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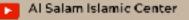
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LOVE OF ALLAH AND HIS MESSENGER (alle)

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 Different things can dominate us but it is important to know what are the qualities required to become a dominator which is only for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

AL MUHAYMIN

(The Dominator)

This name is mentioned once in the Qur'an.

SURAH AL HASHR 23

هُوَ اللَّهُ الَّذِي لَا إِلَٰهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْمَلِكُ الْقُدُّوسُ السَّلَامُ الْمُؤْمِنُ الْمُهَيْمِنُ الْمُعَودِينُ الْمُعَرِينُ الْمُتَكَبِّرُهُ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ عَمَّا يُشْرِكُونَ الْعَزِيزُ الْجَبَّارُ الْمُتَكَبِّرُهُ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ عَمَّا يُشْرِكُونَ

He is Allah, other than whom there is no deity, the Sovereign, the Pure, the Perfection, the Bestower of Faith, the Overseer, the Exalted in Might, the Compeller, the Superior. Exalted is Allah above whatever they associate with Him.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is the Dominator Who witnesses all of His creation and all of their deeds. He is observing them all the time and He knows everything about all His creation.
- There is no speck on this earth and in the heavens except that Allah (سـبحانـه وتـعالـی)
 knows about it. He sees all the hidden matters

and He knows all that is being kept inside the hearts.

- He surrounds everything by His knowledge. He has account of everything. This kind of overwhelmingness of us is only for Allah Al Muhaymin.
- When Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) comes to dominate us, it is not to crush or, make us worse or make us feel like we cannot do anything, but it is to bring out this feeling of greatness and awe of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). To make us want a connection with Him. To not have people, thoughts, myself, others to dominate. This will belittle us and we cannot move forward.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is Al Muhaymin over us to give us a good life, peace, to show us the

way, the goodness in this life and the way to reach Him in the hereafter.

- He dominates us in every aspect in every way, by all His Names.
- He is the Most Generous and His generosity dominates the generosity of everyone else.
- If we feel overwhelmed by the generosity of anyone, we remind ourselves that Allah is Al Muhamymin Al Kareem Whose generosity dominates above all else.
- He is The Most Strong over anyone who is strong. If we feel overwhelmed by the power or ability of anyone, we remind ourselves that His Power is the Most Dominating.
- He is the Most Wise over anyone who is wise.
 Before the wisdom of anyone is the wisdom and knowledge of Allah.

- When we see someone overwhelming over us, we know that He is Al Jabbar, The Fixer and The Mender Who is greater than anyone else.
- His Beauty dominates over any other beauty.
 His Mercy dominates over any other mercy.
- This removes a barrier between us and Allah (سبحانه وتعالی). We want to 'break through' decrees or people and not let them dominate us. We want to have an openness between us and Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) and not be stuck in a 'dome' with anything we think is dominating us.
- Al Muhaymin is mentioned once in the Qur'an regarding the name of Allah but it also appears describing the Qur'an.

SURAH AL MAEDA 48

وَأَنْزَلْنَا إِلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ مُصَدِّقًا لِمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ مِنَ الْكِتَابِ وَأَنْزَلْنَا إِلَيْكَ الْكَوْءَهُمْ عَمَّا وَمُهَيْمِنًا عَلَيْهِ فَاحْكُمْ بَيْنَهُمْ بِمَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعْ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ عَمَّا وَمُهَيْمِنًا عَلَيْهِ فَاحْكُمْ بَيْنَهُمْ بِمَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعْ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ عَمَّا وَمُهَيْمِنًا عَلَيْهِ فَاحْكُمْ بَيْنَهُمْ بِمَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعْ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ عَمَّا جَاءَكَ مِنَ الْحَقِّ

And We have revealed to you, [O Muhammad], the Book in truth, confirming that which preceded it of the Scripture and as a criterion over it. So judge between them by what Allah has revealed and do not follow their inclinations away from what has come to you of the truth. To each of you We prescribed a law and a method. Had Allah willed, He would have made you one nation [united in religion], but [He intended] to test you in what He has given you; so race to [all that is] good. To Allah is your return all together, and He will [then] inform you concerning that over which you used to differ.

