


# NAMES OF ALLAH

## ALLAH AR RAFEEQ THE MOST GENTLE COMPANION

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Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 1

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## Introduction

- It is a good life when we believe in Allah and devote ourselves to Him. But living a life cut-off from Him is lonely even if we are surrounded by others.
- We will live a good, truthful, happy and valuable life when we know Allah. With all that He gave us, He wants that we feel His actions so that we submit and surrender to Him. This is a real life.
- All of the beautiful names belong to Allah and He has many names yet He only disclosed ninety-nine names because we cannot encompass or relate to the other names. No matter how much we speak of Him, praise Him or worship Him, we cannot give Him His due rights. We cannot surround one action, name or attribute of His.
- The more we know about Him, the more we know who we are. The more we know about Him, the more we see everything is beautiful.
- The Names of Allah are gardens of paradise. When we speak of His perfection, we cannot live without His attachment; we cannot resist Him. His majesty, greatness, kindness and mercy are peak in their form.
- There is a paradise in this life and if a person does not enter here then how does he expect to enter the paradise of the hereafter?



Subhan Allah. Paradise is what no eye has seen, no ear has heard and never crossed the hearts; knowing Allah is paradise in this life. Anything which we cannot surround or encompass then we attach to it. Allah is hidden yet apparent and this brings attachment.

- The worldly life can be surrounded; there is a beginning and end to it. Anything material is limited and the duniya does not nourish; it is just a “taste”, but is not “real food”.
- Anything about Allah connects us and anything not about Him will be spoiled and will disconnect. Deprived is the one who can go different places and do whatever he wants, yet is not enjoying the most delightful thing in this life which is knowing Allah. May Allah never deprive us from knowing Him. Ameen.
- In Surah Al Hashr, the final ayat end with the names of Allah.
- Things can get very messy and scattered but what can bring everything together? Allah.
- In our life journey, when we see bad things, we stop and get stuck, but when we glorify Allah and do tasbeeh then we will move. We want to come to Allah with ease.

### Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

- People think dealing with Allah is only memorizing His names or repeating them but this is misbehaving with Him. It is about living, feeling, and seeing His names.
- Allah has ninety-nine names and whoever understands these names, acts upon them and lives by them then He will enter



paradise. The more a person sees, the more he translates it through the names of Allah.

- The more a person knows Allah, the more fluent and expressive he will be of his life journey. Allah will create and fashion feelings for the person which he never felt before. With one situation, he can continuously talk about it and express it by knowing Allah.
- When we do not know Allah then we will be like machines.

### Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – The Most Gentle Companion

- We need to believe when we learn any name of Allah then we will see it and our life will be customized by this name.
- The name of Allah Ar Rafeeq is mentioned in the Sunnah.

**Hadith:** ( **إن الله رقيق يحب الرفق، ويعطي على الرفق ما ( لا يعطي على العنف وما لا يعطي على ما سواه** ) **(The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Allah is Gentle and He loves gentleness, and rewards for gentleness while He does not reward severity, and does not give for any thing besides it (gentleness)."**)<sup>1</sup>

- Harshness and rudeness will not give us anything except misery. We will get more of what we want by being lenient and easy-going.
- We are nothing yet we are harsh and mean, though Allah is so great and He is subtle and gentle.

### Meaning in the language:

- The word (رفق) means:

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<sup>1</sup> Riyadh As Saliheen, Muslim, Book 1, Hadith 634



1. Mercy
  2. Compassion
  3. taking care
  4. moderation
  5. balance
  6. benefit
  7. holding back something as protection
  8. perfection
  9. to put everything in its place
  10. step by step
  11. companion
- In Arabic the word (مرفق) means elbow and facility. This word is mentioned in Surah Al Kahf.
- وَإِذِ اعْتَزَلْتُمُوهُمْ وَمَا يَعْبُدُونَ إِلَّا اللَّهَ فَأْوُوا إِلَى الْكَهْفِ يَنْشُرْ لَكُمْ رَبُّكُمْ مِّن رَّحْمَتِهِ وَيَهَيِّئْ لَكُمْ مِّنْ أَمْرِكُمْ (مَرْفَقًا) ((The young men said to one another): "And when you withdraw from them, and that which they worship, except Allah, then seek refuge in the Cave; your Lord will open a way for you from His Mercy and will make easy for you your affair (i.e. will give you what you will need of provision, dwelling).")<sup>2</sup>
- The Companions of the Cave sought guidance from Allah and the moment they separated from their people, Allah guided them to the perfect cave. They did not have to search here and there.

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<sup>2</sup> Surah Al Kahf 16



- He gave them facilities within this cave, how? The sun was perfectly positioned so it would not burn them, there was rotation of the air, and the dog guarding outside. They just went inside the cave and it was ready for them. This is (مرفق).
- So the name Allah Ar Rafeeq makes facilities for us so we are not lost in the middle of something or not know what the next step should be. We will not be lost with Ar Rafeeq, He will make us reach.

### Meaning in the religion:

- Allah Ar Rafeeq is The Most Gentle Companion; He handles us with gentleness, step by step. There is nothing is harsh, abrupt or cut-off with Him.
- No one likes anyone who's harsh and difficult. It is important to make things easy and calming for others.
- Allah Ar Rafeeq will not break us or confuse us. We will not feel the sound of the blood following or water inside us. Inside us there is much sound but out of Allah's gentleness, He does not cause us to hear it; we are sound-proof.
- Even when any part of our body is broken, we cannot touch that part because it is painful and this is out of Allah's gentleness because this is part of healing process.
- He is not only Rafeeq to those who remember Him, but He deals gently to all those who appreciate Him and those who do not.
- Things comes up in life which need readjusting and updating, but Who can take care of it all? Allah Ar Rafeeq. No one can take this responsibility of taking care of everything except Allah Ar Rafeeq.



- The last statement of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) before dying was looking to the sky and saying (إلى الرفيق الأعلى) (To The Highest Rafeeq (Companion)) which is Allah.

**May Allah Ar Rafeeq make us gentle. Ameen.**



Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 2

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## Introduction

- Allah is The Most Gentle Companion and He is Aware of all matters. He is subtle and gentle in all He commands.

## Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – The Most Gentle Companion

- Allah Ar Rafeeq is Lateef – The Most Subtle (اللطيف).
- Ar Rafeeq is the One Who accompanies us (الذي يرافقك). He accompanies us every step of the way and He will not leave us as long as we are with Him.
- Ar Rafeeq is the One Who deals with us with gentleness (الرفيق الذي يتصرف برفق). He disposes our affairs us, guides us, takes care of our bodies yet we do not see the “operations” behind it. He is very gentle, yet we do not feel any harshness (الكثير الرفق وهو اللين والتسهيل وضده) (العنف والتشديد). The operations of the world are so great yet we do not



feel the sounds, the crushing, etc. Imagine if we heard the sound of everything, how disturbing it would be? Subhan Allah.

- He does not make things difficult or challenging. The way things enter and exit are all with ease and without abruptness.
- Allah Ar Rafeeq gives us facilities and means to carry and lean on in order to go to the next step (الارفاق وهو اعطاء ما يرتفق به). He gives us means so that we may continue our path such there are no gaps. When there are things being facilitated for us then this is from the impacts of Allah Ar Rafeeq.
- Allah made the Qur'an easy for us to remember and this is from His gentleness.

وَلَقَدْ يَسَّرْنَا الْقُرْآنَ لِلذِّكْرِ فَهَلْ مِنْ مُدَكِّرٍ

**And We have indeed made the Qur'an easy to understand and remember; then is there any one who will remember (or receive admonition)?<sup>3</sup>**

- From the impacts of Allah Ar Rafeeq is to take matters without rush or hastiness. And out of Allah's kindness, He decrees matters to slow us down. Notice in life when we do not slow down, we get stuck in "traffic" but when we take it easy then we move smoothly.
- Allah is Ar Rafeeq by not hastening the punishment to those who disobey. Allah knows Firaoun will not believe, yet still He gave him signs. If we knew someone would not change then we would be

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<sup>3</sup> Surah Al Qamar 17





harsh towards them, yet look at how Allah is Ar Rafeeq, subhan Allah.

- Going fast does not mean it will make us reach safely to our destination. Anyone hasty in judgement or speech will fall into mistakes or sins.

**May Allah Ar Rafeeq make us gentle. Ameen.**



Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 3

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## Introduction

- Knowing Allah is something which we can all understand. Allah Ar Rafeeq does not leave us without giving us the next step to be taken.

## Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – The Most Gentle Companion

- Allah Ar Rafeeq does not do things in haste. He will not make us miss matters, and if we do miss it then He will make us realize it again.
- Allah Ar Rafeeq has full authority and is in charge of everyone and everything. He is in charge of nurturing every kind of species in the entire dominion. He does not leave anyone without nurturing and taking care of them.



- Allah Ar Rafeeq can create means which have never been taught or used before. And He nurtures from many angles. He takes care of all aspects and not just one perspective. He will consider our faith, spiritual, emotional, physical, social and intellectual nurturing. There is nothing like the nurturing of Allah.
- Allah is Gentle to His slaves through His decrees. He creates and commands. He does not just create and leave us.

أَلَا لَهُ الْخَلْقُ وَالْأَمْرُ تَبَارَكَ اللَّهُ رَبُّ الْعَالَمِينَ

**Surely, His is the Creation and Commandment. Blessed is Allah, the Lord of the 'Alamin (mankind, jinn and all that exists)!<sup>4</sup>**

- We will not be left alone or hanging not knowing what to do next. The decrees will come step by step and there will be glad tidings before the rain.
- Allah is Rafeeq in His commands and prohibitions without causing burden to the people. The prohibition for drinking was a step by step process and was not prohibited in one go.
- And when He prohibits something, He will make us hate the prohibition. He tells us to not backbite because it is like eating the dead flesh of our brother, subhan Allah.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اجْتَنِبُوا كَثِيرًا مِّنَ الظَّنِّ إِنَّ بَعْضَ الظَّنِّ إِثْمٌ وَلَا تَجَسَّسُوا وَلَا يَغْتَبَ بَعْضُكُم بَعْضًا ۗ أَيُحِبُّ  
أَحَدُكُمْ أَن يَأْكُلَ لَحْمَ أَخِيهِ مَيْتًا فَكَرِهْتُمُوهُ ۗ وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَوَّابٌ رَّحِيمٌ

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<sup>4</sup> Surah Al 'Araaf 54



**O you who believe! Avoid much suspicion; indeed some suspicions are sins. And spy not, neither backbite one another. Would one of you like to eat the flesh of his dead brother? You would hate it (so hate backbiting). And fear Allah. Verily, Allah is the One Who forgives and accepts repentance, Most Merciful.<sup>5</sup>**

- Allah Ar Rafeeq will take us from one state to another until we adapt to it, are familiar with it and it becomes a part of us.
- Allah Ar Rafeeq handles us with gentleness and concealment. There are matters in our body which are hidden to us but it is operating and flowing.
- Allah Ar Rafeeq is The Companion and there is general and special companionship of Allah. An example of a special companionship is between the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and Abu Bakr (رضي الله عنه). He is a companion who is special to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم).
- The Companionship of Allah suits His majesty and perfection.

### **General Companionship of Allah Ar Rafeeq**

- By His Knowledge: He has full knowledge of His slaves. He is not everywhere but He is above the seven heavens. This is belief. It does not suit the Majesty of Allah to be everywhere physically.
- By His Hearing: our Companion is the One Who always hears us when we speak to Him and whenever we speak.
- By His Seeing: there is no disconnection.

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<sup>5</sup> Surah Al Hujurat 12



- By His Will: whatever He wills happens and whatever He does not will, will not happen.
- By His Power: He has full ability over us. Not everything that encompasses can help us. We might see things but cannot do anything or help.

**May Allah Ar Rafeeq guide us gently every step of the way. Ameen**



Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 4

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## Introduction

- Nothing can be like knowing Allah. The actions of someone who knows Allah is different from someone who does not know Him.
- We do not want anything to change our relationship with Allah. It causes gheerah when someone is learning about Names of Allah and then he's told, "you only learn names of Allah?", subhan Allah. The Names of Allah are great and it changes us internally by being inspired by its beauty. We all love to be inspired and when we know Allah's names, we want to be gentle because He is gentle, we want to be merciful because He is merciful, we want to be easygoing because He is Ar Rafeeq.

## Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – The Most Gentle Companion

- Allah Ar Rafeeq is the Companion Who accompanies us every step of the way and there is general and special companionship. Surely



we all want a special companionship and this is for the believers. And the more one believes, the nearer Allah Ar Rafeeq will be to him. May Allah increase us in faith. Amen.

