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LIVE WITH THE QUR'AN – SURAH FUSSILAT

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LIVE WITH THE QUR'AN – SURAH FUSSILAT TAFSIR AND TADDABUR

- 'Aad and Thamud were two destroyed nations because both of them:
 - Turned away from the messengers that came to them
 - Did not worship Allah
 - Disrespected and rejected the messengers
- The people of 'Aad were arrogant and proud of themselves. They said “who is stronger than

us?” and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) told them, “He created them and is stronger than them.”

- As for Thamud, we are told of what they did and consequently their punishment.

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وَأَمَّا ثَمُودُ فَهَدَيْنَاهُمْ فَاسْتَحَبُّوا الْعَمَىٰ عَلَى الْهُدَىٰ فَأَخَذَتْهُمُ
صَاعِقَةُ الْعَذَابِ الْهُونِ بِمَا كَانُوا يَكْسِبُونَ

And as for Thamud, We guided them, but they preferred blindness over guidance, so the thunderbolt of humiliating punishment seized them for what they used to earn.

- Thamud was an Arab tribe known for their intelligence. They had different techniques in doing things.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) sent the Messenger Salih (عليه السلام) to them so they may believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). Yet they challenged the messenger

and demanded to be granted a specific ayah – a pregnant she-camel that would appear from behind a stone.

○ Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) granted them this ayah and since they asked for this ayah, there are conditions to it. They are to alternate days in drinking water. One day the she-camel will drink water, while they would drink from her milk. And the other day, they will drink water and the she-camel will not drink. And then they choose a miserable, drunkard man to kill the she-camel.

○ (وَأَمَّا ثَمُودُ فَهَدَيْنَاهُمْ) (And as for Thamud, We guided them,): Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) mentions His action on the people of Thamud – He guided them. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) guides everyone to the

truth, but for Thamud, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) guided them more since they asked for an ayah and they were given that ayah.

○ The she-camel was an ayah seen and witnessed by all. And since Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) brought more guidance to them through this ayah, they have no excuse to not believe.

○ (فَاسْتَحَبُّوا الْعَمَى عَلَى الْهُدَى) (but they preferred blindness over guidance,): they preferred (الْعَمَى) – blindness over (الْهُدَى) – guidance. It is important to accept the ayat that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) sends to us.

○ Despite a clear and seen miracle that was shown to them, they preferred to be blind to it. Imagine someone seeing the truth and not wanting to see it. They preferred misguidance;

they do not want to change since the truth came to them.

○ We do not want to disable our eyes from Allah's ayat; we do not want to choose blindness over guidance.

○ (فَأَخَذَتْهُمُ صَاعِقَةٌ الْعَذَابِ الْهُونِ) (so the thunderbolt of humiliating punishment seized them): Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) gave them the ayah they wanted, and then they did not want it, so they were seized by (صَاعِقَةٌ) – a shocking torment, and this torment was humiliating.

○ The people of Thamud were so specific in asking for an ayah, and similarly their torment was (الْهُونِ) – humiliating, as if they are nothing.

○ And this is in line with their action. Just as they saw the ayah from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) as nothing, the torment struck them as if they are nothing.

○ (بِمَا كَانُوا يَكْسِبُونَ) (for what they used to earn.):

what they earned is not limited to killing the she-camel, but because behind it is utmost disbelief and denial. And Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is never unfair to the slaves.

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وَنَجَّيْنَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَكَانُوا يَتَّقُونَ

And We saved those who believed and used to fear Allah.

○ Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) saved the Messenger Salih (عليه السلام) and the believers, and what is their description?

- (وَنَجَّيْنَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا) (And We saved those who believed): if we want to be saved from any humiliating torment, it is important to believe.
- (وَكَانُوا يَتَّقُونَ) (and used to fear Allah.): they have taqwa, they abstain from shirk, disbelief and disobedience. They make an effort to not follow their desires.

BENEFITS FROM THE AYAH

- Belief and taqwa save us from humiliation and torment.
- Do not reject Allah's ayat that come to you.

MAY ALLAH SAVE US ALL TYPES OF TORMENT. AMEEN.

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

LISTEN TO THE CLASS – FOR WOMEN

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