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VERILY THE PROMISE OF ALLAH IS TRUE

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VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

- The Promise of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is true and all that He has promised will take place – whether in the duniya or hereafter.

SURAH AN NISA' A 122

وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ سَنُدْخِلُهُمْ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا وَعَدَّ اللَّهُ حَقًّا
وَمَنْ أَصْدَقُ مِنَ اللَّهِ قِيلًا

And (as for) those who believe and do good, We will make them enter into gardens beneath which rivers flow, to abide therein for ever; (it is) a promise of Allah, true (indeed), and who is truer of word than Allah?

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promises those who believe and do righteous good deeds that they will enter paradise eternally. And there is no one more truthful than Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

PROMISES FROM THE QUR'AN

SURAH AL BAQARAH 151

كَمَا أَرْسَلْنَا فِيكُمْ رَسُولًا مِّنكُمْ يَتْلُو عَلَيْكُمْ آيَاتِنَا وَيُزَكِّيكُمْ وَيُعَلِّمُكُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَيُعَلِّمُكُم مَّا لَمْ تَكُونُوا تَعْلَمُونَ

Similarly (to complete My Blessings on you), We have sent among you a Messenger (Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**) of your own, reciting to you Our Verses (the Qur'an) and purifying you, and teaching you the Book (the Qur'an) and the Hikmah (i.e. Sunnah, Islamic laws and Fiqh - jurisprudence), and teaching you that which you used not to know.

- These ayat are mentioned after the direction of the qibla changed from Bait Al Maqdis to Bait Allah Al Haram – it shows who is following the messenger and who is not. Many things can change our direction, but it is a trial to see who believes in Allah (**سبحانه وتعالى**) and who will obey the Messenger (**صلى الله عليه وسلم**).
- There are those who did not change, but we should not fear anyone but Allah (**سبحانه وتعالى**). Allah (**سبحانه وتعالى**) wants to complete His favor on us when things change, and so we may be guided.
- Guidance is only in Allah's Hands and He gives us the best guidance. He will not give us a promise before preparing our heart to receive His Promise. How does He prepare our heart?
- He tells us of a great blessing – He sent the Prophet (**صلى الله عليه وسلم**) to us. The Prophet (**صلى الله عليه وسلم**) will recite the Qur'an to us and we will get nurtured through decrees. We got nurtured from shirk to tawheed, from lies to truthfulness, from riyā'a to sincerity, from deceitfulness to trustworthiness,

from arrogance to humbleness, and from hating each other to loving one another.

- After purification then we will be taught the Book and Sunnah. He will teach us what we do not know. Before guidance, we were in misguidance with no knowledge, deeds or purification.

Then comes the Promise of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى)

SURAH AL BAQARAH 152

فَاذْكُرُونِي أَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لِي وَلَا تَكْفُرُونِ

Therefore remember Me (by praying, glorifying), I will remember you, and be grateful to Me (for My countless Favours on you) and never be ungrateful to Me.

- Remember Me and I will remember you. For Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to remember us is a great blessing. We remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) by His names, actions and great beauty and majesty.
- When we remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) alone, He remembers us by Himself and when we remember Him in a group, He remembers us in front of a better group which are the angels.
- The prayer itself is remembrance, the morning, evening, before sleep and after prayer supplications are types of remembrance. When we remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), it produces much love.
- To be remembered by Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is to receive guidance, support, provision, protection and guardianship. We need to believe the moment we remember Him, He remembers us.

- Remembrance is the head of gratitude, this means when we remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then we will be grateful to Him. Gratitude appears when there is changing of the qibla; and we especially need to be grateful for the blessing of the religion.
- In these times we need to increase in remembering Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and be grateful for being sent a messenger.
- When we are grateful then we will be secure, but when we are ungrateful then we will be insecure.

MAY ALLAH MAKE US AMONG THOSE WHO ALWAYS REMEMBER HIM AND ARE GRATEFUL TO HIM. AMEEN.



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SURAH AT TAWBAH 72

وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا وَمَسَاكِنَ طَيِّبَةً فِي جَنَّاتِ عَدْنٍ
وَرِضْوَانٌ مِّنَ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ ذَلِكَ هُوَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ

Allah has promised to the believing men and the believing women gardens, beneath which rivers flow, to abide in them, and goodly dwellings in gardens of perpetual abode; and best of all is Allah's goodly pleasure; that is the grand achievement.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promised the believing men and women, and this shows the importance of faith. They fulfilled the covenant of faith by believing in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), the Angels, Books, Messengers, Last Day and Decree.

What did Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promise them?

- Gardens of paradise with rivers flowing beneath; there they will live eternally. There dwellings are goodly homes with no worries or struggle. And even greater than paradise, they will have Allah's pleasure; truly that is the

great success. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) be pleased with us and paradise.

Ameen.

- The one who fulfilled the covenant of belief will surely have acted on it by good deeds.

PROMISES FROM THE QUR'AN

SURAH AL BAQARAH 186

وَإِذَا سَأَلَكَ عِبَادِي عَنِّي فَإِنِّي قَرِيبٌ أُجِيبُ دَعْوَةَ الدَّاعِ إِذَا دَعَانِ فَلْيَسْتَجِيبُوا لِي وَلْيُؤْمِنُوا بِي لَعَلَّهُمْ
يَرْشُدُونَ

And when My servants ask you concerning Me, then surely I am very near; I answer the prayer of the suppliant when he calls on Me, so they should answer My call and believe in Me that they may walk in the right way.

- This ayah comes after the ayat of taqwa and fasting. With a month of fasting and connected to Allah's Words, it gives us more guidance, clarity and taqwa.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) wants the best and ease for us. He wants us to reach exalting and magnifying Him. With any command, it is only Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to guide us to act and this makes us exalt Him.
- Ramadan might be a month, but this promise is all the time. What remains with people is the connection and love.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) says "if My slaves ask about me". Notice by calling us "My Slaves" shows much honor. Our connection to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is not limited to actions, but when we feel we are connected to Him.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is surely near, He sees us, hears us and knows everything about us. But if we do not talk to Him or connect with Him then we will be far. The moment we ask about Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), He is Near, though He rose over the Throne in a manner that suits His majesty.
- His nearness is special to those who invoke Him. He will respond to the invocation of those who call on Him and worship Him. It is important to invoke Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) with a present heart; we should not invoke with hastiness, nor eating or earning unlawfully as these can be barriers.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) also promised "rushd". Sometimes we invoke thinking I want something, but we get something more from Him. He will guide us to the best of utterances, actions, belief and feelings. He will also remove misguidance and anything which can spoil our deeds. He will grant us criterion between truth and falsehood.
- Our connection with Him should not only be to get something, but to connect with Him, respond to Him and believe in Him. He will give us rushd. We especially need rushd in times of trials and this is through dua, but we must believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), and not ourselves or our dua.

YOUR ACTION

Make dua'a to Allah
Respond to Him
Believe in Him

ALLAH'S PROMISE

Guidance to rushd

MAY ALLAH MAKE US AMONG THOSE WHO ALWAYS INVOKE HIM. AMEEN.

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VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

- In times of trials, belief is what is most valuable and this is what lifts any calamity. It is important to be grateful and believe.

SURAH AN NISA'A 147

مَا يَفْعَلُ اللَّهُ بِعَذَابِكُمْ إِنْ شَكَرْتُمْ وَأَمَنْتُمْ ۚ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ شَاكِرًا عَلِيمًا

Why should Allah punish you if you have thanked (Him) and have believed in Him. And Allah is Ever All-Appreciative (of good), All-Knowing.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is The All-Mighty – He is Al Aziz. He is always dealing with us with His Most Beautiful Names, but when people forget and give power to the means, then by His Might and Power, He will bring the people back. May we all believe in Him and be grateful to Him. We ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) by His Might to place faith in the people's hearts. Ameen.
- We should be grateful to have the Qur'an and to receive the reminders.

SURAH AN NOOR 55

وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ
وَلَيُمَكِّنَنَّ لَهُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِي ارْتَضَى لَهُمْ وَلَيُبَدِّلَنَّهُم مِّن بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمْنًا يَعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ بِي شَيْئًا وَمَن
كَفَرَ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْفَاسِقُونَ

Allah has promised to those of you who believe and do good that He will most certainly make them rulers in the earth as He made rulers those before them, and that He will most certainly establish for them their religion which He has chosen for them, and that He will most certainly, after their fear, give them security in exchange; they shall serve Me, not associating aught with Me; and whoever is ungrateful after this, these it is who are the transgressors.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promises anyone who believes in Him, but first how does one believe? It is in everyone's fitra to believe, it is feelings of unseen matters which require news and confirmation from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم). Nowadays, people are reacting and believing in fake news, subhan Allah.
- Alhamdulillah we have the Qur'an because in the time of trials, we have real confirmation.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promises those who believe and do righteous good deeds:
 1. To make them successors on the earth, just as He made those before them successors.
 2. He will cause them to be established thus the symbols of Islam will be apparent. And the disbelievers will be humiliated.
 3. He will replace their fear to security. We have fear when we do not believe nor do good deeds; we have fear when we are not sincere.

