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INTRODUCTION

- Our belief in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is not just based on believing in Him, but knowing Him, and knowing His beauty, majesty and grandeur, and this makes us trust Him. Anyone else would be below standard, and we all deserve the best standard and that is when we depend on Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- What makes our connection to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) special? It is based on love. We are not a slave

who just works, puts tension on themselves and tried to get everything right without feelings. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is The Most Exalted, He can create billions who will their work perfectly, but it is about people who love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and connect to Him. Even if we do nothing, but our heart is moving in loving Him, He will accept. When our heart moves and makes dua to Him, He will accept it.

- Some people can reach a high level because they constantly assess themselves and against others, so their focus is only on themselves. But then a person becomes like a machine, working and doing things without feelings. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) says in the Qur'an:

SURAH ADH DHAARIYAAT 56 TO 58

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وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ

And I did not create the jinn and mankind
except to worship Me.

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مَا أُرِيدُ مِنْهُمْ مِنْ رِزْقٍ وَمَا أُرِيدُ أَنْ يُطْعَمُونِ

I do not want from them any provision, nor do I
want them to feed Me.

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إِنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الرَّزَّاقُ ذُو الْقُوَّةِ الْمَتِينُ

Indeed, it is Allah who is the [continual] Provider,
the firm possessor of strength.

- Something that stresses people and it can overtake their lives is seeking provision. They think if they work more, then their provision will be constant. But Surah Adh Dhaariyaat tells us how we will get constant provision without discontinuity.

- Will we get constant provision because of constant work, constant struggling and constant arguing? No.
- What will give us that continuity? To worship Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) alone – (لا إله إلا الله). We are here to love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), and that is when we are attached to the Most Strong, The Provider and that no one is like Him. When we are connected to Him, then there is no discontinuity.
- The root of the word (عبادة) is (عبد), does it mean a humiliated slave? No. It means a slave who loves his master; this is the main essence of a slave, and we love our Master, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- Knowing the Names of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) makes our life easy. Ibn Taymiyah (may Allah have

mercy on him) said, “there is a paradise in this life, and if a person did not enter it in this life, then how can he enter the paradise of the hereafter, and this is the paradise of knowing Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

- We will not be stressed, even if we have the greatest amount of work, because we rely on Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). We will not take this life as a challenge or just to fight or prove our way through because we will see everything Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) gives us is a favor and blessing.
- In general, we trust people with knowledge. If our friend tells us she knows how to get to a certain place, then we will say, “ok” and we will sleep in the car. Or if our housekeeper says she knows how to cook, then we trust her and say, “ok, you can cook”. So why do we not trust

Allah Al 'Aleem – The All-Knower – Who knows our future, our past and present? He knows our weakness and who we need in this life. He knows whom we sometimes need in our life and whom we do not need.

- In this life, we will not come across everyone on this earth, but Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) knows whom we need for our nurturing.
- We are constantly discovering ourselves and out of Allah's mercy, He will not just pour all the knowledge on us at once, but He will create an environment where we can take it in.
- In the start of the path of knowledge, we will discover and know our mistakes, and then we will learn about rituals, then we will learn more about faith and the unseen, and then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will expose to us Who He is. We will

see His Names and His actions in our life. We will see how beautiful He deals with us in His decrees. We will be enriched when we know Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

- To know Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is not about knowing Him at surface-level, but it is about knowing Him through His actions, decrees and how everything changes to know Who He is, then we will truly live in paradise.
- The series, “Live with Allah” does not end because it is our life. We need to feel Who is Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is in every part of our life and this will make our life stress-free, why? Because we go above anything that can disturb us.

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- Sometimes we may do great work and then we attribute it to ourselves, but when we know Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is Al 'Aleem, and He is the One Who opened for us in the first place, He taught us and He knows what is the best worship for us, then we do not give ourselves credit.

SURAH AL FURQAN 74

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ
إِمَامًا

And those who say, "Our Lord, grant us from among our wives and offspring comfort to our eyes and make us an example for the righteous."

- In this dua, we ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to provide us with good surroundings which means everything from our spouses, family and friends

are a coolness of eyes, and then we will be a role model to good people. To have a good surrounding will remove so much stress, and to be a role model for good people will remove so much stress as well, and this is all by making dua.

SUPPLICATION TO BE GUIDED TO THE BEST DEEDS AND MANNERS

اللَّهُمَّ اهْدِنِي لَأَحْسَنِ الْأَعْمَالِ وَأَحْسَنِ الْأَخْلَاقِ لَا يَهْدِي لِأَحْسَنِهَا إِلَّا أَنْتَ وَقِنِي سَيِّئَ الْأَعْمَالِ وَسَيِّئَ الْأَخْلَاقِ لَا يَقِي سَيِّئَهَا إِلَّا أَنْتَ
Allahummahdini liahsanil-amali wa ahsanil-akhlaqi la yahdi li ahsaniha illa anta wa qini sayy'al-a'mali wa sayy'al-ahaqi la yaqi sayy'aha illa ant.

O Allah, guide me to the best of deeds and the best of manners, for none can guide to the best of them but You. And protect me from bad deeds and bad manners, for none can protect against them but You.¹

¹ Sunan an-Nasa'i 896

- And we ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to guide us to the best utterances and deeds because we do not want to spoil what we have. We can end up depending on ourselves on what to say and do, but this can spoil everything.
- That's why we ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to guide us to the best utterances and deeds. We should never underestimate the main connection which is to make dua to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). He gives us everything without stressing on ourselves.
- People can focus so much on their actions and rituals that they end up forgetting to make dua. A person can focus on their achievements of “performing deeds”, but forgetting to connect by making dua. We can despair and quickly lose hope when we do not make dua.

