

## The Affirmation of Kalimatu-t-Tawheed

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ،  
وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Lā i-lāha illAllāhu waḥdahu lā shareeka lahu, laḥul-mulku wa laḥul-ḥamdu,  
wa Huwa 'alā kulli shay'in Qadeer.

(None has the right to be worshipped except Allāh, alone, without partner;  
To Him belongs all sovereignty and praise; and He is, over all things, Omnipotent)

### Text of the Hadeeth:

Among the most important words of remembrance which are worthy of great care being taken to recite meticulously every **morning and evening**, is that which is confirmed in the Musnad of Imām Aḥmad, from the Hadeeth of Aboo Hurairah (RadiyAllāhu an-hu) that the Messenger of Allāh (SallAllāhu Alaihi wa Sallam) said: Whoever says: **'None has the right to be worshipped except Allāh, alone, without partner; To Him belongs all sovereignty and praise; and He is, over all things, Omnipotent'** – whoever says this **ten times** when he reaches the morning, Allāh will:

1. record for him one hundred hasanāt (good deeds), and
2. remove from him one hundred sayyi'āt (bad deeds);
3. he will have a reward equal to the freeing of a slave, and
4. he will be protected and preserved - due to this act (i.e. of reciting these words) - throughout that day, until evening. And whoever says the like of this (i.e. reciting these words ten times) when he reaches evening, will have a reward just like this.

[Reported by Aḥmad in his 'Musnad', 2/360. It was declared to be authentic by al-Albānee in 'as-Saḥeeḥah', 6/1/136, 137. Fortress of the Muslim, no. 92]

Also, among the most powerful words of remembrance which have been legislated for the Muslim to recite every **morning\*** one hundred times, is that which is confirmed in the 'Saḥeeḥain' (i.e. al-Bukhāree and Muslim), from the Hadeeth of Aboo Hurairah (RadiyAllāhu an-hu), from the Prophet (SallAllāhu Alaihi wa Sallam) that he said: Whoever recites, **'None has the right to be worshipped except Allāh, alone, without partner; To Him belongs all sovereignty and praise; and He is, over all things, Omnipotent'** – **one hundred times** in a day will have:

1. the reward of freeing ten slaves; and
2. one hundred hasanāt (good deeds) will be recorded for him, and
3. one hundred sayyi'āt (bad deeds) will be erased from him (i.e. from his record), and
4. there will be a fortified sanctuary for him from Shayṭān throughout that day until he reaches the evening. No one will have performed something better than what he has done, except a person who

did more than that. And whoever recites: ‘**Subhānallāhi wa bi-Hamdi-hi**’ *one hundred times* during a day, will have his sins erased even if they were as much as the foam of the sea.

[Reported by al-Bukhāree, no. 3293 and Muslim, no. 2691. Fortress of the Muslim, no. 93]

### **Explanation of the Hadeeth:**

In this is an indication of the exalted status of the statement of Tawhīd – ‘Lā ilāha illAllāh’ – which is absolutely the most magnificent of all statements, and the best of what has been said by the Prophets (Alaihimus-Salām). For the purpose of [establishing the reality of] Lā ilāha illAllāh the heavens and the earth were established and everything in existence and all creatures were created. And the People of Tawhīd are the possessors of good-fortune, success and victory, in this world and the hereafter.

Know that a ‘word’ which has this lofty status/rank is worthy of a Muslim attaching great importance to it. And Allāh, Alone, in His Hand is Success and Correctness.

[\***Note:** This *Dhikr* (in the second Hadeeth, i.e. saying it **one hundred times**) is not particular to the morning time. However, its recitation in the morning is preferable, since this entails hastening to do something good without delay; and so that one may achieve its reward from the start of the day, and have a place of refuge - from Shaytān – from the beginning of the day. For these reasons, the scholars have mentioned it among the words of remembrance connected to the morning.]

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(Words of Remembrance of the Prophet Muhammad SallAllaahu Alaihi wa Sallam)

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