- What does Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) say next in order to maintain these promises?
(يَعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ بِي شَيْئًا) (they shall serve Me, not associating aught with Me).
- This promise will be valid until the Day of Judgement as long as we worship Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) out of love, hope and fear and not associate with Him. We should not associate by believing in the means, ourselves, energy, other people and so forth. There is no power except with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) protect us from all shirk. Ameen.
- If anyone denies after seeing the ayat and returns back to shirk then verily they are from the transgressors.

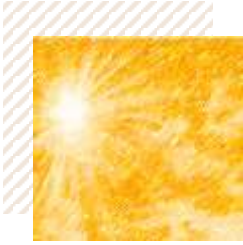
SURAH AN NOOR 56

وَأَقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَآتُوا الزَّكَاةَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ

And perform As-Salat (Iqamat-as-Salat), and give Zakat and obey the Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) that you may receive mercy (from Allah).

- In order to maintain the standard and continue to receive mercy then we should:
 1. Establish the prayer
 2. Give zakat
 3. And obey the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم)
- Now is the time to unfold the faith which is there in our fitra, to return back to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) alone and not associate with Him.

BY ALLAH'S MIGHT, MAY HE WRITE FAITH IN OUR HEARTS AND PROTECT US FROM SHIRK.
AMEEN.



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VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

- The greatest truth is (لا اله الا الله) and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will show it through different signs. It is better to realize it in this life and not when it's late in the next life.
- Surah Al Qamar is about knowing Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) through His warnings and signs. Today there is a full moon and we do not want to ignore any signs.

SURAH AL QAMAR 1 TO 8

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1.

اقْتَرَبَتِ السَّاعَةُ وَانشَقَّ الْقَمَرُ

The Hour has drawn near, and the moon has been cleft asunder (the people of Makkah requested Prophet Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم** to show them a miracle, so he showed them the splitting of the moon).

2.

وَإِنْ يَرَوْا آيَةً يُعْرِضُوا وَيَقُولُوا سِحْرٌ مُّسْتَمِرٌّ

And if they see a sign, they turn away, and say: "This is continuous magic."

3.

وَكَذَّبُوا وَاتَّبَعُوا أَهْوَاءَهُمْ ۖ وَكُلُّ أَمْرٍ مُّسْتَقَرٌّ

They belied (the Verses of Allah - this Qur'an), and followed their own lusts.

And every matter will be settled (according to the kind of deeds: good deeds will take their doers to Paradise, and similarly evil deeds will take their doers to Hell).

4.

وَلَقَدْ جَاءَهُمْ مِّنَ الْأَنْبَاءِ مَا فِيهِ مُرْدَجَرٌ

And indeed there has come to them news (in this Qur'an) wherein there is (enough warning) to check (them from evil),

5.

حِكْمَةً بَالِغَةً ۖ فَمَا تُغْنِ التُّذُرُ

Perfect wisdom (this Qur'an), but (the preaching of) warners benefit them not.

6.

فَتَوَلَّ عَنْهُمْ ۖ يَوْمَ يَدْعُ الدَّاعِ إِلَىٰ شَيْءٍ نُّكْرٍ

So (O Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**) withdraw from them. The Day that the caller will call (them) to a terrible thing.

7.

خُشْعًا أَبْصَارُهُمْ يَخْرُجُونَ مِنَ الْأَجْدَاثِ كَأَنَّهُمْ جَرَادٌ مُّنتَشِرٌ

They will come forth, with humbled eyes from (their) graves as if they were locusts spread abroad,

8.

مُهْطِعِينَ إِلَى الدَّاعِ ۖ يَقُولُ الْكَافِرُونَ هَذَا يَوْمٌ عَسِيرٌ

Hastening towards the caller. The disbelievers will say: "This is a hard Day."

- The people of Qu'raish asked for a sign and were shown the moon being split, yet they did not take it as ayah. They only took it as an incident or as some environmental change.
- The people turned away from Allah's ayat, and said it's "continuing magic" – that it's just an illusion, subhan Allah. They do not see it that it's reminding them of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). When we see any situation around us, we should not deny Allah's greatness.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then says that every matter has an end. The one who's truthful will see the result of his belief and the one who disbelieved will see the result of his denial.
- For the believers, every ayah is to increase them in faith in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). We need to know Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) in times of good because we see great ayat which show His greatness and majesty.
- We need to believe in whatever Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) did to the previous nations. Quriash was told what happened to the previous nations and they could have believed then, but they still asked for an ayah. We do not want to see things with our eyes, we want to believe in what Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) has told us.
- The Qur'an is (حِكْمَةٌ بَالِغَةٌ) it is the best in wisdom.
- There is no scenery worse and more painful than Israfeel's blowing of the trumpet. In the first blowing everyone will die except whomever Allah wills

and the second blowing will be reuniting of the bodies and souls. But there is no fear or sadness for those who believed in this life. May Allah (سبحانه) (وتعالى) make us from the believers. Ameen.

- What will happen on the Day of Judgement? They will be humbled because of the horror they will see. All of humanity will come out of their graves as if they are scattered locusts, subhan Allah. In this life we have seen many locusts and this should remind us of that moment. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) grant us security. Ameen.
- They will hasten to respond to the caller – but we want to be hasty to repent now.

SURAH AD DUKHAN 12

رَبَّنَا اكْشِفْ عَنَّا الْعَذَابَ إِنَّا مُؤْمِنُونَ

(They will say): "Our Lord! Remove the torment from us, really we shall become believers!"

- Belief is what will give us protection. In times of trials, any action we do has much weight. It is not about quantity, but quality. Every tasbeeh, istighfar and good deed has so much weight. Now is the time to respond and return back to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) in order to be safe.
- The disbelievers say it is a difficult time, but it will be easy if we believe now.

SURAH AL QAMAR 42 TO 55

42.

كَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا كُلِّهَا فَأَخَذْنَاهُمْ أَخْذَ عَزِيزٍ مُّقْتَدِرٍ

(They) belied all Our Signs, so We seized them with a Seizure of the All-Mighty, All-Capable (Omnipotent).

43.

أَكْفَارُكُمْ خَيْرٌ مِّنْ أَوْلِيَّكُمْ أَمْ لَكُمْ بَرَاءَةٌ فِي الزُّبُرِ

Are your disbelievers (O Quraish!) better than these [nations of Nuh (Noah), Lut (Lot), Salih, and the people of Fir'aun (Pharaoh) who were destroyed]? Or have you an immunity (against Our Torment) in the Divine Scriptures?

44.

أَمْ يَقُولُونَ نَحْنُ جَمِيعٌ مُّنتَصِرُونَ

Or say they: "We are a great multitude, victorious?"

45.

سَيُهْزَمُ الْجَمْعُ وَيُوَلُّونَ الدُّبُرَ

Their multitude will be put to flight, and they will show their backs.

46.

بَلِ السَّاعَةُ مَوْعِدُهُمْ وَالسَّاعَةُ أَدْهَىٰ وَأَمَرُّ

Nay, but the Hour is their appointed time (for their full recompense), and the Hour will be more grievous and more bitter.

47.

إِنَّ الْمُجْرِمِينَ فِي ضَلَالٍ وَسُعُرٍ

Verily the Mujrimun (polytheists, disbelievers, sinners, criminals) are in error (in this world) and will burn (in the Hell-fire in the Hereafter).

48.

يَوْمَ يُسْحَبُونَ فِي النَّارِ عَلَىٰ وُجُوهِهِمْ ذُوقُوا مَسَّ سَقَرَ

The Day they will be dragged on their faces into the Fire (it will be said to them): "Taste you the touch of Hell!"

49.

إِنَّا كُلَّ شَيْءٍ خَلَقْنَاهُ بِقَدَرٍ

Verily, We have created all things with Qadar (Divine Preordainments of all things before their creation as written in the Book of Decrees Al-Lauh Al-Mahfuz).

50.

وَمَا أَمْرُنَا إِلَّا وَاحِدَةٌ كَلَمْحٍ بِالْبَصَرِ

And Our Commandment is but one as the twinkling of an eye.

51.

وَلَقَدْ أَهْلَكْنَا أَشْيَاعَكُمْ فَهَلْ مِنْ مُدَكِّرٍ

And indeed, We have destroyed your likes; then is there any that will remember (or receive admonition)?

52.

وَكُلُّ شَيْءٍ فَعَلُوهُ فِي الزُّبُرِ

And everything they have done is noted in (their) Records (of deeds).

53.

وَكُلُّ صَغِيرٍ وَكَبِيرٍ مُسْتَنْظَرٌ

And everything, small and big, is written down (in Al-Lauh Al-Mahfuz already beforehand i.e. before it befalls, or is done by its doer: **الإيمان بالقدر**) (See the

Qur'an V.57:22 and its footnote).

54.

إِنَّ الْمُتَّقِينَ فِي جَنَّاتٍ وَنَهَرٍ

Verily, The Muttaqun (the pious), will be in the midst of Gardens and Rivers (Paradise).

55.

فِي مَقْعَدٍ صِدْقٍ عِنْدَ مَلِيكٍ مُّقْتَدِرٍ

In a seat of truth (i.e. Paradise), near the Omnipotent King (Allah, the One, the All-Blessed, the Most High, the Owner of Majesty and Honour).

