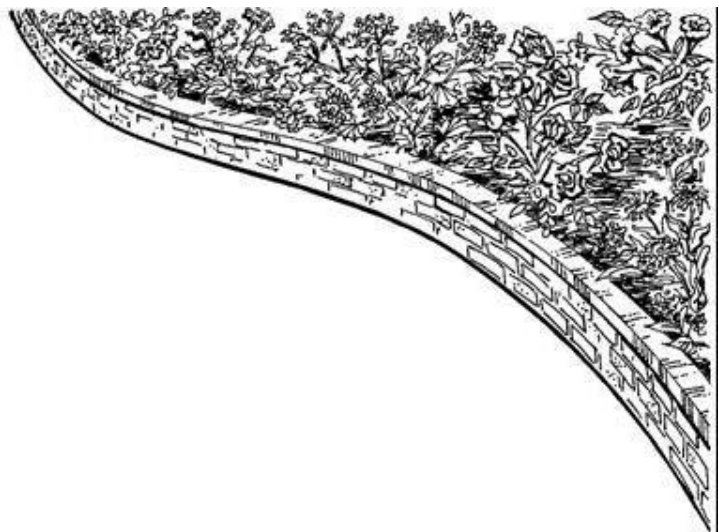


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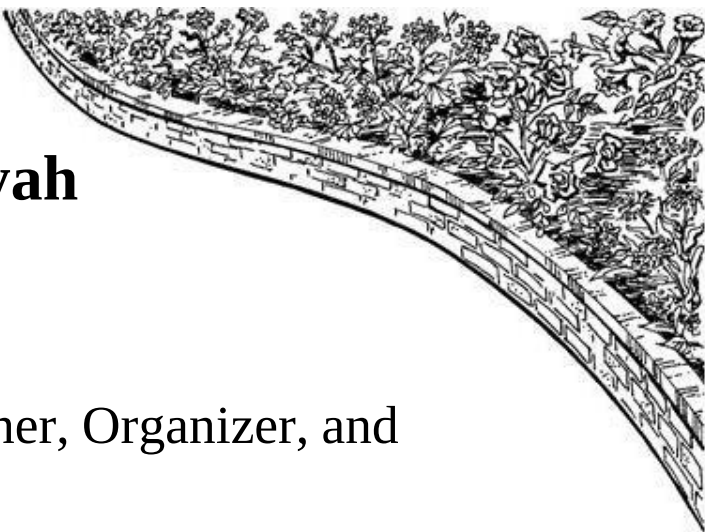
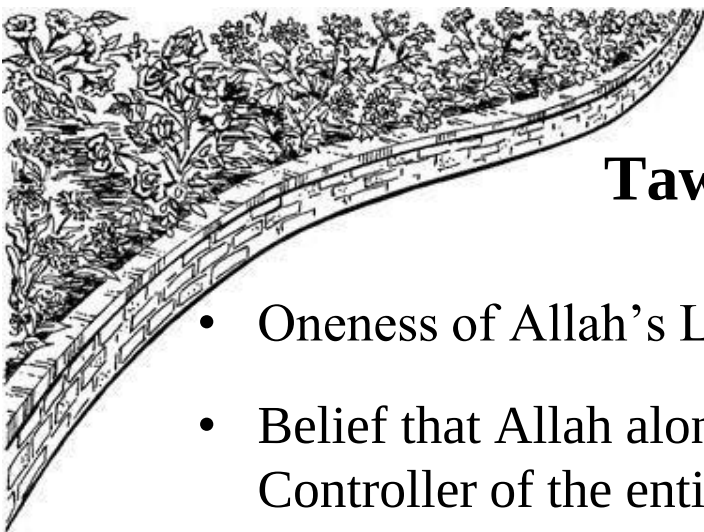
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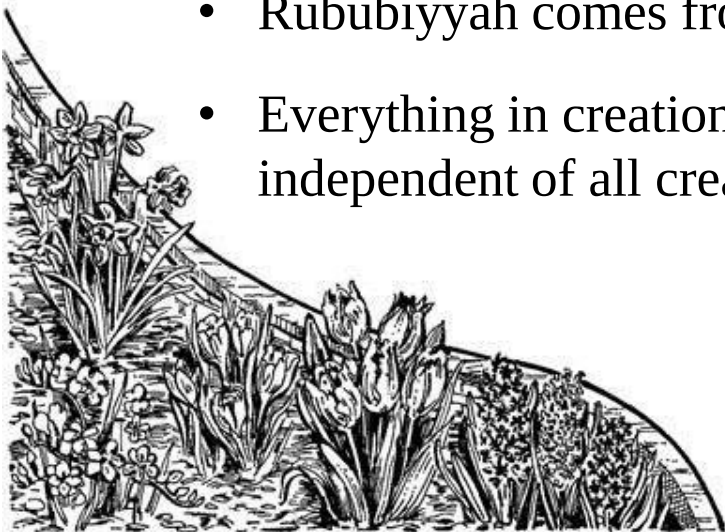
