

PART 2

Dhul-Hijjah: Dhikr & Qurbani





Session Objectives

- To explain how to do dhikr with the presence of the heart
- To reflect on the significance of Qurbani
- To identify how we can attain the reward of hajj and umrah



Starter: Quiz

- 1) Why are the 10 days of Dhul Hijjah so special?
- 2) What is the main deed of the Days of Dhul Hijjah?
- 3) What does Allah ﷻ do on the Day of Arafah?
- 4) List 5 actions of the Day of Arafah.
- 5) When do we recite the Takbir of Tashriq?
- 6) Finish off: ... لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ ...
- 7) Finish off: ... اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ ...
- 8) What date of Dhul Hijjah is Eid?
- 9) Is Qurbani wajib or sunnah?
- 10) What should you not do once the 10 days start & you are intending to do Qurbani?
- 11) How do you attain the reward of Hajj and 'Umrah without being there?

1 — Dhikr

With the presence of the heart

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2 — Qurbani

Beyond the finger lickin' chops.

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3 — Mighty Actions

To gain the reward of haji and umrah

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1 — Dhikr

With the presence of the heart



Conscious Dhikr

In your group, discuss what each of the following means. What can we **think about** when we remember Allah with these words?

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ



Tahlil: The Best Dhikr

What is لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ?

- **Greatest statement ever uttered**
- The foundation of faith
- The cornerstone of existence itself

What does لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ mean?

- There is no god, deity or being which deserves to be worshipped and obeyed except Allah.
- To be **a slave of Allah alone**, and not of any another being, ideology, object or desire.

[A] How can we internalise لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ?

- Submit
- Worship
- Love
- Fear and hope
- Trust
- Seek protection
- Complete obedience
- Seek judgement

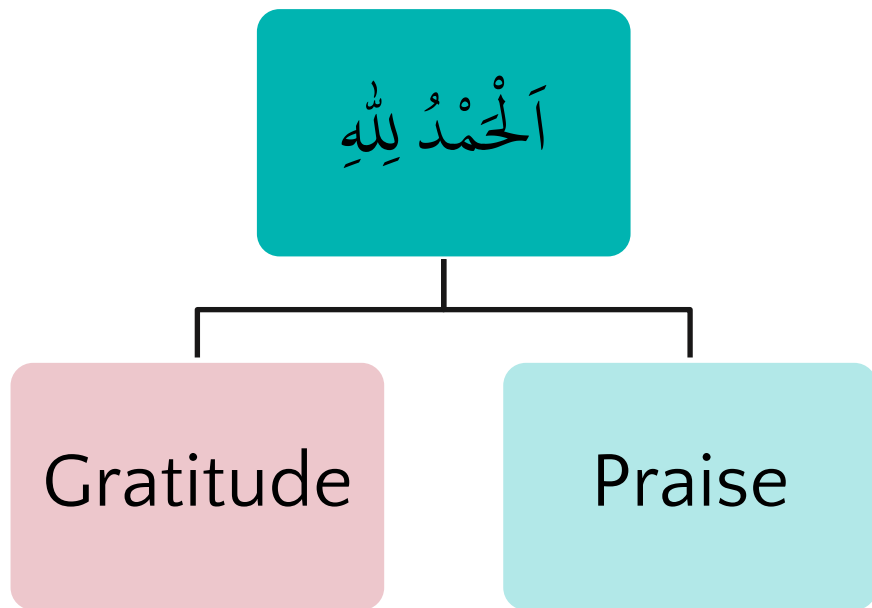


Takbir

الله أكبر

- Allah is Greater than anything we can imagine, and His greatness encompasses all things: He is Great in His Essence, His Names, His Attributes and His Actions.
- Allah is Supreme and above every limitation and deficiency that is inherent in created beings.
- Reflect on His creation: humans, animals, mountains, planets, angels, Throne of Allah etc.

Tahmid



[A] What can we think of
when we say
'الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ'?

