





ALLAH AR RAAZIQA AR RAZZAQ

(The Provider, The Ever-Provider)


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- From the Names of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is Ar Raaziq Ar Razzaq (The Provider, The Ever Provider).

SURAH ADH DHARIYAT 58

إِنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الرَّزَّاقُ ذُو الْقُوَّةِ الْمَتِينُ

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

- The Name Ar Razzaq is mentioned once in Surah Adh Dhariyat. The name Ar Razzaq (الرَّزَّاقُ) has a shaddah which shows His provision is constant.

SURAH AL HAJJ 58

وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَهُوَ خَيْرُ الرَّازِقِينَ

And indeed, it is Allah who is the best of providers.

- The word (رزق) gets translated as provision but it is something that is constantly given. We are all enjoying our provision of rizq daily, yearly- what is written on the Night of Decree and the provision written for our whole life - this is what the angels write for the baby when it is four months in the womb of the mother.
- Rizq is not only for people but for everyone and everything including the jinn.

SUPPLICATION OF THE PROPHET (صلى الله
(عليه وسلم) FOR HIS NATION

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- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) guarantees provision for us through many verses and hadiths because the human being is constantly worried about his provision.
- Even if a person gives us food, money or anything else, in reality they are providing us from the rizq of Allah.
- He is the One Who initially provided the rizq and anyone who gives us is only carrying and delivering His provision to us.
- Allah Ar Raaziq Ar Razzaq will provide everyone - the believer and disbeliever, the young and old, the weak and the strong.

¹ Sunan Ibn Majah 2238

- Even the tyrant is being provided by Allah so we should not be deceived by the power or provision of anyone.
- Anything that is written for us, will surely come to us even if we have to travel to get it. Our rizq is not only what comes to us but Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) can also drive us to a place because there is rizq there that is written for us. Even if a mustard seed is stuck between a rock, it will come to us. We should never lose hope in His Provision.
- Everything is Written in the Preserved Tablet, it comes down annually on the Night of Decree and the angels implement it. This shower of provision is constant.
- People can easily fall into shirk (association with Allah) in their quest for provision. They

read horoscopes or go to fortune tellers to know what they will get in the future when in the end everyone will only get what Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) has written for them. The stars have no power to provide the human being, only Allah Ar Razzaaq.

- There are two types of rizq; general and special.

GENERAL PROVISION

- This is anything for the body or in general that is provided to everyone from food, drink, oxygen, clothes, health and money. Most people focus only on this provision and all their feelings come out for this. This can bring tension in relations and brings out bad reactions.

SPECIAL PROVISION

- This is the rizq of the heart and this is what we seek. This special provision is to believe in Him, to love Him, rely on Him, to know about Him, about His religion and to love for each other for His sake.
- The rizq of the body is temporary and will end, but the rizq of the heart is what remains forever. This is what we seek and ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to provide us.

SURAH AR ROOM 40

اللَّهُ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ ثُمَّ رَزَقَكُمْ ثُمَّ يُمِيتُكُمْ ثُمَّ يُحْيِيكُمْ

Allah is the one who created you, then provided for you, then will cause you to die, and then will give you life.

- It is easy for us to believe that He created us and will give us life but we tend to forget that He is the One Who provides us.

- The impact of knowing Allah Ar Raaziq Ar Razzaq is to rely on Him and not to be afraid to give from what He provided.

DO NOT FEAR POVERTY

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ دَخَلَ عَلَى بِلَالٍ وَعِنْدَهُ صُبْرَةٌ مِنْ تَمْرٍ فَقَالَ: «مَا هَذَا يَا بِلَالُ؟» قَالَ: شَيْءٌ ادَّخَرْتُهُ لِغَدٍ. فَقَالَ: «أَمَا تَخْشَى أَنْ تَرَى لَهُ غَدًا بَخَارًا فِي نَارِ جَهَنَّمَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ أَنْفِقُ بِلَالٌ وَلَا تَخْشَى مِنْ ذِي الْعَرْشِ إِقْلَالًا»

Abu Huraira said that when the Prophet once visited Bilal and saw he had a heap of dates, he asked him what it was. On his replying, "It is something I have stored up for tomorrow," he said, "Are you not afraid that tomorrow you may see on account of it steam in the fire of jahannam on the day of resurrection? Spend it, Bilal, and do not fear poverty from the Lord of the Throne."²

² Mishkat al-Masabih 1885

- We tend to store so much out of fear.

