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## LIVE WITH THE QUR'AN: SURAH AAL IMRAAN

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## INTRODUCTION

### TIMES OF DARKNESS

- We can face situations that are like darkness which can quickly dominate us. If we just get “washed-off” with that situation then what is the point of nurturing? Nurturing is to discover ourselves and to know who we are.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) can bring any decree to us in order to bring out the best from us.

- In times of darkness, we need to decide what to say or do. We do not want to follow blindly or to show our worst.

## SURAH AL LAYL

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1

وَاللَّيْلِ إِذَا يَغْشَىٰ

By the night when it covers

2

وَالنَّهَارِ إِذَا تَجَلَّىٰ

And [by] the day when it appears

3

وَمَا خَلَقَ الذَّكَرَ وَالْأُنثَىٰ

And [by] He who created the male and female,

4

إِنَّ سَعْيَكُمْ لَشَتَّىٰ

Indeed, your efforts are diverse.

5

فَأَمَّا مَنْ أَعْطَى وَاتَّقَى

As for he who gives and fears Allah

6

وَصَدَّقَ بِالْحُسْنَى

And believes in the best [reward],

7

فَسَنُيَسِّرُهُ لِلْيُسْرَى

We will ease him toward ease.

8

وَأَمَّا مَنْ بَخِلَ وَاسْتَغْنَى

But as for he who withholds and considers  
himself free of need

9

وَكَذَّبَ بِالْحُسْنَى

And denies the best [reward],

10

فَسَنُيَسِّرُهُ لِلْعُسْرَى

We will ease him toward difficulty.

11

وَمَا يُغْنِي عَنْهُ مَالُهُ إِذَا تَرَدَّى

And what will his wealth avail him when he falls?

12

إِنَّ عَلَيْنَا لَلْهُدَى

Indeed, [incumbent] upon Us is guidance.

13

وَإِنَّ لَنَا لَلْآخِرَةَ وَالْأُولَى

And indeed, to Us belongs the Hereafter and the first [life].

14

فَأَنْذَرْتُكُمْ نَارًا تَلَظَّى

So I have warned you of a Fire which is blazing.

15

لَا يَصْلَاهَا إِلَّا الْأَشْقَى

None will [enter to] burn therein except the most wretched one.

16

الَّذِي كَذَّبَ وَتَوَلَّى

Who had denied and turned away.

17

وَسَيُجَنَّبُهَا الْأَتْقَى

But the righteous one will avoid it -

18

الَّذِي يُؤْتِي مَالَهُ يَتَزَكَّى

[He] who gives [from] his wealth to purify himself

19

وَمَا لِأَحَدٍ عِنْدَهُ مِنْ نِعْمَةٍ تُجْزَى

And not [giving] for anyone who has [done him]  
a favor to be rewarded

20

إِلَّا ابْتِغَاءَ وَجْهِ رَبِّهِ الْأَعْلَى

But only seeking the countenance of his Lord,  
Most High.

21

وَلَسَوْفَ يَرْضَى

And he is going to be satisfied.

- ◉ The surah before Surah Al Layl is Surah Ash Shams, so after “sunshine”, clarity and

purification, we go into night, why? Because Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) wants to extract the best feelings and best worships from us so that we may be elevated.

- In the start, we may be doing good deeds, but even greater, we want to seek The Face of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) The Most High.
- And what is the environment to bring out the best resolution, best determination and best worship? When there is “night”.
- When we are in “darkness”, when there is a decree in our life that is like “night”, we can panic and fear, and so we need to take extra precaution. Either a person will be (وَاتَّقَى) “have taqwa” or (الْأَشْقَى) “miserable”. When there is a decree that is like “night” in our life, we need to take extra precaution. If not, the darkness

will make us sink and we will be miserable. We will be depressed and down.

