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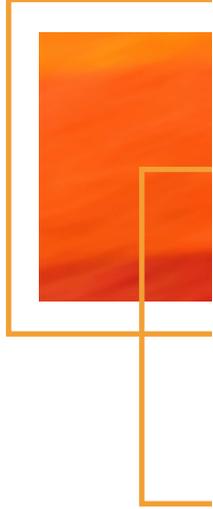
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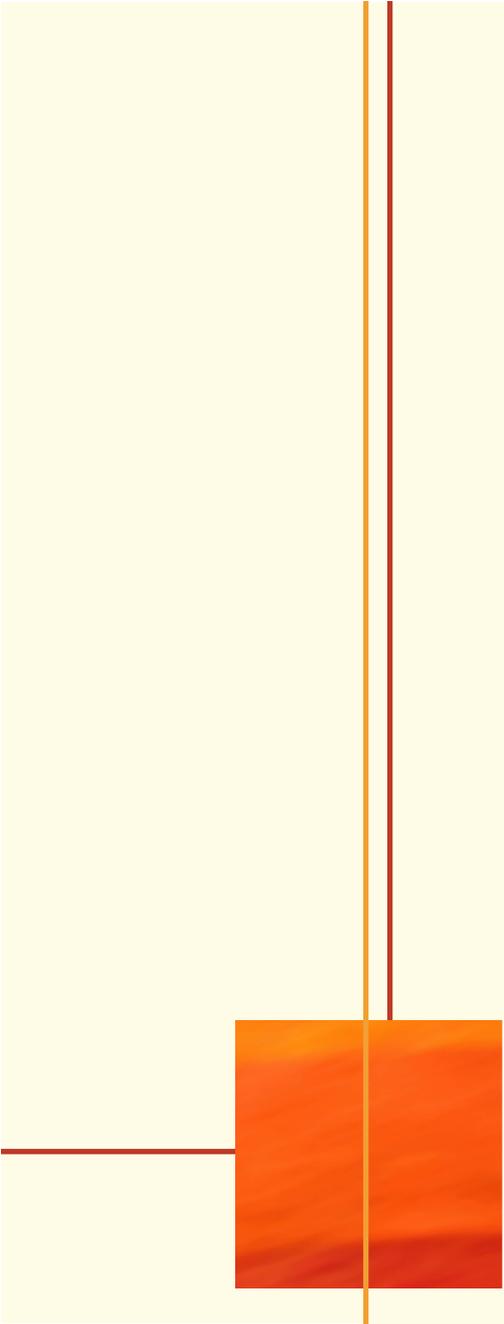




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INTRODUCTION

SURAH AL 'ASR

(سورة العصر)

CHAPTER OF TIME

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

وَالْعَصْرِ ١

By time,

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِفِي خُسْرٍ ٢

Indeed, mankind is in loss,

إِلَّا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ وَتَوَّصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ وَتَوَّصَوْا

بِالصَّبْرِ ٢

Except for those who have believed and done righteous deeds and advised each other to truth and advised each other to patience.

“

Surah Al 'Asr is a complete surah such that Imam Ash Shaafie' (may Allah have mercy on him) said if only Surah Al 'Asr was revealed then **IT WILL BE ENOUGH.**



We humans can easily forget so we need reminders. We forget that we want to go to paradise. The shaitan, the duniya and life can make us forget. Sometimes we can forget which is ok, but when we remember, then we should act and go forward.

This means if the human does not do the best with the time he has then he will be in loss.

Humans can easily be molded, changed, spoiled and they can be the best as well. Notice how we can quickly change, but we do not want to be easily molded by anyone, but to believe in Allah and go to the Qur'an because Allah will show us the best.

We all want to be winners, we do not want to be losers. Who will help us? Allah. We cannot depend on ourselves, but we ask Allah to help us to have good manners, we ask Allah to help us smile, we ask Allah to help us not show-off or be jealous.

Does winning mean to compete with others? No. Winning is to use the time we have to come closer to Allah, and not to be jealous of others or be bad to them. Who will tell us how to be a winner? Allah.

Remember “there is no change or power except with Allah” (لا حول ولا قوة إلا بالله) and we are grateful to Allah to be able to learn.

All praises are due to Allah, Lord of the World.
Praises and peace upon our prophet Mohammed.



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**WHAT WE NEED
TO BE WINNERS**

إِلَّا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا
الصَّالِحَاتِ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ
وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ

Except for those who have believed and done righteous deeds and advised each other to truth and advised each other to patience.

WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO TO BE WINNERS?

1. **BELIEVE (آمَنُوا):** to believe in all that Allah tells us.
2. **DO RIGHTEOUS GOOD DEEDS (وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ):** when we believe what Allah tells us then it will show in our actions by doing what Allah wants from us.

If we do (1) and (2) then we will be a good person on our own (يُكْمِلُ نَفْسَهُ). We cannot be successful if we are only doing things for others. We first need to see what comes to us from belief and what comes out from us which are the good deeds.

But we still need to be good with others (يُكْمِلُ غَيْرَهُ) such as our parents, friends and society. And that is (3) and (4).

3. **ADVISE ONE ANOTHER TO TRUTH (وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ):** it is important to advise others to what is good and truthful.
4. **ADVISE ONE ANOTHER TO PATIENCE (وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ):** we need to be patient when we are with others and not complain about them.

WHO ARE THE LOSERS?

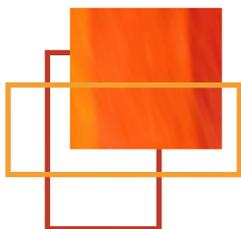
1. **DISBELIEVE** (كفروا): they do not believe in Allah and what He told them.
2. **DO SINS** (عملوا السيئات): they commit sins and do bad things. They do not pray and do not speak good.
3. **SPREAD FALSEHOOD** (تواصوا بالباطل): they spread lies among people and spread negativity.
4. **IMPATIENT** (لا يصبر يشتكى): they always complain and are impatient with others.



PART ONE
الإيمان
BELIEF

-  To be a winner, we first need to believe before we can do good deeds or to be with others.
-  Our foundation is belief, it is the most important so that we can get all four. Who can help us to get all four? Allah Ar Rabb. He will teach us.
-  Belief is extremely important and this is what we will focus on first. In order to be taken out of loss, we first need to believe. Belief is our foundation and our root. What does the word (آمن) mean?
-  It means (صدّق) - to believe. Believe in Who?
-  To believe in Allah and all that He tells us.
-  Only Allah can tell us everything correctly so we trust Him because He is The Most Truthful. And one of the Names of Allah is (المؤمن) - Al Mu'min - The One Who confirms the Truth.
-  When He tells us there are angels, we believe there are angels even if we cannot see them.
-  When He tells us to believe in everything in the Qur'an, then we believe in it. When He tells us there is a Last Day, we believe there is a Last Day.
-  Whatever Allah tells us we believe because He said so and no one is more truthful than Allah.
-  He tells us He is perfect, so surely we believe He is perfect. He tells us this life is temporary and we believe in Him.
-  We all want to be (مؤمنين) - believers - which is to believe in everything Allah tells us.
-  Allah loves the believers and many good things happen to the believers.

- ❑ If your mother tells you something, do you believe her? Yes because you trust her and love her. And the One Who will never lie to us and always tell us the truth is Allah.
- ❑ Faith means belief and it is in the heart. We ask Allah to make us love faith and adorn it in our hearts.



DUA TO LOVE FAITH

اللَّهُمَّ حَبِّبْ إِلَيْنَا الْإِيمَانَ
وَزَيِّنْهُ فِي قُلُوبِنَا

O Allah, make us love belief
and adorn our hearts with it.¹

- ❑ We believe because we love it and only Allah can beautify it in our heart. We ask Allah to be among the believers.
- ❑ Faith is intangible but it appears when we love Allah and want to do what He loves. The believers are good with others and do not hurt them.
- ❑ What do we need in order to believe? There are six pillars of faith.

