

## The Four Sūrahs in the Qur’ān Which Have Been Singled Out For Classifying Tawḥīd

Shaykh Ḥammād bin Muḥammad al-Anṣārī (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ) said:

“And this sūrah (al-Fātiḥah) is from the collection of sūrahs which have been singled out for (the explanation of) Tawḥīd. And the sūrahs which have been singled out for Tawḥīd are four in the Noble Qur’ān:

- a) Sūrah al-Fātiḥah
- b) Sūrah al-Kāfirūn
- c) Sūrah “Qul Huwallāhu Aḥad”
- d) Sūrah al-Falaq

Each of them has classified the (particular type of) Tawḥīd that pertains to it specifically. For example, Sūrah al-Fātiḥah has classified **the whole of Tawḥīd**. And Sūrah al-Kāfirūn comprises **Tawḥīd al-Uloohiyyah**, that is (Tawḥīd of) ‘Ibādah. And Sūrah “Qul Huwallāhu Aḥad” comprises **Tawḥīd al-Asmā’ was-Ṣifāt**. And Sūrah al-Falaq comprises **Tawḥīd al-Rubūbiyyah**.

And if this indicates anything, it indicates the importance of Tawḥīd, because Allāh revealed for every type of this Tawḥīd a complete sūrah. And this was not the case for the rulings (aḥkām) at all, and nor in the furū‘ (subsidiary matters), just as Allāh, the Mighty and Majestic said, ‘**And we did not create the Jinn and Men except that they may worship Me**’ (51:56), His saying, ‘**that they may worship Me**’, is Tawḥīd.

And the first command in the Book of Allāh is the command to worship, as occurs in Sūrah al-Baqarah, **‘O mankind, worship your Lord’** (2:21).

From this we have come to know that Allāh, the Mighty and Majestic’s revealing of four sūrahs, each of them comprising Tawḥīd, is an indication of the importance of Tawḥīd, and that it is the secret behind the creation of Jinn and Men.”

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