- When there is something, we do not understand in life, we can either be more pious or miserable. And the great goal mentioned in Surah Al Layl is to seek the Face of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- When we seek the Face of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), then He will make the day very apparent and visible. We will be satisfied, content and better than any time. That's why we want to benefit from the "night" in our life.



## WHAT TO DO WHEN THERE IS “DARKNESS” ?

### 1. GIVE (أَعْطَى)

- This is to give any kind of charity, to give a smile, to give a water bottle for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), and notice it begins with an action of the limbs because someone in “darkness” cannot quickly gather their heart. They are in a state of panic, so at least they should take some action.
- In normal times, it may be easy to give, but in times of darkness, a person can easily be miserable and miserly, wanting to be to themselves and all-closed up. The last thing considering to give.

## 2. HAVE TAQWA (اتَّقِ)

- Just as being in a dark room, a person needs to take more precaution, to be more cautious of what they are doing and saying. Times of darkness are like a trial and a person wants to have taqwa in these times and not follow their desires.

## 3. BELIEVE IN THE HUSNA (صَدَّقْ بِالْحُسْنَى)

- It is important to believe in goodness, in paradise and in a good life. The word (حسنى) comes from (حسن) which means beautiful. That's why that Names of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) are The Most Beautiful (أسماء الله الحسنى).
- We have to believe that we will have the most beautiful life when we believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). What will happen?

## ALLAH WILL EASE HIM TOWARDS EASE ( فَسَنُيَسِّرُهُ لِلْيُسْرَى )

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will ease His affairs, all types of ease will come to this person and all difficulties will be pushed away.
- However, it needs submission from us in these times, and what is the submission in this case?

### SURAH AL LAYL 5 TO 7

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As for he who gives and fears Allah

6

وَصَدَّقَ بِالْحُسْنَى

And believes in the best [reward],

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فَسَنُيَسِّرُهُ لِلْيُسْرَى

We will ease him toward ease.

- Notice that Surah Aal Imraan teaches us to be firm in times of darkness and all favors are due to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) for teaching us Surah Al Layl so that we can better understand this. And this truly shows us (لا إله إلا الله) because it is not the plan of anyone to learn this today.

### SURAH AAL IMRAAN 18

شَهِدَ اللَّهُ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ وَالْمَلَائِكَةُ وَأُولُو الْعِلْمِ قَائِمًا بِالْقِسْطِ  
لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ

Allah witnesses that there is no deity except Him, and [so do] the angels and those of knowledge - [that He is] maintaining [creation] in justice. There is no deity except Him, the Exalted in Might, the Wise.

- The times when we can slip and be washed away are in times of darkness. Surah Al Layl is an opportunity to be upgraded, so our goal is

not only to enter paradise, but to seek the Face of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). The goal is not just taqwa, but to have more taqwa.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) can extract worships from us when we surrender to Him and not to darkness, then He will be pleased with us and He will make us pleased.
- When people go through darkness or hear bad news, they can quickly think of the worst-case scenarios. But the best goodness and the best word is (لا إله إلا الله) which will surely give us the best life – in this life and the hereafter.

# WHAT SHOULD WE NOT DO IN TIMES OF DARKNESS?

## 1. MISERLY (بَخِيلٌ)

- When someone is in fear, then they will keep things and store it because they feel they are in “survival mode”. They will keep things so they can last.
- Though Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) tells us a person should give and this is to overcome our desire and not allow any situation to dominate us.
- We always want to follow guidance from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). Many times we just want to be in our comfort zone, but the opposite is actually what we need.

## 2. FEELS SELF-SUFFICIENT AND IN NEED OF NO ONE (اِسْتَعْنَى)

- If a person feels self-sufficient and only wants to be on their own, and is in no need of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then they will be replaced.
- The opposite of (اِسْتَعْنَى) “to feel self-sufficient” is (اِتَّقَى) “to have taqwa and not follow desires”.
- Someone might say, “I do not want to be with people because they will hurt me, I’d rather be on my own”, so they think the best option is ‘I do not need to be with people, I can carry on with my life on my own with no headache from people”, but this is the start of misery.
- When we feel we are better off alone, when we feel we do not want to have to worry about one or have anyone on top of us, and that we

can be fine on our own, then where is the taqwa?

