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AL KAAFI (The Most Sufficient)

- As humans we can feel unsatisfied. We go between two extremes - either we have had enough, or we cannot have enough of something, depending on our weaknesses.
- The Name Al Kaafi is mentioned once in the Qur'an.

SURAH AZ ZUMAR 36

أَلَيْسَ اللَّهُ بِكَافٍ عَبْدَهُ

Is not Allah sufficient for His Servant [Prophet Muhammad]?

- We need this affirmation especially when facing situations of fear, facing enemies, attacks and plots. Allah Al Kaafi will suffice to show us how to react in these moments.
- This name is not joined with other names. This itself shows us that He is enough for us.
- The word (كفى) meaning sufficient is also mentioned in the Qur'an. It appears eight times in Surah An Nisa. Women can feel like they are not sufficed even if their husband expresses his love to her, gives her gifts and protects her.
- The moments we feel like we are not sufficed are moments to submit and surrender to Allah Al Kaafi.

SURAH AN NISA 45

وَاللَّهُ أَعْلَمُ بِأَعْدَائِكُمْ ۚ وَكَفَى بِاللَّهِ وَلِيًّا وَكَفَى بِاللَّهِ نَصِيرًا

And Allah is most knowing of your enemies; and sufficient is Allah as an ally, and sufficient is Allah as a helper.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) knows who our enemies are.

Our greatest enemy is our nafs. We need Al Kaafi to help us stop the enmity and evil of our nafs, shaithan and others.

- He is enough as our Wali to support us.
- The inner battles we face are different and Al Kaafi is the One Who suffices us.

SURAH AN NISA 132

وَلِلَّهِ مَا فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ ۚ وَكَفَى بِاللَّهِ وَكِيلًا

And to Allah belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And sufficient is Allah as Disposer of affairs.

- Sometimes we go in circles to many but is Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) not enough for us as our Trustee when He has access to everything in the heavens and the earth?
- People appoint lawyers to take them out from jail, putting their full faith in them while forgetting that Allah is the real Trustee. He has access to all the people, places and hearts.

SURAH AL ISRA 17

وَكَفَىٰ بِرَبِّكَ بِذُنُوبِ عِبَادِهِ خَبِيرًا بَصِيرًا

And sufficient is your Lord, concerning the sins of His servants, as Acquainted and Seeing.

- He is All Aware and it is enough that He knows about the sins and wrongdoings of the people. This can especially come up when a weakness is triggered through others. We may not have noticed them before or noticed their faults.

- He is Al Kaafi to bring provision and what they need for this world and in the next.
- The Sufficiency of Allah is of two kinds:
 - General: anything that is general is inclusive of all; believer, disbeliever, good and evil doer.
 - He guides the birds in the sky, the fish in the sea, the animals on the land and even the fetus in the womb is provided.
 - He gives exactly what each one needs and not more or less.
 - Special: this is for this world and the next, and it is for those who place their trust in Him.
- He is sufficient for anyone who tries to harm others. These people have taqwa

(consciousness of Allah) and tawakkul (reliance on Allah).

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) can even change the universal rules to save them as we see how the fire became cool for Ibrahim (عليه السلام).
- Sometimes people remain stuck under avalanches or earthquakes for days and are rescued. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is the One Who protects them.
- He protected the companions of the cave by putting them to sleep. Otherwise they would have been stoned. We don't know how Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) protects us even with our sleep.
- If we entrust a lawyer to take care of our matters and they ask for a document from twenty years ago, we would make an effort to

find it as it would benefit or save us. Whatever decrees and commands Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) takes us through is to bring out the best from us.

- If a decree comes to forgive someone, we forgive them as we don't know how this will be a means to save us.
- Shaythan can have authority over a person himself or he will also attack through people around or even by moving things around in a room. He targets our weaknesses to get a reaction from us.