- Sometimes people stress to have a good relationship and just worry about what they need to do in order to keep it up, but we should make dua.
- With dua, we trust Allah's knowledge, and He will make all of those around us to be a coolness of our eyes, and we will be a role model for pious people, meaning we will have a good influence on good people.
- A challenge in the divine curriculum is when we trust ourselves in what we say, act and do. This not only makes us stressed, but it will make us arrogant because we see ourselves as doing something great. And if we only depend on ourselves and what we know, it will make us rigid and difficult. We can even start to attribute any good to ourselves and think we

have a favor on others. So after we accomplish something, it is important to make dua to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) so that we are humble and not look at ourselves or our achievements.

NAME OF ALLAH AL 'ALEEM IN SURAH AL BAQARAH

SURAH AL BAQARAH 127 TO 129

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وَإِذْ يَرْفَعُ إِبْرَاهِيمُ الْقَوَاعِدَ مِنَ الْبَيْتِ وَإِسْمَاعِيلُ رَبَّنَا تَقَبَّلْ مِنَّا ۖ
إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ

And [mention] when Abraham was raising the foundations of the House and [with him] Ishmael, [saying], "Our Lord, accept [this] from us. Indeed You are the Hearing, the Knowing.

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رَبَّنَا وَاجْعَلْنَا مُسْلِمِينَ لَكَ وَمِن ذُرِّيَّتِنَا أُمَّةً مُّسْلِمَةً لَّكَ وَأَرِنَا
مَنَاسِكَنَا وَتُبْ عَلَيْنَا ۖ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ التَّوَّابُ الرَّحِيمُ

Our Lord, and make us Muslims [in submission] to You and from our descendants a Muslim nation [in submission] to You. And show us our rites and accept our repentance. Indeed, You are the Accepting of repentance, the Merciful.

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رَبَّنَا وَابْعَثْ فِيهِمْ رَسُولًا مِّنْهُمْ يَتْلُو عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِكَ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ
وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ ۚ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ

Our Lord, and send among them a messenger from themselves who will recite to them Your verses and teach them the Book and wisdom and purify them. Indeed, You are the Exalted in Might, the Wise."

- Ibrahim (عليه السلام) is Khalil Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), he loves Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) loves him. And he is the father of the prophets. All messengers that came after him after from

his offspring, whether it is from the line of Is'haaq (عليه السلام) or Isma'eel (عليه السلام).

- Ibrahim (عليه السلام) is a leader, and what made him to reach a high level? Dua. He is always making dua for himself, his offspring, the people and the land. Dua does not separate from Ibrahim (عليه السلام).
- A successful example in Surah Al Baqarah is the example of Ibrahim (عليه السلام). The theme of Surah Al Baqarah is following the divine curriculum – there are successful and failure examples in Surah Al Baqarah. Banu Israel is an example of a failure example because they were rigid and were constantly asking questions to get it right. Instead of grabbing the opportunities Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) brought to them,

they trusted themselves and their knowledge instead of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

- And the successful example is Ibrahim (عليه السلام) because he would always make dua – he knows that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) knows. He knows that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) responds.
- We do not need to stress about getting things right, what is important to keep our connection to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- We need to know that the journey to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is very easy, how? To believe in Him and His knowledge, and not in our knowledge or our questions so that we perfect our deeds.
- When a person is arrogant, then he will be jealous, he will disrespect and exceed his boundaries with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). Even in

school, an intelligent student can misbehave by challenging the teacher, but with more knowledge, a person should become more humble, easy-going and flexible.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will not only teach us from the Book, but He will teach us life lessons. He does not only teach the messengers from the Book, but He teaches them practically in life.
- Ibrahim (عليه السلام) reached the highest level because he was constantly making dua, when Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) gives him anything, he would make dua.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) chose Ibrahim (عليه السلام) and his son Isma'eel (عليه السلام) to raise the foundation of the House of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), and this is a great task.

- The more we make dua, the more Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will grant us a greater task. And Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will not give it to someone arrogant.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) did not give this task because Ibrahim (عليه السلام) and Isma'eel (عليه السلام) are experienced in building. It is not about outer qualifications. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) knows they are the best people for doing this, and they will not show-off.
- When Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) assigns a job for us to serve His religion, and it is not because of outer qualities. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is The All-Knower of the hearts of the people.
- The foundation of the House of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) was already there, but they had to raise it. And

in the religion, everything is there, but it is to raise and exalt it.

- Immediately after raising the foundation of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), they made dua to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to accept from them.
- When we finish a great project, we quickly stress if it is good enough, if people will like it, if it is accepted, but they immediately made dua to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to accept it from them.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is As Samiee', He hears their dua and He is Al 'Aleem, He knows their condition.
- Allah Al 'Aleem is The All-Knower of what is the best worship for us. We should perform deeds without stressing, or waiting for acceptance from others, but we ask Allah As Samiee' Al 'Aleem to accept it from us. He knows our

state, He knows what we went through and He knows our struggles.

- In general, acceptance of deeds is connected to dua, and we ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to accept from us.

OUR LORD, ACCEPT [THIS] FROM US. INDEED YOU ARE THE HEARING, THE KNOWING.
MAY ALLAH GRANT US TAWFEEQ TO ALWAYS MAKE DUA TO HIM.

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