

Simple explanation of Soorah al- Ikhlaas

Article taken and slightly adapted from: newmuslims.com

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

Soorah al- Ikhlaas

This short Soorah is equivalent in virtue to one third of the Qur'aan, and is ideal to memorize for reciting in the Salaah. It is also recommended to say it after every prayer and before going to sleep at night.

Text, Transliteration, Translation, and Explanation

[قُلْ هُوَ اللَّهُ أَحَدٌ]

1. Qul huwAllaahu ahad

Say, "He is Allaah, (who is) One.

Say, O Prophet, He is Allaah, the only Lord, the only one Who deserves worship, and the only One who possesses Names and Attributes of beauty and perfection. No one shares with Him in these matters.

[اللَّهُ الصَّمَدُ]

2. Allaahus samad

Allaah, the Eternal Refuge.

Allaah alone is sought in times of need. Allaah alone is the desire of the hearts. On Him all creation depends. This dependence is not reciprocal, however; He does not depend on His creatures.

[لَمْ يَلِدْ وَلَمْ يُولَدْ]

3. Lam yalid walam yoolad

He neither begets nor is born,

He has no son or daughter, father or mother, nor was He born.

[وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ]

4. Walam yakun lahu kufuwan ahad

Nor is there to Him any equivalent."

Nothing in creation resembles Allaah in any of His names, attributes, or actions.