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is telling us to never think anything is random, but everything is precisely measured. People before us were destroyed and we should take it as a warning.
- Every small and big is recorded in the Book and we need to have taqwa. Taqwa here is to accept the warnings without experiencing it. We need to surrender to the might of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- The muttaqeen will be in gardens and rivers. After a journey of fear and warnings, the muttaqeen will have a place with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). Everyone wants a truthful position and this is for the muttaqeen. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) grant us a truthful place. Ameen.
- With Whom will they have a place? Al Maleek Al Muqtadir – The Omnipotent King, The Most Able. They will have a special position with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- Al Maleek is the One Who has all aspects of kingship and dominion. Al Maleek is an exclusive name of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) about His Kingship. We will be near The King Who owns and judges everything. He is the One Who rewards and punishes, nothing can stop or oppose Him, and He is able to do all things. What a special position to have with Al Maleek Al Muqtadir.
- We need to accept His warnings so that we may have a truthful place with Him.

MAY ALLAH MAKE US FROM THE BELIEVERS AND MUTTAQEEEN. AMEEN



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VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

- It is important to trust and believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because He is able to do all things and His promise is true.
- He promised us if we call on Him, He will respond to us.
- He promised us if we remember Him, He will remember us.
- He promised us if we believe and do good deeds then He will replace our fear to security.

SURAH AN NAHL 97

مَنْ عَمِلَ صَالِحًا مِّنْ ذَكَرٍ أَوْ أُنْثَىٰ وَهُوَ مُؤْمِنٌ فَلَنُحْيِيَنَّهٗ حَيَاةً طَيِّبَةً وَلَنَجْزِيَنَّهُمْ أَجْرَهُمْ بِأَحْسَنِ مَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ

Whoever does good whether male or female and he is a believer, We will most certainly make him live a happy life, and We will most certainly give them their reward for the best of what they did.

ALLAH'S PROMISE

YOUR ACTION

1. Do good deeds by fulfilling its conditions
2. Believer

ALLAH'S PROMISE

1. Enlivened to have a good life (in this life before the next life)
2. Allah will take the best of your deeds and multiply it for you in the hereafter

- The theme of Surah An Nahl is blessings.
- Allah's promise is whoever does righteous good deeds by fulfilling its conditions which are:
 1. Sincerely for the sake of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى)
 2. Following the Sunnah of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)
- The bees produce pure honey and this teaches us the more our deeds are pure for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and following the Sunnah, the more it will be accepted.
- The other condition is to be a believer to confirm Allah's Oneness, Lordship, Divinity and actions.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will bring decrees to cause us to believe; it is not only with knowledge, but He will cause us to go through situations to believe in Him and this is the pleasure of life.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is Al Mu'min Who makes us believe in Him and all pillars of faith.
- We all want a good life and it is not possible to have a good life when being far away from faith and good deeds.
- (فَلَنُحْيِيَنَّهٗ): to enliven him is immediate and quick, and only Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) can make someone more alive than another. To be more alive is to feel unseen matters as if one sees it and hears it.

- A real life is not only when the body is alive, but when the soul is alive. This is a true and real life. This person is at peace and rest and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will provide him with beautiful provision without seeking it and with no limit.
- There is no life more beautiful than to live a life of faith and good deeds. With Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) everything is beautiful and with a good life, nothing can disturb us. Even if people speak, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will protect us from hearing anything disturbing. Just as on the Day of Judgement, there are those who will be in shock and fear, and those who will be in peace and no fear.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) also promises to take the best of our deeds and multiply it in the hereafter. We only enter paradise by Allah's mercy and generosity. He gives us better than what we're doing. When we do any deeds, we should trust Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and not ourselves.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 201

وَمِنْهُمْ مَّنْ يَقُولُ رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ

And of them there are some who say: "Our Lord! Give us in this world that which is good and in the Hereafter that which is good, and save us from the torment of the Fire!"

- May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) increase our faith and tranquility as we are in this period. May He grant us coolness and peace in this time and see things which we normally would not see in other times.

MAY ALLAH GIVE US A GOOD LIFE. AMEEN.

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VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

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VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

INTRODUCTION

- Everyone wants be loved by Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and we will find this promise in Surah Aal Imran.
- The theme of Surah Aal Imran is to be firm on the Straight Path. All of the dominion belongs to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and He controls and disposes the affairs of everyone in this life.
- He honors whomever He wills and humiliates whomever He wills, all good are in His Hands and He is able to do all things.
- We need to believe in Allah's ability and that He is able to do all things. His ability is to make the decree and when we know this then we will believe in the decree.

HADITH: BETTER THAN OTHERS WHOEVER DOES THIS

من قال دُبْرَ صَلَاةِ الْغَدَاةِ: لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ، وَ لَهُ الْحَمْدُ، يُخَيِّبِي وَيُمِيتُ، بِيَدِهِ الْخَيْرُ، وَ هُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ مِائَةَ مَرَّةً، قَبْلَ أَنْ يَتَّيَّنِيَ رِجْلَيْهِ، كَانَ يَوْمئِذٍ مِنْ أَفْضَلِ أَهْلِ الْأَرْضِ عَمَلًا، إِلَّا مَنْ قَالَ مِثْلَ مَا قَالَ، أَوْ زَادَ عَلَى مَا قَالَ

الراوي: أبو أمامة الباهلي | المحدث: الألباني | المصدر: صحيح الترغيب

الصفحة أو الرقم: 476 | خلاصة حكم المحدث: حسن

"Whoever says following the morning prayer: La ilaha illallahu wahdahu la sahrikalau, la hul mulku wa la hul hamdu, bi yadihil khair, wa huwa ala kulli shay'in qadir (None has the right to be worshipped but Allah alone, with no partner or associate. His is the dominion, all praise is to Him, in His Hand is all goodness, and He is Able to do all things) a hundred times before unfolding his feet then he will be among those with best deeds on that day, except who says like him or more.

Narrator: Abu Amamah Al Baheeli | Reviewer: Al Albani | Source: Sahih At Targheeb | Number: 476 | Reviewer's Ruling of Hadith: Hasan

ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH AAL IMRAN 31 TO 32

31.

قُلْ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تُحِبُّونَ اللَّهَ فَاتَّبِعُونِي يُحْبِبْكُمُ اللَّهُ وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ ذُنُوبَكُمْ ۗ وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ

Say (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم to mankind): "If you (really) love Allah then follow me (i.e. accept Islamic Monotheism, follow the Qur'an and the Sunnah), Allah will love you and forgive you your sins. And Allah is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful."

32.

قُلْ أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ ۚ فَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ الْكَافِرِينَ

Say (O Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**): "Obey Allah and the Messenger (Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**)." But if they turn away, then Allah does not like the disbelievers .

| YOUR ACTION | ALLAH'S PROMISE |
|---|--|
| 3. Follow the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) | 3. Allah will love you 4. Forgive your sins and have mercy on you |

- If we claim we love Allah (**سبحانه وتعالى**) and there is nothing above it then we need to be truthful in this claim.
- If people are asked "do you love Allah (**سبحانه وتعالى**)?", they will say "yes", but there are signs, what are they? To follow the Messenger (**صلى الله عليه وسلم**) in all his utterances and actions.
- For acceptable deeds, there needs to be:
 1. Ikhlas
 2. Following the Sunnah of the Prophet (**صلى الله عليه وسلم**)
- Following the Prophet (**صلى الله عليه وسلم**) is from the conditions for acceptable deeds. Anyone who follows him then this is an indication of loving Allah (**سبحانه وتعالى**).
- We need to follow his teachings, respect him, and follow his sunnah – this is what will keep us firm in times of trials.

رَبَّنَا لَا تُزِغْ قُلُوبَنَا بَعْدَ إِذْ هَدَيْتَنَا وَهَبْ لَنَا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ رَحْمَةً ۗ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْوَهَّابُ

(They say): "Our Lord! Let not our hearts deviate (from the truth) after You have guided us, and grant us mercy from You. Truly, You are the Bestower."

- Among the matters that do not keep us firm is disobedience. To love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is intangible but to follow the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) is tangible. What is the result?
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will love us. To love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is great status and this needs to be shown with obedience.
- Surely a decree will happen to see if we follow the Sunnah of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) or not, and if we follow him then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will:
 1. Forgive our sins
 2. Have mercy on us
- With the trials being faced, we need guidance and we need Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to love us. Anyone who does not follow the Sunnah of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) does not love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and he will not have forgiveness and mercy.
- The way we eat, drink, enter the home, leave the house, pray voluntary and the more we apply the Sunnah, the more Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will love us.

MAY ALLAH BY HIS ABILITY AND MIGHT LOVE US AND PROVIDE US WITH NO ACCOUNT.
AMEEN.

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VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

INTRODUCTION

- All of us need much mercy in order to overcome this trial.
- The theme of Surah Al Hadid is to have balance in the religion while being in this duniya, a person cannot just choose one, but needs both. We need the duniya and akhira. We need to believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and believe that He is the One Who gave us from the duniya.

ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH AL HADID 28

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَآمِنُوا بِرَسُولِهِ يُؤْتِكُمْ كِفْلَيْنِ مِنْ رَحْمَتِهِ وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ نُورًا تَمْشُونَ بِهِ وَيَغْفِرْ
لَكُمْ ۗ وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ

O you who believe [in Musa (Moses) (i.e. Jews) and 'Īsa (Jesus) (i.e. Christians)]! Fear Allah, and believe in His Messenger (Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**), He will give you a double portion of His Mercy, and He will give you

a light by which you shall walk (straight). And He will forgive you. And Allah is Off-Forgiving, Most Merciful.

| YOUR ACTION | ALLAH'S PROMISE |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 4. Believer | 5. Two scales full of mercy |
| 5. Have taqwa of Allah | 6. Light to walk with |
| 6. Believe in the Messener | 7. Forgiveness |

○ **يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا** (O you who believe [in Musa (Moses) (i.e. Jews) and 'Isa (Jesus) (i.e. Christians)]!): Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is addressing the believers to do the following:

- 1. اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ** (Fear Allah,): have taqwa of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). Taqwa is in the heart and it is to place a barrier from Allah's Wrath by doing what He pleases Him. The opposite of taqwa is following one's desires. This means a person's actions and utterances are based on his calculations, and this is what causes imbalance. Balance is doing is what Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) loves and has commanded while loving Him, hoping from Him and fearing Him.
- 2. وَآمِنُوا بِرَسُولِهِ** (and believe in His Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم,): believe in His Messengers. Those who believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and the Messengers are the truthful ones. To believe in the messengers includes follow the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and respect him. What will Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) grant us if we do this?

- (يُؤْتِكُمْ كِفْلَيْنِ مِنْ رَحْمَتِهِ) (He will give you a double portion of His Mercy,): two full scales of His mercy, one full scale of mercy for taqwa and one full scale of mercy for believing in the messengers and this is balance. We need to increase in faith in the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم). What else will He give us?
- (وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ نُورًا تَمْشُونَ بِهِ) (and He will give you a light by which you shall walk (straight).): He will also give us light to walk with. In times of trials we want light. What does light mean? Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will give us knowledge, guidance and all that we need to survive when walking through the darkneses of trials.
- (وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ) (And He will forgive you.): Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will also forgive us. Sometimes while walking with the people, we do not know what mistakes we make along the way.

SUPPLICATION FOR COMPLETE LIGHT – SURAH AT TAHEREEM 8

رَبَّنَا أَنْتِمْ لَنَا نُورُنَا 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 Sirat (a slippery bridge over the Hell) safely] and grant us forgiveness.

Verily, You are Able to do all things."

- We do not want that we end up using our light and then we are in darkness. We want Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to complete our light and forgive our sins because sins put-off our light.
- (وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ) (And Allah is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful.): And He is Al Ghafoor Ar Raheem, He forgives us and has a mercy on us.
- In this time, no we appreciate what is a good life, what is mercy and what is light. We will appreciate Allah's guidance even more now since it is so

apparent. A good life is not about everything around us being good, but when everything around us is difficult, and we are still connected to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

MAY ALLAH COMPLETE OUR LIGHT FOR US, HAVE MERCY ON US AND FORGIVE US. AMEEN.



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إِنَّ وَعْدَ اللَّهِ حَقٌّ

VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

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VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

INTRODUCTION

- The theme of Surah Yunus is belief in the decree and it is important to not complain about the decree, but remain patient and always hope for the best from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH YUNUS 9 TO 10

9.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ يَهْدِيهِمْ رَبُّهُمْ بِإِيمَانِهِمْ ۖ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهِمُ الْأَنْهَارُ فِي جَنَّاتِ النَّعِيمِ

Verily, those who believe, and do deeds of righteousness, their Lord will guide them through their Faith; under them will flow rivers in the Gardens of Delight (Paradise).

10.

دَعْوَاهُمْ فِيهَا سُبْحَانَكَ اللَّهُمَّ وَتَحِيَّتُهُمْ فِيهَا سَلَامٌ ۖ وَأَخْرَجُ دَعْوَاهُمْ أَنْ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

Their way of request therein will be Subhanaka Allahumma (Glory to You, O Allah!) and Salam (peace, safety from evil) will be their greetings therein (Paradise)! and the close of their request will be: Al-Hamdu Lillahi Rabb-il-'Alamin [All the praises and thanks be to Allah, the Lord of 'Alamin (mankind, jinn and all that exists)].

| YOUR ACTION | ALLAH'S PROMISE |
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| 7. Believe 8. Do righteous good deeds | 8. Allah will guide them because of their faith |

- (إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ) (Verily, those who believe, and do deeds of righteousness.): those who believed and truthfully supported their faith by performing righteous good deeds, what is Allah's Promise for them?
- (يَهْدِيهِمْ رَبُّهُمْ بِإِيمَانِهِمْ) (their Lord will guide them through their Faith;): by Allah's nurturing, He will guide them because of their faith. The more faith one has, the more he will be nurtured by Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and guided. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) increase us in faith. Ameen.
- Guidance includes being guided to the correct knowledge, to be taught, and to be guided to the best of righteous good deeds. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى)

will guide the person to look and reflect at the universal signs from the sky, seas, birds and so forth.

- It is important to have faith and a moment of truthfulness in the heart that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will guide us. It is not about our plan or what we decree for ourselves.
- And when Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) guides, He will guide us to every detail in our life until we reach paradise.
- (تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهِمُ الْأَنْهَارُ فِي جَنَّاتِ النَّعِيمِ) (under them will flow rivers in the Gardens of Delight (Paradise).): there are rivers flowing under them, as if they are walking on the water, subhan Allah. It is important to favor the hereafter over this life because there is complete pleasure of the heart and body. In this life people might favor the delight of the body but their heart is not gathered, but in paradise is perfect and complete delight.
- There is perfect delight of the heart to see Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and be near to Him, and to meet our beloved ones. When our heart is complete then our body will be complete. And their will be complete delight of the body with food, drinks and all that it desires. There is no real life but the life of the hereafter. What else is special in paradise? Their invocations.
- (دَعْوَاهُمْ فِيهَا) (Their way of request therein will be): when the people of paradise want to anything, they begin with:
 1. (سُبْحَانَكَ اللَّهُمَّ) (Subhanaka Allahumma (Glory to You, O Allah!)): glory be to Allah, the do tasbeeh which is to clear the air and to receive the most beautiful things. If we are disturbed in the heart then it will affect our body.

2. (وَتَحِيَّتُهُمْ فِيهَا سَلَامٌ) (and Salam (peace, safety from evil) will be their greetings therein (Paradise)!): and in the middle is a greeting of peace. When the dwellers of paradise meet they salam after the tasbeeh. It is as if the tasbeeh clears the air first before greeting. In life when we meet each other, we do not want our greeting to be disturbed thus it is important to clear out the air with tasbeeh. This is the beautiful life we want to live before we reach paradise. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) grant us paradise. Ameen.

3. (وَأَخِرُ دَعْوَاهُمْ أَنْ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ) (and the close of their request will be: Al-Hamdu Lillahi Rabb-il-'Alamin [All the praises and thanks be to Allah, the Lord of 'Alamin (mankind, jinn and all that exists)]): and the end of their request is all praises are due to Allah – Lord of the Universe.

○ By the remembrance of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), the hearts find rest and in paradise remembrance is a delight. And in this life, despite what is happening, we will find rest when we remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

MAY ALLAH MAKE US AMONG THOSE WHO ALWAYS REMEMBER HIM. AMEEN.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ



إِنْ وَعَدَ اللَّهُ حَقًّا

VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

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VERILY ALLAH'S PROMISE IS TRUE

INTRODUCTION

- We are made of soul and body and when our body becomes disturbed then we stop feeling our soul. Yet the soul is powerful, the more the soul is free through belief, the more it can sense unseen matters and can truly fly.
- The word "Anfal" is something voluntary and extra, it is the treasures after a battle and people can easily get attracted to it.

ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH AL ANFAL 1 TO 4

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1.

يَسْأَلُونَكَ عَنِ الْأَنْفَالِ ۗ قُلِ الْأَنْفَالُ لِلَّهِ وَالرَّسُولِ ۗ فَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَأَصْلِحُوا ذَاتَ بَيْنِكُمْ ۗ وَأَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ

وَرَسُولَهُ إِن كُنْتُمْ مُؤْمِنِينَ

They ask you (O Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**) about the spoils of war. Say:

"The spoils are for Allah and the Messenger." So fear Allah and adjust all matters of difference among you, and obey Allah and His Messenger (Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**), if you are believers.

2.

إِنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ الَّذِينَ إِذَا ذُكِرَ اللَّهُ وَجِلَتْ قُلُوبُهُمْ وَإِذَا تُلِيَتْ عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتُهُ زَادَتْهُمْ إِيمَانًا وَعَلَىٰ رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ

The believers are only those who, when Allah is mentioned, feel a fear in their hearts and when His Verses (this Qur'an) are recited unto them, they (i.e. the Verses) increase their Faith; and they put their trust in their Lord (Alone);

3.

الَّذِينَ يُقِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ وَمِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ يُنْفِقُونَ

Who perform As-Salat (Iqamat-as-Salat) and spend out of that We have provided them.

4.

أُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ حَقًّا ۚ لَهُمْ دَرَجَاتٌ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ وَمَغْفِرَةٌ وَرِزْقٌ كَرِيمٌ

It is they who are the believers in truth. For them are grades of dignity with their Lord, and Forgiveness and a generous provision (Paradise).

YOUR ACTION

- 9. True believer: when Allah is remembered, their hearts are in awe
- 10. When Allah's ayat are recited, they increase in faith
- 11. They put their trust in their Lord
- 12. Establish the prayer
- 13. Give what they have been provided

ALLAH'S PROMISE

- 9. Elevation with their Lord
- 10. Forgiveness
- 11. Honorable provision

○ **يَسْأَلُونَكَ عَنِ الْأَنْفَالِ ۗ قُلِ الْأَنْفَالُ لِلَّهِ وَالرَّسُولِ ۗ فَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَأَصْلِحُوا ذَاتَ بَيْنِكُمْ ۗ وَأَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ** (They ask you (O Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**) about the spoils of war. Say: "The spoils are for Allah and the Messenger." So fear Allah and adjust all matters of difference among you, and obey Allah and His Messenger (Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**), if you are believers.): they asked about the anfal, which is something extra – they are delights of the duniya. Allah (**سبحانه وتعالى**) closed the topic because this should not be the concern. It can be a cause of problems and arguments between the people, but the concern should be belief and righteous good deeds. We will see who are the true believers.

1. **إِنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ الَّذِينَ إِذَا ذُكِرَ اللَّهُ وَجِلَتْ قُلُوبُهُمْ** (The believers are only those who, when Allah is mentioned, feel a fear in their hearts): when Allah (**سبحانه وتعالى**) is mentioned then their heart moves, and they increase in faith when Allah's ayat are recited on the them. These are the believers. They react with fear and magnification of Allah (**سبحانه وتعالى**) in their heart, and it refrains them from sins and disobedience. Fear is an emotion that can greatly reform the people. Even nowadays, fear is causing people to abstain from what is halal, subhan Allah.
2. **وَإِذَا تُلِيَتْ عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتُهُ زَادَتْهُمْ إِيمَانًا** (and when His Verses (this Qur'an) are recited unto them, they (i.e. the Verses) increase their Faith;): when Allah's ayat are recited on them, it increases them in faith. This means they do not neglect any of Allah's ayat because they know it is a means to increase them in faith, and they do not want to miss

- it. They ponder and reflect over the ayat; if someone does not reflect then he will not have a reaction or feelings towards the ayat. Thus Allah's ayat increases them in faith by making them long for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), fear His punishment and move them to do good deeds.
3. **وَعَلَى رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ** (and they put their trust in their Lord (Alone));: then they reach the highest level of the truthful ones who always put their trust in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). They do not react with the tangible because they do not want their faith and connection with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to be affected. They know they do not need “anfal”, but need Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to bring them all good and keep them away from all evil. We need tawakul and not make “anfal” our concern, but to increase our faith. To put our trust in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is a high level of worship.
4. **الَّذِينَ يُقِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ** (Who perform As-Salat (Iqamat-as-Salat)): here we see their relationship with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), they establish the prayer and make it upright. We need prayer in order to be reformed and upgraded.
5. **وَمِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ يُنْفِقُونَ** (and spend out of that We have provided them.): this is our relation with the people by giving from what Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) has given us.

○ (أُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ حَقًّا) (It is they who are the believers in truth.): these are the true believers because their hearts move with Allah's remembrance and not with "anfal". What does Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promise them?

1. (لَهُمْ دَرَجَاتٌ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ) (For them are grades of dignity with their Lord.): they will be elevated in ranks with their Lord. There are ranks in the duniya and hereafter, may Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) increase us in ranks with Him. Ameen.
2. (وَمَغْفِرَةً) (and Forgiveness): they will have forgiveness of sins and this is constant elevation because sins bring us down.
3. (وَرِزْقًا كَرِيمًا) (and a generous provision (Paradise).): an honorable provision. Elevation is not by getting "anfal" but elevation is by believing in Allah's Promise and doing what is required. Honorable provision is without account; it is not by snatching it from others. And the most honorable provision is paradise.

MAY ALLAH MAKE US TRUE BELIEVERS. AMEEN.



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ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH HUD 1 TO 3

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1.

الرَّ كِتَابٍ أَحْكَمَتْ آيَاتُهُ ثُمَّ فُصِّلَتْ مِنْ لَدُنْ حَكِيمٍ خَبِيرٍ

Alif-Lam-Ra. [These letters are one of the miracles of the Qur'an and none but Allah (Alone) knows their meanings]. (This is) a Book, the Verses whereof are perfected (in every sphere of knowledge), and then explained in detail from One (Allah) Who is All-Wise Well-Acquainted (with all things).

2.

أَلَّا تَعْبُدُوا إِلَّا اللَّهَ ۗ إِنِّي لَكُمْ مِّنْهُ نَذِيرٌ وَبَشِيرٌ

(Saying) worship none but Allah. Verily, I (Muhammad **صلى الله عليه و سلم**) am unto you from Him a warner and a bringer of glad tidings.

3.

وَأَنِ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ ثُمَّ تُوبُوا إِلَيْهِ يُمَتِّعْكُمْ مَتَاعًا حَسَنًا إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى وَيُؤْتِ كُلَّ ذِي فَضْلٍ فَضْلَهُ ۗ وَإِن تَوَلَّوْا فَإِنِّي أَخَافُ عَلَيْكُمْ عَذَابَ يَوْمٍ كَبِيرٍ

And (commanding you): "Seek the forgiveness of your Lord, and turn to Him in repentance, that He may grant you good enjoyment, for a term appointed, and bestow His abounding Grace to every owner of grace (i.e. the one who helps and serves the needy and deserving, physically and with his wealth, and even with good words). But if you turn away, then I fear for you the torment of a Great Day (i.e. the Day of Resurrection).

YOUR ACTION

- 14. Seek forgiveness
- 15. Repent to Allah

ALLAH'S PROMISE

- 12. Good life while we are here
- 13. Favor for the people of generosity

- The theme of Surah Al Anfal is reforming and the best reforming is to reform ourselves. The actions of the people cause destruction for themselves, but the actions of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) are perfect for reforming us.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) commands the people to not worship anyone but Him. We need warnings and glad tidings. Warnings are to empty our hearts from shirk and all that is unnecessary, and then to be able to receive glad tidings.
- Everyone wants to live a good life, but we do not want to live a life of our desires and what we want, but we want to live the life Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) wants us to be. What can we do to expedite this? We accept Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) alone and what else?

- (وَأَنِ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ) (And (commanding you): "Seek the forgiveness of your Lord.): we seek forgiveness from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and we admit we are sinners. If our heart moves for a small creation, what about the Great Creator? Subhan Allah.
- When we seek forgiveness then it reforms us and others.

BEST SUPPLICATION FOR FORGIVENESS

وعن شداد بن أوس رضي الله عنه عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم قال: "سيد الإستغفار أن يقول العبد : اللهم أنت ربي، لا إله إلا أنت ، خلقتني وأنا عبدك، وأنا على عهدك ووعدك ما استطعت أعوذ بك من شر ما صنعت أبوء لك بنعمتك علي، وأبوء بذنبي، فاغفر لي فإنه لا يغفر الذنوب إلا أنت، من قالها من النهار موقنا بها، فمات من يومه قبل أن يمسي، فهو من أهل الجنة، ومن قالها من الليل وهو موقن بها فمات "قبل أن يصبح، فهو من أهل الجنة"

Shaddad bin Aus (May Allah be pleased with him) said:

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "The best supplication for seeking forgiveness (Syed-ul- Istighfar) is to say: 'Allahumma Anta Rabbi, la ilaha illa Anta, khalaqtani wa ana 'abduka, wa ana 'ala 'ahdika wa wa'dika mastata'tu, a'udhu bika min sharri ma sana'tu, abu'u laka bini'matika 'alayya, wa abu'u bidhanbi faghfir li, fa innahu la yaghfirudh-dhunuba illa Anta. (O Allah! You are my Rubb. There is no true god except You. You have created me, and I am Your slave, and I hold to Your Covenant as far as I can. I seek refuge in You from the evil of what I have done. I acknowledge the favours that You have bestowed upon me, and I confess my sins. Pardon me, for none but You has the power to pardon).' He who supplicates in these terms during the day with firm belief in it and dies on the same day (before the evening), he will be one of the dwellers of Jannah; and if anyone supplicates

in these terms during the night with firm belief in it and dies before the morning, he will be one of the dwellers of Jannah."¹

○ (ثُمَّ تَوْبُوا إِلَيْهِ) (and turn to Him in repentance,): then we repent and return back to Him. What does Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promise us when we ask for forgiveness?

1. (يُمَتِّعُكُمْ مَتَاعًا حَسَنًا إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى) (that He may grant you good enjoyment, for a term appointed,): He will make us enjoy our life while we are here. We will enjoy the rest of our life when we ask for forgiveness. This is how Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) deals with general people, what about special people?

2. (وَيُؤْتِ كُلَّ ذِي فَضْلٍ فَضْلَهُ ۗ) (and bestow His abounding Grace to every owner of grace (i.e. the one who helps and serves the needy and deserving, physically and with his wealth, and even with good words).): He will give more favors to the people of goodness and generosity. We ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) of His Favors.