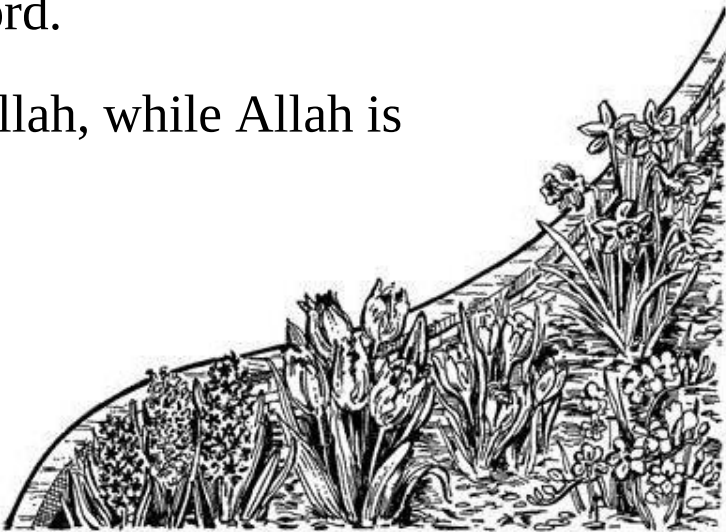
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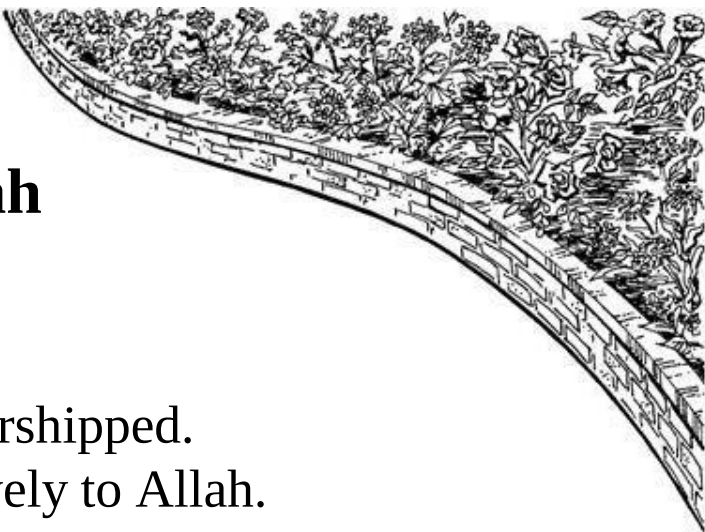
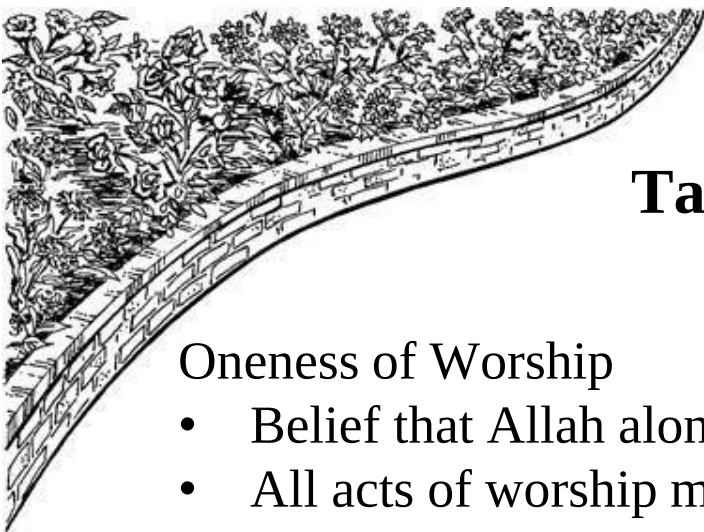
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Tawheed ar-Rububiyyah