SUPPLICATION WHEN LEAVING THE HOME

وعن أنس: أن النبي ﷺ، قال: «إِذَا خَرَجَ الرَّجُلُ مِنْ بَيْتِهِ، فَقَالَ: بِسْمِ اللَّهِ، تَوَكَّلْتُ عَلَى اللَّهِ، لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ، قَالَ: يُقَالُ حِينَئِذٍ: هُدَيْتَ، وَكُفَيْتَ، وَوُقِيْتَ، فَتَتَنَحَّى لَهُ الشَّيَاطِينُ، فَيَقُولُ لَهُ شَيْطَانٌ آخَرٌ: كَيْفَ لَكَ بِرَجُلٍ قَدْ هَدَيْتَ وَكُفَيْتَ وَوُقِيْتَ؟»

The Prophet (ﷺ) said: When a man goes out of his house and says: "In the name of Allah, I trust in Allah; there is no might and no power but in Allah," the following will be said to him at that time: "You are guided, defended and protected." The devils will go far from him and another devil will say: How can you deal with a man who has been guided, defended and protected?¹

- People come on our path to trigger whatever we are lacking. Perhaps we forgot our phone and they come and make us anxious about it.
- They bring up scenarios based on our weaknesses.
- But when Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) protects, He will keep the believers firm in life, in the grave and suffice them from sadness and grief.

¹ Sunan Abi Dawud 5095

- At the time of death, angels one after another will descend on them.

SURAH FUSSILAT 30 TO 32

30.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ ثُمَّ اسْتَقَامُوا تَتَنَزَّلُ عَلَيْهِمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ أَلَّا
تَخَافُوا وَلَا تَحْزَنُوا وَأَبْشِرُوا بِالْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي كُنتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ

Indeed, those who have said, "Our Lord is Allah" and then remained on a right course - the angels will descend upon them, [saying], "Do not fear and do not grieve but receive good tidings of Paradise, which you were promised.

31.

نَحْنُ أَوْلِيَاؤُكُمْ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا تَشْتَهِي
أَنْفُسُكُمْ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا تَدَّعُونَ

We were your allies in the worldly life and in the Hereafter. And you will have therein whatever your souls desire, and you will have therein whatever you request

32.

نُزُلًا مِنْ غَفُورٍ رَحِيمٍ

As accommodation from a [Lord who is] Forgiving and Merciful."

- Angels give them glad tidings and they feel at rest. They are not sad for leaving and have nothing to worry about. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) grant us a good end.

FOUR RAKAHS OF DHUHA PRAYER

فعن عقبه بن عامر، أن رسول الله قال: «إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَقُولُ: يَا ابْنَ آدَمَ، اكْفِنِي أَوَّلَ النَّهَارِ بِأَرْبَعِ رَكَعَاتٍ أَكْفِكَ مِنْ آخِرِ يَوْمِكَ»

Allah's Messenger narrated that Allah, Blessed and Most High said: "Son of Adam: Perform four Rak'ah for Me in the beginning of the day it will suffice you for the latter part of it."²

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) does not need to be sufficed by us. The scholars said that these four units are either the sunnah of fajr and the fajr prayer itself or the four units of dhuha prayer.

² Jami` at-Tirmidhi 475

- This person will be sufficed from any worries or tests. We never forget this prayer as we don't know how our days can unfold.
- The Prophet (ﷺ) gave wassiyah to Abu Bakr (رضي الله عنه) to not leave the dhuha prayer, the witr prayer and fasting three days every month.

SUPPLICATION TO FULFILL DEBT

عن علي، رضي الله عنه، أن مكاتبًا جاءه، فقال: إني عجزت عن كتابتي. فأعني. قال: ألا أعلمك كلمات علمنيهن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم، لو كان عليك مثل جبل دينا أداه الله عنك؟ قل: "اللهم اكفني بحلالك عن حرامك، وأغنني بفضلك عن سواك"

'Ali (رضي الله عنه) reported: A slave who had made a contract with his master to pay for his freedom, came to me and said: "I am unable to fulfill my obligation, so help me." He said to him: "Shall I not teach you a supplication which the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) taught me? It will surely prove so effective that if you have a

debt as large as a huge mountain, Allah will surely pay it for you. Say: 'Allahumm-akfini bihalalika 'an haramika, wa aghnini bifadlika 'amman siwaka (O Allah! Grant me enough of what You make lawful so that I may dispense with what You make unlawful, and enable me by Your Grace to dispense with all but You).'³

- We don't know how the help can come to fulfill our debts.