## Special Companionship of Allah Ar Rafeeq

### Allah's nearness and support

إِلَّا تَنْصُرُوهُ فَقَدْ نَصَرَهُ اللَّهُ إِذْ أَخْرَجَهُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا ثَانِي اثْنَيْنِ إِذْ هُمَا فِي الْغَارِ إِذْ يَقُولُ لِصَاحِبِهِ لَا تَحْزَنْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ مَعَنَا فَأَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ سَكِينَتَهُ عَلَيْهِ وَأَيَّدَهُ بِجُنُودٍ لَمْ تَرَوْهَا وَجَعَلَ كَلِمَةَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا السُّفْلَى ۗ وَكَلِمَةُ اللَّهِ هِيَ الْعُلْيَا ۗ وَاللَّهُ عَزِيزٌ حَكِيمٌ

If you help him (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) not (it does not matter), for Allah did indeed help him when the disbelievers drove him out, the second of the two; when they (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم and Abu Bakr رضي الله عنه) were in the cave, he (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said to his companion (Abu Bakr رضي الله عنه): "Be not sad (or afraid), surely Allah is with us." Then Allah sent down His Sakinah (calmness, tranquility, peace) upon him, and strengthened him with forces (angels) which you saw not, and made the word of those who disbelieved the lowermost, while the Word of Allah that became the uppermost; and Allah is All-Mighty, All-Wise.<sup>6</sup>

- Allah is addressing the believers and says, "if you are not giving victory to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم), then Allah has already given victory to him when he was in the cave with Abu Bakr (ra)", subhan Allah.

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<sup>6</sup> Surah At Tawbah 40



- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and Abu Bakr (ra) were in the cave and the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) would tell Abu Bakr (ra) to not be sad because he could see from his face. He was not afraid or angry for being in the cave, but he was sad for the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم). These feelings show closeness of Allah when someone feels for you.
- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) told him, “do not be sad, Allah is with us”. Allah will be as we think of Him. Tranquility descended and support came. Imagine if we apply this in our life and in our home. For example, when a daughter comes and says she is being bullied in school, and the mother says, “don’t be sad, Allah is with us”, subhan Allah.
- Allah supported them with an army of angels. Look at Allah’s support to provide the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) with an unseen army, subhan Allah.
- The word of the disbelievers is brought down and the word of Allah is the highest, and Allah is Al Aziz Al Hakeem.

### Allah's seeing and hearing

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أَذْهَبَا إِلَىٰ فِرْعَوْنَ إِنَّهُ طَغَىٰ

"Go, both of you, to Fir'aun (Pharaoh), verily, he has transgressed (all bounds in disbelief and disobedience and behaved as an arrogant and as a tyrant).

44.

فَقُولَا لَهُ قَوْلًا لَّيِّنًا لَّعَلَّهُ يَتَذَكَّرُ أَوْ يَخْشَىٰ

"And speak to him mildly, perhaps he may accept admonition or fear (Allah)."

45.

قَالَا رَبَّنَا إِنَّنَا نَخَافُ أَنْ يَفْرُطَ عَلَيْنَا أَوْ أَنْ يَطْغَىٰ

They said: "Our Lord! Verily we fear lest he should hasten to punish us or lest he should transgress (all bounds against us)."

46.

قَالَ لَا تَخَافَا إِنَّنِي مَعَكُمَا أَسْمَعُ وَأَرَىٰ

He (Allah) said: "Fear not, verily I am with you both, hearing and seeing."<sup>7</sup>

- Musa (عليه السلام) and Haroon (عليه السلام) had to face Firaoun, yet they were both afraid and Allah told them to not be scared because, He is with them hearing and seeing. Allah is with us by His seeing, hearing and knowledge though He is above the seven heavens and He rose over the Throne in a manner that suits His majesty.

Allah's special companionship

إِنَّ اللَّهَ مَعَ الَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ مُحْسِنُونَ

Truly, Allah is with those who fear Him (keep their duty unto Him), and those who are Muhsinun (good-doers).<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> Surah Ta Ha 43 to 46

<sup>8</sup> Surah An Nahl 128



- Allah is with those doing taqwa and doing their best. What is the result? Allah will be with them and surely all good will happen to them. Though He will leave the companionship when desires are being followed.

### Allah's special companionship

وَأَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ وَلَا تَنَازَعُوا فَتَفْشَلُوا وَتَذْهَبَ رِيحُكُمْ وَاصْبِرُوا ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ مَعَ الصَّابِرِينَ

**And obey Allah and His Messenger, and do not dispute (with one another) lest you lose courage and your strength departs, and be patient. Surely, Allah is with those who are As-Sabirun (the patient).<sup>9</sup>**

- Allah is with those who obey Him and His Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم), we should also not dispute or have bad feelings with each other. When there are disputes then we all will fail. Just as in group work, if there is one not doing good then they all fail. And finally it is important to be patient.

### Allah's special companionship for the good doers

وَالَّذِينَ جَاهَدُوا فِيْنَا لَنَهْدِيَنَّهُمْ سُبُلَنَا ۚ وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَمَعَ الْمُحْسِنِينَ

**As for those who strive hard in Us (Our Cause), We will surely guide them to Our Paths (i.e. Allah's religion - Islamic Monotheism). And verily, Allah is with the Muhsinun (good doers)."<sup>10</sup>**

- Allah's nearness is with those who struggle for His sake.

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<sup>9</sup> Surah Al Anfaal 46

<sup>10</sup> Surah Al 'Ankaboot 69





و عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه ، عن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم أنه قال: “ قال الله، عز وجل: أنا عند ظن عبدي بي وأنا معه حيث يذكرني، والله لله أفرح بتوبة عبده من أحدكم يجد ضالته بالفلاة، ومن تقرب إلي شبراً، تقربت إليه ذراعاً، ومن تقرب إلي ذراعاً، تقربت إليه باعاً، وإذا أقبل إلي يمشي، (أقبلت إليه أهول" (صلى الله عليه وسلم) Messenger of Allah said, "Allah says: 'I am just as My slave thinks of Me when he remembers Me.' By Allah! Allah is more pleased with the repentance of His slave than one of you who unexpectedly finds in the desert his lost camel. 'He who comes closer to Me one span, I come closer to him a cubit; and he who comes closer to Me a cubit, I come closer to him a fathom; and if he comes to Me walking, I come to him running".)<sup>11</sup>

- Allah will be to us as we think of Him. Whoever comes close to Allah then He will come closer to Him, and when we come walking to Him, He will come running to us, subhan Allah.
- Allah always gives more. When we remember Him, He remembers us. And there is no life better than knowing Allah. May Allah never deprive us from knowing Him and coming closer to Him Ameen.

**May Allah Ar Rafeeq be with us wherever we may be. Ameen**



Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 5

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## Introduction

<sup>11</sup> Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari and Muslim, Book 1, Hadith 440



- When we know Who is Allah then everything will fall into place. There will be no questions, doubts, or confusion, there will only be submission, surrendering, floating and flying because one will say (الحمد لله) – all praises and thanks are due to Allah.
- The Plan of Allah is above any other plan or expectation. He shows us there is none like Him and no one is worthy of praises except Him.
- We begin and end with praise because praising Allah fills the scale. For any advanced civilization, it needs to know Allah is The Lord of the Great and Honorable Throne. We will see how Allah is Ar Rafeeq and is Our Companion without leaving us for the blink of a second. Taking care of everything we know and do not know. We do not know we are journey, but Allah took us on a journey. When we first began to seek knowledge, we did not know we were part of a journey.

قُلِ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَسَلَامٌ عَلَىٰ عِبَادِهِ الَّذِينَ اصْطَفَىٰ ۗ اللَّهُ خَيْرٌ مِمَّا يَشْرِكُونَ

**Say (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم): "Praise and thanks be to Allah, and peace be on His slaves whom He has chosen (for His Message)! Is Allah better, or (all) that you ascribe as partners (to Him)?" (Of course, Allah is Better).<sup>12</sup>**

- Allah is The One to make us established. Our life makes sense when we know Who's Allah. Knowing Allah is a great mission. He will motivate us and bring us the best. When we are with Allah Ar Rafeeq then we feel we are going up but without feeling any

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<sup>12</sup> Surah An Naml 59

sicknesses. We should never make Allah absent from our life or mind.

**Hadith:** (عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه ، عن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم أنه قال: " قال الله، عز وجل: أنا عند ظن عبدي بي وأنا معه حيث يذكرني، والله لله أفرح بتوبة عبده من أحدكم يجد ضالته بالفلاة، ومن تقرب إلي شبراً، تقربت إليه ذراعاً، ومن تقرب إلي ذراعاً، تقربت إليه باعاً، وإذا أقبل إلي يمشي، (أقبلت إليه أهول" (صلى الله عليه وسلم) Messenger of Allah said, "Allah says: 'I am just as My slave thinks of Me when he remembers Me.' By Allah! Allah is more pleased with the repentance of His slave than one of you who unexpectedly finds in the desert his lost camel. 'He who comes closer to Me one span, I come closer to him a cubit; and he who comes closer to Me a cubit, I come closer to him a fathom; and if he comes to Me walking, I come to him running".)<sup>13</sup>

- With Allah's Companionship, we will not be left disappointed.

**Hadith:** (عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، عَنِ النَّبِيِّ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - قَالَ " إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ يَقُولُ أَنَا مَعَ (عَبْدِي إِذَا هُوَ ذَكَرَنِي وَتَحَرَّكَتْ بِي شَفَتَاهُ " (It was narrated from Abu Hurairah that the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: "Allah says: 'I am with My slave when he remembers Me and his lips move saying My Name."")<sup>14</sup>

- Allah is with us when our lips move, subhan Allah.

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – The Most Gentle Companion

<sup>13</sup> Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari and Muslim, Book 1, Hadith 440

<sup>14</sup> Sunan Ibn Majah 3792



- What does it mean when Allah is with us? Let's take the example of being with a good friend and bad friend, will we get affected? Surely.

**Hadith:** عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " الرَّجُلُ عَلَى دِينِ خَلِيلِهِ فَلْيَنْظُرْ أَحَدُكُمْ (مَنْ يُخَالِلُ) . " (The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: A man follows the religion of his friend; so each one should consider whom he makes his friend.)<sup>15</sup>

- If a friend is a carrier of musk, then surely his impact will be felt whether with the smell of musk or giving musk. And to Allah is the best example, Allah is Ar Rafeeq – The Special Companion. What are the impacts we will have?

### In the duniya

#### Allah's Friendship and Support (الموالاتة)

- Wali is a close friend whose heart boils for you. Allah will be nearby His knowledge, seeing and hearing but not physically because He rose over the Throne.
- How can we be wali Allah? Believe in Him and not follow our desires. When we are wali Allah then no one can harm and He will declare war against anyone who hurts His awliya.

#### Protection (الحفظ)

- He will protect us from trials, faults, evil companions, the shaitan and anything which can bring us down. He will also protect ourselves,

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<sup>15</sup> Sunan Abi Dawud 4833, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan



mind, eyes, ears, hands, and feet and He will not allow us to hurt ourselves because He is closer to ourselves than us.

- Allah protected The Companions of the Cave, He not only protected their deen, but He protected their bodies and even their skin from getting burnt by the sun. Even when they slept, they had air circulating. May Allah make our graves gardens of paradise. Ameen.

### Support (التأييد)

- Allah supports the believers and He will send all the means. Sometimes we do not even know what we need, but He brings it to us.
- Allah will support with His inspiration and guidance.

### Victory (النصرة)

- There are challenges in life and trials, but Sufficient is Allah to grant us victory.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1.

إِذَا جَاءَ نَصْرُ اللَّهِ وَالْفَتْحُ

When there comes the Help of Allah (to you, O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم against your enemies) and the conquest (of Makkah).

2.

وَرَأَيْتَ النَّاسَ يَدْخُلُونَ فِي دِينِ اللَّهِ أَفْوَاجًا



And you see that the people enter Allah's religion (Islam) in crowds.

3.

فَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ وَاسْتَغْفِرْهُ ۗ إِنَّهُ كَانَ تَوَّابًا

So glorify the Praises of your Lord, and ask His Forgiveness. Verily, He is the One Who accepts the repentance and Who forgives.<sup>16</sup>

- Allah gave victory to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم). He left Makkah, but was given an entire town with believers – The Ansar, subhan Allah. When we believe Allah will give us victory then surely He will give us victory.

Love (المحبة)

- The nearness and closeness of Allah is to give everything with love. He will protect and support us with love. He will give victory with love.

Dua: (أَسْأَلُكَ حُبَّكَ وَحُبَّ مَنْ يُحِبُّكَ وَحُبَّ عَمَلٍ يُقَرِّبُ إِلَى حُبِّكَ ) (And I ask You for Your love, the love of whomever You love, and the of the deeds that bring one nearer to Your love.)<sup>17</sup>

- Our relation with Allah should be based on love, and those who love each other for Allah will be on platforms of pearls. They will not be terrified on the Day of Judgment while everyone else will be terrified. There is no worship greater than the love of Allah. True love connects everything.

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<sup>16</sup> Surah An Nasr 1 to 3

<sup>17</sup> Jami At Tirmidhi Book 47, Hadith 3543



### Sufficiency (الكفاية)

- One of the issues in life is feel alone and no one loves us, but what is the solution? Allah Ar Rafeeq. He will show us through the means how He supports us, gives victory, shows us love and make us sufficient.

### Guidance (الهداية)

- If we do not feel sufficient with Allah then how can there be guidance? May Allah guide us to the Straight Path. Ameen.