The Qur'an dominates all other books. We judge by what Allah (سـبحانـه وتـعالـی) has revealed.

- The Qur'an is what dominates us, this is what leads us and guides us. The more we know about it, we do not want to leave it.
- May Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) make us from the companions of the Qur'an. They are the companions of Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) and the special ones.
- The Qur'an is the truth and dominates over all other books.
- It has surahs that are not found anywhere else like Surah Al Fatiha. The last two verses of Surah Al Baqarah are sufficient. This Qur'an is very clear. It is organized in a miraculous way.
- It has mercy, guidance and glad tidings for those who believe.

- The start of it was on a blessed light. This starts
 the connection between the heavens and
 earth the night in Ramadan.
- This night is when Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) opened to all of humanity the start of the divine revelation from Allah (سـبحانـه وتـعالـی) was established in the lives of humans so they may connect back to their Creator.
- The Qur'an has clarity in every single part of it.
- Through the Qur'an they become established, start to seek the beneficial knowledge, get wiped away from ignorance, get purified to lead honorable lives.

SURAH AL 'ALAQ 1 TO 3

1.

افْرَأْ بِاسْمِ رَبِّكَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ

Recite in the name of your Lord who created - 2.

خَلَقَ الْإِنسَانَ مِنْ عَلَقِ

Created man from a clinging substance.

3.

اقْرَأْ وَرَبُّكَ الْأَكْرَمُ

Recite, and your Lord is the most Generous -

- Through the Qur'an the human starts his connection to His Lord.
- These are the first verses to be revealed from the Qur'an.
- Then there were three verses that were revealed to indicate the end of the revelation.

SURAH AL MAEDA 3

This day I have perfected for you your religion and completed My favor upon you and have approved for you Islam as religion.

- This ayah was revealed on the day of 'Arafah during the only and final hajj of the Prophet (صلح الله).
- Then a few days later, Surah An Nasr was revealed.

SURAH AN NASR

1.

When the victory of Allah has come and the conquest,

2.

And you see the people entering into the religion of Allah in multitudes,

3.

Then exalt [Him] with praise of your Lord and ask forgiveness of Him. Indeed, He is ever Accepting of repentance.

- With this surah, it was known that the life of the
 Prophet (عليوالله) was coming to an end.
- And then right before his death, the ayah below was revealed.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 281

وَاتَّقُوا يَوْمًا تُرْجَعُونَ فِيهِ إِلَى اللَّهِ اللَّهِ اللَّهِ أَوُفَى كُلُّ نَفْسٍ مَّا كَسَبَتْ وَهُمْ لَا يُظْلَمُونَ لَا يُظْلَمُونَ

And fear a Day when you will be returned to Allah. Then every soul will be compensated for what it earned, and they will not be treated unjustly.

- As the Qur'an was being revealed in these 23 years, the ayat were being revealed according to the decrees they were facing.
- The Qur'an is a whole life manual for all of us.
 Regardless of where we may be, which time we are in and what we are doing.

- This manual will remain with no change in it.
 Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) has promised to protect it.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) brought the Qur'an on that blessed night with a warning. He knows the human nature of being heedless and forgetful and their need to be reminded.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) brought down this Qur'an to show between truth and falsehood, to place boundaries, to show the ways to lift up humanity until the Day they meet Allah (وتعالى).
- This is a mercy to all of humanity. How great is this Qur'an and how much Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) has honored this human being with this Qur'an.

 Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) praised Himself for revealing this Qur'an on His slave and messenger.

SURAH AL KAHF 1, 2

1.

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَنزَلَ عَلَىٰ عَبْدِهِ الْكِتَابَ وَلَمْ يَجْعَل لَّهُ عِوَجًا [All] praise is [due] to Allah, who has sent down upon His Servant the Book and has not made therein any deviance.

2.

