



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ

## عش مع الله العليم

### LIVE WITH ALLAH AL 'ALEEM – THE ALL-KNOWER

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## TAWHEED AND SHIRK

- We will be imbalanced when we associate with Allah (ﷻ) and we will be imbalanced when we add rituals to the deen which did not exist before.
- We ask Allah (ﷻ) to help us fulfill the covenants and it is important to not add things to the contract. Can we add our points after signing a contract? No. It would be cheating, and similarly we cannot worship with Allah (ﷻ) or add to the religion.

- It is important to have loyalty to the contract and when people add things, they will be so rigid as they add it. When people add innovations to the religion, they become very stubborn with it, while forgetting the obligations.
- Innovation can be in belief, invocation, prayers and rituals.
- People might become so attached to the bid'ah and not leave it, but when it comes to the Sunnah, or when it comes to following the commands or leaving the prohibitions as ordained by Allah (ﷻ) and His Messenger (ﷺ), they become very lazy about it.
- It is important to have taqwa and hatred appears when people start to add to the religion. If we add then it becomes fitna.

- The covenant that we sign with Allah (ﷻ) is balanced.

## SUPPLICATION TO WORSHIP ALLAH IN EXCELLENCE

"يا معاذ، والله إني لأحبك، ثم أوصيك يا معاذ لا تدعن في دبر كل صلاة تقول: اللهم أعني على ذكرك وشكرك، وحسن عبادتك"

The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) held my hand and said, "O Mu'adh, By Allah, I love you and advise you not to miss supplicating after every Salat (prayer) saying: 'Allahumma a'inni 'ala dhikrika wa shukrika, wa husni 'ibadatika,' (O Allah, help me remember You, expressing gratitude to You and worship You in the best manner)".<sup>1</sup>

- We should never think that knowledge is something surface. Everything is measured and Allah (ﷻ) reforms and corrects us.

<sup>1</sup> Riyadh As Saliheen, Abu Dawud and An- Nasa'i , Book 1, Hadith 384

- We cannot make something halal as haram and we cannot make something haram as halal. The Jews prohibited foods on themselves that Allah (ﷻ) made halal, and the Christians went the other extreme and made foods halal for them that are prohibited from Allah (ﷻ) such as swine. And this ultimately led to innovations in belief and practice.

## PROTECTION FROM SHIRK

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ أَنْ أُشْرِكَ بِكَ وَأَنَا أَعْلَمُ، وَأَسْتَغْفِرُكَ لِمَا لَا  
أَعْلَمُ

Allāhumma innī a`ūdhu bika an ushrika bika wa anā a`lam, wa astaghfiruka limā lā a`lam.

O Allah, I seek refuge in You lest I associate anything with You knowingly, and I seek Your forgiveness for what I know not.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Sahihut-Tarhib wat- Tarhib 1/19

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## NAME OF ALLAH AL 'ALEEM IN SURAH AL MAEDA

### SURAH AL MAEDA 54

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مَنْ يَرْتَدَّ مِنْكُمْ عَنْ دِينِهِ فَسَوْفَ يَأْتِي اللَّهَ  
بِقَوْمٍ يُحِبُّهُمْ وَيُحِبُّونَهُ أَذِلَّةٍ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ أَعِزَّةٍ عَلَى الْكَافِرِينَ  
يُجَاهِدُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَلَا يَخَافُونَ لَوْمَةَ لَائِمٍ ذَلِكَ فَضْلُ اللَّهِ  
يُؤْتِيهِ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ وَاسِعٌ عَلِيمٌ

O you who have believed, whoever of you should revert from his religion - Allah will bring forth [in place of them] a people He will love and who will love Him [who are] humble toward the believers, powerful against the disbelievers; they strive in the cause of Allah and do not fear the blame of a critic. That is the favor of Allah; He bestows it upon whom He wills. And Allah is all-Encompassing and Knowing.