### Closeness (القرب)

- What we have in the duniya cannot be compared to what we will have in the akhira. He will gather the believers in the hereafter, and they will have elevation and nearness to Him.
- In the hereafter, there will be platforms, gates, and there will be real companionship of Allah. We can hear and see Him and this is the greatest delight. May Allah grant us from His favors. Ameen.

### Asiya the wife of Firaoun

- She is a queen who had palaces, jewels, wealth, yet she could not resist (لا اله الا الله). When she became a Muslim, Firaoun tortured her by placing her under the sun, subhan Allah. Though she made dua to Allah:

وَصَرَبَ اللَّهُ مَثَلًا لِلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا امْرَأَتَ فِرْعَوْنَ إِذْ قَالَتْ رَبِّ ابْنِ لِي عِنْدَكَ بَيْتًا فِي الْجَنَّةِ وَنَجِّنِي مِنْ فِرْعَوْنَ  
وَعَمَلِهِ وَنَجِّنِي مِنَ الْقَوْمِ الظَّالِمِينَ

And Allah has set forth an example for those who believe: the wife of Fir'aun (Pharaoh), when she said: "My Lord! Build for me a home with You in Paradise, and save me from Fir'aun (Pharaoh) and his work, and save me from the people who are Zalimun (polytheists, wrong-doers and disbelievers in Allah).<sup>18</sup>

- She wanted a house near Allah and not a palace with Firaoun. Allah showed her home in paradise and then she died; she is one of the ladies of paradise.

Final words of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)

- At the time of death, he was given the choice to remain in this life or to go to Ar Rafeeq Al 'Ala – The Highest Exalted Companion. He chose Allah and said "Ar Rafeeq Al 'Ala" and then passed away.
- He was with 'Aisha (رضي الله عنها) but no one can be better than Allah. He is perfect in all His names and attributes and He is Ar Rafeeq Al 'Ala.

**Dua:** " رَبِّ أَعْنِي وَلَا تُعِنِّ عَلَيَّ وَأَنْصُرْنِي وَلَا تَنْصُرْ عَلَيَّ وَآمُرْ لِي وَلَا تَمْكُرْ عَلَيَّ وَاهْدِنِي وَيَسِّرْ هُدَايَ ) إِلَى وَأَنْصُرْنِي عَلَيَّ مَنْ بَعَى عَلَيَّ اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْنِي لَكَ شَاكِرًا لَكَ ذَاكِرًا لَكَ رَاهِبًا لَكَ مَطْوَعًا إِلَيْكَ مُخْبِتًا أَوْ مُنِيبًا رَبِّ تَقَبَّلْ تَوْبَتِي وَاعْسِلْ حَوْبَتِي وَأَجِبْ دَعْوَتِي وَتَبِّتْ حُجَّتِي وَاهْدِ قَلْبِي وَسَدِّدْ لِسَانِي وَاسْأَلْ سَخِيمَةَ قَلْبِي ) (The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) used to supplicate Allah: "My Lord, help me and do not give help against me; grant me victory, and do not grant victory over me; plan on my behalf and do not plan against me; guide me, and made my right guidance easy for me; grant me victory over those who act wrongfully towards me; O Allah, make me grateful

<sup>18</sup> Surah At Tahreem 11





to Thee, mindful of Thee, full of fear towards Thee, devoted to Thy obedience, humble before Thee, or penitent. My Lord, accept my repentance, wash away my sin, answer my supplication, clearly establish my evidence, guide my heart, make true my tongue and draw out malice in my breast.")<sup>19</sup>

**May Allah Ar Rafeeq grant us His special companionship. Ameen**



Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 6

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**Be Easy on Yourself (ارفق بنفسك)**

- Sometimes we think we are making matters easy for others but then we make it difficult on ourselves. So let us see how to be easy on ourselves.
- Allah is Rafeeq in His actions, legislations and decrees thus He accompanies us in every moment.
- He is Rafeeq in the duniya and akhira, and everyone wants a companionship where everything will be easy.
- He is Ar Rafeeq with all of the creation – the ants, plants, and planets. Sometimes we wonder how can we deal with someone hyper, someone cold, someone angry, someone slow, but know Allah is Ar Rafeeq and can deal with everyone.

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<sup>19</sup> Sunan Abi Dawud 1510, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih



- It is very good when we know what we can handle and not put ourselves in a trial by taking on a load more than we can bear. When something comes to us then we need to believe we can handle it. A person should not ask for position because that is a “danger zone”. We should not jump into the ocean without knowing how to swim.
- To be rafeeq is to look at the consequences of the matter.
- We should not do actions that will lead us to be distant from Allah. We should be rafeeq on ourselves by doing the obligations and staying away from the prohibitions.
- We should not jump into things without being cautious and having taqwa. We think we will make things easy on ourselves when we do what we want, or we think we can do things by ourselves because we have experience or knowledge. We will actually make it difficult on ourselves because we are believing in ourselves. However when we say “O Allah, I do not know but you know” then this is being easy on ourselves. We should not separate between ourselves and Allah, nor commit violations between ourselves and Him.
- We will make matters easy on ourselves when we remember Allah in every moment. Then we will enjoy Allah’s nearness in paradise in this life and the hereafter, how? When we remember and know Him.

وَيُدْخِلُهُمُ الْجَنَّةَ عَرَفَهَا لَهُمْ

And admit them to Paradise which He has made known to them (i.e. they will know their places in Paradise better than they used to know their homes in the world).<sup>20</sup>

- Some scholars said, "pity to the one who entered this life and left it without tasting nearness to Allah", subhan Allah.
- We should perform deeds which are easy on us and we should not make others do things which are difficult on them.

**Hadith:** ( أَنْ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ دَخَلَ عَلَيْهَا وَعِنْدَهَا امْرَأَةٌ قَالَتْ " مَنْ هَذِهِ " . قَالَتْ فُلَانَةٌ . تَذَكَّرُ ) مِنْ صَلَاتِهَا . قَالَ " مَهْ ، عَلَيْكُمْ بِمَا تُطِيقُونَ ، فَوَاللَّهِ لَا يَمَلُّ اللَّهُ حَتَّى تَمَلُّوا " . وَكَانَ أَحَبَّ الدِّينِ إِلَيْهِ مَا دَامَ عَلَيْهِ . ( Narrated 'Aisha (may Allah be pleased with her): Once the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) came while a woman was sitting with me. He said, "Who is she?" I replied, "She is so and so," and told him about her (excessive) praying. He said disapprovingly, "Do (good) deeds which is within your capacity (without being overtaxed) as Allah does not get tired (of giving rewards) but (surely) you will get tired and the best deed (act of Worship) in the sight of Allah is that which is done regularly." )<sup>21</sup>

- We might see others doing more than us but each person has a different capacity. We might be doing more but the state of our heart is not at ease.

May Allah Ar Rafeeq make our life easy. Ameen



Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

<sup>20</sup> Surah Mohammed 6

<sup>21</sup> Sahih al-Bukhari 43





### The Return to Allah (الرجوع الى الله تعالى)

- When Allah accompanies us, He will show us the obstacles and challenges, and He will give us solutions and accommodate us so that we are not afraid.
- Allah does not want to punish us if we believe in Him and are grateful. Let us see how in this journey, Allah expresses our love for us.

### Scene: Time of Death

- Allah does not cause us to die except to make us live again. And to bring us to a better life and place if we truly believe in Him. How will we leave? Allah will send angels who have the task of taking the soul of the human.

وَهُوَ الْقَاهِرُ فَوْقَ عِبَادِهِ وَيُرْسِلُ عَلَيْكُمْ حَفَظَةً حَتَّىٰ إِذَا جَاءَ أَحَدَكُمْ الْمَوْتُ تَوَفَّتْهُ رُسُلُنَا وَهُمْ لَا يُفِرُّونَ

**He is the Irresistible, (Supreme) over His slaves, and He sends guardians (angels guarding and writing all of one's good and bad deeds) over you, until when death approaches one of you, Our Messengers (angel of death and his assistants) take his soul, and they never neglect their duty.<sup>22</sup>**

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<sup>22</sup> Surah Al An'am 61

- When the time comes, it comes silently.

كَلَّا إِذَا بَلَغَتِ التَّرَاقِيَ (٢٦) وَقِيلَ مَنْ رَاقٍ (٢٧) وَظَنَّ أَنَّهُ الْفِرَاقُ (٢٨) وَالتَّفَتُّ بِالسَّاقِ بِالسَّاقِ (٢٩) إِلَى (٣٠) (Nay, when (the soul) reaches to the collar bone (i.e. up to the throat in its exit), (26) And it will be said: "Who can cure him (and save him from death)?" (27) And he (the dying person) will conclude that it was (the time) of parting (death); (28) And one leg will be joined with another leg (shrouded) (29) The drive will be, on that Day, to your Lord (Allâh)! (30))<sup>23</sup>

- The believer does not love death, but angels of mercy will come to him bright faced. They will have a shroud and musk from paradise, they will call on him and say: "O soul at rest, come out and return to the pleasure of your Lord". The soul will submit because it was submitting in this life. The soul will be taken out like a drop of water, and the Angel of Death will remove it and it will be handed to the angels of mercy.

يَأْتِيهَا النَّفْسُ الْمُطْمَئِنَّةُ (٢٧) أَرْجِعِي إِلَىٰ رَبِّكِ رَاضِيَةً مَّرْضِيَّةً (٢٨) فَادْخُلِي فِي عِبَادِي (٢٩) وَادْخُلِي (٣٠) ((It will be said to the pious — believers of Islamic Monothesisim): "O (you) the one in (complete) rest and satisfaction! (27) "Come back to your Lord, Well-pleased (yourself) and well-pleasing (unto Him)! (28) "Enter you, then, among My (honoured) slaves, (29) "And enter you My Paradise!" (30))<sup>24</sup>

<sup>23</sup> Surah Al Qiyamah 26 to 30

<sup>24</sup> Surah Al Fajr 27 to 30

- There is another picture, the wicked soul will be dealt with differently. The good soul is dealt with gentleness while the bad soul is dealt with harshness.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ ثُمَّ اسْتَقَمُوا تَتَنَزَّلُ عَلَيْهِمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ أَلَّا تَخَافُوا وَلَا تَحْزَنُوا وَأَبْشِرُوا بِالْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي كُنتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ (٣٠) نَحْنُ أَوْلِيَائُكُمْ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا تَشْتَهُى أَنْفُسُكُمْ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا كُنتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ (تَدْعُونَ (٣١) نَزْلًا مِّنْ غَفُورٍ رَّحِيمٍ (٣٢) (Verily, those who say: "Our Lord is Allâh (Alone)," and then they stand firm, on them the angels will descend (at the time of their death) (saying): "Fear not, nor grieve! But receive the glad tidings of Paradise which you have been promised! (30) "We have been your friends in the life of this world and are (so) in the Hereafter. Therein you shall have (all) that your inner-selves desire, and therein you shall have (all) for which you ask. (31) "An entertainment from (Allâh), the Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful." (32))<sup>25</sup>

- Anything for Allah is truth but anything that is for besides Him is falsehood. Those who said, "Our Lord is Allah" and remained steadfast will have angels come down at the time of death. They will be told they will not be left alone. They will return to Allah which is the best return. It is a connection and attachment and this is a glad tidings.
- To return to Allah frees the soul because the soul is created from above, but the body returns to the earth. For the believer, the journey of the soul is a pleasure and it goes up to the seven

<sup>25</sup> Surah Fussilat 30 to 32



heavens, but for the disbeliever and hypocrite the journey for the soul is heavy and cannot go up.

- As the believer's soul goes up, the angels will call on him with the best names which they called him in this life. They will say, "What is this nice smell and nice soul?". At every heaven is a keeper and door, it will be said "who is this soul?". And they will open for the soul until it reaches the 7<sup>th</sup> heaven.
- Allah will say, "place his Book of Records in Illiyen – in the highest place". And take back his soul to the grave in the gentlest way.

### Scene: The Grave

- For the believer, the grave is vast but for the disbeliever it will be tighter than what is really is. The soul returns to the grave because there will be the "fitna of the grave".
- Two angels will come, they will be firm and will make the dead person sit. He will be asked three questions, and based on these three questions he will see his result. The questions are:
  1. Who is your Lord?
  2. What is your religion?
  3. Who is your messenger?
- He will say, "My Rabb is Allah" because he accepted his Rabb as his Nurturer and he accepted His nurturing.
- He will say, "My Religion is Islam" because in this life he was following the pillars and manners of Islam. He is someone whom the people are saved from his tongue and hands.



- He will say, “My Messenger is Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم)” because in this life he took him as a role model and followed his sunnah. He loved him the most from all people.
- Unlike the disbeliever who will not know the answers and the hypocrite will say, “the people said so I said” – and this will not be acceptable. Faith is not just copy and paste.
- Our life needs to be based on these three areas and our tests in life revolve around these three questions, whether it is about our belief, actions and role model, subhan Allah.
- A caller from the sky will call, “My slave has said the truth”, dress him from paradise, so his grave will be expanded and a person will come, nice in features and dressed nicely. He will say, “who are you?”. He will say, “I am your good deeds and may Allah reward you for being quick to obey and slow to disobey”. He will want to go back to his family and tell them of his enjoyment, but he will not be able to. He will be told to sleep.
- When a person dies, life does not end and we should not think life depends on us. The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) died and life continued, subhan Allah. It is important to think of ourselves and remember the hereafter is better and everlasting.
- The opposite for the disbeliever and hypocrite will be done.

