the heart of the message

Every Prophet was sent with the same first sentence. What La ilaha illa Allah actually means, and why it is harder to live than to say.

CENTREPIECE Surah al-Anbiya 21:25, Surah al-Ikhlās 112:1-4

FIRST KHUTBAH

1. The single message of every Prophet

Allah says: We sent no messenger before you except that We revealed to him there is no god but Me, so worship Me (Anbiya 21:25). Adam, Nuh, Ibrahim, Musa, Isa, Muhammad. One thesis, repeated through human history.

2. Tawhid in three directions

Scholars divide it into Tawhid al-Rububiyah (oneness of His lordship), Tawhid al-Uluhiyyah (oneness of worship), and Tawhid al-Asma was-Sifat (oneness of His names and attributes). Most who claim Islam affirm the first; the test of the second is where worship actually goes.

3. The shahada is a lived sentence

La ilaha illa Allah is spoken by the tongue and carried into choices. A believer uses ordinary means, trusts people where trust is due, and works for lawful goals, while knowing that worship belongs to Allah alone and that every created means remains under His command.

SECOND KHUTBAH

Return to the centrepiece and gather the message around one honest change connected to tawhid, the heart of the message.

Suggested closing: Ashhadu an la ilaha illa Allah. Renew this sentence today as if you are saying it for the first time.

PREPARATION NOTES

1. Read every cited verse or hadith in full before using it.
2. Add one example your own congregation will recognise.
3. Check questions of fiqh and recognised disagreement with a qualified local scholar.

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