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INTRODUCTION

SURAH AAL IMRAAN 103

وَاعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلَا تَفَرَّقُوا - وَاذْكُرُوا نِعْمَتَ اللَّهِ عَلَيْكُمْ إِذْ كُنتُمْ أَعْدَاءً فَأَلَّفَ بَيْنَ قُلُوبِكُمْ فَأَصْبَحْتُم بِنِعْمَتِهِ إِخْوَ انًا وَكُنتُمْ عَلَىٰ شَفَا حُفْرَةٍ مِّنَ النَّارِ فَأَنقَذَكُم مِّنْهَا حَذَلِكَ يُبَيِّنُ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ آيَاتِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَهْتَدُونَ

And hold firmly to the rope of Allah all together and do not become divided. And remember the favor of Allah upon you - when you were enemies and He brought your hearts together and you became, by His favor, brothers. And you were on the edge of a pit of the Fire, and He saved you from it. Thus does Allah make clear to you His verses that you may be guided.

- When Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) joins us, He even joins our nurturing together, and this is what makes us connected. Connection is not just about being with someone, but real connection is when we are nurtured together.
- When we were "enemies" before, it does not necessarily mean one against the other, but each was being nurtured differently.
- And when we are together, our nurturing becomes merged. The Qur'an nurtures and merges all of us. The Qur'an gathers us, the qibla gathers us, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is One Who gathers us and we follow the Prophet (ﷺ).

- When we go through situations alone, we think we are doing good, but when we are others, we are purified.
- We were all at the edge of the fire and Allah
 (سبحانه وتعالى) saved us all and may He always
 connect us.

RECAP FROM SURAH FUSSILAT

- For the people of Thamud, they preferred blindness over guidance, and what makes someone to remain in blindness and ignorance, despite being intelligent? Because they want to follow their intelligence and not the knowledge and ayat that came to them.
- When we ask for anything or suggest anything, we need to follow it. We cannot just suggest and then we take ourselves out.

- If we make dua or ask for anything, we need to take the guidance until the end. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) always guide us. Ameen.
- For example, it is not just becoming Muslim, but then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will guide us more. When we come to class, there is guidance and then how to follow that guidance?
- So the blindness came after the ayah and guidance came to them. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will give us, but that is not the end, there are requirements after it. We are accountable.
- We may ask for health, marriage or children and when Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) gives us, that is not the end of it, but we have to follow Allah's guidance. If we ask for a companion for the

sake of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), then surely we need to

follow the guidance that comes after it.

- Human beings want to highlight their dreams, wishes or duas when it is fulfilled, but it is important to highlight the actions of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because we can feel deceived with ourselves thinking Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) loves us for giving us, and we do not act.
- <u>•</u> Everything around us are ayat (signs) that show
 us (لا إله الا الله), show us the perfection of Allah

(سبحانه وتعالى) and to worship Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

The more ayat, the more is required from us. But imagine if we just look at ayat around as beautiful, but we do not change.

- Thamud asked for an ayah, and a very specific and exceptional ayah, and they got it, but now they are responsible.
- We make dua to be admitted to jennah and Firdaous al 'Ala and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will respond to us, how? By bringing situations that lead us to jennah, but do we take it or not. Or we ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to protect us from a sin,

and when there is a situation, do we come near that sin or not?

^o When the ayat are so clear, then surely there is requirement and accountability. It is important to be truthful in what we ask. If our child comes and explains to us what happened in school and we remain quiet, then child will not like it. But if we open up about our life and experience, then they will open up more.

SURAH FUSSILAT 8

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَهُمْ أَجْرُغَيْرُ مَمْنُونٍ

Indeed, those who believe and do righteous deeds - for them is a reward uninterrupted.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) speaks to us with His Words of the Qur'an and then we become like a "wall", subhan Allah.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) brings so much elaboration, so what's required from a believer? To believe and do good.
- Human beings do not look at what they have, but to look at what they do not have.