### Life again

- Allah only causes us to die to make us live, and when He closes something, it is to open for us, and when He stops something, it is to continue for us.



- Israfeel will blow in the trumpet. He is one of the carriers of the throne and he does not blink his eye because he does not want to miss the command to blow into the trumpet.

وَنُفِخَ فِي الصُّورِ فَصَعِقَ مَنْ فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَنْ فِي الْأَرْضِ إِلَّا مَنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ ثُمَّ نُفِخَ فِيهِ أُخْرَىٰ فَإِذَا هُمْ قِيَامٌ يَنْظُرُونَ (٦٨) وَأَشْرَقَتِ الْأَرْضُ بِنُورِ رَبِّهَا وَوُضِعَ الْكِتَابُ وَجِيءَ بِالنَّبِيِّينَ وَالشُّهَدَاءِ وَقُضِيَ بَيْنَهُم بِالْحَقِّ (وَهُمْ لَا يُظْلَمُونَ (٦٩) وَوُفِّيَتْ كُلُّ نَفْسٍ مَّا عَمِلَتْ وَهُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِمَا يَفْعَلُونَ (٧٠)) (And the Trumpet will be blown, and all who are in the heavens and all who are on the earth will swoon away, except him whom Allâh wills. Then it will blown a second time and behold, they will be standing, looking on (waiting). (68) And the earth will shine with the light of its Lord (Allâh, when He will come to judge among men) and the Book will be placed (open) and the Prophets and the witnesses will be brought forward, and it will be judged between them with truth, and they will not be wronged. (69) And each person will be paid in full of what he did; and He is Best Aware of what they do. (70))<sup>26</sup>

- When the trumpet is blown everyone will die except whom Allah wills.

### Resurrection

- Allah will command the water to come down from below the Throne, and the bodies will grow again like plants. Allah causes us to live and die and there is no doubt.

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<sup>26</sup> Surah Az Zumar 68 to 70

عَنِ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ - رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا - عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " قَالَ اللَّهُ كَذَّبَنِي ابْنُ آدَمَ وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ ذَلِكَ، وَشَتَمَنِي وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ ذَلِكَ، فَأَمَّا تَكْذِيبُهُ إِيَّائِي فَرَعَمَ أَنِّي لَا أَقْدِرُ أَنْ أُعِيدَهُ كَمَا كَانَ، وَأَمَّا شَتْمُهُ إِيَّائِي فَقَوْلُهُ لِي وَلَدٌ، فَسُبْحَانِي أَنْ أَتَّخِذَ صَاحِبَةً أَوْ وَلَدًا " .

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Allah said, 'The son of Adam tells a lie against me though he has no right to do so, and he abuses Me though he has no right to do so. As for his telling a lie against Me, it is that he claims that I cannot recreate him as I created him before; and as for his abusing Me, it is his statement that I have offspring. No! Glorified be Me! I am far from taking a wife or offspring.' "27

- Allah brings much evidence that He brings life to the dead land, and causes life to the dead birds and dead people.
- There is no one like Allah in how He deals with us, He is the Master and we are the slaves. And when we walk to Him, He comes running to us. Which master will do this except Allah? Subhan Allah.
- We need Allah's Companionship because no one can bear us, handle us or be patient with us except our Creator. Allah created everything for tawheed – (لا اله الا الله).
- The Day of Judgement is a real journey which needs a Companion. If there is no resurrection, then this life would be play with no purpose.

(يَوْمَ تُبَدَّلُ الْأَرْضُ غَيْرَ الْأَرْضِ وَالسَّمَاوَاتُ وَبَرَزُوا لِلَّهِ الْوَاحِدِ الْقَهَّارِ) (On the Day when the earth will be changed to another earth and so will be the heavens,

27 Sahih Al Bukhari Book 65, Hadith 4482

and they (all creatures) will appear before Allâh, the One, the Irresistible)<sup>28</sup>

- Allah will call and say where are the kings? Where is Firaoun, Qaroon and Namrood.

وَمَا قَدَرُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ قَدْرِهِ وَالْأَرْضُ جَمِيعًا قَبْضَتُهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ وَالسَّمَاوَاتُ مَطْوِيَّاتٌ بِيَمِينِهِ سُبْحَانَهُ ( وَمَا قَدَرُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ قَدْرِهِ وَالْأَرْضُ جَمِيعًا قَبْضَتُهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ وَالسَّمَاوَاتُ مَطْوِيَّاتٌ بِيَمِينِهِ سُبْحَانَهُ ) (They made not a just estimate of Allâh such as is due to Him. And on the Day of Resurrection the whole of the earth will be grasped by His Hand and the heavens will be rolled up in His Right Hand. Glorified is He, and High is He above all that they associate as partners with Him!)

وَأَنْذِرْهُمْ يَوْمَ الْأَرْزَاقِ إِذْ يَقُولُ لِي الْقُلُوبُ لِي الْغَنَاقِرُ كَأَنَّهُمْ قَائِمُونَ

And warn them (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) of the Day that is drawing near (i.e. the Day of Resurrection), when the hearts will be choking the throats, and they can neither return them (hearts) to their chests nor can they throw them out. There will be no friend, nor an intercessor for the Zalimun (polytheists and wrong-doers), who could be given heed to.<sup>30</sup>

- May Allah brighten our faces and graves. Ameen. Brightness only comes when there is belief and righteous good deeds.

يَوْمَ تَبْيَضُّ وُجُوهٌ وَتَسْوَدُّ وُجُوهٌ فَأَمَّا الَّذِينَ اسْوَدَّتْ وُجُوهُهُمْ أَكَفَرْتُمْ بَعْدَ إِيمَانِكُمْ فَذُوقُوا الْعَذَابَ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ تَكْفُرُونَ

<sup>28</sup> Surah Ibrahim 48

<sup>29</sup> Surah Az Zumar 67

<sup>30</sup> Surah Ghafir 18

On the Day (i.e. the Day of Resurrection) when some faces will become white and some faces will become black; as for those whose faces will become black (to them will be said): "Did you reject Faith after accepting it? Then taste the torment (in Hell) for rejecting Faith."

وَأَمَّا الَّذِينَ ابْيَضَّتْ وُجُوهُهُمْ فَفِي رَحْمَةِ اللَّهِ هُمْ فِيهَا خَالِدُونَ

And for those whose faces will become white, they will be in Allah's Mercy (Paradise), therein they shall dwell forever.<sup>31</sup>

- On that Day, everyone is for himself, everyone will turn away from the other, even from their brother, mother and father.

يَوْمَ يَفِرُّ الْمَرْءُ مِنْ أَخِيهِ (٣٤) وَأُمِّهِ وَأَبِيهِ (٣٥) وَصَاحِبَتِهِ وَبَنِيهِ (٣٦) لِكُلِّ امْرِئٍ مِّنْهُمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ شَأْنٌ (٣٧) (That Day shall a man flee from his brother, (34) And from his mother and his father, (35) And from his wife and his children. (36) Everyman, that Day, will have enough to make him careless of others. (37))<sup>32</sup>

- Awliya Allah are the ones who believed and had taqwa. Allah will save them and accompany them.

((أَلَا إِنَّ أَوْلِيَاءَ اللَّهِ لَا خَوْفَ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ (٦٢) الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَكَانُوا يَتَّقُونَ (٦٣) (No doubt! Verily, the Auliya' of Allâh [i.e. those who believe in the Oneness of Allâh and fear Allâh much (abstain from all kinds of sins and evil deeds which he has forbidden), and love Allâh much (perform all kinds of good deeds which He has ordained)], no fear

<sup>31</sup> Surah Ale Imran 106 to 107

<sup>32</sup> Surah 'Abassa 34 to 37

shall come upon them nor shall they grieve, - (62) Those who believed (in the Oneness of Allâh - Islâmic Monotheism), and used to fear Allâh much (by abstaining from evil deeds and sins and by doing righteous deeds) (63))<sup>33</sup>

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ سَبَقَتْ لَهُمْ مِّنَّا الْحُسْنَىٰ أُولَٰئِكَ عَنْهَا مُبْعَدُونَ (١٠١) لَا يَسْمَعُونَ حَسِيسَهَا وَهُمْ فِي مَا أُشْتَهَتْ أَنفُسُهُمْ خَالِدُونَ (١٠٢) لَا يَحْزَنُهُمُ الْفَزَعُ الْأَكْبَرُ وَتَتَلَقَّاهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ هَٰذَا يَوْمُكُمْ الَّذِي كُنْتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ (١٠٣)) (Verily those for whom the good has preceded from Us, they will be removed far therefrom (Hell) (101) They shall not hear the slightest sound of it (Hell), while they abide in that which their ownelves desire. (102) The greatest terror (on the Day of Resurrection) will not grieve them, and the angels will meet them, (with the greeting): "This is your Day which you were promised." (103))<sup>34</sup>

- They will not hear the sound of the hellfire, there will be no grief and they will not be terrified. They will be greeted by the angels who will tell them, "This is your Day which you have been promised".
- The sun will come near, and some will sweat to their ankles, some to their stomachs, and some will be drowning in their sweat but they will not die. And there are those who will be shaded under the Throne of Allah when there is no shade but His.

**Hadith:** ( عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " سَبْعَةٌ يُظِلُّهُمُ اللَّهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فِي ظِلِّهِ، )  
 يَوْمَ لَا ظِلَّ إِلَّا ظِلُّهُ إِمَامٌ عَادِلٌ، وَشَابٌّ نَشَأَ فِي عِبَادَةِ اللَّهِ، وَرَجُلٌ ذَكَرَ اللَّهَ فِي خَلَاءٍ فَفَاضَتْ عَيْنَاهُ، وَرَجُلٌ قَلْبُهُ  
 مُعَلَّقٌ فِي الْمَسْجِدِ، وَرَجُلَانِ تَحَابَّا فِي اللَّهِ، وَرَجُلٌ دَعَتْهُ امْرَأَةٌ ذَاتُ مَنْصِبٍ وَجَمَالَ إِلَىٰ نَفْسِهَا قَالَ إِنِّي أَخَافُ  
 (اللَّهُ) وَرَجُلٌ تَصَدَّقَ بِصَدَقَةٍ فَأَخْفَاهَا، حَتَّىٰ لَا تَعْلَمَ شِمَالَهُ مَا صَنَعَتْ يَمِينُهُ "

<sup>33</sup> Surah Yunus 62 to 63

<sup>34</sup> Surah Al Anbiya 101-103



(رضي الله عنه): The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Seven (people) will be shaded by Allah by His Shade on the Day of Resurrection when there will be no shade except His Shade. (They will be), a just ruler, a young man who has been brought up in the worship of Allah, a man who remembers Allah in seclusion and his eyes are then flooded with tears, a man whose heart is attached to mosques (offers his compulsory congregational prayers in the mosque), two men who love each other for Allah's Sake, a man who is called by a charming lady of noble birth to commit illegal sexual intercourse with her, and he says, 'I am afraid of Allah,' and (finally), a man who gives in charity so secretly that his left hand does not know what his right hand has given."<sup>35</sup>

- Those who love Allah for His sake are awliya Allah, they will be on platforms on light, their faces are light, they will be envied by the prophets for their nearness to Allah.
- At this point, the Day of Judgement has not started, all want it to start, even the disbeliever, but where was he when he denied it? Subhan Allah. Allah will make everyone feel desperate to begin the accounts.
- The people will go to the messengers and prophets and they will first go to Adam (عليه السلام).

Adam (عليه السلام) – Father of mankind

**Some people will say to some others, 'Go to Adam.' So they will go to Adam and say to him. 'You are the father of mankind; Allah created**

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<sup>35</sup> Sahih al-Bukhari 6806



you with His Own Hand, and breathed into you your soul; and ordered the angels to prostrate before you; so (please) intercede for us with your Lord. Don't you see in what state we are? Don't you see what condition we have reached?' Adam will say, 'Today my Lord has become angry as He has never become before, nor will ever become thereafter. He forbade me (to eat of the fruit of) the tree, but I disobeyed Him. Myself! Myself! Myself! (I am preoccupied with my own problems). Go to someone else; go to Noah.'

- A believer always remembers his sins even when he's been forgiven.

Nuh (عليه السلام) – First messenger

So they will go to Noah and say (to him), 'O Noah! You are the first (of Allah's Messengers) to the people of the earth, and Allah has named you a thankful slave; please intercede for us with your Lord. Don't you see in what state we are?' He will say.' Today my Lord has become angry as He has never become nor will ever become thereafter. I had (in the world) the right to make one definitely accepted invocation, and I made it against my nation. Myself! Myself! Myself! Go to someone else; go to Abraham.'

