

LOVE OF ALLAH AND HIS MESSENGER (صلى الله عليه وسلم)


All praises are due to Allah. Anything good is from Allah and any mistakes are from ourselves and the shaitan. May Allah forgive us.




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لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ

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- We all have sensitivities, face situations and deal with our senses but in the end, nothing can be greater than Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- Anything besides Him will always be less than Him.

AL KABEER

(The Most Great)

- Allah Al Kabeer is the greatest in His names, actions and attributes. He is greater than situations we face.
- Sometimes situations or words we hear affect us, but we remind ourselves that He is greater.
- What is unseen with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is greater than anything 'seen' that is before us.
- Allah Al Kabeer is greater than our sins, good deeds, problems and anything around us.
- The five times prayer is a training to show us - Allahu Akbar - Allah is greater. He gives us this one-on-one time with Him to truly feel Allahu Akbar and to connect with Him.

- Every transition of the prayer is a reminder that He is greater. We bow in front of Him and this is reflective of situations in our lives when we magnify and bow to Him. Commands and decrees come, but He is greater.
- We rise back up and go down to sujood which is absolute submission. Decrees, commands and words come to us, but He is greater than them all.
- Then after prayer, we will be with people where we face these moments to bow down and submit, but we remind ourselves that Allah is greater.
- Knowing He is greater gives us peace so then we can end all matters with salaam.
- If we do not make Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) greater than everything and everyone, then we will

make something else greater. Our desires and expectations will be greater and this can lead to kibr (arrogance).

- Kibr was the start of the destruction of Iblis. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) cast him out of His mercy because he was arrogant to the command of Allah.
- We never ever want to be against the command of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). The command can come in the form of decree.

REACTION OF THE ANGELS AND THE DEVILS

إِذَا قَضَى اللَّهُ الْأَمْرَ فِي السَّمَاءِ، ضَرَبَتِ الْمَلَائِكَةُ بِأَجْنِحَتِهَا خُضْعَانًا لِقَوْلِهِ، كَأَنَّهُ سِلْسِلَةٌ عَلَى صَفْوَانٍ، فَإِذَا فُزِعَ عَنْ قُلُوبِهِمْ قَالُوا: مَاذَا قَالَ رَبُّكُمْ؟ قَالُوا لِلَّذِي قَالَ: الْحَقُّ، وَهُوَ الْعَلِيُّ الْكَبِيرُ، فَيَسْمَعُهَا مُسْتَرِقُ السَّمْعِ، وَمُسْتَرِقُ السَّمْعِ هَكَذَا بَعْضُهُ فَوْقَ بَعْضٍ - وَوَصَفَ سُفْيَانُ بِكَفِّهِ فَحَرَفَهَا، وَبَدَّدَ بَيْنَ أَصَابِعِهِ - فَيَسْمَعُ الْكَلِمَةَ فَيُلْقِيهَا إِلَى مَنْ تَحْتَهُ، ثُمَّ يُلْقِيهَا الْآخِرُ إِلَى مَنْ تَحْتَهُ، حَتَّى يُلْقِيهَا عَلَى لِسَانِ السَّاحِرِ أَوْ الْكَاهِنِ، فَرُبَّمَا أُدْرِكَ الشَّهَابُ قَبْلَ أَنْ يُلْقِيَهَا، وَرُبَّمَا أَلْقَاهَا قَبْلَ أَنْ يُدْرِكَهُ، فَيَكْذِبُ مَعَهَا مِئَةً كَذِبَةً، فَيُقَالُ: أَلَيْسَ قَدْ قَالَ لَنَا يَوْمَ كَذَا وَكَذَا: كَذَا وَكَذَا، فَيُصَدَّقُ بِتِلْكَ الْكَلِمَةِ الَّتِي سَمِعَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ.

Allah's Prophet said, "When Allah decrees some order in the heaven, the angels flutter their wings indicating complete surrender to His saying which sounds like chains being dragged on rock. And when the state of fear disappears, they ask each other, "What has your Lord ordered? They say that He has said that which is true and just, and He is the Most High, the Most

Great." (34.23). Then the stealthy listeners (devils) hear this order, and these stealthy listeners are like this, one over the other." (Sufyan, a sub-narrator demonstrated that by holding his hand upright and separating the fingers.) A stealthy listener hears a word which he will convey to that which is below him and the second will convey it to that which is below him till the last of them will convey it to the wizard or foreteller. Sometimes a flame (fire) may strike the devil before he can convey it, and sometimes he may convey it before the flame (fire) strikes him, whereupon the wizard adds to that word a hundred lies. The people will then say, 'Didn't he (i.e. magician) tell such-and-such a thing on such-and-such date?' So that magician is said to have told the truth because of the Statement which has been heard from the heavens."¹

- The submission of the angels is very smooth. The angels are entrusted to take the commands of Allah and to fulfill it. But instead of going into details of the commands - they

¹ Sahih Al Bukhari 4701

only focus and say it is the Truth, and He is The Most High, The Most Great.