RELY ON ALLAH (سبحانه وتعالى) LIKE THE BIRDS

عَنْ عُمَرَ بْنِ الْخَطَّابِ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " لَوْ أَنَّكُمْ كُنْتُمْ تَوَكَّلُونَ عَلَى اللَّهِ حَقَّ تَوَكُّلِهِ لَرَزَقْتُمْ كَمَا تُرْزَقُ الطَّيْرُ تَغْدُو خِمَاصًا وَتَرُوحُ بِطَانًا " .

'Umar bin Al-Khattab narrated that the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: "If you were to rely upon Allah with the required reliance, then He would provide for you just as a bird is provided for, it goes out in the morning empty, and returns full."³

- Birds have no storage of food, but are provided daily.
- Never think we will be deprived by giving. Instead, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will give more and replace what we have given.

³ Jami` at-Tirmidhi 2344

SUPPLICATION OF THE ANGELS

ما من يوم يصبح العباد فيه إلا ملكان ينزلان فيقول
أحدهما اللهم أعط منفقًا خلفًا ويقول الآخر اللهم أعط
ممسكًا تلفًا

The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "Two angels descend every morning, and one says: 'O Allah, give him who spends something, in place of what he spends.' The other one says: 'O Allah, give destruction to him who withholds'.⁴

- Every morning there are two angels that call out and supplicate for those who spend.

MEANS TO ATTAIN RIZQ

1. Seeking forgiveness and repentance

SURAH NOOH 10 TO 12

10.

فَقُلْتُ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ إِنَّهُ كَانَ غَفَّارًا

⁴ Sahih al-Bukhari 1442

And said, 'Ask forgiveness of your Lord. Indeed,
He is ever a Perpetual Forgiver.

11.

يُرْسِلِ السَّمَاءَ عَلَيْكُمْ مِدْرَارًا

He will send [rain from] the sky upon you in
[continuing] showers

11.

وَيُمْدِدْكُمْ بِأَمْوَالٍ وَبَنِينَ وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ جَنَّاتٍ وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ أَنْهَارًا

And give you increase in wealth and children
and provide for you gardens and provide for
you rivers.

2. Early morning time

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⁵ Sunan Ibn Majah 2238

3. Taqwa

SURAH AT TALAQ 2, 3

2.

وَمَنْ يَتَّقِ اللَّهَ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ مَخْرَجًا

And whoever fears Allah - He will make for him a way out

3.

وَيَرْزُقْهُ مِنْ حَيْثُ لَا يَحْتَسِبُ

And will provide for him from where he does not expect.

- This is from the Way of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). If there is desire, there will not be a way out and he will not get something he did not expect.

4. To stay away from sins

SURAH AR ROOM 41

ظَهَرَ الْفَسَادُ فِي الْبَرِّ وَالْبَحْرِ بِمَا كَسَبَتْ أَيْدِي النَّاسِ

Corruption has appeared throughout the land and sea by [reason of] what the hands of people have earned

5. To devote oneself to worship Allah (سبحانه وتعالى)

DEVOTE YOURSELF FOR WORSHIP

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى يَقُولُ يَا ابْنَ آدَمَ تَفَرَّغْ لِعِبَادَتِي أَمْلَأُ صَدْرَكَ غِنًى وَأَسُدَّ فَقْرَكَ وَإِلَّا تَفَعَلْ مَلَأْتُ يَدَيْكَ شُغْلًا وَلَمْ أُسُدَّ فَقْرَكَ " .

Abu Hurairah narrated that the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: "Indeed Allah, Most High said: 'O son of Adam! Devote yourself to My worship, I will fill your chest with riches and alleviate your poverty. And if you do not do so, then I will fill your hands with problems and not alleviate your poverty.'"⁶

- Whoever frees himself for worshipping Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), He will fill his heart with richness and alleviate poverty.

6. Hajj and umrah

HAJJ AND UMRAH

⁶ Jami` at-Tirmidhi 2466

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " تَابِعُوا بَيْنَ الْحَجِّ وَالْعُمْرَةِ فَإِنَّهُمَا يَنْفِيَانِ الْفَقْرَ وَالذُّنُوبَ كَمَا يَنْفِي الْكَبِيرُ خَبَثَ الْحَدِيدِ وَالذَّهَبِ وَالْفِضَّةِ وَلَيْسَ لِلْحَجِّ الْمَبْرُورِ ثَوَابٌ دُونَ الْجَنَّةِ " .