Ibrahim (عليه السلام)

They will go to Abraham and say, 'O Abraham! You are Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and His Khalil from among the people of the earth; so please intercede for us with your Lord. Don't you see in what state we are?' He will say to them, 'My Lord has today become



angry as He has never become before, nor will ever become thereafter. I had told three lies. Myself! Myself! Myself! Go to someone else; go to Moses.'

Musa (عليه السلام)

The people will then go to Moses and say, 'O Moses! You are Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and Allah gave you superiority above the others with this message and with His direct Talk to you; (please) intercede for us with your Lord Don't you see in what state we are?' Moses will say, 'My Lord has today become angry as He has never become before, nor will become thereafter, I killed a person whom I had not been ordered to kill. Myself! Myself! Myself! Go to someone else; go to Jesus.'

Eisa (عليه السلام)

So they will go to Jesus and say, 'O Jesus! You are Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and His Word which He sent to Mary, and a superior soul created by Him, and you talked to the people while still young in the cradle. Please intercede for us with your Lord. Don't you see in what state we are?' Jesus will say, 'My Lord has today become angry as He has never become before nor will ever become thereafter. Jesus will not mention any sin, but will say, 'Myself! Myself! Myself! Go to someone else; go to Muhammad.'

Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم) – The final and seal of all messengers





So they will come to me and say, 'O Muhammad ! You are Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and the last of the prophets, and Allah forgave your early and late sins. (Please) intercede for us with your Lord. Don't you see in what state we are?" The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) added, "Then I will go beneath Allah's Throne and fall in prostration before my Lord. And then Allah will guide me to such praises and glorification to Him as He has never guided anybody else before me. Then it will be said, 'O Muhammad Raise your head. Ask, and it will be granted. Intercede and It (your intercession) will be accepted.' So I will raise my head and Say, 'My followers, O my Lord! My followers, O my Lord'.<sup>36</sup>

- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) will say “my ummah, my ummah” while all the other messengers said, “myself, myself”. He will then be told to take 70,000 from his ummah to the right door of paradise, and they will enter with no account or torment. They are the mutwakileen, who never stopped at the door of anyone, but always stopped at the door of Allah. They are not stuck in their life because they know Allah can make everything happen. They go out like the birds, not knowing what they will get, but return rich and sufficient.
- They trusted Allah fully with no account thus they enter with no account. When there is no door, Allah will open a door, and when there is a sickness, they will be cured. When they we want

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<sup>36</sup> Sahih Al Bukhari Book 65, Hadith 4712



something, it will be fulfilled. We want to do our tasks, and Allah will make it happen.

### Display

(وَعَرِضُوا عَلَىٰ رَبِّكَ صَفًّا لَقَدْ جِئْتُمُونَا كَمَا خَلَقْنَاكُمْ أَوَّلَ مَرَّةٍ بَلْ زَعَمْتُمْ أَلَّن نَجْعَلَ لَكُم مَّوْعِدًا) (And they will be set before your Lord in (lines as) rows, (and Allâh will say): "Now indeed, you have come to Us as We created you the first time. Nay, but you thought that We had appointed no meeting for you (with Us).")<sup>37</sup>

*To be continued in sha'a Allah...*

**May Allah make our final destination to see His Noble Face. Ameen**



Live with Allah (عيش مع الله)

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 8

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### The Return to Allah (الرجوع الى الله تعالى)

- We all want a good return and we want to return to Ar Rafeeq Al 'Ala – The Most Exalted Companion. But it is important to live by this Name in this life in order to enjoy every part of the journey back to Him.
- We wonder what will we do when the angels take our soul, when the Books are distributed and when we cross the Sirat if we do not know Allah Ar Rafeeq.

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<sup>37</sup> Surah Al Kahf 48



- We should make the Qur'an our companion because it will teach us everything step by step. When we accompany the Qur'an, it does not leave us hanging. It teaches us to pause, reflect, react and take the right action. When we do not accompany the Qur'an, then the journey will be stressful.
- Allah Ar Rafeeq will teach us how to write, how to repent, how to fulfill our duties and rights, how to increase our balance, how to pass the Sirat, how to reach paradise and how to reach the highest level of paradise – subhan Allah – this is Allah Ar Rafeeq.
- He will put everything in our life in the right order. Our vision is to reach Ar Rafeeq and the mission is to accompany Him in this life. If we are not drawing close to Allah then our companionship with Him will be a general one. We want a special companionship where He will guide us in every step of our life. When we accompany Allah then we will always be updated. We cannot work or operate without Allah. Even if there is something we know how to do, we cannot operate without Allah Ar Rafeeq.
- Allah Ar Rafeeq will give us every resource to help us go higher. He will surely support us with means and ideas in order to reach. Sometimes we do not know where to start but when we go to Ar Rafeeq, He will accompany us and He will bring everything to us.
- Everyone will want the accounts and Day of Judgement to begin. So anyone who thought he did not need being accounted will want it then, subhan Allah.

### Great Intercession



- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) cannot intercede on his own and we cannot tell him to intercede for us. We cannot say, "O Messenger of Allah" because this is shirk. We can only go to Allah and when He is pleased with us then He will allow the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) to intercede.

**Surah Az Zumar 68:** (وَنُفِخَ فِي الصُّورِ فَصَعِقَ مَنْ فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَنْ فِي الْأَرْضِ إِلَّا مَنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ) (And the Trumpet will be blown, and all who are in the heavens and all who are on the earth will swoon away, except him whom Allâh wills)

- The Day of Judgement will begin and it will glow and shine by the Light of Allah. The accounts, scale and books will come. The messengers and prophets will come.
- No one will be hidden from Allah, everyone will be displayed in a row before Him.

**Surah Al Kahf 48:** (وَعَرِضُوا عَلَىٰ رَبِّكَ صَفًّا لَقَدْ جِئْتُمُونَا كَمَا خَلَقْنَاكُمْ أَوَّلَ مَرَّةٍ بَلْ زَعَمْتُمْ أَلَّن نَجْعَلَ لَكُم مَّوْعِدًا) (And they will be set before your Lord in (lines as) rows, (and Allâh will say): "Now indeed, you have come to Us as We created you the first time. Nay, but you thought that We had appointed no meeting for you (with Us).")

- Everyone will hear what he couldn't hear in this life. It will be a Day when the body will be united with the soul, so everything will be felt. In life, the soul follows the body, and in the grave the body follows the soul, but on the Day of Judgement they will feel exactly together.

## Book of Records

- Then there will be the distribution of the Book of Records which was accompanying us in this life, but we did not see it. Everything is recorded in this book.
- The books will be scattered and it will reach each person correctly. Some book of records will be honored and placed in the highest place in Illiyen, and the book which is full of sins will be in the lowest of the earth in Sijeen. If these are the books, so what about the people? Subhan Allah.

**Surah Al Isra'a 13-14:** ( وَكُلَّ إِنْسَانٍ أَلْزَمْنَاهُ طَلِبَهُ ۚ فِي غُفِهِ ۖ وَنُخْرِجُ لَهُ ۚ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ كِتَابًا ) (And We have fastened every man's deeds to his neck, and on the Day of Resurrection, We shall bring out for him a book which he will find wide open. (13) (It will be said to him): "Read your book. You yourself are sufficient as a reckoner against you this Day." (14))

- The book will be opened and each will have to read his book; sufficient is each to account himself. We all know what we are doing – all good and bad. Thus we need to be transparent with ourselves because everything is being recorded.

## Account

**Surah Al Haaqa 19-23:** ( فَأَمَّا مَنْ أُوتِيَ كِتَابَهُ ۚ بِيَمِينِهِ ۖ فَيَقُولُ هَؤُلَاءِ أَقْرَعُوا ۖ كِتَابِيَّةَ ( ١٩ ) إِنِّي ) (Then as for him who will be given his Record in his right hand will say: "Here! read my Record! (19) "Surely, I did believe that I shall meet my

Account!" (20) So he shall be in a life, well-pleasing. (21) In a lofty Paradise, (22) The fruits in bunches whereof will be low and near at hand. (23))

- If the book of records is good then the person will want all to read his book of records.

**Surah Al Haaqa 25-27:** (وَأَمَّا مَنْ أُوتِيَ كِتَابَهُ بِشِمَالِهِ فَيَقُولُ يَلَيْتَنِي لَمْ أُوتَ كِتَابِيَةَ (٢٥) وَلَمْ (أَدْرِ مَا حِسَابِيَةَ (٢٦) يَلَيْتَنِي كَأَنَّتِ الْقَاضِيَةَ (٢٧)) (But as for him who will be given his Record in his left hand, will say: "I wish that I had not been given my Record! (25) "And that I had never known, how my Account is! (26) "Would that it had been my end (death)! (27))

- As for the book of records which was bad, it will received with the left hand and placed behind the back out of shame.
- Allah is Quick to account us thus our Companion Allah Ar Rafeeq is Al Haseeb and He will account us all at the same time. Some will take more time to account and some less, and some with no account. Only Allah knows about us and we do not want anyone else to account us. May Allah make us enter paradise with no accounts or torment. Ameen.
- Those who rely on Allah do not account Allah in this life; they have no advice or ideas for Allah because they rely on Him. The more rigid we are, the more hisab we will have.

**Surah Ghafir 17:** (الْيَوْمَ تُجْزَىٰ كُلُّ نَفْسٍ بِمَا كَسَبَتْ ۗ لَا ظُلْمَ الْيَوْمَ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ سَرِيعُ الْحِسَابِ) (This Day shall every person be recompensed for what he earned. This day

no injustice (shall be done to anybody). Truly, Allâh is Swift in reckoning.)

Surah Al Anbiya 47: ( وَنَضَعُ الْمَوَازِينَ الْقِسْطَ لِيَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ فَلَا تُظْلَمُ نَفْسٌ شَيْئًا وَإِنْ كَانَ مِثْقَالَ حَبَّةٍ مِنْ خَرْدَلٍ أَتَيْنَا بِهَا وَكَفَى بِنَا حَاسِبِينَ ) (And We shall set up balances of justice on the Day of Resurrection, then none will be dealt with unjustly in anything. And if there be the weight of a mustard seed, We will bring it. And Sufficient are We to take account)

### Balance

- Allah is able to take us immediately to our final destination but He will show us He is Ar Rafeeq on the Last Day.
- What are the rules of The True Accountant? Justice. No one will take the sins of others unless he misleads others. The good deeds will be multiplied, but there will be no multiplication of sins. What other rules will be there? There will be witnesses.
- The first type of accounting is public with the messengers; Allah will call on the messengers because they are responsible.

Hadith: ( عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " يَجِيءُ نُوحٌ وَأُمَّتُهُ فَيَقُولُ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى ) هَلْ بَلَغْتَ فَيَقُولُ نَعَمْ، أَيْ رَبِّ. فَيَقُولُ لِأُمَّتِهِ هَلْ بَلَغْتُمْ فَيَقُولُونَ لَا، مَا جَاءَنَا مِنْ نَبِيٍّ. فَيَقُولُ لِنُوحٍ مَنْ يَشْهَدُ لَكَ فَيَقُولُ مُحَمَّدٌ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ وَأُمَّتُهُ، فَنَشْهَدُ أَنَّهُ قَدْ بَلَغَ، وَهُوَ قَوْلُهُ جَلَّ ذِكْرُهُ {وَكَذَلِكَ جَعَلْنَاكُمْ أُمَّةً وَسَطًا لِتَكُونُوا شُهَدَاءَ عَلَى النَّاسِ} وَالْوَسْطُ الْعَدْلُ " (Narrated Abu Sa`id: Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Noah and his nation will come (on the Day of Resurrection and Allah will ask (Noah), "Did you convey (the Message)?' He will reply, 'Yes, O my Lord!' Then Allah will ask Noah's nation, 'Did Noah convey My Message to you?' They will reply, 'No, no prophet came to us.' Then Allah will ask Noah, 'Who will stand a witness for you?' He will reply, 'Muhammad and his followers (will stand witness for me).' So, I and my followers will stand as witnesses for



him (that he conveyed Allah's Message)." That is, (the interpretation) of the Statement of Allah: "Thus we have made you a just and the best nation that you might be witnesses Over mankind .." (2.143)) - Sahih al-Bukhari 3339

- The people will deny Nuh (عليه السلام) was sent to them in the hereafter, just as they denied it in life. Nuh (عليه السلام) will be asked do you have a witness to say you conveyed the message. He will say "yes, the ummah of Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم)".

**Surah Al Baqarah 143: ( وَكَذَٰلِكَ جَعَلْنَاكُمْ أُمَّةً وَسَطًا لِتَكُونُوا شُهَدَاءَ عَلَى النَّاسِ وَيَكُونَ الرَّسُولُ عَلَيْكُمْ شَهِيدًا ) (Thus We have madea (just) (and the best) nation, that you be witnesses over mankind and the Messenger (Muhammad ) be a witness over you.)**

- For the People of the Qur'an, they will be witnesses for the messengers and this is a great honor.
- Allah will not call on the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) but he will be a witness for us. No one will be a witness for the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) because he is Khalil Allah.