- There are devils who try to come up to the heavens to hear the commands. They climb one above the other and they only hear a portion of what is said in the heavens. They then pass it on to the devils below till it reaches the magicians and soothsayers.
- Stars have three purposes- to adorn the skies, to shoot devils and to give direction in the night.
- The magician then mixes these words with lies, and the people believe in one part because it was heard from the heavens.
- We see two pictures in this hadith. The angels who take the commands smoothly and easily.

And the devils who go to what is not their responsibility and cause chaos.

- When any command comes, we want to submit instead of going back and forth asking for more instructions. The angels know the command is the truth from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) so surely He will aid them to carry them out.
- This is complete submission and this is tawheed- when we do not see ourselves.
- When there is shirk, we cannot take ourselves out from the picture.
- The devils belittle the truth; they take something that is not their responsibility. They disbelieve and yet they want to go to the truth and this shows their wickedness.
- They only want to go to the truth to add more lies, shirk and misguidance.

- Those who go to magicians, horoscopes, or cards think they have some sense of control. But they are only creations with no power.
- The magician has a qareen (shaithan) with him and so do the people who go to him. The qareen of the magician communicates with the qareen of the person and shares information which may be true about a person. This makes the person believe in the magician. The magician then puts lies in the minds of the person and tells him things like ‘your husband is talking to some woman’.
- Those who go to these magicians and fortune tellers believe them without doubting them.
- They mix the truth with falsehood to make the people disbelieve.

SUPPLICATION TO SEE THE TRUTH AS IT IS

اللهم أرنا الحق حقاً وارزقنا اتباعه وأرنا الباطل باطلاً وارزقنا اجتنابه

- Allah, show us the truth as the truth and make us to follow it and show is falsehood as falsehood and make us to abstain from it
- This person listens with his desire so he loses his senses and truth is wiped out.
 - When we submit to the truth, we will be in one piece but if there is no submission, we will be torn up into pieces.

DECLARING THE PERFECTION OF ALLAH

من قال

لا إله إلا الله والله أكبرُ

لا إله إلا الله وحده

لا إله إلا الله ولا شريك له

لا إله إلا الله له الملك وله الحمدُ

لا إله إلا الله ولا حول ولا قوَّة إلا بالله

يَعْقُدُهُنَّ خَمْسًا بِأَصَابِعِهِ ثُمَّ قَالَ مَنْ قَالَهُنَّ فِي يَوْمٍ أَوْ فِي لَيْلَةٍ أَوْ
فِي شَهْرٍ ثُمَّ مَاتَ فِي ذَلِكَ الْيَوْمِ أَوْ فِي تِلْكَ اللَّيْلَةِ أَوْ فِي ذَلِكَ الشَّهْرِ
غُفِرَ لَهُ ذَنْبُهُ

Whoever says:

“There is no one worthy of worship but Allah and Allah is the Greatest,

There is no one worthy of worship but Allah alone,

There is no one worthy of worship but Allah and He has no partner,

There is no one worthy of worship but Allah and to Him belongs the Kingdom and Praise,

There is no one worthy of worship but Allah and there is no change or power except with Allah,”

This is to be said counting with his five fingers. If a person says this during the day or night, or in the month and then dies that day, night or month, then his sins will be forgiven.²

² Sahih At Targheeb 3481

- When we know Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is perfect, we will always make Him Greater. If we make anyone else big, then we cannot truly say Allahu Akbar.
- No one is perfect except Allah alone. He has no partners; no one can reach His perfection.
- No one is perfect and to Him alone belongs all dominion and praise. Everything in His dominion is perfect so we praise Him. We believe in Him more than what our eyes see.
- There cannot be any change or power except by Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- This remembrance shows pure tawheed as we are not specifically asking for anything.
- All of us are sinners and we need forgiveness.

- It is fine to ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) but with this remembrance we see Him alone. All the sins will be forgiven, ways will be opened and problems will be resolved by making Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) greater than everything.
- The result of this remembrance also shows vastness as its impact is for a month and don't just a day or a night.
- May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) help us to make Him greater when any test that comes, to see His vastness and to move on in life.
- The purpose of everything in life is tawheed (to make Allah One).

SURAH AL ISRAA' 111

وَقُلِ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي لَمْ يَتَّخِذْ وَلَدًا وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ شَرِيكٌ فِي الْمُلْكِ
وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ وِليٌّ مِنَ الدُّنْيَا وَكَبَّرَهُ تَكْبِيرًا

And say, "Praise to Allah , who has not taken a son and has had no partner in [His] dominion and has no [need of a] protector out of weakness; and glorify Him with [great] glorification."

- When we go to someone who is big, we do not go into details but the one who is bigger handles all details.
- Just as we do not ask our mother too many details but at the same time, she takes care of the small details for us.

الله أكبر
ALLAHU AKBAR
ALLAH IS GREATER

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