RECITING THE LAST TWO VERSES OF SURAH AL BAQARAH AT NIGHT

مَنْ قَرَأَ بِالْآيَتَيْنِ مِنْ آخِرِ سُورَةِ الْبَقَرَةِ فِي لَيْلَةٍ كَفَّتَاهُ .

The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "If one recites the last two verses of Surat al-Baqarah at night, it is sufficient for him (for that night)."⁴

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will provide him and solve his problems. We may put our head down at night and a video starts playing in our minds

³ Sahih At Tirmidhi 3563

⁴ Sahih al-Bukhari 5040

of what we went through in the day or of our worries and issues. Reciting these verses need belief. There is so much ‘listening and obeying’. When we show neediness and slavery to Him, He will suffice us.

- We don't know how things can happen and how decrees can unfold but this is the place of faith.

SUPPLICATION BEFORE SLEEP

وكان ﷺ إذا أوى إلى فراشه، يقول: «الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَطْعَمَنَا
وَسَقَانَا، وَكَفَانَا وَأَوَانَا، فَكَمْ مِمَّنْ لَا كَافِيَ لَهُ وَلَا مُؤْوِي»

When the Messenger of Allah (May peace be upon him) went to his bed, he would say: Praise be to Allah who has fed us, given us drink, satisfied us and given us refuge. Many there are who have no one to provide sufficiency for them, or give them refuge.⁵

⁵ Sunan Abi Dawud 5053

- To sleep in peace does not mean that there are no problems or issues. But the believer is in peace because he knows that he can always turn to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). He knows that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will make a way out for him. This is why he is in peace regardless of the environment he is in.
- We can never get enough of knowing and loving Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- Anything that we get or miss in life are exactly right. He knows that we cannot handle matters in one time because of our responsibilities.
- We never think that He is not enough for us.

- Knowing Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) Al Kaafi makes a person feel that he does not need anyone or anything else.
- He is enough to love us with perfect love. He is enough in His richness. He is enough in His responding. He will give us everything.
- The righteous predecessors either said or even wrote to one another - (مَنْ جَعَلَ الْهُمُومَ هَمًّا وَاجِدًا - هَمٌّ) - (المَعَادِ - كَفَاهُ اللَّهُ هَمَّ دُنْيَاهُ، وَمَنْ تَشَعَّبَتْ بِهِ الْهُمُومُ فِي أَحْوَالِ الدُّنْيَا لَمْ يُبَالِ الْمَعَادِ - كَفَاهُ اللَّهُ هَمَّ دُنْيَاهُ، وَمَنْ تَشَعَّبَتْ بِهِ الْهُمُومُ فِي أَحْوَالِ الدُّنْيَا لَمْ يُبَالِ الْمَعَادِ) ('Whoever focuses all his concerns on one thing, the Hereafter, Allah will relieve him of worldly concerns, but whoever has disparate concerns scattered among a number of worldly issues, Allah will not care in which of its valleys he died.'")

- If a person fixes what is between him and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will fix what is between him and the people.
- We face situations and our sins and sicknesses are exposed to us. In that moment we want to have taqwa with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). To admit we have these feelings and ask Him to fix it for us. A person hates to have these feelings and when he turns to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), He will suffice him. He will fix us in private without being exposed in front of the people.
- When a person fixes what is inside him, he doesn't know how he can be a means to help others overcome their own struggles.
- Al Kaafi loves those who place their trust in Him.

- Tawakkul is to have complete trust in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) while taking the legislative means. He has wisdom in taking the means.
- The Prophet (ﷺ) and his companions were the most complete in their tawakkul, yet they still took provision. They still traded and earn their livelihood while having full tawakkul.
- They still covered themselves and wore armor in battle.
- Even Yaqub (عليه السلام) told his sons to enter from different doors.

MAY ALLAH SUFFICE US. AMEEN.

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