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

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## INTRODUCTION

### BACK TO THE FOUNDATION

- The One nurtures us to have feelings for Him is Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). The feeling of being familiar is to have no fear of the other, to be an open book, but at the same time to be cautious to not cross our boundaries. So which comes first, faith or taqwa? Faith.
- If our cautiousness is not based on faith, then it will be a disaster. When we have faith in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then our actions will be correct. The

meaning of belief is to not have doubts, not in ourselves or others.

- Sometimes we jump quickly to having taqwa, to what others will say or think, but what is the foundation of taqwa? Belief in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and to believe in His perfection.

## THE BELIEVER IS FAMILIAR AND APPROACHABLE

وعن جابر قال: قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: ((المؤمن يألف ويؤلف))

The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said: “the believer is familiar and approachable.”<sup>1</sup>

- There is no awkwardness with the believer.
- If we want anything from anyone, especially feelings, we do not go directly to the person to seek it, or think in order to have it is through

<sup>1</sup> Sahih Aj Jami'e 6662, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan

taqwa only. Rather it is through faith first that connects.

○ Shirk disconnects and it quickly spoils a relationship even if it is firmly rooted. Shirk is to believe someone never makes mistakes, shirk is to believe in perfection from others. We are all weak, we cannot hold on to someone weak because we will all fall. We are not perfect, we cannot hold on to someone imperfect like us.

○ Humans are made of clay and weak. The jinn are made of fire and the plot of the shaitan is weak. The angels are made of light, they do not make mistakes, they do not disobey, they are tranquil and love what is good, but still they are weak because they have no power on their own, they need Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). And

so out of Allah's mercy, the creations are weak, we do not attach to them. We only believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) – (لا إله إلا الله).

- We do not need to go deep into the weakness of the creation, but it is important to deny that any of the creation is worthy of being worshipped or is perfect.
- Sometimes we can go deep into the weakness, trials or even good qualities of anyone, that in the end we cannot appreciate (لا إله إلا الله).
- Shirk is not just asking idols or prostrating to them because that is outer. There is an “idol” in our heart that is moving us and making us action, but no one can affect our feelings except Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

- We need to love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because He will nurture us to make us aware of His right. O slave, why do you believe and trust someone like you? We are giving feelings to what is below the standard.
- The Prophet (ﷺ) made it clear to the people that he cannot benefit or harm anyone. He has position as a Messenger of Allah, but his position is not to benefit or harm the people on his own. We are to love him and follow his way, but our purity, faith and taqwa is for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- Who are awliya Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) – the allies and friends of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى)?

## SURAH YUNUS 62 TO 63

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أَلَا إِنَّ أَوْلِيَاءَ اللَّهِ لَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ

Unquestionably, [for] the allies of Allah there will be no fear concerning them, nor will they grieve

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الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَكَانُوا يَتَّقُونَ

Those who believed and were fearing Allah

- If we are cautious only because we fear people, or cautious because we want to please people, then it will only lead to being far away from the target. We become misguided. We want to live in peace with each other and that is by removing shirk from our life.
- When we believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then we will all be connected, but if we associate in our heart, expecting and wanting anything in

our heart from something else, then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will cut that relation because why do we cross our boundary with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) when He has given us everything.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) did not bring people in our life so that we worship them or expect perfection from them?
- Why are there problems between people? Because there is shirk in the picture. We are giving value and weight to what the people do and say, more than giving value and weight to what Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) says and does.
- We do not want to meet people while thinking a billion times, “is she upset, why did she do this, is this ok?”. It is important to remove any feeling of discomfort between



each other; otherwise the connection will not flow, but when we remove shirk, then both sides will flow.

- Awliya Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) are those who give Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) His Right. It is important to magnify the existence of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). He is not with us physically because He is above the seven heavens, He rose over the Throne in a manner that suits His majesty. But He is with us by His hearing, seeing, knowledge and closeness.
- When we have (لا إله إلا الله) in our heart, then the taqwa will come. We will be cautious of what to say and do because we believe in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

## SUPPLICATION OF TAQWA

اللهم آت نفسي تقواها، وزكها أنت خير من زكاها، أنت وليها  
ومولاها

O Allah! Grant me the sense of piety and purify my soul as You are the Best to purify it. You are its Guardian and its Protecting Friend.<sup>2</sup>

- With taqwa, we will show our best to the people because of our belief in Allah (سبحانه). Whatever we say will have an impact on people because the heart is at rest with belief in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- There is one extreme of those who believe and will say whatever they want to say people with no taqwa, and this is not right. One must have taqwa.
- And there is the other extreme of hypocrites who show utmost taqwa from the outside to

<sup>2</sup> Riyadh As Saliheen, Muslim, Book 17, Hadith 1479

please and not upset the people, but there is no belief in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) inside.

## SURAH AL BAQARAH 177

أُولَئِكَ الَّذِينَ صَدَقُوا ۖ وَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُتَّقُونَ

Those are the ones who have been true, and it is those who are the righteous.

○ Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) can handle us as we are because He will not get affected by us, but with people, we should say what is best because they cannot handle it. People are not samad (solid) – things can affect them.

## SURAH AL BAQARAH 83

وَقُولُوا لِلنَّاسِ حُسْنًا

And speak to people good [words]

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

- The greatest reforming is belief in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). Sometimes we say, “I want to say the best to my children, I want to say the best to my husband”, but we end up shouting, though we want to say the best. And then we overthink why do i do this, but before anything else, it begins with believing in Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

### 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.

- Belief reforms everything, if the building shakes because the faith is shaking. But the building remains firm, even if the earth is shaking is because the foundation is firm.
- Sometimes we can blame ourselves so much and look at our outer, “why did I say this, why did I do this, or why did they say this or do that?”, so we shake. Again, what keeps us firm? It is faith. If our reforming is only for the outer, then it will be hard. We will cannot remain firm.
- What can keep our faith strong? We will say good deeds, taddabur of the Qur'an, a good companion, taffakur of the universe, and all of these are means to increase in faith, but this is only because Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) Himself witnesses to (لا إله إلا الله).

- Something that we need to keep in our heart and remain firm on it all the time is what Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) Himself witnesses to and that is to (لا إله إلا الله).
- Things can change around us, but no one can change the testimony of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). We believe in (لا إله إلا الله) because that is the testimony of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). We trust His testimony before anything else. It is important to always give Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) His right.
- People may say one thing one day and say something else another day, but we hold on to what Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) testifies to – (لا إله إلا الله).
- And among the creation, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) made the angels to testify to (لا إله إلا الله). They are made of light, they do not eat or drink,

they are pure, obedient slaves, they are dwellers of the heavens. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) made a pure creation to witness to the purest statement – (لا إله إلا الله).

- And then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) mentions among the creation – the people of knowledge. They go back to what Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) said and what the Prophet (ﷺ) said.
- In conclusion, we must go back to faith because we cannot have taqwa without faith. And our relationships and connections will be rectified when we give Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) His Right since He testifies to it. And that is (لا إله إلا الله).

ALL PRAISES ARE DUE TO ALLAH. MAY ALLAH HELP US  
FULFILL HIS RIGHT. AMEEN.

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