¹Al Adab Al Mufrad, Book 1, Hadith 699, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

PILLARS OF FAITH



- **WE BELIEVE IN ALLAH** and all that He tells us.
- **WE BELIEVE IN ANGELS** which are made of light and always obey Allah.
- **WE BELIEVE IN THE BOOKS** which Allah sent down to guide us.
- **WE BELIEVE IN THE MESSENGERS** which Allah sent to the people and whom we take as a good example.
- **WE BELIEVE IN THE LAST DAY** when Allah will account us and give us our result.
- **WE BELIEVE IN THE DECREE** that everything in this life is decreed by Allah, but we need to do our best.



**WHAT ARE THE GOOD THINGS
THAT WILL HAPPEN TO US WHEN WE BELIEVE?**

SECURE (الأمن)

 We will be secure (الأمن).

NO FEAR (لا خوف)

 We will not be afraid of anything (لا خوف). The believers trust Allah takes care of them and will always bring the best to them.

NO SADNESS (لا يحزنون)

 We will not be sad (لا يحزنون). We will always be happy when we believe in Allah.

 To be a winner, we need to first trust Allah and believe in Him. He will give us security, no fear and no sadness. What else?

PEACE (سلام)

 We will have peace (سلام). Nothing will touch us in harm and we will live in peace

A GOOD LIFE (حياة طيبة)

 We will have a good life (حياة طيبة). The believers always have the best life. They will have good families, good friends and good food because they believe and trust Allah. What else?

JENNAH (جنة)

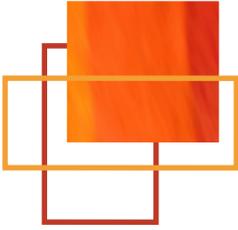
 The believers will go to jennah with ease (جنة).

PLEASURE OF ALLAH (رضا الله)

- Allah will be pleased with you and love you (رضا الله) because you believed in Allah and trusted Him, so He will be pleased with you. And there's something that's better than everything else, what is it?

THE GREATEST DELIGHT – TO SEE THE FACE OF ALLAH IN JENNAH (رؤية وجهه الله) – WE ASK ALLAH OF HIS FAVOR

- To see the Face of Allah in jannah (رؤية وجهه الله). Don't you want to see the Face of the One Who is The Most Merciful, The Most Kind and The Most Loving? Yes of course. That's why it is the greatest delight and it is the best thing Allah will give to the believers, which is to see His Face.
- But the losers will lose out and not see the Face of Allah because they did not believe in Him.



DUA TO SEE THE FACE OF ALLAH

وَأَسْأَلُكَ لَذَّةَ النَّظَرِ إِلَيَّ وَجْهِكَ

I ask You for the sweetness of looking upon Your face.²

- We want to believe, we want to do good, we want to pray and help others because we want to see The Face of Allah.
- We cannot imagine the Face of Allah or put an image to it because Allah is The Most Beautiful and we cannot imagine how great He is. But the believers will see the Face of Allah in jannah.
- We not only want to have a good life, or go to jannah, but to also see the Face of Allah.

² Sunan an-Nasa'i 1305

**SEE THE
FACE OF ALLAH
IN JENNAH**

SECURITY

NO FEAR

JENNAH

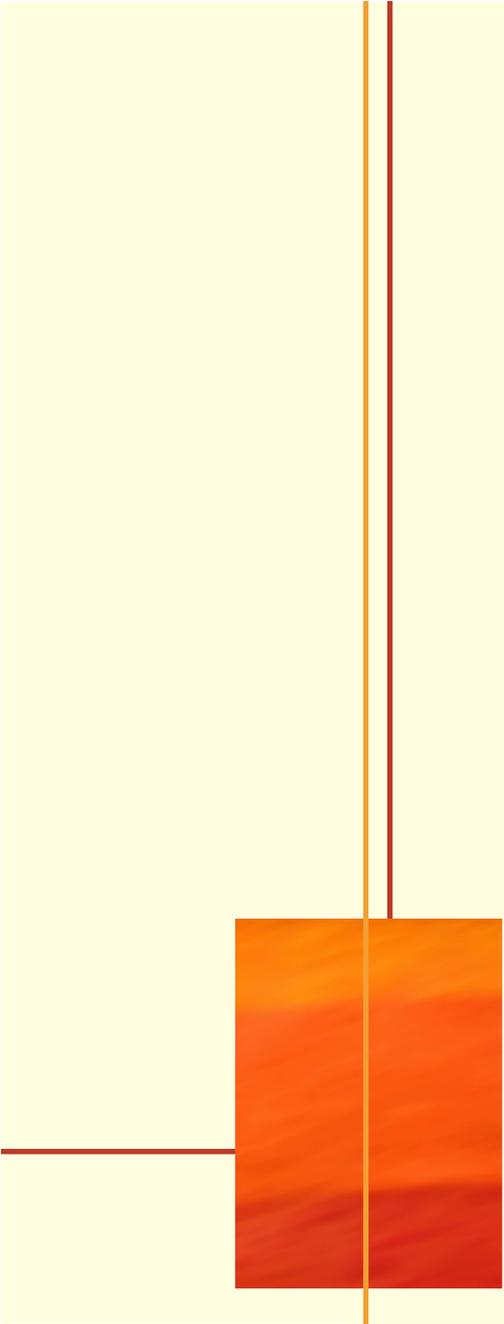
**GOOD THINGS
WHEN WE BELIEVE**

NO SADNESS

A GOOD LIFE

PEACE





(1)
**BELIEF IN
ALLAH**
(الإيمان بالله)

- ❏ Among the six pillars of faith which is the main one?
BELIEF IN ALLAH. If we have strong belief in Allah then we will believe in all that Allah tells us.
- ❏ To believe in Allah is to know about Him truly and to trust Him and rely on Him. It is to believe that no one else can do anything for us except Him. And to have no doubts about Him so we trust Him.
- ❏ For example, we love our mother and when she tells us something, we believe it and accept it.
- ❏ When we believe in Allah, it means we really trust Him and we think good of Him (حسن الظن). For example, when Allah tells us to pray, we do it because we trust Him and He wants what's good for us. When Allah tells us to be kind to others, we do it because we trust Him and He wants what's good for us.
- ❏ To believe in Allah is to trust Him because He wants the best for us, and because He is so kind and caring to us.
- ❏ Even if we see diseases and difficulties around us, we don't think bad of Him, but know for sure He wants good for us.
- ❏ If someone tells us "the end of the world is next week", would you believe them? No. We believe in what Allah tells us.
- ❏ If someone tells us to worship them, do we believe in them? No. We believe in Allah and worship Him alone.
- ❏ To believe in Allah includes in believing four things, we will look at each one.



WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BELIEVE IN ALLAH?

1. TO BELIEVE IN HIS EXISTENCE (وجود الله)

- Allah exists and is never absent. He is always present, but where is He? He is in the sky.
- Someone might think everything just exists on its own and this is not the case because Allah is The Creator and He exists.
- When we see this beautiful world around us, would it make sense to not have a Creator? Of course not.
- Where is Allah? In the sky (في السماء), He is above the seven heavens. Anyone who believes Allah exists and is above the in the sky is a believer.
- Allah is above the seven heavens, He rose over The Throne in a manners that suits His Majesty (استوى على العرش فوق سبع سماوات). We cannot imagine how Allah rose over The Throne because it is not like us.
- We cannot place an image to Allah because He is so great.
- Allah sees us, hears us and knows about us all the time.
- Allah is not everywhere and not on the earth, but He is above the seven heavens.

2. ALLAH IS AR RABB , (الله الرب) THERE IS NO RABB EXCEPT ALLAH (لا رب الا الله)

- This is called the Oneness of Lordship (توحيد الربوبية).
- Only Allah is The Creator (خالق).
- Only Allah is The One taking care of us (مدبر).
- Only Allah is The King (ملك).
- Only Allah gives and withholds (يعطي ويمنع).
- Only Allah gives life and causes death (يحيي ويميت).
- Allah is in control of everything. Who makes the leaf fall? Allah. When we get a gift from someone, Who made them do it? Allah. And when we do not get a gift, Allah withholds but for a good reason.
- This will make us pleased with Allah because He gives and withholds and He takes care of us step by step by teaching us, providing us and protecting us. And this will make us pleased.
- If we do not get something then we should not get upset because Allah knows it would not be good for us. When there is anything good for us, He will bring it to us and anything that's not then He will protect us from it.
- We should not be upset if our teacher gives a gift to someone and not us, but ask Allah to give us.
- We are pleased with Allah as our Rabb (راضيت بالله ربا).
- When we want anything then we ask Allah Our Rabb (رَبَّنَا) - Rabbana.
- Allah takes care of us so that we can go to paradise. He not only takes care of us with food and drink, but He takes care of us to learn and to have good manners so that we can go to paradise.