- Oneness of Allah's Lordship
 - Belief that Allah alone is the Creator, Sustainer, Organizer, and Controller of the entire universe.
 - Allah created everything when nothing existed and continuously sustains His creation.
 - He alone gives life and death, provides sustenance, and controls all affairs.
 - Rububiyyah comes from Rabb, meaning Lord.
 - Everything in creation is dependent upon Allah, while Allah is independent of all creation.
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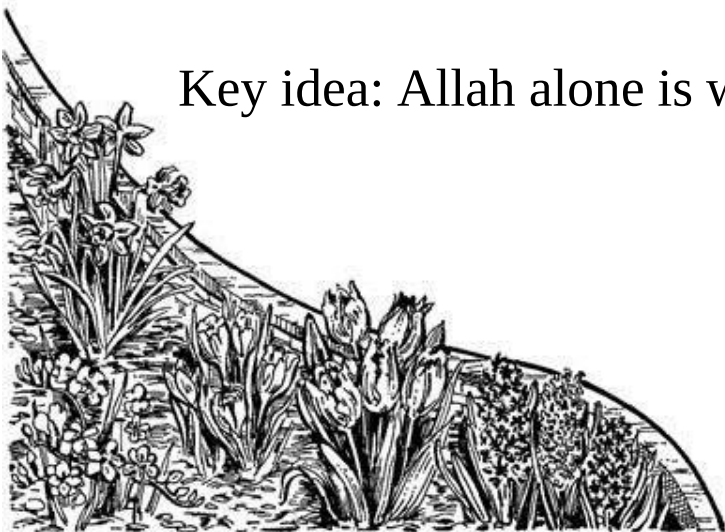


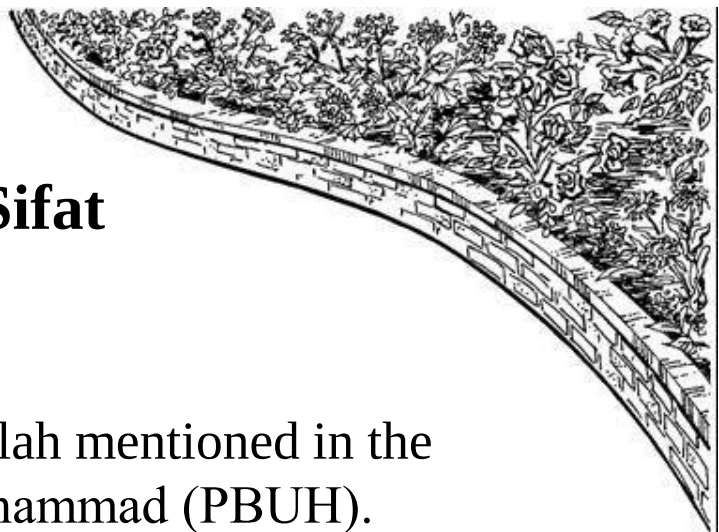
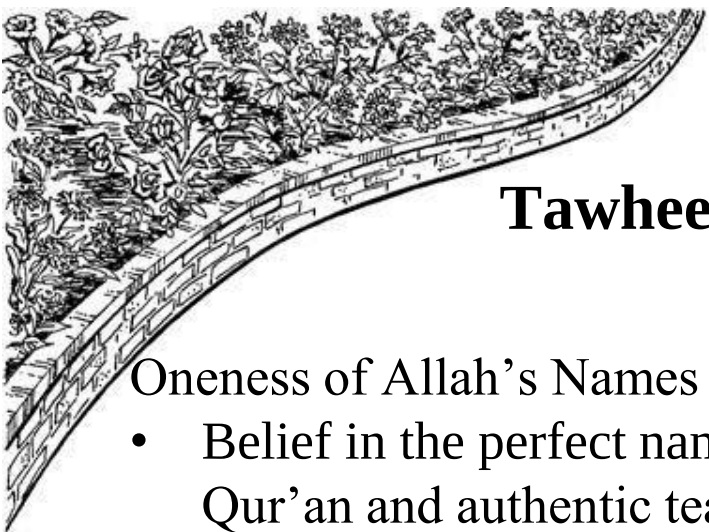
Tawheed al-Uluhiyyah