### Types of Accounting

- *Without account:* 70,000 will enter paradise with no accounts and we rely on Allah to be among them.
- *Easy:* this is for the people of the right. Allah will call on them individually and they will be screened so that no one will see this accounting. Allah will say, "you committed this sin" and he admits he did it. That's why it is important we admit to our sins now and not



be rebellious. Allah will say "I have forgiven all of your sins and replaced it with good deeds". Allah is the best companion.

**Hadith:** ( فَقَالَ كَيْفَ سَمِعْتَ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فِي النَّجْوَى فَقَالَ سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ " إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُدْنِي الْمُؤْمِنَ فَيَضَعُ عَلَيْهِ كَنَفَهُ، وَيَسْتُرُهُ فَيَقُولُ أَتَعْرِفُ ذَنْبَ كَذَا أَتَعْرِفُ ذَنْبَ كَذَا فَيَقُولُ نَعَمْ أَيْ رَبِّ. حَتَّى إِذَا قَرَّرَهُ بِذُنُوبِهِ وَرَأَى فِي نَفْسِهِ أَنَّهُ هَلَكَ قَالَ سَتَرْتُهَا عَلَيْكَ فِي الدُّنْيَا، وَأَنَا أَعْفِرُهَا لَكَ الْيَوْمَ ) (Narrated Safwan bin Muhriz Al-Mazini: While I was walking with Ibn `Umar holding his hand, a man came in front of us and asked, "What have you heard from Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) about An-Najwa?" Ibn `Umar said, "I heard Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) saying, 'Allah will bring a believer near Him and shelter him with His Screen and ask him: Did you commit such-and-such sins? He will say: Yes, my Lord. Allah will keep on asking him till he will confess all his sins and will think that he is ruined. Allah will say: 'I did screen your sins in the world and I forgive them for you today', ) - Sahih al-Bukhari 2441

- *Difficult:* this is for the disbelievers, hypocrites and great sinners who will be accounted for each sin and negotiation in the accounts is a punishment itself.

### Scale

- The Scale can measure what is tangible and intangible, it can measure faith, manners and patience.

### Surah Al Mu'minoon 102 to 103:

#### 102.

فَمَنْ تَقَلَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُفْلِحُونَ



Then, those whose scales (of good deeds) are heavy, they are the successful.

103.

وَمَنْ خَفَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ فَأُولَئِكَ الَّذِينَ خَسِرُوا أَنفُسَهُمْ فِي جَهَنَّمَ خَالِدُونَ

And those whose scales (of good deeds) are light, they are those who lose their ownelves, in Hell will they abide.

How can we increase our balance?

- Tawheed
- Good manners
- Saying Subhan Allah Al 'Adheem and Subhan Allah wa Bihamdih
- The believer will be heavy on the scale while the disbeliever will be light.
- The book of records will be weighed and it will be heavy for the believer and light for the disbeliever.
- Allah will not leave any deeds without being accounted.
- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) will be watching the scale and say, "O Allah grant safety, O Allah grant safety".
- The Account is two parts with an overview and a detailed one with the scale. Then comes the actual living of the "report". Those whose reports will be good will live in the best form in the Day of Judgment, and the opposite is true.

False gods will appear

- When a person worshipped anything besides Allah, they will see their gods and they will follow it just as they followed it blindly and it will lead them to the hellfire. Anyone who believes in anything besides Allah will be misled.
- Shirk and disbelief are the worst sins. Those who worship the sun, stars, moon, magic, energy and science will be see it and it will mislead them.

### Remaining People

- The People of the Book and Muslims will remain at this point. The religion with Allah is Islam and it is one. The religion of all the messengers is Islam and the followers are Muslim, but separation happened when the messengers were idolized.

**Hadith:** ( أَنْ أَنَسًا فِي زَمَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالُوا يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، هَلْ تَرَى رَبَّنَا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ قَالَ : قَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " نَعَمْ، هَلْ تُضَارُونَ فِي رُؤْيَةِ الشَّمْسِ بِالظَّهْرِ، ضَوْءٌ لَيْسَ فِيهَا سَحَابٌ ". قَالُوا لَا. قَالَ " وَهَلْ تُضَارُونَ فِي رُؤْيَةِ الْقَمَرِ لَيْلَةَ الْبَدْرِ، ضَوْءٌ لَيْسَ فِيهَا سَحَابٌ ". قَالُوا لَا. قَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " مَا تُضَارُونَ فِي رُؤْيَةِ اللَّهِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ، إِلَّا كَمَا تُضَارُونَ فِي رُؤْيَةِ أَحَدِهِمَا، إِذَا كَانَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ أَذَّنَ مُؤَدِّنٌ تَتَّبِعُ كُلُّ أُمَّةٍ مَا كَانَتْ تَعْبُدُ. فَلَا يَبْقَى مَنْ كَانَ يَعْبُدُ غَيْرَ اللَّهِ مِنَ الْأَصْنَامِ وَالْأَنْصَابِ إِلَّا يَتَسَاقَطُونَ فِي النَّارِ، حَتَّى إِذَا لَمْ يَبْقَ إِلَّا مَنْ كَانَ يَعْبُدُ اللَّهَ، بَرٌّ أَوْ فَاجِرٌ وَعُجْبَرَاتُ أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ، فَيُدْعَى الْيَهُودُ فَيَقَالُ لَهُمْ مَنْ كُنْتُمْ تَعْبُدُونَ قَالُوا كُنَّا نَعْبُدُ عَزِيرَ ابْنِ اللَّهِ. فَيَقَالُ لَهُمْ كَذَبْتُمْ، مَا اتَّخَذَ اللَّهُ مِنْ صَاحِبَةٍ وَلَا وَلَدٍ، فَمَادَا تَبْعُونَ فَقَالُوا عَطِشْنَا رَبَّنَا فَاسْقِنَا. فَيَسَارُ أَلَا تَرُدُونَ، فَيَحْشَرُونَ إِلَى النَّارِ كَأَنَّهَا سَرَابٌ، يَحْطِمُ بَعْضُهَا بَعْضًا فَيَتَسَاقَطُونَ فِي النَّارِ، ثُمَّ يُدْعَى النَّصَارَى، فَيَقَالُ لَهُمْ مَنْ كُنْتُمْ تَعْبُدُونَ قَالُوا كُنَّا نَعْبُدُ الْمَسِيحَ ابْنَ اللَّهِ. (Narrated Abu Sa`id Al-Khudri: During the lifetime of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) some people said, : O Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم)! Shall we see our Lord on the Day of Resurrection?" The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said,



"Yes; do you have any difficulty in seeing the sun at midday when it is bright and there is no cloud in the sky?" They replied, "No." He said, "Do you have any difficulty in seeing the moon on a full moon night when it is bright and there is no cloud in the sky?" They replied, "No." The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "(Similarly) you will have no difficulty in seeing Allah on the Day of Resurrection as you have no difficulty in seeing either of them. On the Day of Resurrection, a call-maker will announce, "Let every nation follow that which they used to worship." Then none of those who used to worship anything other than Allah like idols and other deities but will fall in Hell (Fire), till there will remain none but those who used to worship Allah, both those who were obedient (i.e. good) and those who were disobedient (i.e. bad) and the remaining party of the people of the Scripture. Then the Jews will be called upon and it will be said to them, 'Who do you use to worship?' They will say, 'We used to worship Ezra, the son of Allah.' It will be said to them, 'You are liars, for Allah has never taken anyone as a wife or a son. What do you want now?' They will say, 'O our Lord! We are thirsty, so give us something to drink.' They will be directed and addressed thus, 'Will you drink,' whereupon they will be gathered unto Hell (Fire) which will look like a mirage whose different sides will be destroying each other. Then they will fall into the Fire. Afterwards the Christians will be called upon and it will be said to them, 'Who do you use to worship?' They will say, 'We used to worship Jesus, the son of Allah.' It will be said to them, 'You are liars, for Allah has never taken anyone as a wife or a son,' Then it will be said to them, 'What do you

want?' They will say what the former people have said.) – Al Bukhari Book 65, Hadith 458

- Allah has no son neither Uzair or Eisa (عليه السلام). We need to believe He is One, Unique and does not need a son or partner. He is not born to anyone and no one is born from Him. This is simple and this is sincerity.
- They will be thirsty on the Day of Judgement because they did not quench themselves with the truth in this life. They will see a mirage of water and go towards but will fall in the fire. Who remains now? The believers and hypocrites.

### Elimination

- They will be waiting and Allah will come to them in a different form. He will say, "what are you waiting for?".

**Hadith:** ( حَتَّى يَبْقَى مَنْ كَانَ يَعْبُدُ اللَّهَ مِنْ بَرٍّ أَوْ فَاجِرٍ فَيَقَالُ لَهُمْ مَا يَحْسِبُكُمْ وَقَدْ دَهَبَ النَّاسُ فَيَقُولُونَ ) فَإِنَّمَا نُنْتَظِرُ فَارِقَتَاهُمْ وَنَحْنُ أَحْوَجُ مِنْهُ الْيَوْمَ وَإِنَّا سَمِعْنَا مُنَادِيًا يُنَادِي لِلْحَقِّ كُلُّ قَوْمٍ بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْبُدُونَ. وَإِنَّمَا نُنْتَظِرُ رَبَّنَا. قَالَ - فَيَأْتِيهِمُ الْجَبَّارُ. فَيَقُولُ أَنَا رَبُّكُمْ. فَيَقُولُونَ أَنْتَ رَبَّنَا. فَلَا يُكَلِّمُهُ إِلَّا الْأَنْبِيَاءُ فَيَقُولُ هَلْ بَيْنَكُمْ وَبَيْنَهُ آيَةٌ تَعْرِفُونَهُ فَيَقُولُونَ السَّاقُ. فَيُكْشِفُ عَنْ سَاقِهِ فَيَسْجُدُ لَهُ كُلُّ مُؤْمِنٍ، وَيَبْقَى مَنْ كَانَ يَسْجُدُ لِلَّهِ رِيَاءً وَسَمْعَةً، (فَيَذْهَبُ كَيْمَا يَسْجُدُ فَيَعُودُ ظَهْرُهُ طَبَقًا وَاحِدًا، (When there remain only those who used to worship Allah (Alone), both the obedient ones and the mischievous ones, it will be said to them, 'What keeps you here when all the people have gone?' They will say, 'We parted with them (in the world) when we were in greater need of them than we are today, we heard the call of one proclaiming, 'Let every nation follow what they used to worship,' and now we are waiting for our Lord.' Then the Almighty will come to



them in a shape other than the one which they saw the first time, and He will say, 'I am your Lord,' and they will say, 'You are not our Lord.' And none will speak: to Him then but the Prophets, and then it will be said to them, 'Do you know any sign by which you can recognize Him?' They will say. 'The Shin,' and so Allah will then uncover His Shin whereupon every believer will prostrate before Him and there will remain those who used to prostrate before Him just for showing off and for gaining good reputation. These people will try to prostrate but their backs will be rigid like one piece of a wood (and they will not be able to prostrate.) - Sahih al-Bukhari 7439

- They have taqwa and do not believe in anything but with evidence. When there is evidence, they submit, just as they did in this life.
- They will be asked, “is there a sign to know your Lord?”. They will say, “yes the Shin of Allah”.

**Surah Al Qalam 42:** (يَوْمَ يُكْشَفُ عَن سَاقٍ وَيُدْعَوْنَ إِلَى السُّجُودِ فَلَا يَسْتَطِيعُونَ) ((Remember) the Day when the Shin shall be laid bare (i.e. the Day of Resurrection) and they shall be called to prostrate themselves (to Allâh), but they (hypocrites) shall not be able to do so)

- Only those who prostrated to Allah willingly will recognize His Shin, but those who prostrated to Allah forcefully will want to prostrate but their backs will be stiff and they will not be able to bend. These are the hypocrites.

Distribution of Lights

- Faith is light and we need light in order to pass the sirat and we need light with people. Allah will give light to the believers. The hypocrites will initially get light because they were Muslims first but then disbelieved because of their desires.
- Some lights will be small, and some will be big.