-  We do not want to shout, argue, scream or be jealous or arrogant. If we want to have good manners and to be a better person then we ask Allah Our Rabb, Rabbana, to make us better.
-  We love Allah Our Rabb because He is taking care of us to go to paradise and to be with the messengers in paradise.

3. THERE IS NO ONE PERFECT EXCEPT ALLAH (لا كامل الا الله) – HE HAS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL NAMES AND EXALTED ATTRIBUTES (الأسماء الحسنی والصفات العلاء)

- ❑ The disbelievers said Allah has children or He gets tired.
- ❑ Allah is Perfect and He has The Most Beautiful Names and The Most Exalted Attributes (الأسماء الحسنی والصفات العلاء).
- ❑ Allah is Ar Rahman (الرحمن), He is the Most Merciful.
- ❑ Allah is Al Lateef (اللطف), He is The Most Gentle.
- ❑ Allah is Al 'Aleem (العليم), He is The All-Knowing.
- ❑ Allah is Al Baseer (البصير), He is The All-Seeing.
- ❑ Allah is As Samie' (السميع), He is The All-Hearing.
- ❑ Allah has many more beautiful names.
- ❑ Allah tells us to call on His Names because we love what is perfect and only He is Perfect.
- ❑ The Names of Allah are real and perfect and this will make us love Allah.

SURAH AL 'ARAAF 180

وَلِلّٰهِ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَىٰ فَادْعُوهُ بِهَا

And (all) the Most Beautiful Names belong to Allah, so call on Him by them

- ❑ What does it mean to call on Allah by His Most Beautiful Names?
- ❑ We know Allah is Ar Rahman, The Most Merciful, then we ask Him to have mercy on us.

- ❏ When we know Allah is Al 'Aleem, The All-Knowing, then we ask Him to teach us.
- ❏ When we know Allah is Al Lateef, The Most Gentle, then we ask Him to make our life gentle.
- ❏ When we know Allah is Al Jameel, The Most Beautiful, then we ask Him to beautify us in every way.
- ❏ Allah is perfect and does not need any sons, daughters, partners, supporters, father or mother. He is One and The Only One. He is Self-Sufficient and does not need anyone. And this makes us call on Allah alone and be sincere to Him.
- ❏ He needs no one, but we all need Him. To believe in Allah is to believe in His perfection. We are not perfect and what we do is not perfect, but we ask Allah to accept from us.
- ❏ When we know no one is perfect then we make it easy on others. We go to Allah alone, have hope in Him, rely on Him and think good of Him because He is perfect.
- ❏ Allah takes care of us in The Most Perfect way, therefore we should be happy. And He will perfect us when we believe in Him.
- ❏ We will be losers when we think Allah is not perfect or we think He is need of someone.
- ❏ When we believe in Allah then we always believe in His Most Exalted Attributes.
- ❏ Allah loves and is pleased, so we seek His love and pleasure. Allah laughs and is happy when we repent, so we repent to Him. Allah has Eyes and Feet, but we cannot imagine how. Allah speaks, but we cannot imagine how. Allah has a Face and we long to see His Face in paradise. We ask Allah of His favor. Ameen.

-  Allah never oppresses anyone and is never unfair to anyone. All of the actions of Allah are perfect so we should not say, "this is unfair". Allah is just to all and has favor on us.
-  Therefore we should not be unjust to anyone. We should not talk bad about others or commit sins because this is wronging ourselves.
-  When we believe in Allah, then we pardon others and overlook their mistakes because no one is perfect except Allah.
-  Sometimes we make mistakes or others make mistakes to show us they are not perfect, so we should not get angry or upset with them.
-  When we see imperfection then we should not be sad because Allah wants to show He is perfect.
-  We ask Allah to perfect our deeds, our manners and our life and to take us to paradise.
-  This is to believe in Names and Attributes of Allah.

4. THERE IS NO ONE WORTHY OF WORSHIP EXCEPT ALLAH (لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ)

- This is the purpose of our life. We love Allah and we want the best from Him. There is no one worthy of worship except Allah (لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ).
- We do not worship or idolize people or a stone. People did not exist before and Allah made them to exist, and people die, but Allah never dies.
- Allah is the One Whom we worship, love and obey. We make dua to Him alone, if we want anything then we ask Him. And we have so much hope from Him.
- We speak good because He likes that we speak good. We run to Him because only He can help us. He never sleeps and is always available for us all the time. He knows everything about us, He sees and hears us all the time.
- When we do good, we do good for Him, and we do not turn to anyone except Him. No one can benefit us except Allah.
- All the treasures are in His Hands. If the entire world gathers to give us a pen, they cannot do it if Allah does not allow it. And if the entire world gathers to stop up from getting a pen, they cannot do it if Allah does not allow it. So we turn to Allah alone.
- Allah wants that we are grateful to Him and do everything for Him alone.
- Allah will shower us with blessings and He will be happy with us because we are fulfilling the purpose of our creation.

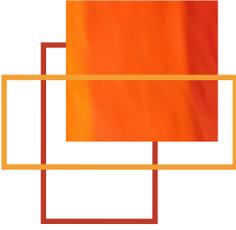
وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ ﴿٥٦﴾

And I (Allah) created not the jinn and mankind except that they should worship Me (Alone).

-  Sometimes we do something, but no one appreciates it. Remember Allah will appreciate it and He will reward us for it, so we are pleased, we run to Him, we love Him, we trust Him and rely on Him alone.
-  (لا إله إلا الله) is the key to paradise.
-  (لا إله إلا الله) is heavier than the heavens and the earth.
-  (لا إله إلا الله) will solve all our problems and undo all the issues in our life.
-  The moment we believe in (لا إله إلا الله) then everything will be solved.
-  The best dhikr (remembrance) is (لا إله إلا الله).
-  So we need to believe in the existence of Allah, we believe that He is the Lord, we believe He has the Most Beautiful Name and Attributes and we believe that we do everything for Him alone. This is belief in Allah.

PROTECTION FROM SHIRK

- We ask Allah to protect us from shirk which is associating another partner with Allah.



DUA TO BE PROTECTED FROM SHIRK

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ أَنْ أُشْرِكَ بِكَ وَأَنَا
أَعْلَمُ، وَأَسْتَغْفِرُكَ لِمَا لَا أَعْلَمُ

Allaahumma 'innee 'a'oothu bika 'an 'ushrika bika wa 'anaa 'a'lamu, wa 'astaghfiruka limaa laa 'alamu.
O Allah, I seek refuge in You should I associate anything with You knowingly, and I seek Your forgiveness (should I associate with You) while I do not know.³

- This is an important dua that we should all memorize.
- The greatest sin is shirk, what does shirk mean? To believe someone else with Allah is perfect, or someone else is in control or to believe someone else has a share in our feelings and worships. No one has the right to be worshipped except Allah. Allah is The Most Rich from being associated with anyone.
- Shirk causes us to be “cut” into parts, but we want to be whole and one for Allah.
- Shirk makes us miserable and we become an easy target for the shaitan.
- That's why we ask Allah to grant us ikhlaas (sincerity to Allah alone).

³ Sahihut-Tarhib wat- Tarhib 1/19, Authenticated by Al Albani

-  What about our mother and father? We believe Allah gave us everyone to know Him. Everyone is a slave of Allah and Allah is the Lord of all.
-  Our mother is a slave of Allah, our father is a slave of Allah, our brothers and sisters are slaves of Allah. And we want to be slaves of The Most Merciful because this will make us happy in life.
-  This is the meaning of (لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ).

