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LESSON 9

WHO IS RIGHT, POLYTHEISTS OR MONOTHEISTS?

ARGUMENTS FOR THE ONENESS OF GOD

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Let's understand what is polytheism and monotheism.

Polytheism includes:

Belief in more than one God.

Belief that created beings have one or more of Allah's Attributes.

Belief that Allah has attributes like created beings.

Belief that God is in everything.

Worship of anyone else besides Allah.



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Polytheism has no solid arguments in its favor. Still, some, who may not necessarily be polytheists, try to find arguments for polytheism. Here are a few of these arguments:

- * Since anything complex is usually the work of many creators, so also this world must have multiple creators.
- * The occurrence of suffering in this world shows that there is more than one creator. Suffering arises when there is more than one God due to conflicts that may arise between them.
- * Everyone experiences God in his own way. This points to there being many gods.



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The response of the mushrikin to Islam: enmity/hostility.

لَتَجِدَنَّ أَشَدَّ النَّاسِ عَدَاوَةً لِّلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا الْيَهُودَ وَالَّذِينَ أَشْرَكُوا ۗ

You will find the most vehement of mankind in hostility to those who believe (to be) the Jews and the idolaters.



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Why do/did the mushrikin worship idols?

- * To get closer to Allah.
- * Expectation of benefits.
- * Fear of being harmed.

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Refutation of Polytheism:

أَيْشُرْكَونَ مَا لَا يَخْلُقُ شَيْئًا وَهَمْ يَخْلُقُونَ (الأعراف: 191).
وَيَعْبُدُونَ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ مَا لَا يَضُرُّهُمْ وَلَا يَنْفَعُهُمْ وَيَقُولُونَ هُوَ لَاءِ شُفَعَاؤُنَا عِنْدَ
اللَّهِ ۗ قُلْ أَتَنْبِئُونَ اللَّهَ بِمَا لَا يَعْلَمُ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَلَا فِي الْأَرْضِ ۗ سُبْحَانَهُ
وَتَعَالَى عَمَّا يُشْرِكُونَ ﴿يونس: ١٨﴾

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Surah an-naml ayat 61 - 64

أَمَّنْ خَلَقَ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ وَأَنْزَلَ لَكُمْ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً فَأَنْبَتْنَا بِهِ حَدَائِقَ
ذَاتَ بَهْجَةٍ مَّا كَانَ لَكُمْ أَنْ تُنْبِتُوا شَجَرَهَا ۗ أَأَلِلُّهُ مَعَ اللَّهِ ۚ بَلْ هُمْ قَوْمٌ
يَعْدِلُونَ ﴿٦٠﴾ أَمَّنْ جَعَلَ الْأَرْضَ قَرَارًا وَجَعَلَ خِلالَهَا أَنْهَارًا وَجَعَلَ لَهَا رَوَاسِيَ
وَجَعَلَ بَيْنَ الْبَحْرَيْنِ حَاجِزًا ۗ أَأَلِلُّهُ مَعَ اللَّهِ ۚ بَلْ أَكْثَرُهُمْ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٦١﴾



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[More precisely], is He [not best] who created the heavens and the earth and sent down for you rain from the sky, causing to grow thereby gardens of joyful beauty which you could not [otherwise] have grown the trees thereof? Is there a deity with Allah? [No], but they are a people who ascribe equals [to Him]. (60) Is He [not best] who made the earth a stable ground and placed within it rivers and made for it firmly set mountains and placed between the two seas a barrier? Is there a deity with Allah? [No], but most of them do not know. (61)

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أَمَّنْ يُجِيبُ الْمُضْطَرَّ إِذَا دَعَاهُ وَيَكْشِفُ السُّوءَ وَيَجْعَلُكُمْ خُلَفَاءَ الْأَرْضِ ۗ أَلَا إِلَهَ
مَعَ اللَّهِ ۗ قَلِيلًا مَّا تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٦٢﴾ أَمَّنْ يَهْدِيكُمْ فِي ظُلُمَاتِ الْبَرِّ وَالْبَحْرِ
وَمَنْ يُرْسِلُ الرِّيَّاحَ بُشْرًا بَيْنَ يَدَيْ رَحْمَتِهِ ۗ أَلَا إِلَهَ مَعَ اللَّهِ ۗ تَعَالَى اللَّهُ عَمَّا
يُشْرِكُونَ ﴿٦٣﴾ أَمَّنْ يَبْدَأُ الْخَلْقَ ثُمَّ يُعِيدُهُ وَمَنْ يَرْزُقُكُمْ مِّنَ السَّمَاءِ
وَالْأَرْضِ ۗ أَلَا إِلَهَ مَعَ اللَّهِ ۗ قُلْ هَاتُوا بُرْهَانَكُمْ إِن كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ ﴿٦٤﴾



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Is He [not best] who responds to the desperate one when he calls upon Him and removes evil and makes you inheritors of the earth? Is there a deity with Allah? Little do you remember. (62) Is He [not best] who guides you through the darkneses of the land and sea and who sends the winds as good tidings before His mercy? Is there a deity with Allah? High is Allah above whatever they associate with Him. (63) Is He [not best] who begins creation and then repeats it and who provides for you from the heaven and earth? Is there a deity with Allah? Say, "Produce your proof, if you **should be truthful.**" (64)

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