- 1) The blessings of Allah
- 2) His Perfect Names

2 — Qurbani

Beyond the finger lickin' chops



Qurbani/Udhiyah

[A] Why do we perform Qurbani?



Why Qurbani?

Sunnah of Ibrahim ﷺ

Sunnah of Muhammad ﷺ

To gain taqwa

To remember and thank Allah ﷻ

To venerate a symbol of Allah ﷻ

To gain reward



Qurbani



Qurb



Closeness

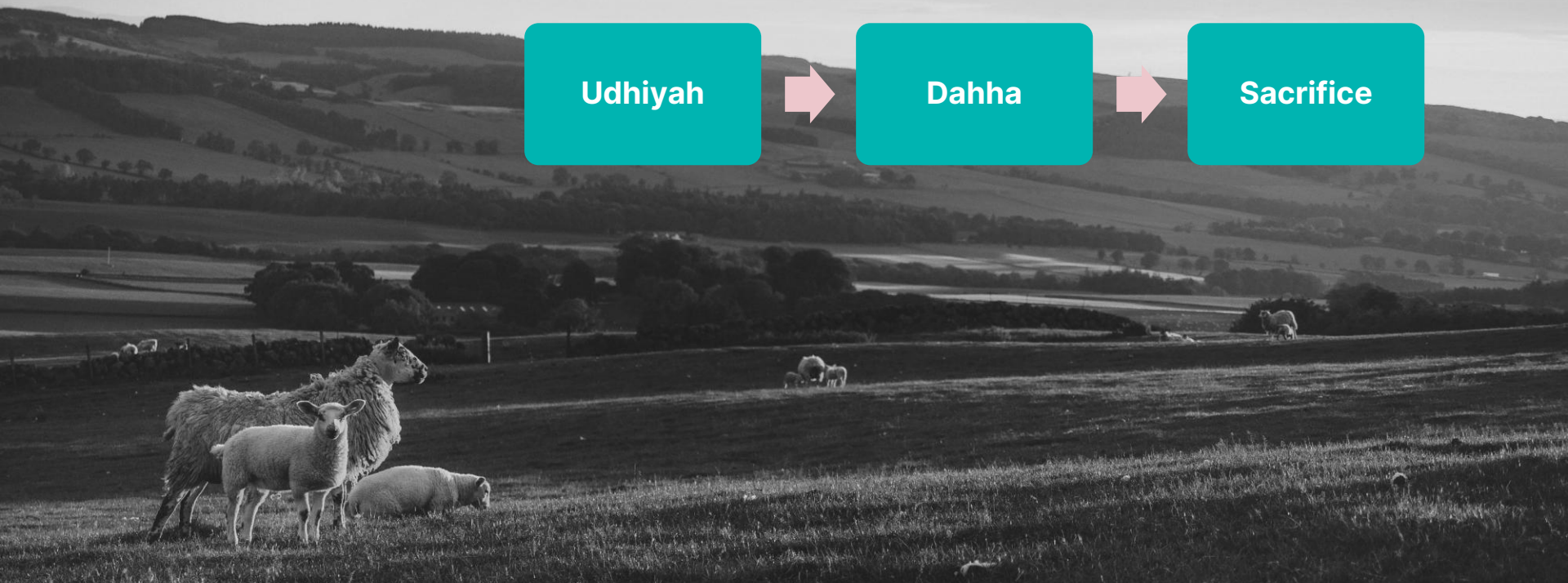
Udhiyah



Dahha



Sacrifice

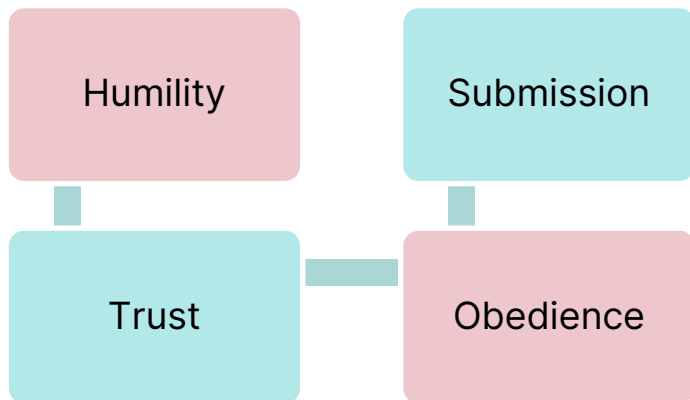




[QF] Reflection

- [A] Write 37:102-107
- What lessons can we derive from these ayat? What can we learn from this incident?

True Servants of Allah



فَلَمَّا بَلَغَ مَعَهُ السَّعْيَ قَالَ يَبْنَىٰٓ إِلَىٰٓ أَرَىٰ فِي الْمَنَامِ
أَنِّيٰ أَدْبَحُكَ فَانْظُرْ مَاذَا تَرَىٰ قَالَ يَآبَتِ أِفْعَلْ مَا
تُؤْمَرُ سَتَجِدُنِيٓ إِن شَاءَ ٱللَّهُ مِنَ الصَّٰبِرِينَ ﴿١٠٢﴾

Then when the boy reached the age to work with him, Abraham said, "O my dear son! I have seen in a dream that I 'must' sacrifice you. So tell me what you think." He replied, "O my dear father! Do as you are commanded. Allah willing, you will find me steadfast." (37:102)



True Iman and Islam

Self-Reflection



Are there aspects of Islam I struggle to come to terms with? Do I think my intellect is superior or do I submit to Allah?



When faced with a difficulty, do I say 'Why me, O Allah?' or do I think the best of Allah?



Do I love Allah & rush to obey the commands of Allah as Ibrahim h did?



What sacrifices am I going to make? (time, money, sleep, social pressure etc.)

Our obedience to Allah is unconditional.

There is wisdom in all of Allah's commands. We may see them or we may not see them.

*Our obedience to Him, however, is **NOT** dependent on us knowing the wisdoms of commandments.*