SUMMARY OF BELIEF IN ALLAH

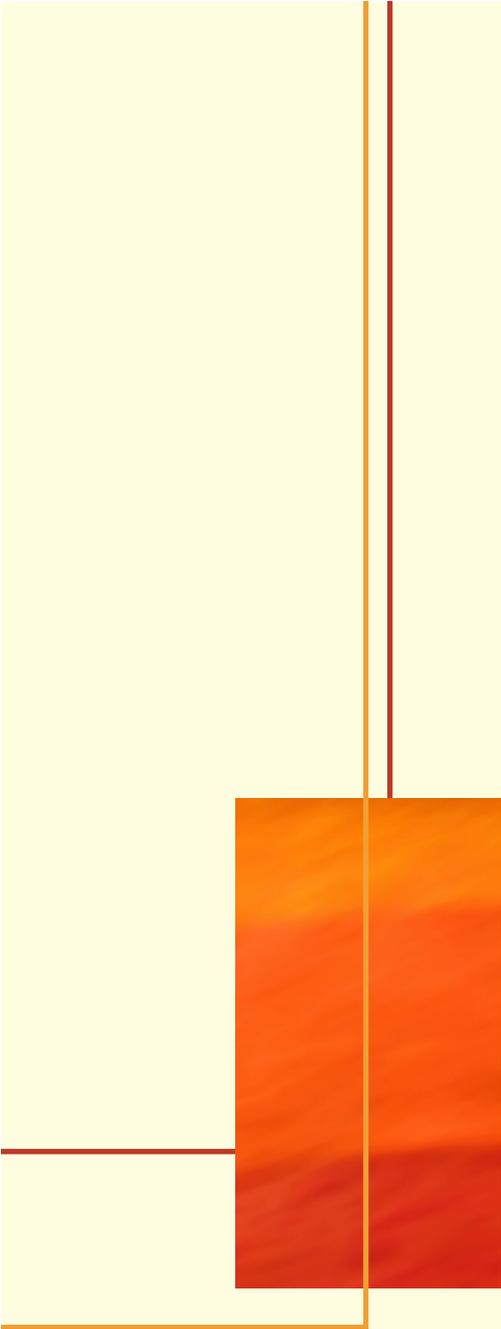
(الإيمان بالله)

- 1 To Believe in His Existence (وجود الله)
- 2 Allah Is Ar Rabb (الله الرب), There Is No Rabb Except Allah (لا رب الا الله)
- 3 There Is No One Perfect Except Allah (لا كامل الا الله) - He Has the Most Beautiful Names And Exalted Attributes (الأسماء الحسنى والصفات العلا)
- 4 There Is No One Worthy of Worship Except Allah (لا إله الا الله)

HOW DO WE APPLY THIS IN OUR LIFE?

- ❏ To be grateful and to be happy because Allah is kind to us.
- ❏ To believe in Allah and think good of Him.
- ❏ To believe that He exists and He is above the seven heavens.
- ❏ To be pleased with Allah as Our Rabb because He is taking care of us in the best way.
- ❏ When we want anything then we ask Our Rabb, Rabbana.
- ❏ To believe Allah exists, to believe Allah is our Lord, to believe Allah has the Most Beautiful Names and Attributes, to believe that He alone is perfect. To worship Allah alone because only He is perfect.
- ❏ (لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ) is the purpose of our creation and the key to paradise so we never want to forget or lose our purpose.
- ❏ To not be upset when others make mistakes because people are not perfect so we should forgive and pardon others.
- ❏ To call on Allah by His Most Beautiful Names. To ask Him to have mercy on us, teach us and give us a good life in this life and the next.
- ❏ To ask Allah to always protect us from shirk.





(2)
**BELIEF IN
THE ANGELS**
الإيمان
بالملائكة

- The word (ملائكة) (angels) is plural for (مَلَك) (angel).
- We cannot see the angels and we cannot assume they look like what is shown or drawn.
- We respect the angels. The angels are the inhabitants of the heavens and the skies (أهل السماء).
- Angels are pure. They do not disobey Allah, they do not have desires, but they have intellect.
- They love whomever Allah loves and hate whatever Allah hates.
- We cannot see the angels, but sometimes the messengers can see the angels.
- The angels are a great creation made of light. They do not eat, drink or sleep. Unlike ourselves who eat, drink and sleep because we get hungry, thirsty and tired.
- The angels are obedient to Allah. They do not do or say things because they want to, but they do whatever Allah tells them. They do not want to miss any command from Allah.
- When we hear about the angels, we are very happy because we love to hear about something that is so good and pure.
- The angels have wings and the number of wings they have depends on their job. Allah assigns tasks to the angels.
- The greatest of all angels is Jibreel (عليه السلام). He is the head of all angels. He has 600 wings and each wing covers the entire horizon, subhan Allah.
- Other angels have two wings, three wings, four wings or more, but the maximum is 600 wings.

- What is the job of Jibreel (عليه السلام)? He is an angel messenger who brings the revelation to the messengers on earth.

1. JIBREEL (عليه السلام)

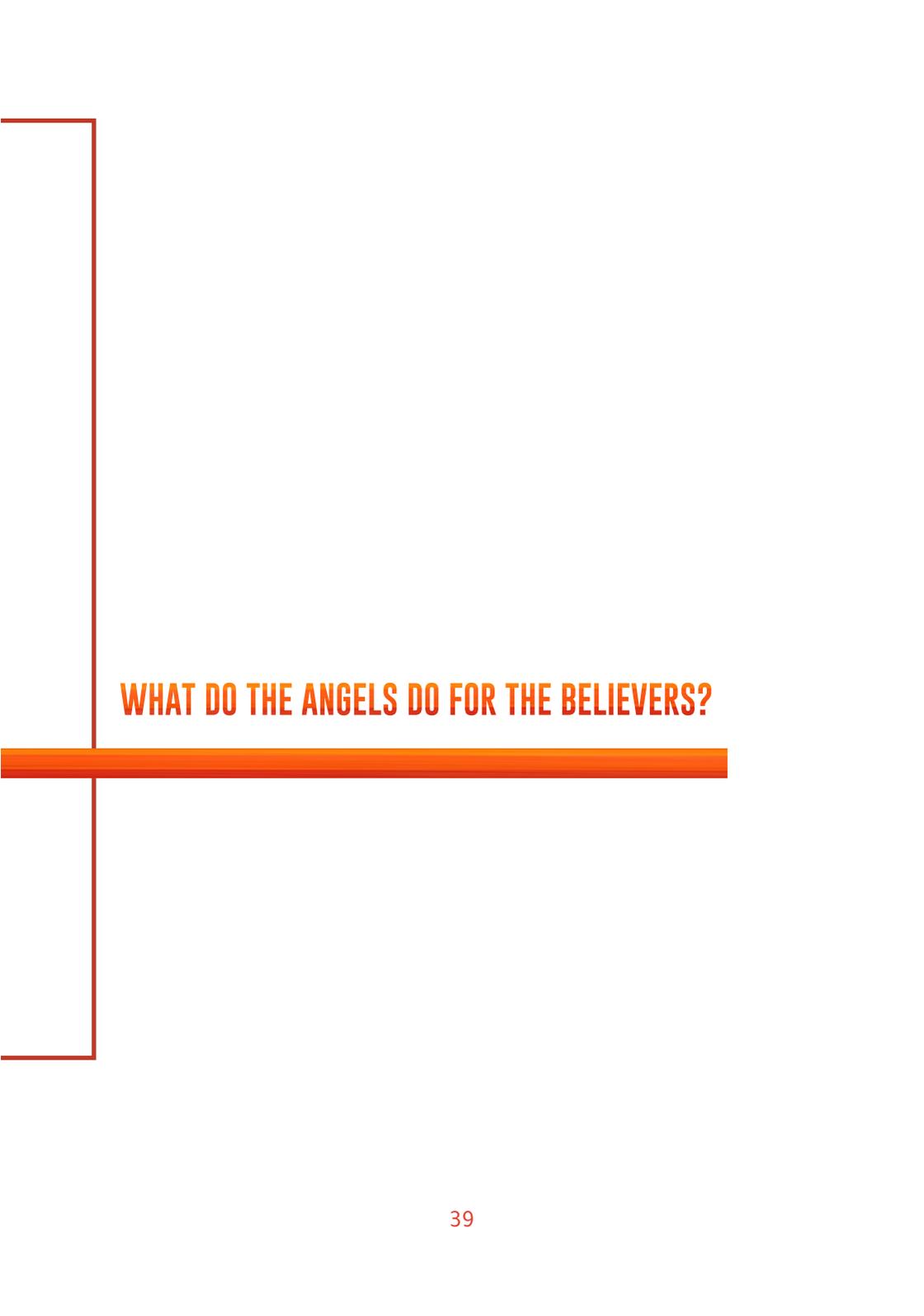
- We all love Jibreel (عليه السلام) and the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) loves him too. He told him to come down, but Jibreel (عليه السلام) said he only comes when Allah commands him.