○ (وَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا فَإِنِّي أَخَافُ عَلَيْكُمْ عَذَابَ يَوْمٍ كَبِيرٍ) (But if you turn away, then I fear for you the torment of a Great Day (i.e. the Day of Resurrection).): if people turn away then the messenger is to say "I fear for you a torment on the Day of Judgement". We want to return back to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) willingly in this life and not unwillingly on the Day of Judgement. In both cases we will

¹ Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari, Book 20, Hadith 1875

return to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), but we want to return with favors. So we should continue to ask forgiveness and repent to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

WE ASK ALLAH OF HIS GREAT FAVORS. MAY HE FORGIVE US. AMEEN.



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ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH AN NISA'A 65 TO 70

65.

فَلَا وَرَبِّكَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ حَتَّىٰ يُحَكِّمُوكَ فِيمَا شَجَرَ بَيْنَهُمْ ثُمَّ لَا يَجِدُوا فِي أَنفُسِهِمْ حَرَجًا مِّمَّا قَضَيْتَ وَيُسَلِّمُوا

تَسْلِيمًا

But no, by your Lord, they can have no Faith, until they make you (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) judge in all disputes between them, and find in themselves no resistance against your decisions, and accept (them) with full submission.

66.

وَلَوْ أَنَّا كَتَبْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ أَنْ اقْتُلُوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ أَوْ اخْرَجُوا مِنْ دِيَارِكُمْ مَا فَعَلُوهُ إِلَّا قَلِيلٌ مِّنْهُمْ ۖ وَلَوْ أَنَّهُمْ فَعَلُوا مَا يُوعَظُونَ بِهِ لَكَانَ خَيْرًا لَّهُمْ وَأَشَدَّ تَثْبِيثًا

And if We had ordered them (saying), "Kill yourselves (i.e. the innocent ones kill the guilty ones) or leave your homes," very few of them would have done it; but if they had done what they were told, it would have been better for them, and would have strengthened their (Faith);

67.

وَإِذَا لَأَتَيْنَاهُم مِّن لَّدُنَّا أَجْرًا عَظِيمًا

And indeed We should then have bestowed upon them a great reward from Ourselves.

68.

وَلَهَدَيْنَاهُمْ صِرَاطًا مُّسْتَقِيمًا

And indeed We should have guided them to the Straight Way.

69.

وَمَنْ يُطِيعِ اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ فَأُولَٰئِكَ مَعَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ مِّنَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ وَالشُّهَدَاءِ وَالصَّالِحِينَ ۗ وَحَسُنَ أُولَٰئِكَ رَفِيقًا

And whoso obey Allah and the Messenger (Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**), then they will be in the company of those on whom Allah has bestowed His Grace, of the Prophets, the Siddiqun (those followers of the Prophets who were first and foremost to believe in them, like Abu Bakr As-Siddiq (**رضي الله عنه**), the martyrs, and the righteous. And how excellent these companions

are!

70.

ذَلِكَ الْفَضْلُ مِنَ اللَّهِ ۖ وَكَفَىٰ بِاللَّهِ عَلِيمًا

Such is the Bounty from Allah, and Allah is Sufficient as All-Knower.

| YOUR ACTION | ALLAH'S PROMISE |
|--|---|
| 16. Obey Allah and the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) | 14. Better for us 15. Firmness 16. Reward from Allah 17. Guidance to the Straight Path 18. Hereafter: to be in paradise with those whom Allah has bestowed His favors on them |

- Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) swears by His Lordship to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم), that there will be no faith if matters are not returned to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) when there is a conflict; and this is returning back to the Sunnah.
- We should not have any issue when a command comes from above. It is important to submit because this extracts obedience and longing when it is regarding the blessings of the deen. Now people are appreciating the blessings of the deen more than the blessings of the duniya.
- (فَلَا وَرَبِّكَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ حَتَّىٰ يُحَكِّمُوكَ فِيمَا شَجَرَ بَيْنَهُمْ) (But no, by your Lord, they can have no Faith, until they make you (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) judge in all disputes between them,): Going to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) when there is confusion or difference of opinion shows Islam.
- (ثُمَّ لَا يَجِدُوا فِي أَنفُسِهِمْ حَرَجًا مِّمَّا قَضَيْتَ) (and find in themselves no resistance against your decisions,): and not having any grudge in the heart when a decision is made shows Iman.

○ (وَيُسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا) (and accept (them) with full submission.): and accepting with full submission is Ihsan. Thus we can reach all levels in one situation, subhan Allah. And this is something we should appreciate. What will Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) give those who obey?

1. (وَلَوْ أَنَّهُمْ فَعَلُوا مَا يُوعَظُونَ بِهِ لَكَانَ خَيْرًا) (but if they had done what they were told, it would have been better for them,): By obeying it will be good for us. In this time we need to praise and thank Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) that the command is to remain in our homes and not leave them, alhamdulillah. Wherever we go, it is all about Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and not about place. What else?

2. (لَهُمْ وَأَشَدَّ ثَبَاتًا) (and would have strengthened their (Faith);): we will have firmness when we follow the rules and authority.

3. (وَإِذَا لَاتَيْنَاهُمْ مِّن لَّدُنَّا أَجْرًا عَظِيمًا) (And indeed We should then have bestowed upon them a great reward from Ourselves.): Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will give a great reward in the duniya and akhira. It will be a reward for the body, heart and soul. The situation is about us, our faith and obedience.

4. (وَلَهَدَيْنَاهُمْ صِرَاطًا مُّسْتَقِيمًا) (And indeed We should have guided them to the Straight Way.): to be guided to the Straight Path and this means to be guided to beneficial knowledge and acting on it.

○ (وَمَن يُطِعِ اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ فَأُولَئِكَ مَعَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِم مِّنَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ وَالشُّهَدَاءِ) (And whoso obey Allah and the Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم), then they will be in the company of those

on whom Allah has bestowed His Grace, of the Prophets, the Siddiqun (those followers of the Prophets who were first and foremost to believe in them, like Abu Bakr As-Siddiq (رضي الله عنه), the martyrs, and the righteous.

And how excellent these companions are!): if we obey Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and the Messenger of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then we will be with the prophets, truthful ones, martyrs and righteous. We will meet them in the gardens of delight.

- (ذَلِكَ الْفَضْلُ مِنَ اللَّهِ ۗ وَكَفَىٰ بِاللَّهِ عَلِيمًا) (Such is the Bounty from Allah, and Allah is Sufficient as All-Knower.): this is Allah's Favor and He knows Who is worthy of this favor.

WE ASK ALLAH OF HIS GREAT FAVOR AND TO BE FROM THOSE WHO OBEY. AMEEN.

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ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH AT TALAQ 11

رَسُولًا يَتْلُو عَلَيْكُمْ آيَاتِ اللَّهِ مُبَيِّنَاتٍ لِّيُخْرِجَ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ مِنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ ۚ وَمَنْ يُؤْمِن بِاللَّهِ وَيَعْمَلْ صَالِحًا يُدْخِلْهُ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا ۖ قَدْ أَحْسَنَ اللَّهُ لَهُ رِزْقًا

(And has also sent to you) a Messenger (Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**), who recites to you the Verses of Allah (the Qur'an) containing clear explanations, that He may take out those who believe and do righteous good deeds, from the darkness (of polytheism and disbelief) to the light (of Islamic Monotheism). And whosoever believes in Allah and performs righteous good deeds, He will admit him into Gardens under which rivers flow (Paradise) to dwell therein forever. Allah has indeed granted for him an excellent provision.

YOUR ACTION

ALLAH'S PROMISE

17. Believe in Allah
18. Do righteous good deeds

19. Taken out from darkneses to light
20. Enter gardens with rivers flowing
underneath, abiding there forever
21. Beneficial provision

- The way of connecting is by following taqwa and the way of disconnecting is by following desires.
- The people of understanding will comprehend Allah's ayat, admonitions and reminders.
- Here we have a reminder sent upon the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم), what will he do?
- (رَسُولًا يَتْلُو عَلَيْكُمْ آيَاتِ اللَّهِ مُبَيِّنَاتٍ) ((And has also sent to you) a Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم), who recites to you the Verses of Allah (the Qur'an) containing clear explanations,): he will recite verses of Allah (سبحانه) which are (مُبَيِّنَاتٍ) – they clarify, show us where we stand, what is right and wrong, who is good and who is not. It is very practical, not that we are talking about the ayat while we are somewhere else; the ayat are all very relatable. What is the impact of ayat (مُبَيِّنَاتٍ)?
- (لِيُخْرِجَ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ مِنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ) (that He may take out those who believe and do righteous good deeds, from the darkness (of polytheism and disbelief) to the light (of Islamic Monotheism).): the ayat take out the person from darkness to light, a person might be in shirk and it takes him out to tawheed, a person might be in disobedience and it takes him to obedience. Darkness is to not see our mistakes, but to see the mistakes of others, subhan Allah. Darkness is to not see what Allah (سبحانه)

(وتعالى) wants, but what we and others want. In any situation, it is a trial and test which requires us to go back to the Qur'an. Sometimes we face marital problems and we seek counsel, but we forget to go back to the Qur'an. The theme of Surah At Talaq is to have taqwa in marriage and divorce.