- Someone who just wants to be on their own and disregards others actually reveals hidden arrogance, just as “darkness” that covers.
- We may have a goal and think this is the way to reach it, but Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) shows us it is not the way we think, but the way He decides.

### 3. BELIES THE HUSNA (اسْتَغْنَىٰ)

- This person disbelieves in (لا إله إلا الله), disbelieves there will be brightness, disbelieves there will be goodness.
- If we do not have anything, but have (لا إله إلا الله) then we have everything. But if we have everything but do not have (لا إله إلا الله), then we have nothing. What will happen when a



person is miserly, feels self-sufficient and believes  
 ؟ (لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ)

## SURAH AL LAYL 8 TO 10

8

وَأَمَّا مَنْ بَخِلَ وَاسْتَغْنَىٰ

But as for he who withholds and considers  
 himself free of need

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وَكَذَّبَ بِالْحُسْنَىٰ

And denies the best [reward],

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فَسَنُيَسِّرُهُ لِلْعُسْرَىٰ

We will ease him toward difficulty.

DIFFICULTY WILL BE MADE EASY FOR HIM

(فَسَنُيَسِّرُهُ لِلْعُسْرَىٰ)

- The way of difficulty and struggle will be made easy for this person and this is scary. We ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) for the well-being.

- (عُسْرَى) is the most difficult condition. This means their day to day is difficult, their relationships are difficult and all bad qualities and behaviors will be made easy for that person to act in that way. We ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) for the well-being. Ameen.
- And this is the result of “closing the door”, thinking they are fine and disbelieving. As a result, all bad things will come to them.
- When this person falls apart, then even their money will not benefit them.

## SURAH AL LAYL 11

وَمَا يُغْنِي عَنْهُ مَالُهُ إِذَا تَرَدَّى

And what will his wealth avail him when he falls?

- We cannot encompass Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and it is best to submit to Him because He is Al Hayy

Al Qayoom – The Ever-Living, The Self-Sufficient Master.

- The life of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is the best life, there is no weakness or faults. No one can affect His life.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is Al Qayoom (The Self-Sufficient Master), He is upright and does not depend on any provision to make Him upright. Unlike ourselves who are weak, need resources and reminders. We need things to have a good life, but Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is Al Hayy Al Qayoom. He does not need anyone to keep His standard high.
- We can easily go through ups and downs, but we need Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to keep us in the highest level. He knows what decree we need to make us better than before – to be more

patient than before, to be more grateful than before and to be more accommodating than before.

- And this is teaches us the start of Surah Aal Imraan.

## LIVE WITH THE QUR'AN – SURAH AAL IMRAAN

### SURAH AAL IMRAAN 1 TO 2

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1

الم

Alif, Lam, Meem.

2

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ

Allah - there is no deity except Him, the Ever-Living, the Sustainer of existence.

- We always want to attach to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because no one can give us a better life, no one can sharpen our senses and no one can make our life easy except for Allah Al Hayy Al Qayoom.
- He will make us go through a situation in our life to make us reach the highest standard and to bring out the best qualities. He will give us the highest standard of speech, reflections, pondering, actions and manners, why? Because the heart is “abraar” with no arrogance. The abrar are the ones whose hearts are good, truthful, pure and full of goodness.

## DIVINE NURTURING LESSONS

- *The best testimony is when Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) witnesses about Himself, when the angels witness to (لا إله إلا الله) and the people of knowledge witness to (لا إله إلا الله).*
- *Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is The All-Mighty, The Irresistible, so we should not go against His might because He wants to put everything in its place. He is Al Hakeem - The All-Wise.*

MAY ALLAH PROTECT US ALL FROM ANY DARKNESSES IN  
OUR LIFE. AMEEN.

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