2. ISRAFEEL (عليه السلام)

- Another angel is Israfeel (عليه السلام). He has two jobs:
 1. He will blow into the trumpet (نافخ الصور) to start the Day of Judgement. He has a trumpet and he is waiting for the command from Allah to blow. He will blow twice, in the first blow everyone will die and in the second blow everyone will be resurrected and brought back to life.
 2. He is also one of the Carriers of the Throne of Allah. Allah has a Throne, but He is in no need of having carriers. It is an honor for the angels to carry His Throne. There are 8 angels carrying the Throne of Allah and one of the angels is Israfeel.

3. MIKAEEL (عليه السلام)

- Another angel is Mikaeel (عليه السلام) and he is in charge of distributing rain and plants. He does not do it on his own, but only by the permission of Allah.
- There are many more angels, but these are the three main angels.
 1. Mikaeel is assigned for rain and vegetation.
 2. Jibreel is assigned for revelation.
 3. Israfeel is assigned to blow into the trumpet.



WHAT DO THE ANGELS DO FOR THE BELIEVERS?

- The angels love the believers and there are things they do for them. Why is it for the believers? Because Allah loves the believers so the angels love the believers too. When we believe in Allah and the angels, what will they do for us?

1. LOVE THE BELIEVERS (محبة المؤمنين)

- They love the believers. When Allah loves someone, Allah will tell Jibreel (عليه السلام) to love him, so he will love him, and he will tell the angels to love him as well because Allah loves him, so they love him. We ask Allah to love us.
- When we learn the Qur'an and when we pray, Allah loves us. When we have good manners and are talking kindly, then Allah loves us. When we are good to our parents, then Allah loves us.
- We should be happy when we are guided to do good because Allah loves us, and when Allah loves us then the angels love us too.

وعنه عن النبي، صلى الله عليه وسلم، قال: "إذا أحب الله العبد نادى جبريل: إن الله تعالى يحب فلاناً، فأحبه، فيحبه جبريل، فينادي في أهل السماء: إن الله يحب فلاناً، فأحبه، فيحبه أهل السماء، ثم يوضع له القبول في الأرض"

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "When Allah loves a slave, calls out Jibril and says: 'I love so-and-so; so love him'. Then Jibril loves him. After that he (Jibril) announces to the inhabitants of heavens that Allah loves so- and-so; so love him; and the inhabitants of the heavens (the angels) also love him and then make people on earth love him".⁴

2. TRANQUILITY (السكينة)

- We feel happy and tranquil when the angels are present. And mercy will descend when they are present. When we recite the Qur'an and say good words, the angels will come, but when there is fighting and screaming then they go away. Angels love good scents and clean places. But the angels will be disturbed when places are dirty and there is bad odor.
- If there are images hanging inside the house or a dog is inside the house then the angels will leave and get disturbed. So we can put away images inside.
- The angels will give support to the believers by the permission of Allah. For example, in one of the battles, the angels were supporting the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and the Companions.

⁴ Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari and Muslim, Book 1, Hadith 387

- And the angels support the believers by giving good thoughts and to write good. But if someone gives us the idea to scream, shout or do bad then this is from the shaitan. When we get a thought to pray or read Qur'an, then we should quickly do it and we will get more good thoughts. Sometimes without us knowing we wake-up and it is time to pray. This is from the angels whom Allah sends.

3. PRAISE (الثناء)

- The angels praise the believers. They say "so and so is good" to each other and in front of Allah. When we are in a study circle learning the Qur'an, the angels will praise us. When we recite the Qur'an, they will praise us.

4. GLAD TIDINGS (البشارة)

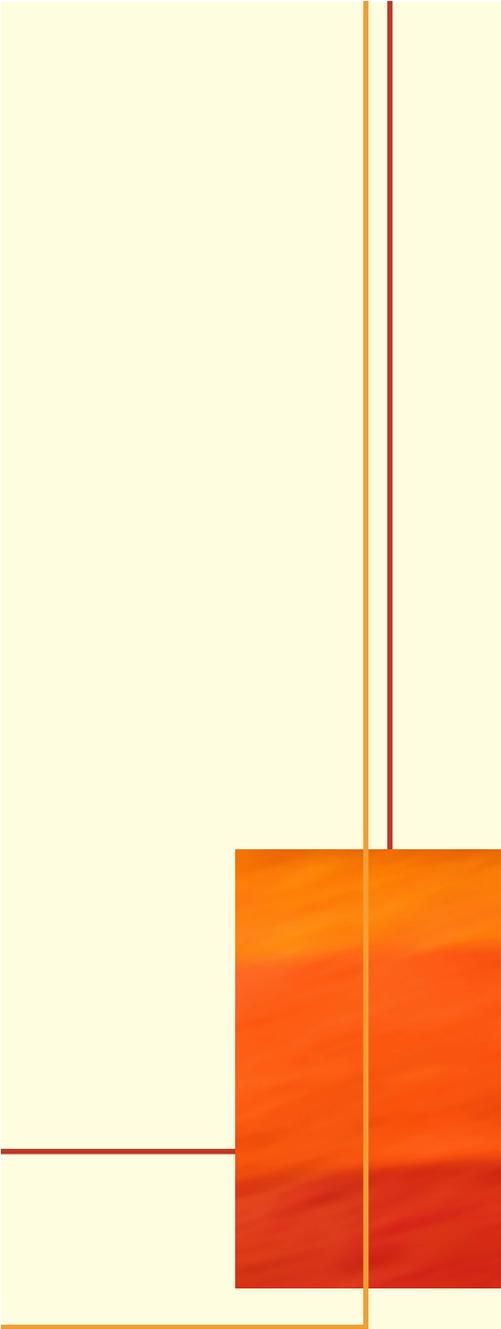
- The angels give glad tidings to the believers. They give us good thoughts and make us feel happy after doing good deeds. And on the Day of Judgement, the angels will give glad tidings which is like good news to the believers.
- They will tell them to not be scared or sad because they will go to jannah. Even at the time of death, they will give good news to the believers that they will go to jannah. But who gives us bad news and makes us sad and scared? The shaitan.

SUMMARY OF WHAT THE ANGELS DO FOR THE BELIEVERS

- 1 Love the Believers (محبة المؤمنين)
- 2 Tranquility (السكينة)
- 3 Praise (الثناء)
- 4 Glad Tidings (البشارة)

HOW DO WE APPLY THIS IN OUR LIFE?

- We love all the angels.
- We believe in the angels and we erase any image in our mind about them because we have not seen them.
- We are motivated to do good and to be obedient like the angels. We always want to say good and advice others with good.
- We do not want to fight or argue otherwise the angels go away and the shayateen come.
- We want to tidy our room and make sure it's clean because the angels like what is clean.
- The more we believe in the angels, the more we have good feelings because we are inspired by them. We are inspired by what is good, but we are not inspired by the what is bad. The shayateen are bad and they hate us, and do not want us to win. The shaitan is our enemy.



(3)
BELIEF IN
THE BOOKS
(الإيمان
بالكتب)

-  There are many books, but which book do we believe in? Not the books written by humans, but the Books revealed by Allah.
-  Allah will always bring the best books for the people because people can forget.
-  Imagine a life without books. Imagine in school if there is only a teacher but no book. The teacher can go, but then there is no book to refer to.
-  Humans can forget, they can forget about belief in Allah, the angels and the Last Day, so we need divine books. It comes from above from Allah and they are handled by people chosen by Allah.