Oneness of Worship

- Belief that Allah alone has the right to be worshipped.
- All acts of worship must be directed exclusively to Allah.
- This includes prayer, supplication, seeking unseen help, sacrifice, oaths, and obedience.
- Muslims follow what Allah and His Messenger Muhammad (PBUH) commanded and avoid what they prohibited.
- No angel, prophet, saint, idol, or created being shares Allah's right to worship.

Key idea: Allah alone is worthy of worship.



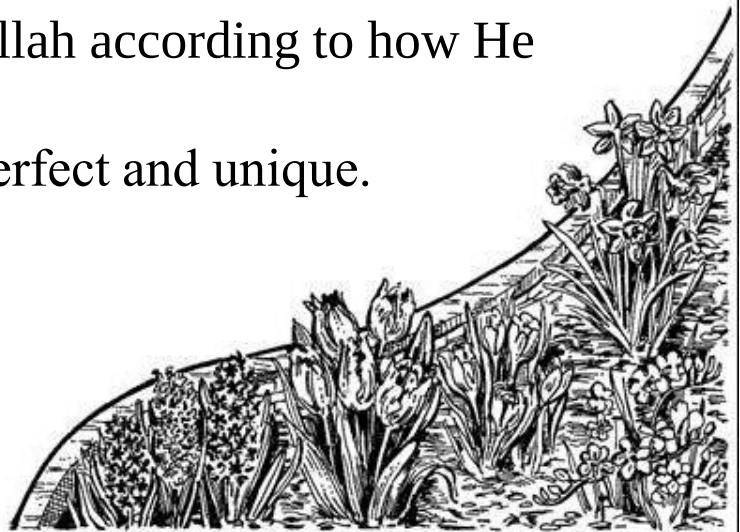
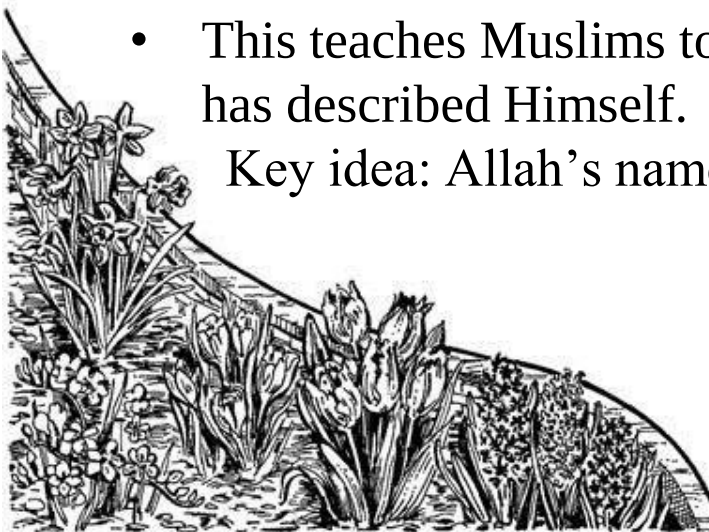


