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INTRODUCTION

- Surah Aal Imraan is about firmness and this does that mean that our level needs to be the same every time. For example, we can do more or less in different Ramadans, but firmness is when our heart remains firm.
- Firmness of the heart is more difficult than firmness of the limbs. Firmness of the heart is to always attach to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and not turn away from Him, to always be grateful to Him and not be ungrateful and to always

remember Him. Who can keep our heart firm?
Allah Al Hayy Al Qayyoom.

- And surely the Qur'an will keep us up to standard in the best way. The Qur'an confirms what is in the previous books, so it is not something strange.
- And Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) sent down the Tawrat and Injeel and this shows He never leaves humanity with sending a book to them for guidance. He never leaves anyone without support.
- Nevertheless, the Qur'an abrogates the previous books, but Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) still mentions the Tawrat and Injeel, why? Because a group of Christians from Najran came to Medina to know about Islam. So Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) revealed Surah Aal Imraan. That's why

Surah Aal Imraan addresses the Christians while Surah Al Baqarah addresses Banu Israel.

- We find the story of Jesus (عليه السلام) and Maryam (عليه السلام) mentioned in Surah Aal Imraan and this is to show that we believe in the messengers. And those who accept Islam from the People of the Book are rewarded double because they believed in their Messenger and their Book and they are rewarded again for believing in Mohammed (ﷺ) and the Qur'an.
- More Christians enter Islam because it is a continuation of what they already believe since they already believe in Jesus (عليه السلام).
- And this shows that Islam does not separate, but invites the people to be together.

- What makes people to be more guided?
When there is criterion and this is to be able to distinguish between opposites.
- The more a person can distinguish between opposites, the more a person will benefit from guidance in the Book. And Who will give us criterion to distinguish? Allah Al Hayy Al Qayyoom.
- We will not understand belief if we did not see disbelief. We will not appreciate love if we did not see hatred. We will not appreciate light if we did not see darkness.
- That's why those who accept Islam are firmer because they have seen both sides, unlike someone just born into it.
- Sometimes we go through difficult situations, experiences and decrees in order to attain

criterion. We go through hardship and difficulty so that we appreciate what is good, and can be more grateful.

- In order to be firm on the religion, we need furqan (criterion).

LIVE WITH THE QUR'AN – SURAH AAL IMRAAN

DO NOT GO AGAINST THE MIGHT OF ALLAH

SURAH AAL IMRAAN 3 TO 4

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نَزَّلَ عَلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ مُصَدِّقًا لِّمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ وَأَنزَلَ التَّوْرَةَ
وَالْإِنْجِيلَ

He has sent down upon you, [O Muhammad (ﷺ)], the Book in truth, confirming what was before it. And He revealed the Torah and the Gospel.

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مِنْ قَبْلُ هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ وَأَنْزَلَ الْفُرْقَانَ إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا بِآيَاتِ
 اللَّهِ لَهُمْ عَذَابٌ شَدِيدٌ وَاللَّهُ عَزِيزٌ ذُو انتِقَامٍ

Before, as guidance for the people. And He revealed the Qur'an. Indeed, those who disbelieve in the verses of Allah will have a severe punishment, and Allah is exalted in Might, the Owner of Retribution.

○ (وَأَنْزَلَ الْفُرْقَانَ) (And He revealed the Qur'an.):

Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) not only sent the books, but sent decrees so that we may have criterion. For example, in Ramadan we cannot eat for thirty days unlike other months, and this will give us criterion when we see what it is like to be without food. Thus any legislation is to give us criterion.

○ And the result of having furqan is to be Slaves of the Most Merciful. A person will be more

compassionate and easier in life when seeing both sides.

○ (إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ لَهُمْ عَذَابٌ شَدِيدٌ) (Indeed,

those who disbelieve in the verses of Allah will have a severe punishment,): However, there are people whom despite being shown guidance and criterion, they still disbelieve in the ayat, and for them is a severe torment in this life and the next.

○ We do not want to punishment in this life, and what will keep us away from it? When we believe and are grateful.

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مَا يَفْعَلُ اللَّهُ بِعَذَابِكُمْ إِن شَكَرْتُمْ وَآمَنْتُمْ ۚ 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.

- Any pain in life is a message to be grateful and to believe more. We should not think bad when something happens to us. We can easily forget blessings and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will remind us through pain. It is not to make us weak or to despair, but to be grateful.
- We ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to protect us from all types of punishment in this life, in the grave and hereafter.
- (وَاللَّهُ عَزِيزٌ ذُو انتِقَامٍ) (and Allah is exalted in Might, the Owner of Retribution.): these are intense Names to show the intensity of denying the guidance and criterion of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). If a person just indulges and despairs in the

situation they are in, then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will show them His Might.

- Allah Al 'Aziz is The All-Mighty Who cannot be resisted. If we resist The Irresistible, then what will happen? We will break. So what should we do? Surrender, submit and go with it. The more we go against it, the more painful it will be.
- We need to submit to the Might of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and then He will remove the pain. The moment we submit, the easier it will be, but if we reject and oppose, then it will be painful.
- Al Muntqam is not one of the Names of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because He is not vengeful to all, but only to those who deserve to see that side. Someone who is disrespectful and rejecting will be shown a different face so that they may return.

- We do not want to disobey Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) or disbelieve in Him because we will be crushed and will be unable to handle it.
- In conclusion, firmness is not about being solid, but being firm in the heart. We also want to accept the decree and criterion of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and not resist it, otherwise we will be torn and broken.

MAY ALLAH GRANT US CRITERION. AMEEN.

DIVINE NURTURING LESSONS

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