THREE THINGS

WE NEED TO BELIEVE ABOUT THE BOOKS

1. SENT DOWN BY ALLAH (نزولها من الله)

- We believe in the books from Allah and not man-made books.
- Allah commands the angel Jibreel (عليه السلام) to bring down the books to the messengers.
- The source is from Allah and Jibreel (عليه السلام) brings it down. He is the greatest of all angels and he is trustworthy. That's why there is belief in the angels before belief in the books.
- We do not believe in books that were changed by the people.

2. AS IT IS NAMED BY ALLAH (بما سمّاها الله)

- We believe in the names of the Books as mentioned by Allah and the Messenger it was sent to.

BOOK	MESSENGER
Scrolls of Ibrahim (صحف إبراهيم)	Ibrahim (عليه السلام)
Tawrat (توراة)	Musa (عليه السلام)
Zaboor (الزبور)	Dawud (عليه السلام)
Injeel (الإنجيل)	Eisa (عليه السلام)
Qur'an (القرآن)	Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم)

- The Tawrat are like tablets. Musa (عليه السلام) had a meeting with Allah and received the tablets. In the time of Musa (عليه السلام), the Tawrat was correct, but after Musa (عليه السلام) died, the people changed it so we cannot follow it.
- The Zaboor is more about praises and glorification of Allah.
- Originally these books were correct when they were revealed by Allah, but when the messengers died then the people changed the books so we cannot follow these books.
- The Qur'an is the final book sent on the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and it has not changed so we follow it.
- We believe in the names of the Books which were sent on the messenger.

3. WE AFFIRM WHATEVER IS CORRECT IN THE BOOKS (تصديق ما صح من أخبارها)

- ❑ All of the books are correct in their time, and we believe whatever was correct from the book, but not what was changed from it.
- ❑ Surely the Divine Books mention about Allah, the angels, the messengers, Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم), the Day of Judgement and worship.
- ❑ But for us, we will not go to the other books to read, but to follow the Qur'an. The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) forbade 'Umar bin Al Khattab (رضي الله عنه) from reading the other books.
- ❑ For example, imagine in school you have a book which you need to study from, you will not go back and read the book that was used from previous years because then you won't pass.
- ❑ The other books were suitable for the people at that time, but we need to be happy that we are the Ummah of Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and to have the Qur'an.
- ❑ We accept the other books, but are happy to have the Qur'an.

BELIEF IN THE QUR'AN (الإيمان بالقرآن)

-  The Qur'an is the Word of Allah (كلام الله), it is not the word of any human.
-  The Qur'an is a summary of the best rules and best news (خُلاصة الأحكام والأخبار). From all the information and rules in the divine books, the Qur'an is a summary of the best rules and best news. It's a short-cut. The other books are very long and the Qur'an is the shortest.
-  The Qur'an is made up of 114 surahs (سورة 114). Each surah is talking about a concept, and all surahs are connected to one another.
-  The Qur'an begins with Surah Al Fatiha and ends with Surah An Nass.
-  No one is able to write anything like the Qur'an (لا أحد يستطيع أن يأتي بمثل القرآن), not an ayah or a surah like it. Allah mentions in the Qur'an if all the people and the jinn gathered to try to write one verse like the Qur'an, they would not be able to.
-  The Qur'an is not poetry nor is it magic. The Qur'an has a great impact on the people, it has rhythm, it can be recited in different ways and it correctly moves the heart. The Qur'an gives us happiness and life.
-  The Qur'an is revealed in the Arabic language (قرآنا عربيا). The Arabic language is the best language because it is the most expressive. There are more feelings and ways to express in Arabic.
-  The Qur'an is protected (القرآن محفوظ). It is protected from the devils and bad people. No one can change one ayah or one letter from it. No one can add to it or remove anything from it. If anyone tries to change it, Allah will expose them.



Allah promised that He will preserve the Qur'an, so we need to believe the Qur'an that we have is purely the Word of Allah. The Qur'an is our curriculum and it is what we follow in life.

SUMMARY OF BELIEF IN THE QUR'AN

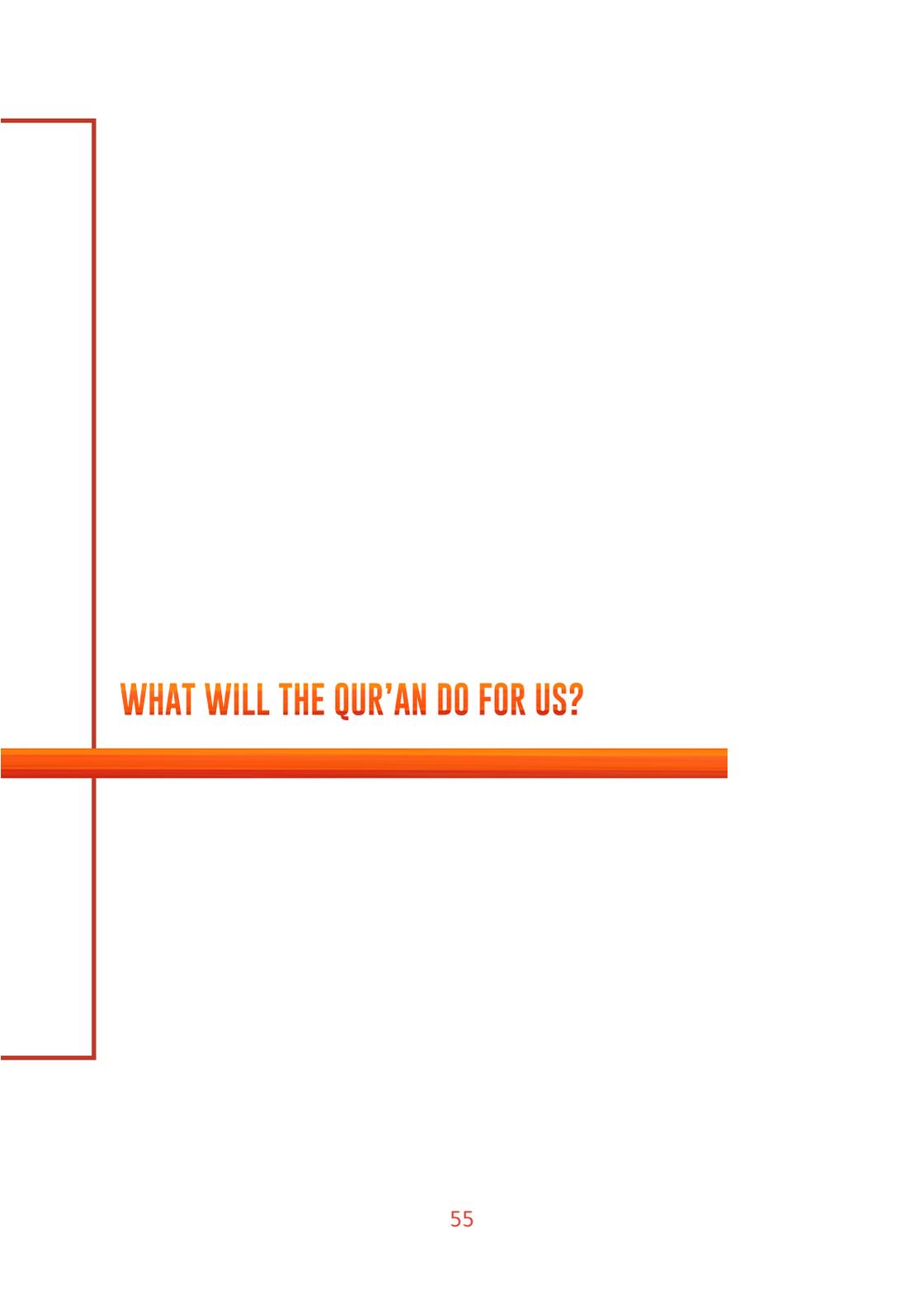
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WHAT WILL THE QUR'AN DO FOR US?