قَيّمًا

[He has made it] straight,

 Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) negated crookedness from the Qur'an and affirmed straightness in it.
 There are no lies in it. There is no injustice in all that Allah commands and prohibits us from in the Qur'an.

- Everything in the Qur'an is based on His perfect wisdom and knowledge and not based on play.
- When Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) affirms there is uprightness in it, it means that everything He tells us in it is to fill our hearts with knowledge so we increase in faith. So that our hearts become enlightened again by knowing Who is Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) by His Beautiful Names, Actions and Attributes.
- He reveals to us matters of the unseen from the past nations and past stories. He reveals to us matters of the unseen from what will take place in the hereafter.
- Everything that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) commands
 or prohibits us from is all to purify us, make us

grow and to complete us to go back to paradise.

- There is justice, mercy and sincerity in all that we find in the Qur'an. He tells us to direct everything back to Him alone.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) made this human with two lives. Life of the body that can only be enlightened with the soul. When the soul is taken from the body, there is no life remaining.
- There is also the life of the soul in the heart. This
 is enlivened with the faith. This is required in
 order to be saved.
- The heart and soul without faith and light is a dead heart and dead soul.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) revealed this Qur'an to
 bring back this life to us.

- There is nothing more beneficial than to hold on to this Qur'an because in it is the life of our souls and the life of our bodies.
- To benefit from the Qur'an, we need to come to it with a sound heart, a sincere heart and a heart with taqwa (consciousness of Him).
- Taqwa is to focus on the pleasure of Allah. The deciding factor is not what we want but what Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) wants. We make choices based on what Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) shows us from the light of Allah which is the Qur'an and the sunnah.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 2

This is the Book about which there is no doubt, a guidance for those conscious of Allah -

- The Qur'an will be guidance for those with taqwa.
- It is human nature to not leave their habits in one go, they cannot also submit to all the rules in one go, thus every part of the Qur'an is revealed in stages.
- o The Meccan surahs were all about the faith to bring back life to the hearts. Those ayat told them about shirk to purify them of association. So their hearts could be enlightened with faith to have the love of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and the love of the Prophet (عليه). They also spoke about belief in the hereafter to give them the drive and hope for paradise. At the same time to be warned of the fire. So they were motivated to do good, have the best

manners and stay away from anything that can lead them to the fire.

- Then came the establishing of the prayer which the connection between the creation and the Creator. Then the fasting was prescribed. Then zakat was prescribed which is our connection with people. Then it ends with hajj.
- Then comes ayat about sins and prohibitions.
- We see a gradualness in it. We see how great and wise are the words of Qur'an. It will remain until the Last Day with no change.
- We see the Majesty of Allah in how He describes Himself. This is to humble us.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) speaks of His beauty and
 perfection so our hearts can be filled with His

- love. The heart becomes emptied out from any other kind of love.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) speaks about His mercy,
 gentleness so we have hope in our way to
 Him and become consistent.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) tells us about His justice in order we hold ourselves from evil, or the evil becomes weakened in us so we do not go to the temptations. We have a drive to be away from what is prohibited.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) tells us about the commands, prohibitions, sending of messengers, bringing books and about legislations to bring obedience from us. So we can fulfill the commands, convey it and remind each other.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) tells us about His hearing, seeing, knowledge to bring out modesty in us.
 We feel shy to know this, so we don't want to look at, hear or do what He hates or conceal something disliked in our hearts.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will suffice us to push away bad so this gives us strength to always put our trust in Him, to dispose all our affairs to Him and to be pleased with Him.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) tells us about His greatness
 and grandeur so we become humbled to
 Him. The honor will come from Him and there
 will be dignity in the heart, on the tongue and
 in the actions.
- The heart, speech and actions of this human being is all going around what Allah (سیبحانــه) revealed from this great Qur'an.

- May Allah (سبحانه وتعالی) make us from the people of Qur'an.
- It is the greatest miracle sent to the Prophet (عليه). We feel more and more honored to learn it, recite it and be with it.

MAY ALLAH MAKE US FROM THE PEOPLE OF THE QUR'AN.

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