- We need light in order to continue on our path and keep us connected. Who are the ones who deserve this light?
- (وَمَنْ يُؤْمِن بِاللَّهِ وَيَعْمَلْ صَالِحًا) (And whosoever believes in Allah and performs righteous good deeds,): those who believe and do righteous good deeds. In times of trials, we especially need light and reminders. Faith needs to be constantly refreshed because that is our connection to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). When we go into life, we stop feeling our faith, what is the reason for that? Faith needs to be constantly reconnected with unseen matters – we need to always reconnect to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). What is promised for them?
- (يُدْخِلُهُ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا ۖ) (He will admit him into Gardens under which rivers flow (Paradise) to dwell therein forever.): they will enter gardens with rivers flowing underneath. This is to remind us it is not only about having a good life now, but having a good life later. This life is temporary, but to connect to what is eternal – this is the focus.
- (قَدْ أَحْسَنَ اللَّهُ لَهُ رِزْقًا) (Allah has indeed granted for him an excellent provision.): a great concern of divorce is rizq and wealth, and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) tells us He will give them the best of provision. And provision includes faith, beneficial good deeds and knowledge.

MAY ALLAH MAKE ALL OUR AYAT (مُحَبِّبَاتٍ) AND MAY HE MAKE US AMONG THOSE WHO BELIEVE AND DO GOOD DEEDS. AMEEN.

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INTRODUCTION

- It is important as we go through these days to maintain our faith as we do not want to be demotivated or fall into panic.

ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH AN NISA'A 29 TO 31

29.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَأْكُلُوا أَمْوَالِكُمْ بَيْنَكُمْ بِالْبَاطِلِ إِلَّا أَنْ تَكُونَ تِجَارَةً عَنْ تَرَاضٍ مِّنْكُمْ ۚ وَلَا تَقْتُلُوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ

ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ بِكُمْ رَحِيمًا

O you who believe! Eat not up your property among yourselves unjustly except it be a trade amongst you, by mutual consent. And do not kill yourselves (nor kill one another). Surely, Allah is Most Merciful to you.

30.

وَمَنْ يَفْعَلْ ذَلِكَ عُدْوَانًا وَظُلْمًا فَسَوْفَ نُصَلِّيهِ نَارًا ۚ وَكَانَ ذَلِكَ عَلَى اللَّهِ يَسِيرًا

And whoever commits that through aggression and injustice, We shall cast him into the Fire, and that is easy for Allah.

31.

إِن تَجْتَنِبُوا كَبَائِرَ مَا تُنْهَوْنَ عَنْهُ نَكْفُرْ عَنْكُمْ سَيِّئَاتِكُمْ وَنُدْخِلْكُمْ مُدْخَلًا كَرِيمًا

If you avoid the great sins which you are forbidden to do, We shall expiate from you your (small) sins, and admit you to a Noble Entrance (i.e. Paradise).

| YOUR ACTION | ALLAH'S PROMISE |
|----------------------|--|
| 19. Avoid major sins | 22. Expiate minor sins 23. Enter doors of goodness with honor |

- The theme of Surah An Nisa'a is mercy and justice. A person cannot be overly merciful that it leads to transgression nor too restrictive either.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) cares for our nurturing, He clarifies matters for us, He wants ease in our affairs and to make it easy to repent. When everything is closed then we go back to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and repent to Him, have hope in Him and love Him.
- The emphasis in Surah An Nisa'a is about repentance. Sometimes we wrong ourselves or others, and we do not have mercy so we end up being unjust. Nowadays, people feel humble because of the changes, and this makes it easier to repent. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) wants to guide us and cause us to repent.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) tells us we are weak and when we admit to this then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will gather our heart and strengthen us. But if the human is

arrogant and thinks he is strong, then how does he expect his heart to be gathered and to repent? Subhan Allah.

- We have weakness in our determination, willpower, seeing, hearing, faith and body. How can we survive if we are weak? Return to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and admit.
- It becomes hard when we feel we're strong, but it becomes easy when we feel we are weak and go to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى); He will strengthen us.
- يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَأْكُلُوا أَمْوَالَكُم بَيْنَكُم بِالْبَاطِلِ إِلَّا أَنْ تَكُونَ تِجَارَةً عَنْ تَرَاضٍ مِّنْكُمْ ۚ وَلَا تَقْتُلُوا (أَنْفُسَكُمْ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ بِكُمْ رَحِيمًا) (O you who believe! Eat not up your property among yourselves unjustly except it be a trade amongst you, by mutual consent. And do not kill yourselves (nor kill one another). Surely, Allah is Most Merciful to you.): when a person starts to feel he's strong then he will transgress by taking other people's money and even killing others, subhan Allah.
- (وَمَنْ يَفْعَلْ ذَلِكَ عُدْوَانًا وَظُلْمًا فَسَوْفَ نُصَلِّيهِ نَارًا ۚ وَكَانَ ذَلِكَ عَلَى اللَّهِ يَسِيرًا) (And whoever commits that through aggression and injustice, We shall cast him into the Fire, and that is easy for Allah.): and whoever transgresses then it is easy for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to punish him.
- (إِنْ تَجْتَنِبُوا كَبَائِرَ مَا تُنْهَوْنَ عَنْهُ) (If you avoid the great sins which you are forbidden to do.): however, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) tells us to avoid major sins and the greatest of sins is shirk. A major sin is anything associated with a penalty, Allah's wrath, curse and anger. If we avoid the major sins then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will:

1. **نُكَفِّرُ عَنْكُمْ سَيِّئَاتِكُمْ** (We shall expiate from you your (small) sins,):
expiate our minor sins.
2. **وَنُدْخِلْكُمْ مَدْخَلًا كَرِيمًا** (and admit you to a Noble Entrance (i.e. Paradise).): and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will cause us to enter a good and honorable entry. We want to enter anything with honor, whether it is a conversation, home, deeds and so forth. Sometimes a person might enter good deeds by force, but not with honor, subhan Allah. When we avoid shirk, then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will expiate our sins and He will cause us to enter doors of goodness with honor.

MAY ALLAH PROTECT US FROM ALL MAJOR SINS AND MAKE US ENTER AN HONORABLE ENTRY. AMEEN.



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ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH AN NISA'A 116 to 122

116.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَغْفِرُ أَنْ يُشْرَكَ بِهِ وَيَغْفِرُ مَا دُونَ ذَلِكَ لِمَنْ يَشَاءُ ۚ وَمَنْ يُشْرِكْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدْ ضَلَّ ضَلَالًا بَعِيدًا

Verily! Allah forgives not (the sin of) setting up partners (in worship) with Him, but He forgives whom He wills sins other than that, and whoever sets up partners in worship with Allah, has indeed strayed far away.

117.

إِنْ يَدْعُونَ مِنْ دُونِهِ إِلَّا إِنَانَا وَإِنْ يَدْعُونَ إِلَّا شَيْطَانًا مَرِيدًا

They (all those who worship others than Allah) invoke nothing but female deities besides Him (Allah), and they invoke nothing but Shaitan (Satan), a persistent rebel!

118.

لَعَنَهُ اللَّهُ ۚ وَقَالَ لَأَتَّخِذَنَّ مِنْ عِبَادِكَ نَصِيبًا مَفْرُوضًا

Allah cursed him. And he [Shaitan (Satan)] said: "I will take an appointed portion of your slaves.

119.

وَأَضَلَّنَّهُمْ وَلَأَمْنِيَنَّهُمْ وَلَأَمْرَنَّهُمْ فَلْيَبْتَئِنَّا آذَانَ الْأَنْعَامِ وَلَا مِرْتَهُمْ فَلْيَغَيِّرُنَّ خَلْقَ اللَّهِ ۚ وَمَنْ يَتَّخِذِ الشَّيْطَانَ

وَلِيًّا مِّنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ فَقَدْ خَسِرَ خُسْرَانًا مُّبِينًا

Verily, I will mislead them, and surely, I will arouse in them false desires; and certainly, I will order them to slit the ears of cattle, and indeed I will order them to change the nature created by Allah." And whoever takes Shaitan (Satan) as a Wali (protector or helper) instead of Allah, has surely suffered a manifest loss.

120.

يَعِدُّهُمْ وَيُؤْمِنُهُمْ ۚ وَمَا يَعِدُّهُمْ الشَّيْطَانُ إِلَّا غُرُورًا

He [Shaitan (Satan)] makes promises to them, and arouses in them false desires; and Shaitan's (Satan) promises are nothing but deceptions.

121.

أُولَئِكَ مَاوَاهُمْ جَهَنَّمُ وَلَا يَجِدُونَ عَنْهَا مَحِيصًا

The dwelling of such (people) is Hell, and they will find no way of escape from it.

122.

وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ سَنُدْخِلُهُمْ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا ۖ وَعَدَّ اللَّهُ حَقًّا
وَمَنْ أَضَدُّقُ مِنَ اللَّهِ قِيْلًا

But those who believe (in the Oneness of Allah - Islamic Monotheism) and do deeds of righteousness, We shall admit them to the Gardens under which rivers flow (i.e. in Paradise) to dwell therein forever. Allah's Promise is the Truth; and whose words can be truer than those of Allah? (Of course, none).