- ❏ The Qur'an is guidance (القرآن هداية). It guides us to all that is right, to the best feelings, the best actions, best manners and best news.
- ❏ The Qur'an is mercy (القرآن رحمة). When we listen to the Qur'an, there is mercy. When we learn it and read it there is mercy. But when there is no Qur'an in our life then we will feel miserable. Mercy is to have all good and to remove all evil. When we are with the Qur'an then our life will be good, bad things will be pushed away from us, and we will become better people, so make the Qur'an your friend.
- ❏ The Qur'an is cure (القرآن شفاء). Surah Al Fatiha is cure for all sicknesses when we recite it seven times. The Qur'an is not only a cure for sicknesses of the body, but it cures the heart from feeling jealous, arrogance, wickedness and bad feelings.
- ❏ The Qur'an is glad tidings (القرآن بشرى). There is always happy and good news in the Qur'an. When we learn the Qur'an, we always feel motivated, happy and at rest because it is all from Allah, but that is when we believe in it.
- ❏ The Qur'an is an intercessor (القرآن شفيعا). If we believe in the Qur'an, read it, learn it and act on it then it will intercede for us. This means it will be on our side to take us to jannah or elevate us in ranks in jannah.

SUMMARY OF WHAT THE QUR'AN WILL DO FOR US

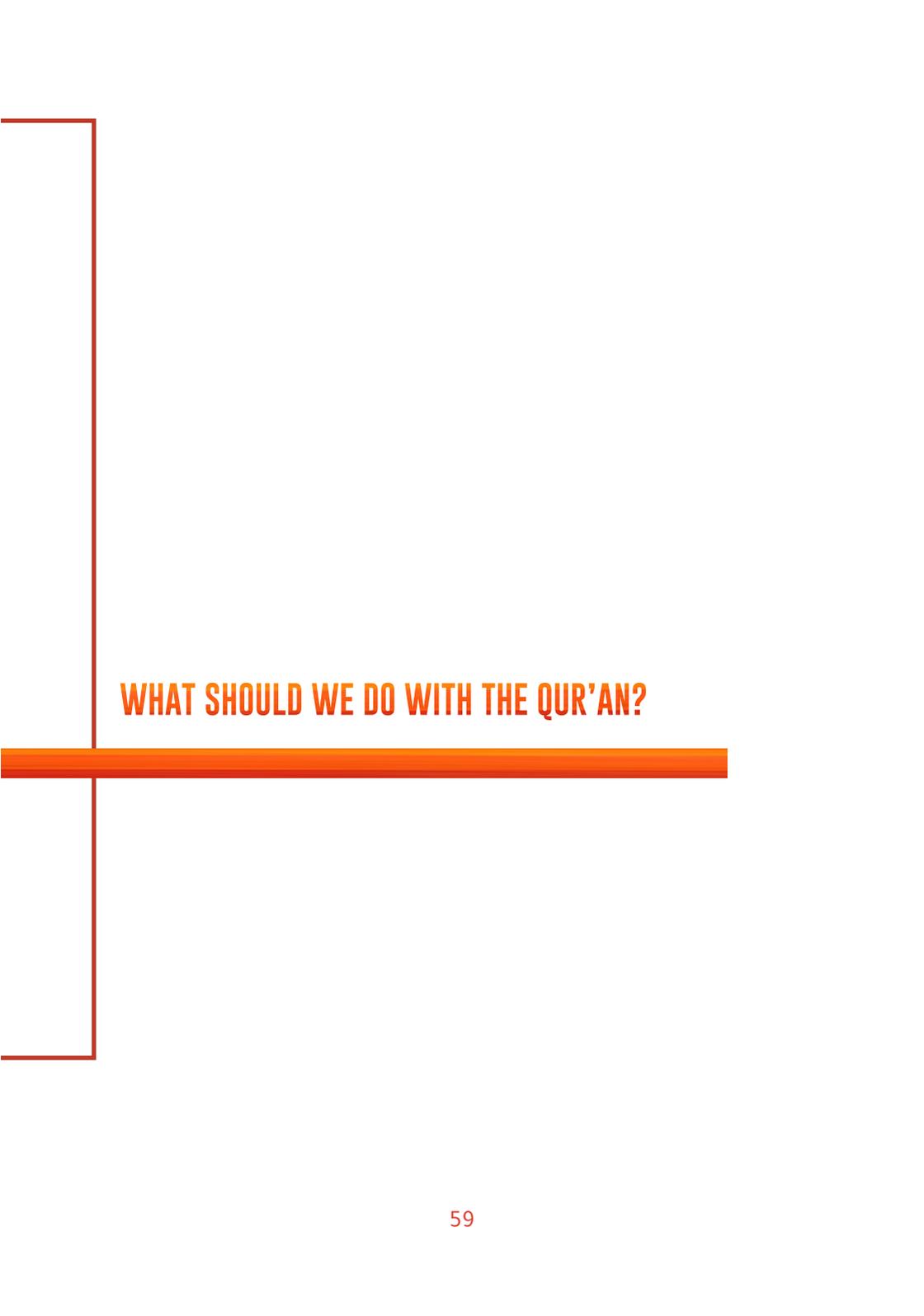
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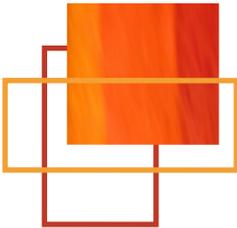
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WHAT SHOULD WE DO WITH THE QUR'AN?

- We need to learn the Qur'an and teach it (تعلم القرآن وعلمه). What will happen? We will be a good person (خيركم).
- When we listen to the Qur'an (سمع القرآن) then there will be mercy (الرحمة).
- When we read the Qur'an (قرأ القرآن), we will get ten hasanaat (حسنة) for every letter we read. We will get so many hasanaat when we read one letter.
- When we memorize the Qur'an, understand it and act on it (حفظ القرآن وعمل به), what will happen? We will rise to higher levels in jannah (ارتق في الجنة).
- With all of this, how should we feel? We should be grateful to Allah for the blessing of the Qur'an (الشكر على نعمة القرآن). It shows how much Allah cares for us and loves us.
- Who applies the Qur'an in the best way? The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم). His character is the Qur'an (خلقه القرآن) and he is our example.
- The Qur'an will change us to become better people.



DUA TO MAKE THE QUR'AN THE SPRING OF OUR HEARTS

اللهم اجعل القرآن ربيع قلبي، ونور صدري وجلاء حزني وذهاب همي

O Allah, make the Qur'an be the spring of my heart, the light of my chest, the remover of my sadness and the pacifier of my worries.⁵

⁵ As Silsalah As Saheeha 199, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

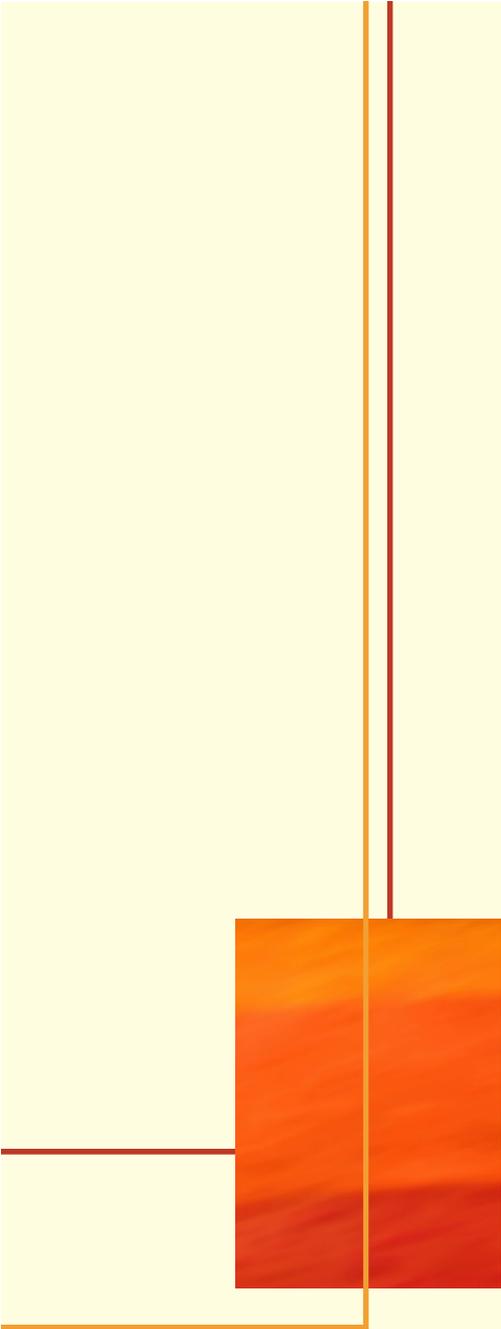
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Grateful to Allah for the blessing of the Qur'an (الشكر على نعمة القرآن)

HOW DO WE APPLY THIS IN OUR LIFE?