SURAH FUSSILAT 18

وَنَجَّيْنَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَكَانُوا يَتَّقُونَ

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

And those who believe and have taqwa will be saved. Thamud asked for an ayah, and the ayah came to them, but they were blind to it, though the believers benefitted it from it. For example, a student may ask for more explanation from the teacher, but that student doesn't benefit all, but the good students benefit from that question.

REWARD FOR THE LADY

إذا صلَّتِ المرأةُ خَمْسَها ، وصامَت شهرَها ، وحَفِظَت فرْجَها ، "وأطاعَت زَوجَها ، دخَلتِ الجنَّةَ

If a lady prays her five prayers, fasts the month of Ramadan, guards her chastity and obeys her husband, she will be admitted to paradise.¹

The woman who prays her five prayers, fasts the month of Ramadan, guards her chastity and obeys her husband, it will be said to her to

¹ Sahih Aj Jami'e 661, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

enter from any door of paradise. It is important to focus on what is essential. The People of Thamud had a messenger come to them and that itself is a great ayah.

- Someone's dream and wish may be to have a bigger house, and she is granted, but she did not benefit it. The housekeeper is the one enjoying the kitchen instead.
- When Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) gives us blessings, then we need to keep up with it. We may ask for many ayat, but before we believe and do good, there is a book and a messenger. And if we do not have a messenger, then the book will be difficult.
- A messenger brings short-cuts for us by putting everyone in their position, how? He places himself in his position.

 A messenger was sent to Thamud and told them to worship Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) alone, but they did not want it, they found it "boring", so they wanted an ayah of their own.

SURAH FUSSILAT 6 TO 8

6 قُلْ إِنَّمَا أَنَا بَشَرٌ مِّثْلُكُمْ يُوحَىٰ إِلَيَّ أَنَّمَا إِلَىٰ كُمْ إِلَٰهٌ وَاحِدٌ فَاسْتَقِيمُوا إِلَيْهِ وَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ وَوَيْلٌ لِّلْمُشْرِكِينَ

Say, O [Muhammad (ﷺ)], "I am only a man like

you to whom it has been revealed that your god is but one God; so take a straight course to Him and seek His forgiveness." And woe to those who associate others with Allah -

الَّذِينَ لَا يُؤْتُونَ الزَّكَاةَ وَهُم بِالْآخِرَةِ هُمْ كَافِرُونَ

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Those who do not give zakah, and in the Hereafter they are disbelievers.

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Indeed, those who believe and do righteous deeds - for them is a reward uninterrupted.

- A messenger will tell us exactly what we need.
 The messenger is a human like us, so he is not a god, but he is favored with revelation from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- The Prophet (*) had to emphasize his role so that others know his position because there are different people out there. It is important to set up a right foundation from the beginning, and then it will show who is good and who is not.
- For example, if a mother is not fulfilling her role to reform her children, then a nanny will take that place, and the feelings are different. The mother is more merciful than anyone else. And

similarly, the prophets have feelings that are suitable for all.

- After the Prophet (ﷺ) mentioned who he is then whatever he says will be a short-cut, and which Name of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) did he tell the people? Which Name will unite them all? Allah Al llaah – The One worthy of being worshipped.
- The messengers say what is truthful and that is why it is important to take his word from the first time, and then we will be saved. When anyone in position tells us something, then surely there is an impact on our purification.
- Following the messengers from the start makes us truthful because we overcome our ego. However, if there is rejection, then it is another "medicine". And from all the Names of Allah

(سبحانه وتعالى), the Prophet (ﷺ) said, "your llaah is One".

ALLAH AL ILAAH (יעָנא) – THE ONE WORTHY OF WORSHIP

- The Name of Allah Al Ilaah has a lot of emotions and feelings. He is the One worthy of worship.
- These feelings of worship are so great. This goes back to the purity of feelings in the heart before the words uttered by the tongue or any other action of the limbs.
- Allah Al Ilaah is (المحبوب) The Most Beloved. It is a favor from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to have these feelings of love. These feelings are something so great that we cannot encompass or put a boundary to it.