**Surah Al Hadid 12-15:** (يَوْمَ تَرَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ يَسْعَى نُورُهُمْ بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَبِأَيْمَانِهِمْ بُشْرَانُكُمْ) الْيَوْمَ جَنَّاتٌ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا ذَلِكَ هُوَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ (١٢) يَوْمَ يَقُولُ الْمُنْفِقُونَ وَالْمُنْفِقَاتُ لِلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا انظُرُونَا نَقْتَبِسْ مِنْ نُورِكُمْ قِيلَ ارْجِعُوا وَرَاءَكُمْ فَالْتَمِسُوا نُورًا فَضُرِبَ بَيْنَهُمْ بِسُورٍ لَهُ بَابٌ بَاطِنُهُ فِيهِ الرَّحْمَةُ وَظَاهِرُهُ مِنْ قِبَلِهِ الْعَذَابُ (١٣) يُنَادُونَهُمْ أَلَمْ نَكُنْ مَعَكُمْ قَالُوا بَلَىٰ وَلَكِنَّكُمْ فَتَنْتُمْ أَنْفُسَكُمْ وَتَرَبَّصْتُمْ وَارْتَبْتُمْ وَغَرَّتْكُمُ الْأَمَانِيُّ حَتَّىٰ جَاءَ أَمْرُ اللَّهِ وَغَرَّكُمْ بِاللَّهِ الْغُرُورُ (١٤) فَالْيَوْمَ لَا يُؤْخَذُ مِنْكُمْ فِدْيَةٌ (On the Day you shall see the believing men and the believing women their light running forward before them and by their right hands. Glad tidings for you this Day! Gardens under which rivers flow (Paradise), to dwell therein forever! Truly, this is the great success! (12) On the Day when the hypocrites men and women will say to the believers: "Wait for us! Let us get something from your light!" It will be said: "Go back to your rear! Then seek a light!" So a wall will be put up between them, with a gate therein. Inside it will be mercy, and outside it will be torment." (13) (The hypocrites) will call the believers: "Were we not with you?" The believers will reply: "Yes! But you led yourselves into temptations, you looked forward for our destruction; you doubted (in Faith); and you were deceived by false desires, till the Command of Allâh came to pass. And the chief deceiver (Satan) deceived you in respect of Allâh." (14) So this Day no ransom shall be taken from you (hypocrites),



**nor of those who disbelieved, (in the Oneness of Allâh Islâmic Monotheism). Your abode is the Fire, That is your maula (friend — proper place), and worst indeed is that destination. (15))**

- The believers did all the things which brought them light, they believed and performed good deeds. The more a person believes, the more light he will have. The prayer is light, grey hair (growing old in Islam) will be light, and good deeds will be light.
- The light of the hypocrites will be put off, just as in this life they were given light, but followed their desires and were not truthful. They show they are with the believers outwardly, but inwardly they are not. They deceived themselves and will say to the believers, “wait, where are you going, we were together”. The believers cannot give anyone from their light, they will say go back and get light from where you first got light. When they turn back, a wall will be put up and they will be separated.
- They are a source of negativity in society, causing making mischief with the believers. They are troublemakers who make up rumors, discourage and terrify others. They do not support Islam and are worse than the disbelievers. May Allah make us keys of good. Ameen. The hypocrites are liars and when the believers see this, they say:

**Surah At Tahreem 18: (رَبَّنَا أْتَمِّمْ لَنَا نُورَنَا وَاعْفِرْ لَنَا إِنَّكَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ) ("Our Lord! Keep perfect our Light for us [and do not put it off till we cross over the Sirât (a slippery bridge over the Hell) safely] and grant us forgiveness. Verily, You are Able to do all things)**





- We do not want our light to be taken away because deprivation is very painful. When we enjoy being under the Shade of Allah, we do not want any moment to be without light. The believers appreciated the light and the hypocrites were given light but used the religion for their desires and not submitting to Allah.

### Sirat

- The remaining people are the obedient and sinners from the believers. There are two final stations remaining – the Sirat and Qantara. The Sirat is our dealing with Allah and the Qantara is our dealing with the people.
- A bridge will be above the hellfire and a person cannot go to paradise unless he sees from what he was saved. To reach paradise, a person needs to pass through the trials and temptations.
- The Sirat is thinner than a hair, sharper than a sword and has hooks. We need light to cross the Sira and we need to be light, not heavy with sins in order to pass quickly and not feel the pain. There are those who will cross in the blink of an eye. May Allah make us among them.
- Some will be walking and some will be crawling. The heavier a person is with sins, the slower he will go and the more pain he will feel. At the end of the Sirat, the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) will say, “O Allah grant safety”, “O Allah grant safety”. What will slow us down? Trials. We need to be between patience and gratitude. The more we pause, the more we will feel the pain. We should fill our time with



good deeds. When we are busy with worshipping Allah then we will not feel the trials.

- Those who are not busy with worship are the ones who are picky and always complaining. We only have one life and we should enjoy it, how? By drawing near to Allah.

### River of Kawthar

- People will be thirsty but only those who followed the Sunnah and did not innovate in the religion will be able to drink from it and continue their journey.

### Qantara

- We cannot enter paradise without being purified and we cannot enter if we misbehave with others. The rights of the people will be at Qantara.
- All the people who have something against each other will settle their scores. We should pardon others and not oppress anyone. We should guard the rights of the people. Those at the Qantara are the ones who owe rights to each other. We should pardon now and if we cannot connect with others, we ask Allah Ar Rafeeq to make them pardon us without hisab. We do not know if we wronged others while driving, working, and the like.

**Hadith:** عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " أَتَدْرُونَ مَا الْمُفْلِسُ " . قَالُوا الْمُفْلِسُ " . قَالَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ مَنْ لَا دِرْهَمَ لَهُ وَلَا مَتَاعَ . قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " الْمُفْلِسُ مِنْ أُمَّتِي مَنْ يَأْتِي يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ بِصَلَاتِهِ وَصِيَامِهِ وَزَكَاتِهِ وَيَأْتِي قَدْ شَتَمَ هَذَا وَقَذَفَ هَذَا وَأَكَلَ مَالَ هَذَا وَسَفَكَ دَمَ هَذَا وَضَرَبَ هَذَا فَيَقْعُدُ فَيَقْتَصُّ هَذَا مِنْ حَسَنَاتِهِ وَهَذَا مِنْ حَسَنَاتِهِ فَإِنْ فَنِيَتْ حَسَنَاتُهُ قَبْلَ أَنْ يُقْتَصَّ مَا عَلَيْهِ مِنَ الْخَطَايَا



" (أُخِذَ مِنْ خَطَايَاهُمْ فَطُرِحَ عَلَيْهِ ثُمَّ طُرِحَ فِي النَّارِ ) (Abu Hurairah narrated that the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: "Do you know who the bankrupt is?" They said: "O Messenger of Allah! The bankrupt among us is the one who has no Dirham nor property." The Messenger of Allah (s) said: "The bankrupt in my Ummah is the one who comes with Salat and fasting and Zakat on the Day of Judgement, but he comes having abused this one, falsely accusing that one, wrongfully consuming the wealth of this one, spilling the blood of that one, and beating this one. So he is seated, and this one is requited from his rewards. If his rewards are exhausted before the sins that he committed are requited, then some of their sins will be taken and cast upon him, then he will be cast into the Fire.") – At Tirmidhi Book 37, Hadith 2603

- If there is a grudge against anyone then surely there will be stopping at the Qantara, for this reason we do not want any bad feelings towards anyone and we ask Allah to make it easy for us. Ameen.

### Paradise

Surah Al Imran 185: (فَمَنْ زُحِرَ عَنِ النَّارِ وَأُدْخِلَ الْجَنَّةَ فَقَدْ فَازَ) (And whoever is removed away from the Fire and admitted to Paradise, he indeed is successful.)

Surah Al Hud 108: (وَأَمَّا الَّذِينَ سُعِدُوا فَفِي الْجَنَّةِ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا مَا دَامَتِ السَّمَوَاتُ وَالْأَرْضُ إِلَّا مَا شَاءَ رَبُّكَ عَطَاءٌ غَيْرَ مَجْدُودٍ) (And those who are blessed, they will be in Paradise, abiding therein for all the time that the heavens and the earth endure, except as your Lord wills, a gift without an end.)

- Paradise is what no eye has seen, no ear has heard and has not crossed the hearts.
- Paradise will be opened first for the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم).

**Hadith:** قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " آتِي بَابَ الْجَنَّةِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فَأَسْتَفْتِحُ فَيَقُولُ الْخَازِنُ مَنْ ) (Anas b. Malik reported: The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: I will come to the gate of Paradise on the Day of Resurrection and would seek its opening and the keeper would say: Who are you? I would say: Muhammad. He would then say: It is for you that I have been ordered, and not to open it for anyone before you.) - Sahih Muslim 197

### Entering Paradise

**Surah Az Zumar 73:** وَسِيقَ الَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا رَبَّهُمْ إِلَى الْجَنَّةِ زُمَرًا حَتَّىٰ إِذَا جَاءُوهَا وَفُتِحَتْ أَبْوَابُهَا ) (And those who kept their duty to their Lord will be led to Paradise in groups, till, when they reach it, and its gates will be opened (before their arrival for their reception) and its keepers will say: Salâmun 'Alaikum (peace be upon you)! You have done well, so enter here to abide therein.")

- The people of paradise will have dwellings furnished as they like, they will always be served, they will be enjoying its delights from drink and food. There will be no disturbances.
- Everything will be familiar and all will be enjoying the companionship of one another. The people of paradise will be called and they will come.

قَالَ قَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَقُولُ لِأَهْلِ الْجَنَّةِ يَا أَهْلَ الْجَنَّةِ فَيَقُولُونَ لَبَّيْكَ )  
 رَبَّنَا وَسَعْدَيْكَ وَالْخَيْرُ فِي يَدَيْكَ. فَيَقُولُ هَلْ رَضِيتُمْ فَيَقُولُونَ وَمَا لَنَا لَا نَرْضَى يَا رَبَّ وَقَدْ أُعْطِينَا مَا لَمْ تُعْطِ  
 أَحَدًا مِنْ خَلْقِكَ. فَيَقُولُ أَلَا أُعْطِيكُمْ أَفْضَلَ مِنْ ذَلِكَ. فَيَقُولُونَ يَا رَبَّ وَأَيُّ شَيْءٍ أَفْضَلُ مِنْ ذَلِكَ فَيَقُولُ أَجَلٌ عَلَيْكُمْ  
 " (رضواني فلا أسخط عليكم بعده أبدًا - Sahih al-Bukhari 7518

- Allah will call on the people of paradise. They will respond, 'we are at Your service and all the goodness is in Your Hand'.
- Then Allah will ask, 'O People of Paradise, are you content, are you pleased?'
- They will say, 'how can we not be content our Rabb. You saved us from the hellfire and admitted us to paradise and brightened our faces.'
- Then Allah will say, 'I will give you better than this',
- And they will say, 'ya Rabb, what can be better than this?'
- He will say, 'I will be pleased with you, never angry with you'.
- To hear Allah is pleased with you is greater than paradise. In this life we want to attain the pleasure of Allah, may Allah make us hear that He's pleased with us. Ameen.
- Then Allah will give them more than this, He will unveil the Veil from His Face and everyone will look at the Face of Allah – The Owner of Majesty and Honor.

Surah Al Qiyama 22-23: ((وَجُوهٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ نَّاصِرَةٌ (٢٢) إِلَىٰ رَبِّهَا نَاظِرَةٌ (٢٣)) (Some faces that Day shall be Nâdirah (shining and radiant). (22) Looking at their Lord (Allâh); (23))

Eternity and no death

- Death will be slaughtered and there will be eternity for the people of the hellfire and eternity for the people of paradise.

Surah Yunus 10: (وَعَاخِرُ دَعْوَاهُمْ أَنِ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ) (and the close of their request will be: Al-Hamdu Lillâhi Rabbil-'Alamîn [All the praises and thanks are to Allâh, the Lord of 'Alamîn (mankind, jinn and all that exists)].)

Surah Az Zumar 75: (وَتَرَى الْمَلَائِكَةَ حَافِينَ مِنْ حَوْلِ الْعَرْشِ يُسَبِّحُونَ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّهِمْ وَقُضِيَ بَيْنَهُمْ) (And you will see the angels surrounding the Throne (of Allâh) from all round, glorifying the praises of their Lord (Allâh). And they (all the creatures) will be judged with truth, and it will be said. All the praises and thanks are to Allâh, the Lord of the 'Alamîn (mankind, jinn and all that exists)." (75))

May Allah forgive us, keep us firm and make us enter paradise with no account or torment. Ameen



Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 9

Date: 05 November 2019 / 06 Rabi' Al Awwal 1440



Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق)

عن أبي هريرة - رضي الله عنه - أن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم قال " إِنَّ لِلَّهِ تِسْعَةَ (Allah's Messenger ( صلى الله عليه ) (وَتِسْعِينَ اسْمًا مِائَةً إِلَّا وَاحِدًا مِنْ أَحْصَاهَا دَخَلَ الْجَنَّةَ )."



**(وسلم) said, "Allah has ninety-nine names, i.e. one-hundred minus one, and whoever knows them will go to Paradise.")<sup>38</sup>**

- Anyone who knows the names of Allah, learns their meaning, understands it, lives and acts on it will enter paradise. Surely when we look at what is vast then we will be vast but when we look at what is narrow then we will be narrow.
- A boundary cannot be placed around Allah and the start of shirk is when there is a picture, image, and boundaries. Anyone that can be encompassed and grasped cannot be god. Attaching to other than Allah is misery.
- People think when they can pressure others and can get work done then this is achievement but this is not achievement when there is injustice. Allah does not force us to worship Him though He is able to force us.
- Anything done with pressure is not acceptable because the state of the heart is not good.
- (رفق) is softness in utterances, actions and to make things easy. This is opposite of harshness and bullying.
- It is important to be gentle with those around us all the time. Allah will give us more with gentleness than with harshness. People will produce and deliver more when they are enriched and inspired than when they are pressured and dealt with hardship.
- It is important to be gentle in matters and make things easy.