## SUPPLICATION FOR FORGIVENESS

كان رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم إذا قام إلى الصلاة يكون من آخر ما يقول بين التشهد والتسليم: "اللهم اغفر لي ما قدمت وما أخرت، وما أسررت وما أعلنت، وما أسرفت، وما أنت أعلم به مني، أنت المقدم، وأنت المؤخر، لا إله إلا أنت"

When the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) was in Salat (prayer), he used to supplicate towards the end of prayer after Tashahhud and before the concluding salutations: "Allahum-maghfir li ma qaddamtu wa ma akh-khartu, wa ma asrartu, wa ma a'lantu, wa ma asraftu, wa ma Anta a'lamu bihi minni. Antal-Muqqadimu, wa Antal-Mu'akh-khiru. La ilaha illa Anta (O Allah! Forgive my former and latter sins, which I have done secretly and those which I have done openly, and that I have wronged others, and those defaults of mine about which You have better knowledge than I have. You Alone are The Expediter, and You Alone are The Delayer. None has the right to be worshipped but You."<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Riyadh As Saliheen, Muslim, Book 15, Hadith 17

- A Muslim is the one whom others are safe from his tongue and his hands. And it is important to always seek forgiveness and to spread the salam.

### SPREAD THE SALAM TO ONE ANOTHER

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " وَالَّذِي نَفْسِي بِيَدِهِ لَا تَدْخُلُوا الْجَنَّةَ حَتَّى تُؤْمِنُوا وَلَا تُؤْمِنُوا حَتَّى تَحَابُّوا أَفَلَا أَدُلُّكُمْ عَلَىٰ أَمْرٍ إِذَا فَعَلْتُمُوهُ تَحَابَبْتُمْ أَفْشُوا السَّلَامَ بَيْنَكُمْ "

Abu Hurairah reported the Messenger of Allah (May peace be upon him) as saying:

By Him in whose hand my soul is, you will not enter Paradise until you believe, and you will not believe until you love one another: should I not guide you to something doing which you will love one another: spread out salutation among you.<sup>4</sup>

- We want to be a believer by loving each other and love is the peak that we give to someone.

<sup>4</sup> Sunan Abi Dawud 5193



To love is absolute and not because someone does something for us or not.

○ If we expect something then we do not love. The one who loves does not expect.

○ (أَذِلَّةٌ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ) ([who are] humble toward the

believers,): (أَذِلَّةٌ) means humble to the

believers. The Qur'an polishes us and purifies us and the more we know Who is Allah (ﷻ), the more it makes us ask for forgiveness for ourselves and others. However, if we recite the Qur'an and think of others and not ourselves then we will not be purified.

○ And notice the sequence, if we are humble to the believers, then we can have that proper firmness with the disbelievers.

- (أَذِلَّةً) also means soft and gentle. We lower ourselves to the believers and be tranquil with them.
- If we are (أَعِزَّةً), powerful and firm to the believers then we will be harsh and intense.
- The believers are mirrors to each other, showing the reality of the other, and so we can quickly correct ourselves.
- (أَعِزَّةً عَلَى الْكَافِرِينَ) (powerful against the disbelievers;): (أَعِزَّةً) means powerful and firm with the disbelievers. This means whatever the disbeliever has of disbelief, it does not affect the believer because he has might. He is nice, but is not affected by the disbelief.

- A person does not take in the disbelief of the disbeliever; she will not say, “oh she does not like my hijab, so I will remove it.” A person does not compromise his religion. It is important to be confident with our faith.

### SURAH AL KAFIROON 6

لَكُمْ دِينُكُمْ وَلِيَ دِينِ

For you is your religion, and for me is my religion."

- The disbelievers want us to be like them, to lose our identity, hate our religion and leave it. Allah (ﷻ) says in the Qur'an they will try their best to take out the believers from their religion.
- (يُجَاهِدُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ) (they strive in the cause of Allah): they struggle for the sake of Allah (ﷻ) and they do everything for Him. Notice how Allah (ﷻ) did not mention what they do for Him,

but their relationship with the people first. It is important to have a good relationship with people.

- If our relationship is not good with people, then our struggle for Allah (ﷻ) will not be sincere.
- Struggle in life is to struggle against our desires, whispers of the shaitan, ego, laziness, arrogance and jealousy. And each person knows what he has to do to struggle against himself.
- Before entering paradise, there is the qantara to settle all the scores between people. There must be purification before being with the people and seeing the Face of Allah (ﷻ).
- When we are imbalanced, our struggle will not be for Allah (ﷻ). We will just try to satisfy ourselves.