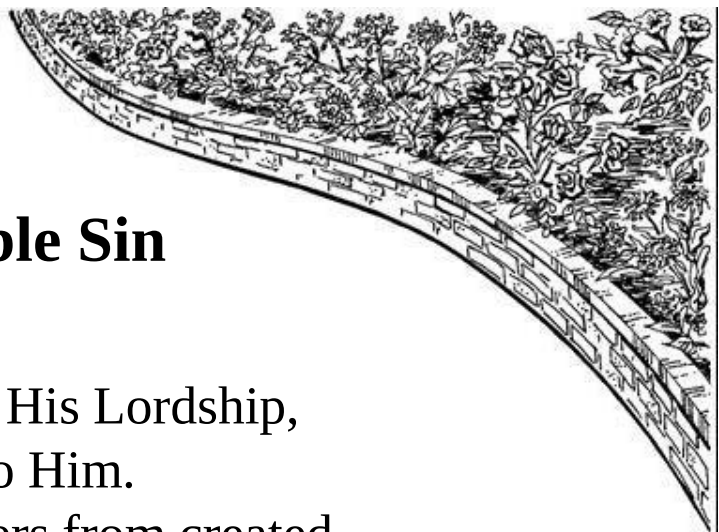
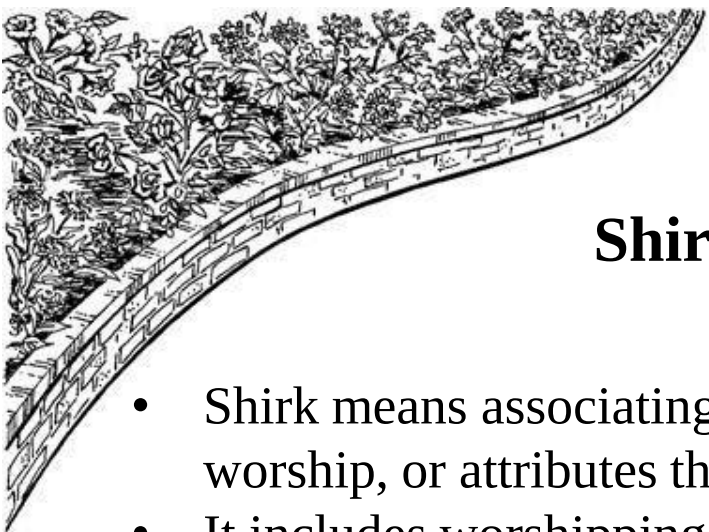
Tawheed al-Asma wa as-Sifat

Oneness of Allah's Names and Attributes

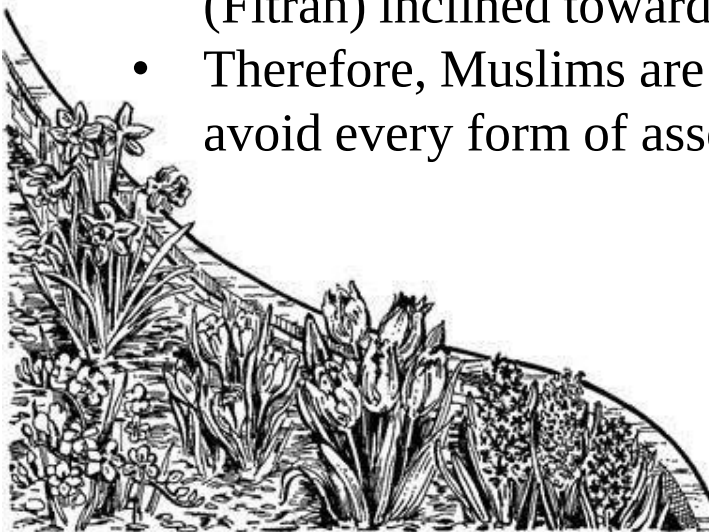
- Belief in the perfect names and attributes of Allah mentioned in the Qur'an and authentic teachings of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH).
- Allah's names and attributes are affirmed without changing their meanings, denying them, or comparing them to creation.
- Allah says: "There is nothing like unto Him, and He is the All-Hearer, the All-Seer." (Qur'an 42:11)
- Allah possesses perfect qualities that are unique to His greatness and unlike those of His creation.
- This teaches Muslims to know and worship Allah according to how He has described Himself.

Key idea: Allah's names and attributes are perfect and unique.





Shirk: The Unforgivable Sin

- Shirk means associating partners with Allah in His Lordship, worship, or attributes that belong exclusively to Him.
 - It includes worshipping or seeking divine powers from created beings instead of Allah.
 - The Qur'an states that Allah does not forgive shirk if a person dies without repenting from it. (Qur'an 4:48)
 - However, sincere repentance before death can lead to forgiveness.
 - Shirk contradicts Tawheed and goes against the natural disposition (Fitrah) inclined toward the Oneness of God.
 - Therefore, Muslims are commanded to worship Allah alone and avoid every form of associating partners with Him.
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