- It is a feeling of love towards Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) that comes when one is alone, in the darkness of the night. A feeling of the heart curling inside out of the love He makes you feel. It is when all the means are cut-off and there is no one except Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). This feeling is unlike any feeling towards anyone else.
- At the same time there is submission in the heart. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is the only one capable of moving our hearts in this way.
- This Name makes our hearts always be in awe of Him and never be bored of these feelings.
- A person may be impressed by any other ilaah for a while but the feelings will die out.
- He is the Only One worthy to have these feelings of love and awe. He is the One Who baffles our minds and we cannot surround Him.

- Laa ilaaha illa Allah (لا إله إلا الله) (There is no one worthy of worship except Allah) is the everlasting word. The heavens and earth were created for this word which is about Al llaah.
- This great word is so powerful that we cannot understand its greatness unless we negate any other Ilaah other than Him first. We feel the heaviness and greatness of this word.
- This absolute perfection can only be from Him.
 This Name humbles us and no one else can have this effect on the hearts except Allah.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 163 وَإِلَٰهُكُمْ إِلَٰهُ وَاحِدٌ لَا اللَّهُ إِلَٰهُ إِلَٰهُ إِلَٰهُ اللَّحَمْنُ الرَّحِيمُ And your god is one God. There is no deity [worthy of worship] except Him, the Entirely Merciful, the Especially Merciful.

 It is all mercy from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to love and submit to One. It is a mercy to have Him as our Ilaah because this will sustain us till the end. We will not be scattered or disappointed.

- We do not want to lose these feelings. How? By constantly seeing that no one is more perfect than Him. We want to have these feelings and activate it.
- Only Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) knows the weight of these feelings. It is very humbling to have these feelings. We are imperfect, yet He shows us so much feelings.
- For any other ilaah there is only giving of feelings but there is nothing coming back from them.
- He places feeling in us to love Him more and to see His greatness. Only a true llaah can have this connection that remains.

- We will not look at ourselves when we know Who is Al Ilaah. The Name "Allah" comes from (ها) which is the One full of beauty, and (ها) which means we always admire Him and have feelings for Him.
- Al Ilaah is to enjoy loving Him and being connected to Him.
- So we are to be steadfast on loving Allah (وتعالى) and asking for forgiveness because we are below standard, and we need forgiveness so that we can see more of His beauty.
- Al Ilaah is the One Whom we admire and have feelings and He will show us His perfection.
- The more we attach to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and love Him with all our heart, the more He will show us the best.

- O We all need connection, and connection is not limited to our deeds, but to (لا إله الا الله الا الله), and then we will have good feelings for everyone.
- May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) give everyone feelings for
 Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and make the tongue to show
 the love of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and love of the
 Prophet (ﷺ).
- We need to learn how to love and to connect right and the Names of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is what moves the heart. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) place the love of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) in everyone's hearts and to speak of it.
- If we love One and our heart goes to One, then we will be connected. But if we do not have that, then everyone will only look at their deeds.

- If all our heart goes to One and our messenger is one, then how will our life be?
- If we love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), we will love everything from Him, we will not feel jealous or think we are better, but what brings about these sensitivities? When our feelings are not for Al llaah and for something else instead.
- Our heart needs to be connected emotionally to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). And the nurturing with the Name of Al Ilaah is when all the means are cutoff and we are only focused on Allah (مربحانه). We want all our heart to have feelings for Him.

SURAH MOHAMMED 19

فَاعْلَمْ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَٰهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاسْتَغْفِرْ لِذَنبِكَ So know (O Muhammad (صلى الله عليه وسلم that, La ilaha illallah (none has the right to be worshipped but Allah), and ask forgiveness for your sin,

• The Name Al Ilaah levels all the creation and only He is the highlight.

MAY ALLAH FILL OUR HEARTS WITH HIS LOVE AND MAY WE EXPRESS THAT LOVE. AMEEN.

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