3 — Mighty Actions

To gain the reward of hajj and umrah

*“Whoever offers Fajr in congregation and remains seated, engaging in the remembrance of Allah until the sun has risen, and then offers two rak‘ahs, he will have a reward equal to that of performing hajj and ‘umrah.” He ﷺ said:
“Complete, complete, complete (i.e. complete reward)”*

(The Messenger of Allah ﷺ , Tirmidhī).

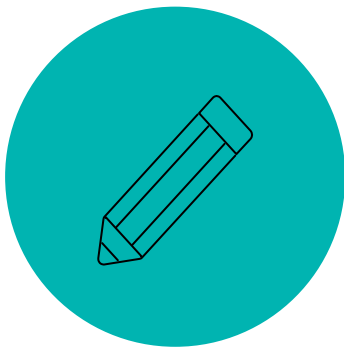
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The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said: “Whoever goes to the Masjid, only intending to learn some good or teach it, he will have the reward of a complete ḥajj.”

(Tabarānī)

Plenary



Write three key questions which you think your peers should be able to answer, based on today's lesson.

When ready, go around and ask at least 3 people your questions.



(Alternative) Plenary

- What can we think of when we say 'لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ'?
- What can we think of when we say 'اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ'?
- What can we think of when we say 'الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ'?
- Why do we perform Qurbani?
- What lessons can we learn from the sacrifice of Ibrahim and Isma'il ﷺ?
- How can we attain the reward of hajj without being there?

Questions?

سُبْحَانَكَ اللَّهُمَّ وَبِحَمْدِكَ ،
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ ،
أَسْتَغْفِرُكَ وَأَتُوبُ إِلَيْكَ

You are free from imperfection, O Allah,
and all praise is to You. I bear witness
that there is no god worthy of worship but
You. I seek Your forgiveness and turn to
You in repentance.

