

Al-Mu'minun [23:116]



Therefore exalted be Allah, the King, the Reality: there is no god but He, the Lord of the Throne of Honour!

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This verse proves the Godhead of Allah and rejects its denial. It absolves God from all frivolous deeds because He has enumerated four attributes for the same: *God is the true King. He is the truth and no untruth can near Him. There is no Lord or God but Him.*

He is the Lord of the Arsh who is the true King because He issues decrees for everything in creation, life and death or sustenance. His order is obeyed and His rule is promulgated. Because He is the truth, all orders emanating from Him are nothing but the truth. Untruth has no connection with him.

It is possible that some people may think of other gods too whose orders are against those of the real God so it says "There is no god but Him." He deserves to be worshipped because there is no other creator and He alone sits on the Arsh. This celestial throne of grace is the station from where all His decrees are issued throughout the universe.

God therefore,

- is He who issues orders and
- every thing exists because of Him,
- He orders nothing but the truth and
- does not do anything but the truth.
- All creations are to return to Him and
- echo His glory for they exist because of Him.

- The untruth is wrong and
- evil and they never touch him.

- The proof of His oneness is that
- He alone creates and
- joins all the creation that are interlinked and interdependent on each other.
- He purges the evil from the truth.

“ And whoever invokes any other god besides Allah, of whom he has no proof then his reckoning is only with his Lord. Surely the disbelievers will not be successful.”

Invoking other gods means to call other gods beside the true God and not that one invokes others as he invokes the true God because the idolater at times invokes only those other gods whom they claim to be the true ones. This invoking infers to other gods because they invoke them separately from the God who creates.

God says, *There is no concrete proof* of the other gods but the proof of the one true God is irrefutable.

The words *then his reckoning is only with his Lord* prove that the final judgment rests with the One God. And none can intercede in the judgment of punishment and rewards that He issues. The punishment refers to Hell as discussed in the previous verses . So this verse refutes the subject of intercession for salvation and forgiveness and this has been established by the words - *And say, My Lord ! Forgive and have mercy for you are the best of those who show Mercy.*

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(no commentary available for this verse)