It was narrated that 'Abdullah said: "The Messenger of Allah said: 'Perform Hajj and 'Umrah consecutively, for they remove poverty and sin as the bellows removes impurity from iron and gold and silver, and Hajj Al-Mabrur brings no less a reward than Paradise.'"⁷

7. To spend in the way of Allah

SURAH SABA 39

وَمَا أَنْفَقْتُمْ مِّنْ شَيْءٍ فَهُوَ يُخْلِفُهُ ۖ وَهُوَ خَيْرُ الرَّازِقِينَ

But whatever thing you spend [in His cause] - He will compensate it; and He is the best of providers."

⁷ Sunan an-Nasa'i 2631

- The compensation from Allah is above any human calculation. With Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) there is vastness.
- If we spend a hundred dirhams the compensation from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is much more and not limited to money. He can give us feelings, health, love and faith to keep us firm in the time of trials.

8. To keep family connections

EXPANSION OF RIZQ BY CONNECTING TO FAMILY

من سره أن يبسط له في رزقه وينسأ له في أثره فليصل رحمه

Allah 's Messenger (ﷺ) said, "Whoever loves that he be granted more wealth and that his lease of life be prolonged then he should keep good relations with his Kith and kin."⁸

⁸ Sahih al-Bukhari 5986

9. To honor the weak the be good to them

HONOR THE WEAK

عَنْ أَبِي الدَّرْدَاءِ، قَالَ سَمِعْتُ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ
 " ابْغُونِي ضِعْفَاءَكُمْ فَإِنَّمَا تُرْزَقُونَ وَتُنصَرُونَ بِضِعْفَائِكُمْ "

Narrated Abu Ad-Darda': That he heard the Prophet (ﷺ) saying: "Seek your weak for me. For indeed you sustenance and aid is only by your weak."⁹

- From this hadith we learn to take care of our children, elderly and helpers.

10. Migrate for the sake of Allah

SURAH AN NISAA 100

وَمَنْ يُهَاجِرْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ يَجِدْ فِي الْأَرْضِ مُرَاجِمًا كَثِيرًا وَسَعَةً
 وَمَنْ يَخْرُجْ مِنْ بَيْتِهِ مُهَاجِرًا إِلَى اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ ثُمَّ يُدْرِكُهُ الْمَوْتُ
 فَقَدْ وَقَعَ أَجْرُهُ عَلَى اللَّهِ ۗ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ غَفُورًا رَحِيمًا

And whoever emigrates for the cause of Allah will find on the earth many [alternative]

⁹ Jami' at-Tirmidhi 1702

locations and abundance. And whoever leaves his home as an emigrant to Allah and His Messenger and then death overtakes him - his reward has already become incumbent upon Allah. And Allah is ever Forgiving and Merciful.

- To leave a land of disbelief to a believing land is a reason for expansion of provision.

11. Spending on the seeker of knowledge

PROVISION FOR SEEKER OF KNOWLEDGE

كَانَ أَخَوَانِ عَلَى عَهْدِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فَكَانَ أَحَدُهُمَا يَأْتِي النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ وَالْآخَرُ يَحْتَرِفُ، فَشَكَى الْمُحْتَرِفُ أَخَاهُ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فَقَالَ: لَعَلَّكَ تَرْزُقُ بِهِ

There were two brothers in the days of the Prophet (ﷺ). One of them used to attend the Prophet's circle (to acquire knowledge) and the other used to earn their living). Once the latter complained to the Prophet (ﷺ) against the former (for not earning his living). He (ﷺ)

replied, "Perhaps you are being provided because of him".¹⁰

- We ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to provide our loved ones with the same sweetness of attending study circles.

SUPPLICATION FOR BENEFICIAL KNOWLEDGE, GOOD PROVISION AND ACCEPTABLE DEEDS

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ عِلْمًا نَافِعًا ، وَرِزْقًا طَيِّبًا ، وَعَمَلًا مُتَقَبَّلًا

O Allah, I ask You for knowledge which is beneficial and sustenance which is good, and deeds which are acceptable.¹¹

- After knowledge, we need good provision to have acceptable deeds.

MAY ALLAH PROVIDE US WITHOUT ACCOUNT AND HELP US TAKE THE MEANS. AMEEN.

¹⁰ Riyad as-Salihin 84

¹¹ Ibn Majah No# 925, 3843

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