## اقْرَأْ بِاسْمِ رَبِّكَ Recite in the Name of Your Lord

## SURAH AL INSHIQAQ

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

[ إِذَا السَّمَاءُ انشَقَّتْ

When the sky has split [open]

وَأَذِنَتْ لِرَجَّا وَحُقَّتْ

And has responded to its Lord and was obligated [to do so]

وَاذَا الْأُرَ ْضُ مُدَّتْ

And when the earth has been extended

وَأَلْقَتْ مَا فِيَ اوَتَخَلَّتْ

And has cast out that within it and relinquished [it]

وَأَذِنَتْ لِ رَبِّهَا وَحُقَّتْ

And has responded to its Lord and was obligated [to do so] -

يَا أَيُّهَا الْإِنسَانُ إِنَّكَ كَادِحٌ إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ كَدْحًا فَمُلَاقِيهِ

O mankind, indeed you are laboring toward your Lord with [great] exertion and will meet it.

[Surah Al Inshigaq 1 to 6]

The surah is about the end of matters. The heavens and earth have an allotted time in this life, but they cannot end the time they will be here on their own. It is only when Allah gives them permission.

The skies would be cleft asunder due to attributing a son to Allah. And this shows it does not tear apart because of its duties and responsibilities, but for Allah. We can feel we are being torn apart due to situations we face, but we cannot end our nurturing. We should not end the good we do or end the good relationships we have.

And the earth gets stretched, then lets out what is inside it and is emptied out. And we can feel we are getting stretched, and then we reach a point where we just let everything out, then we feel numbed and feelingless. But this is not our end, our end is not to tear apart or to be stretched and emptied out.

We have a greater purpose because we will meet Allah. And even if there is toil, struggle and pain, we must know there will be internal happiness in this life and the next.

There can be a time when things come to an end, then a time of stillness, but then there is a complete phase, a complete picture. Allah will show us phases in life, progression in life, where we were and what we have become, all to know that we will return to Him.

When the ayat of Allah come to us, we want to surrender and submit. And when we believe and do good, there will be ongoing reward, there will be no cutting-off. We ask the delight of seeing His Noble Face and to admit us to eternal gardens.

## إِلَّا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَملُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَهُمْ أَجْرٌ عَيْرُ مَمْنُونِ

Except for those who believe and do righteous deeds. For them is a reward uninterrupted. [Surah Al Inshigaa 25]

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