- We are also to struggle with our money, time, speech, actions and behavior.
- (وَلَا يَخَافُونَ لَوْمَةَ لَائِمٍ) (and do not fear the blame of a critic.): even if someone blames us, we will not be affected or demotivated. We may say salam and then someone tells us, “you’re always saying salam.” If we are not doing it for Allah (ﷻ) then we will get affected by it and stop saying salam, but if we are doing it for His sake then we will not be affected by the blame of others.
- A person may say he loves Allah (ﷻ), but then he is rude to others, then he will not give a good image of Islam.
- If we struggle for the sake of Allah (ﷻ), we will surely be tested. We may be giving for Allah (ﷻ)

or studying for Allah (ﷻ), and then someone will blame us. If we are sincere, we will not give up our struggle.

- The closer we are to someone, the more we will end making the same mistakes with them. Allah (ﷻ) gave us a limited time with whoever we have in our life. And there can be a clash with husband and wife or siblings, but the moment one passes away, all the feelings of bitterness go away. The moment they leave we realize it was all a test.
- We are not here forever, and we want to purify ourselves while we are here in this life, and not have any regrets. And most of our nurturing will be with people closest to us.
- In paradise, we will all be facing each other and this is what we want in this life. Our real

enemy is the shaitan who does not want the best for us.

- The one whom Allah (ﷻ) loves will not be afraid of the blame of the blamers. Ibn Taymiyah (may Allah have mercy on him) spent most of his life in struggle against those who brought ideologies to the religion, and at the end of his life, he was placed in prison. He had no papers or pen, but had the Qur'an and he said Allah (ﷻ) opened so much for him. Even his students would come to visit him and they would feel more tense, but he would say, "my paradise is in my heart."
- Fearing the blame of the blamer shows weak faith, less motivation and no determination. If we love, we will not worry about being

blamed. If the heart is free of shirk, then it will not fear.

○ We will be sensitive and emotional with blames when there is no sincerity.

○ **(ذَلِكَ فَضْلُ اللَّهِ يُؤْتِيهِ مَن يَشَاءُ)** (That is the favor of

Allah; He bestows it upon whom He wills.): all of these qualities are not the justice but the favor of Allah (ﷻ). Justice with people is not to oppress or harm them.

○ We enter paradise by the mercy and favor of Allah (ﷻ). He deals with favor with the good-doers and justice with the evil-doers.

○ And this truly humbles us and not be proud or arrogant, but to be grateful to Allah (ﷻ).

○ **(وَاللَّهُ وَاسِعٌ عَلِيمٌ)** (And Allah is all-Encompassing

and Knowing.): Allah (ﷻ) is The Most Vast and



All-Knowing to know who to favor. He is The Most Vast in the description and qualities of those worthy of His favor and who is worthy of this favor.

- Allah (ﷻ) knows who is worthy and who is not. If someone is not taking care of his religion, then Allah (ﷻ) can easily replace him with someone ready-made.
- Allah (ﷻ) promised that both paradise and hellfire will be filled. The hellfire wants more because it is never satisfied. So Allah (ﷻ) will place His Foot in a manner that suits His majesty into the fire, and then the hellfire will say, “enough, enough.” But Allah (ﷻ) will create a creation to fill paradise.

- If we are not satisfied, humble or not fulfilling the covenant, Allah (ﷻ) will bring someone ready-made.

## SUPPLICATION TO KEEP OUR HEARTS FIRM

يَا مُقَلِّبَ الْقُلُوبِ ثَبِّتْ قَلْبِي عَلَى دِينِكَ

*Yā muqallibal-qulūbi thabbit qalbī `alā dīnik*  
 O Turner of the hearts, keep my heart firm upon  
 Your religion<sup>5</sup>

*Homework: read the tafsir of ayat 70 to 77 in  
 Surah Al Maeda.*

MAY ALLAH MAKE US WORTHY OF HIS LOVE. AMEEN.

<sup>5</sup> Jami` at-Tirmidhi 3587

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