YOUR ACTION

20. Believe
21. Do righteous good deeds

ALLAH'S PROMISE

24. Enter gardens with rivers flowing underneath, abiding there forever

- In the above ayat, we see how imbalance takes place and what it takes to take it back to balance. These ayat address shirk and the source of it is the shaitan.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will not forgive the one who dies on shirk because it is underestimating Allah's Oneness and it is the worst one can do.
- The one committing shirk is in clear misguidance. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) protect us. Ameen.

- All of humanity is fighting one disease and in times of distress they go to the One Above.
- The real safety is with tawheed, going back to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), the Qur'an and Sunnah.
- In Surah An Nisa'a it specifically mentions taking females as gods and idols, subhan Allah. And this is actually worshipping the shaitan which is from his tricks to mislead the people. He is a clear enemy to mankind. The shaitan promised Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) he will take a share from the people, deviate them and make them do unusual and strange things, subhan Allah.
- It is the promise of the shaitan to change the people and their fitra. Anyone who takes the shaitan as a wali – “guardian” – then he will mislead him. Whom does Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promise?
- (وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ) (But those who believe (in the Oneness of Allah - Islamic Monotheism) and do deeds of righteousness,): those who believe is to believe with knowledge and confirmation. Everyone will see the truth of faith and belief in this life before the next. Allah Al Mu'min will show them, but there are those who will believe and those who will not.
- And those who did good deeds with actions of the heart, tongue and limbs. From the belief of the heart comes love and remembrance of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), and this will show on the tongue and limbs. What did Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promise those who believe and do righteous good deeds?
- (سَنُدْخِلُهُمْ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا ۖ) (We shall admit them to the Gardens under which rivers flow (i.e. in Paradise) to dwell therein forever.): Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will admit them to gardens with rivers flowing

underneath. We want to enter the garden of this life before the garden of the next. And the gardens of this life are knowing Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

- In paradise they will have the best life, with the best spouses, palaces, beautiful rooms, beautiful trees, visiting each other and reminding each other what Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) gave them in this life. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is showing humanity to not make the duniya their concern because there is no value to it; it has perished from the hearts of the people, subhan Allah.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) gives the dwellers of paradise great delights that He even keeps them from the delights they will have, subhan Allah. They will abide in paradise forever.
- (وَعَدَ اللَّهُ حَقًّا ۖ وَمَنْ أَصْدَقُ مِنَ اللَّهِ قِيلًا) (Allah's Promise is the Truth; and whose words can be truer than those of Allah? (Of course, none).): Allah's promise is true and will be fulfilled unlike the shaitan who promises to deceive. We should take heed to not listen to the promises of the shaitan.
- Allah's Words and Promises are the peak of truthfulness and all that He tells us will happen. And He confirms all that He has said, all its details and impacts, subhan Allah.

MAY ALLAH NOT MAKE THE DUNIYA THE PEAK OF OUR CONCERN AND TO GUIDE US TO ALL THAT HE LOVES AND IS PLEASED. AMEEN.

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ALLAH'S PROMISE

SURAH AN NISA'A 123 to 126

123.

لَيْسَ بِأَمَانِيِّكُمْ وَلَا أَمَانِي أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ ۚ مَنْ يَعْمَلْ سُوءًا يُجْزَ بِهِ وَلَا يَجِدْ لَهُ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ وَلِيًّا وَلَا نَصِيرًا

It will not be in accordance with your desires (Muslims), nor those of the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians), whosoever works evil, will have the recompense thereof, and he will not find any protector or helper besides Allah.

124.

وَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِنَ الصَّالِحَاتِ مِنْ ذَكَرٍ أَوْ أُنْثَىٰ وَهُوَ مُؤْمِنٌ فَأُولَٰئِكَ يَدْخُلُونَ الْجَنَّةَ وَلَا يُظْلَمُونَ نَقِيرًا

And whoever does righteous good deeds, male or female, and is a (true) believer [in the Oneness of Allah (Muslim)], such will enter Paradise and not the least injustice, even to the size of a speck on the back of a date-stone, will be done to them.

125.

وَمَنْ أَحْسَنُ دِينًا مِّمَّنْ أَسْلَمَ وَجْهَهُ لِلَّهِ وَهُوَ مُحْسِنٌ وَاتَّبَعَ مِلَّةَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ حَنِيفًا ۗ وَاتَّخَذَ اللَّهُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ خَلِيلًا

And who can be better in religion than one who submits his face (himself) to Allah (i.e. follows Allah's religion of Islamic Monotheism); and he is a Muhsin (a good-doer - See V.2:112). And follows the religion of Ibrahim (Abraham) Hanifa (Islamic Monotheism - to worship none but Allah Alone). And Allah did take Ibrahim (Abraham) as a Khalil (an intimate friend)!

126.

وَلِلَّهِ مَا فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ ۗ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ مُّحِيطًا

And to Allah belongs all that is in the heavens and all that is in the earth. And Allah is Ever Encompassing all things.

YOUR ACTION

22. Does good deeds
23. Believer

ALLAH'S PROMISE

25. Enter paradise
26. Will not be wronged

- The shaitan promises, the people promise and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) promises, but no one can be more truthful than Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- (لَيْسَ بِأَمَانِيكُمْ وَلَا أَمَانِي أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ) (It will not be in accordance with your desires (Muslims), nor those of the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians),): faith is not about making claims; faith is reactions, actions and utterances. We will not attain faith until we love each other and we will not love each other until we spread the salam. The People of the Book said they will go to paradise, but it requires actions.
- (مَنْ يَعْمَلْ سُوءًا يُجْزَ بِهِ) (whosoever works evil, will have the recompense thereof,): anyone who does something evil, whether minor or major sins, sins

related to the deen or duniya, will be recompensed. But for the believer there is expiation of the sins. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) forgive our sins.

- (وَلَا يَجِدُ لَهُ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ وَلِيًّا وَلَا نَصِيرًا) (and he will not find any protector or helper besides Allah.): when a person goes through distress as a result of his wrongs, then he will need someone to help him and take him out, but he will find no one. Only Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is Al Wali and we need His protection and help.
- When we find something bad then this is from our sins and distress is a means for expiation for our sins.
- (وَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِنَ الصَّالِحَاتِ مِنْ ذَكَرٍ أَوْ أُنْثَىٰ وَهُوَ مُؤْمِنٌ) (And whoever does righteous good deeds, male or female, and is a (true) believer [in the Oneness of Allah (Muslim)]): Allah's Promise is for whoever does righteous good deeds, whether it is actions of the heart, tongue or limbs – regardless if they are a male or female, and what else? They are a believer. To claim faith is useless if it's followed by bad actions. What is the promise for the believers who did righteous good deeds?
- (فَأُولَٰئِكَ يَدْخُلُونَ الْجَنَّةَ وَلَا يُظْلَمُونَ نَقِيرًا) (such will enter Paradise and not the least injustice, even to the size of a speck on the back of a date-stone, will be done to them.): they will enter paradise and they will not be wronged a speck. They will not be treated unfairly, but will find everything complete.

HADITH: FAITH AND ITS BRANCHES

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " الْإِيمَانُ بِضْعٌ وَسَبْعُونَ شُعْبَةً أَفْضَلُهَا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَأَوْضَعُهَا إِمَاطَةُ الْأَذَى عَنِ الطَّرِيقِ وَالْحَيَاءُ شُعْبَةٌ مِنَ الْإِيمَانِ " .

"The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: 'Faith has seventy-odd branches, the most virtuous of which is La ilaha illallah (there is none worthy of worship except Allah) and the least of which is removing something harmful from the road. And modesty (Al-Haya') is a branch of faith.'"²

- (وَمَنْ أَحْسَنُ دِينًا مِّمَّنْ أَسْلَمَ وَجْهَهُ لِلَّهِ وَهُوَ مُحْسِنٌ) (And who can be better in religion than one who submits his face (himself) to Allah (i.e. follows Allah's religion of Islamic Monotheism); and he is a Muhsin (a good-doer).): there is no one better than the one who submits and surrenders his face and heart to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and is muhsin by following the Sunnah of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم). The muhsin is the one doing deeds with ihsan and excellence.
- (وَاتَّبَعَ مِلَّةَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ حَنِيفًا) (And follows the religion of Ibrahim (Abraham) Hanifa (Islamic Monotheism - to worship none but Allah Alone).): he follows the way of Ibrahim (عليه السلام) and is haneefan – he is away from any shirk and always going towards tawheed.
- (وَاتَّخَذَ اللَّهُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ خَلِيلًا) (And Allah did take Ibrahim (Abraham) as a Khalil (an intimate friend)!): Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) took Ibrahim (عليه السلام) and Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم) as Khalil. Khalil is the highest level of love. Love from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is for all the believers, but this is a special type of love which is as if it is inside them, subhan Allah.

² Sunan an-Nasa'i 5005

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) took Ibrahim (عليه السلام) as a Khalil because he fulfilled all that he was tested with and was made a leader. Both Ibrahim (عليه السلام) and Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم) are exalted in the prayers.

MAY ALLAH FORGIVE OUR SINS AND MAKE US FROM HIS AWLIYA. AMEEN.

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