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<sup>38</sup> Sahih al-Bukhari 2736



- Gentleness is a gem and jewel in the “necklace of manners”. Gentleness is a quality of perfection, subhan Allah. Harshness does not show perfection but it shows faults in the person which is being covered with harshness.
- Allah is Ar Rafeeq and He loves for the people to be gentle and when we are gentle then He will give us more than we can imagine. We think when we are pressuring others then we will get what we want because pressure shows power.

### Gentleness of the Prophets

**Surah Aal Imran 159:** (فَبِمَا رَحْمَةٍ مِّنَ اللَّهِ لِنْتَ لَهُمْ وَلَوْ كُنْتَ فَظًّا غَلِيظَ الْقَلْبِ لَانفَضُّوا مِنْ حَوْلِكَ) (And by the Mercy of Allah, you dealt with them gently. And had you been severe and harsh-hearted, they would have broken away from about you; so pass over (their faults), and ask (Allah's) Forgiveness for them; and consult them in the affairs. Then when you have taken a decision, put your trust in Allah, certainly, Allah loves those who put their trust (in Him).)

- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) was gentle and it is by Allah's mercy. Gentle people are a test for those who are harsh and want everything quickly.
- When a person deals with harshness then others will do the work but there will be no blessing.
- How does the one above deal with the one who violated? Pardon them, seek forgiveness for them and consult them.



Surah Ash Shua'ara 215: (وَاخْفِضْ جَنَاحَكَ لِمَنِ اتَّبَعَكَ مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ) (And be kind and humble to the believers who follow you.)

Surah Ta Ha 43 to 44:

43.

أُذْهِبَا إِلَىٰ فِرْعَوْنَ إِنَّهُ طَغَىٰ

"Go, both of you, to Fir'aun (Pharaoh), verily, he has transgressed (all bounds in disbelief and disobedience and behaved as an arrogant and as a tyrant).

44.

فَقُولَا لَهُ قَوْلًا لَّيِّنًا لَّعَلَّهُ يَتَذَكَّرُ أَوْ يَخْشَىٰ

"And speak to him mildly, perhaps he may accept admonition or fear (Allah)."

- Musa (as) and Haroon (as) were sent to Firaoun who was a tyrant. Did they speak harshly to him? No. Fear or remembrance will come with softness.

May Allah make us gentle and gentle in all of our dealings. Ameen



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Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 10

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Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق)



- Allah Ar Rafeeq is giving us facilities, resources and means so that we are not left without anything because He accompanies us.
- Allah Ar Rafeeq makes us realize our faults, defects and problems slowly though He is able to make us aware from the start; yet He gently makes us realize.
- Allah is able to fix us on the spot with no means yet He is gentle. Even if we make mistakes, He is not hasty to punish us. Though shirk takes place with this name when we believe others besides Allah are gentle or we are impressed with anyone gentle so we are distracted from The One Who is truly gentle – Allah Ar Rafeeq.
- Shirk happens with good qualities thinking someone else is gentle, kind and merciful though Allah is Ar Rafeeq.

### Gentleness (الرفق) in the Sunnah

- One man was doing a wrong and another reprimanded him harshly. The one who did wrong said, “you are not like Musa (عليه السلام) and I am not like Firaoun”. Then he told him, “Allah tells Musa (عليه السلام) to speak gently to Firaoun”.
- People think being harsh with others will make other disciplined but this will lead to deception. A person might be doing what he’s commanded but out of fear. And behind their back they cannot stand the person.
- Our purpose in life is not about being always perfect, but it is about the process of nurturing. When a person deals with harshness then others will do the work but there will be no blessing.

**Hadith:** عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا، أَنَّ يَهُودًا أَتُوا النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فَقَالُوا: السَّامُ عَلَيْكُمْ، ( فَقَالَتْ عَائِشَةُ: وَعَلَيْكُمْ، وَلَعَنَكُمُ اللَّهُ، وَعَضِبُ اللَّهُ عَلَيْكُمْ، قَالَ: مَهْلًا يَا عَائِشَةُ، عَلَيْكَ بِالرَّفْقِ، وَإِيَّاكَ وَالْعُنْفَ وَالْفُحْشَ، قَالَتْ: أَوْ لَمْ تَسْمَعْ مَا قَالُوا؟ قَالَ: أَوْ لَمْ تَسْمَعِي مَا قُلْتُ؟ رَدَدْتُ عَلَيْهِمْ، فَيَسْتَجَابُ لِي فِيهِمْ، وَلَا (يُسْتَجَابُ لَهُمْ فِيَّ. 'A'isha reported that some Jews came to the Prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, and said, "Poison ('sam' instead of 'salam') be upon you." 'A'isha said, "And upon you and may the curse of Allah and the anger of Allah be upon you!" The Prophet said, "Easy, 'A'isha, you must be gentle. Beware of harshness and coarseness." She asked, "Didn't you hear what they said?" He said, "Didn't you hear what I said? I repeated it to them and what I said about them will be accepted and what they said about me will not be accepted.")<sup>39</sup>

- It is not the attitude of the believer to be harsh and even the way the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) dealt with Aisha (may Allah be pleased with her) was very gentle.

**Hadith:** (عَنْ جَرِيرٍ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " مَنْ يُحْرَمِ الرَّفْقَ يُحْرَمِ الْخَيْرَ كُلَّهُ " .) (The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: He who is deprived of gentleness is deprived of good.)<sup>40</sup>

- Anyone who does things harshly will be deprived of good. Especially when getting children ready for school and it's done harshly, every person's mood gets spoiled for the day.

<sup>39</sup> Al-Adab Al-Mufrad 311, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

<sup>40</sup> Sunan Abi Dawud 4809, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih



**Hadith:** سمعت رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم يقول في بيتي هذا: "اللهم من ولي من أمر أمتي شيئاً ( I heard the the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) supplicating in my house: "O Allah! Treat harshly those who rule over my Ummah with harshness, and treat gently those who rule over my Ummah with gentleness.")<sup>41</sup>

- Anyone who is in charge of others and makes things difficult for them charge of, or to give work just for the sake of giving work, then the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) made dua against him. He asked Allah to make things difficult for him and surely the supplication of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) is answered. May Allah protect us. Ameen. And anyone who makes things easy for others then the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) made dua to Allah asking to make things easy for him.

**Hadith:** عَنْ عَائِشَةَ، زَوْجِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " إِنَّ ( 'A'isha, the wife of Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم), reported Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) as saying: Gentleness is not to be found in anything but that it adds to its beauty and it is not withdrawn from anything but it makes it defective.)<sup>42</sup>

- With gentleness, we perform better and others perform better as well.

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<sup>41</sup> Sahih Muslim 1952

<sup>42</sup> Sahih Muslim 2594

عن أَبِي الدَّرْدَاءِ، عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " مَنْ أُعْطِيَ حَظَّهُ مِنَ الرَّفْقِ فَقَدْ أُعْطِيَ )  
 ("Whoever was given his share of gentleness, then he has been given a share of good. And whoever has been prevented from his share of gentleness, then he has been prevented from his share of good.")<sup>43</sup>

- Anyone given a share of gentleness then he will have share of goodness. He will open for us and increase us.
- The scholars said gentleness is the head of wisdom (الرفق رأس الحكمة). While harshness is foolishness.

**May Allah make us gentle and gentle in all of our dealings. Ameen**



Live with Allah (عش مع الله)

Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق) – Class 11

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Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق)

- The word 'rafeeq' means companion, the one who deals with us gently and with ease. We do not want a companion who's always poking us, even when telling us the truth.
- Allah Ar Rafeeq deals with us gently and He knows the deepest feelings we have, and He can reform us and change us with no pain. Problems will be solved and everything will be taken care of even while sleeping. Just as the Companions of the Cave were

<sup>43</sup> Jami` at-Tirmidhi 2013



given facilities while asleep, would He not give us facilities while we are alive and awake? Subhan Allah.

- The Companions of the Cave left their homes in fear for their faith, though they came from well-accommodated backgrounds. And this shows religion is for everyone, and not only the poor.
- When they left, Allah did not leave them homeless or hanging not knowing what to do. They did not have a plan, but Allah guided them to take refuge in a cave which had facilities no one can imagine. It is a cave filled with Allah's mercy and this is better than a home filled with disbelief, subhan Allah.
- They slept for 309 years and Allah accommodated them and gave them all the facilities they needed, even though they were asleep.
- A life without Allah is hardship, sorrow and confusion but life with Him is light. And we should not be impressed with the companions of the cave, but Allah's actions.

### **What facilities did Allah provide them?**

- He caused the sun to not strike them so they would not burn, but it would just hit them to suffice them.
- When we guard our faith then Allah will guard our body.
- There was an opening in the cave so the air was always circulating. There is no place that was too cold or too hot, as if it's a centralized a/c.
- Allah caused their eyes to be opened while sleeping.
- He caused their bodies to turn right and left and not only remain in one place.



- There was a dog guarding the cave from outside so that no animal can enter the cave.
- Even more so, Allah would place fear if anyone looked at them, thus no one can touch them, subhan Allah.
- The best job for us is to know Allah's by His names and attributes. He has ability and knowledge thus nothing will be neglected and nothing be disregarded because He is Ar Rafeeq.

### Sayings of the Righteous Predecessors about (الرفق)

- Ar Rifq is to put matters in their place, to put firmness in its place and to put softness in its place. This shows rifq is not only about being gentle and easy with everyone, but it's putting matters in their place because that is wisdom. For example, if one child listens and the other does not, a person would deal firmly with one and not the other; this is rifq for them
- Faith is adorned with knowledge, and knowledge is adorned with actions. And actions are adorned with rifq. Thus the journey is faith – knowledge – actions – rifq.
- Ibn Al Qayyim said: "anyone who is gentle to the slaves of Allah then Allah will be gentle to him, anyone merciful, good, generous, benefits, and conceals the faults of the slaves then Allah will be merciful, good, and generous to Him. He will bring what benefits him and conceal his faults.
- Anyone who deprives good from others then Allah will deprive good from him. How we deal with others is how we deal with Allah.



People show us our faults and we show them their faults. Thus we need to remember how we want Allah to deal with us.

- If we want to go to paradise with ease and no account then we should not account others.

### Depictions of Rifaq

- When we are in charge of anyone then we should make things easy for them. If we are harsh and difficult with them then we will be dealt with harshly.
- When making dawah and advising others then we should make it easy for others and accommodating.
- For the worker, he should be given work that he can handle.
- We should be kind to animals by feeding them, quenching them and if there are birds in the middle of the road then we should not run over them.

**May Allah make us gentle and gentle in all of our dealings. Ameen**



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### Allah Ar Rafeeq (الله الرفيق)

- Knowing Allah Ar Rafeeq makes us aware He is always accompanying us. He is not physically with us, but He accompanies us by His seeing, hearing and knowledge.





- People like the feeling of being accompanied and this is found today with people creating applications like “Siri” which answers when asked a question or “smart homes” which greet when a person enters. When there are no emotions then there is no nurturing.
- They will not say, “I’m upset because you didn’t speak to me”, thus a person interacts with desires and misses out on gaining rewards, subhan Allah.
- Without talking or saying anything, Allah knows what we want. He is the Best of Companions and among the best companions are the messengers, truthful ones and righteous people.

#### Example of the Rifq of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)

- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) was gentle in his dealings. He was not harsh nor abrupt. In general, when we deal with people who are gentle, it causes us to be gentle as well.
- There was a person who took wheat and another caught him. He took him to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) in order to take his rights from this man.
- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) commanded others to bring food for this man since he was hungry, and this shows his gentleness.
- Aisha (ra) once asked the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم), “did you face any day greater than the Battle of Badr?”. He said, “when his own people were rejecting his dawah and when he went to Taif. He was mocked and beaten there. He saw a cloud, and saw Jibreel. Jibreel said, “Allah heard what they have said to you and He has

sent to you angels of the mountain, command them as you want”. The angel of the mountains came and said “Salam O Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم), if you wish I can crush them between these two mountains”.

- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, “I hope Allah will bring forth from their offspring those who will worship Allah alone and not associate any partners with him”. He did not take any revenge.
- A person’s rifq shows when others are dealing with him harshly or when someone is foolish because they are irritating. There was a person who urinated in the masjid, and the Companions wanted to stop him while the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, “let him finish”, subhan Allah. Then the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) called the man and told him these are masajids which not suitable for such matters but they are for the remembrance of Allah, prayer and reciting the Qur’an.
- There was a person who sneezed in the prayer and a man said out loud “May Allah have mercy on you”. People started looking at him and tapping their hands on their thighs. Then the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) told him after the prayer gently.
- A man came to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) asking for permission to commit zina. The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) brought him near and asked, “would you love for someone to do this to your mother?”. He said, “no”. Then he asked, “would you love for someone to do this to your daughter?”. And he said, “not even people would love this for their daughters”. Then he asked, “would you love it for your



sister? Would you love it for your paternal aunt? Would you love it for your maternal aunt?”. And this shows the Prophet's gentleness to mention all the female relatives, and not only his mother and sister. It is important to create a good bridge with our children.

- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) was gentle with women. There was a man who was riding the camels quickly and he told him to slow down and be gentle with the “glass vessels”, referring to the women.

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