-  We should be grateful to Allah for sending down the Qur'an.
-  To make the Qur'an our friend by reading it, listening to it, understanding, acting on it and teaching it to others.
-  To be happy to have the Qur'an and that it is the best book to make us a better person.



(4)
**BELIEF IN THE
MESSENGERS**
(الإيمان بالرسول)

- When we have a role model then it will help us to act in the best way.
- If we only have books and no messengers then people will not have good manners. We need to have a good role model so that we become well-mannered humans. That's why we must believe in the Books and Messengers together.
- The character of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) was the Qur'an. He exemplified the Qur'an in the best way.
- We need the best people to follow and that's why the Qur'an mentions the messengers. And in particular the life of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) is all guidance for us. Not everything is mentioned in the Qur'an about his life, but it is mentioned in the hadiths. That's why we follow both the Qur'an and the Sunnah.
- It is a mercy for us to have a messenger sent to us. If we are just like a Book then we can be so rigid.
- Truthfulness will be shown when we believe in Allah and the Prophets. It did not say the angels or books, because the angels are obedient and the books will not react.
- Truthfulness will show when we interact with humans and when we go through ups and downs in life. We cannot say, "we don't need a teacher". We need people. It is not sufficient to learn knowledge with only books.
- The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) was sent to complete honorable manners.

THE MESSENGER (صلى الله عليه وسلم)
WAS SENT TO PERFECT GOOD MANNERS

إِنَّمَا بُعِثْتُ لِأَتَمِّمَ مَكَارِمَ الْأَخْلَاقِ

The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "I was sent to perfect good character."⁶

- It is important that we not only speak of belief in the messengers, and also about the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) because this will make us truthful.

⁶ As Silsalah As Saheeha 45, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih



WHAT WE NEED TO BELIEVE ABOUT THE MESSENGERS

1. FIRM BELIEF THAT ALLAH SENT A MESSENGER TO EACH NATION (التصديق الجازم بأن الله بعث في كل أمة رسولا)

- This means Allah will not leave the people without sending a messenger to them.

2. THE MESSENGERS CALL THE PEOPLE TO ALLAH (الرسال يدعون الناس الى الله)

- The mission of all the messengers is to call the people to (لا إله إلا الله) - there is no one worthy of worship except Allah.
- This means the message and mission of all the messengers is one.

3. ALL OF THE MESSENGERS ARE TRUTHFUL (كلهم صادقون مرسلون)

- All the messengers sent by Allah are truthful.

4. THERE ARE MANY MESSENGERS, 25 ARE MENTIONED IN THE QUR'AN (عدد الرسل كثيرون فقط 25 في القرآن)

- We believe in the all the messengers sent by Allah and there are 25 mentioned in the Qur'an.
- We do not know the names of all of them, but we believe in all.

5. MESSENGERS OF DETERMINATION (أولو العزم من الرسل)

Among the 25 messengers mentioned in the Qur'an, there are 5 who are called "the messengers of determination" (أولو العزم من الرسل).

Why are there five? Because Allah chose them. Allah prefers some over others because He knows who are the best. Who are the messengers of determination?

1. Mohammed (محمد) (صلى الله عليه وسلم)
2. Ibrahim (ابراهيم) (عليه السلام) - Abraham
3. Musa (موسى) (عليه السلام) - Moses
4. Nuh (نوح) (عليه السلام) - Noah
5. Eisa (عيسى) (عليه السلام) - Jesus

Among these five, who is the best? Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and he is the final messenger and Khalil Allah - the close companion of Allah.

Why does Allah prefer him? Allah knows their qualities and what situations they go through.

6. FIRST MESSENGER IS NUH (عليه السلام) (اول رسول نوح عليه) (السلام)

The first messenger sent to the people is Nuh (عليه السلام). He called the people to Allah for 950 years. But how many believed? 83 believers.

Allah praised Nuh (عليه السلام) because he did his best and Allah called him (عبدا شكورا) - a grateful slave. He was never unhappy with what Allah gave him. He called the people for a long time, even though only a few believed.

7. FINAL MESSENGER AND PROPHET IS MOHAMMED (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (آخر رسول ونبي محمد صلى الله عليه وسلم)

- The final messenger and prophet is Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم); there is no messenger or prophet that will come after him.
- He called on the people for 23 years. How many people became Muslim? (أفواجاً) - a great number in the thousands, millions and billions, and it continues to this day.

8. QUALITIES OF THE MESSENGERS

- The messengers are humans (بشر).
- They eat, drink (يأكلون ويشربون) and go to the marketplace. They socialize with others. They fall sick and they can get tired.
- They do not know the unseen (لا يعلمون الغيب). They do not know what is inside the hearts of the people.
- They do not have divine qualities of lordship nor are they worshipped (لا يملكون صفات الربوبية ولا الألوهية).

9. ROLE OF THE MESSENGERS (وظيفة الرسل)

- The role of the messengers is:
 1. To call the people to Allah (يدعون الناس)
 2. To be a good example for the people (قدوة الناس). They show us what to do when we fall sick, when others hurt us and how to deal with different types of people.
- It is important to respect the messengers, but not over-praise them.
- There are two extremes: there are those who disrespect them and those who over-praise them.



WHAT IS OUR DUTY TOWARDS THE MESSENGERS (واجبنا تجاه الرسل)?

- We should believe in them (تصديقهم).
- We love them (محببتهم). When we know their stories then we will love them and take their side.
- We prefer them over others (تفضيلهم على غيرهم). We will not say others are better than the messengers. We cannot say we are better than them.
- Praise them and respect them (الصلاة عليهم). When we say their names we say - peace be upon him (عليه السلام). And for Mohammed we say "salat and salat upon him" (صلى الله عليه وسلم).

SUMMARY OF OUR DUTY TOWARDS THE MESSENGERS

Believe in them (تصديقهم)

Love them (محببتهم)

Prefer them over others (تفضيلهم على غيرهم)

Praise and respect them (الصلاة عليهم)

BELIEF IN MOHAMMED (صلى الله عليه وسلم)
(الإيمان بمحمد صلى الله عليه وسلم)

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 Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم) is a prophet and messenger (نبي ورسول).
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 Allah sent him to the jinn and all mankind (أرسله الله للإنس والجن). Unlike other messengers who were only sent to certain nations.
- 
 He is the final messenger (خاتم النبيين).
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 He is the best of all prophets and messengers (أفضل الأنبياء والمرسلين). He is the best in every part of his life - in his character, worship and Allah preferred him. That is why all the other messengers respect him and he is the leader of all messengers.
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 He is sent as a mercy to all mankind (أرسله رحمة للعالمين). He clarified the religion for us so that it is easy. We do not ask for mercy from him because we call on Allah and make dua to Him.
- 
 He is sent to complete the manners of the people (بعث لأتمم مكارم الأخلاق).
- 
 He conveyed the message in full (بلغ الرسالة). He did not hide anything from the religion.
- 
 Everything he says is inspiration from Allah (أوحى الله إليه). He does not make up things on his own, but says everything revealed to him from Allah so there are no mistakes.

SUMMARY OF BELIEF IN MOHAMMED

(صلى الله عليه وسلم)

He is a messenger and prophet (نبي ورسول)

Allah sent him to all mankind and the jinn (أرسله)
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WHAT IS OUR DUTY TOWARDS

THE PROPHET MOHAMMED (صلى الله عليه وسلم)?

(واجبنا تجاه النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم)

- ❏ To love him (محبته)
- ❏ To take him as a role model and good example (اتخاذہ) because he is the best of all mankind. (قدوة)
- ❏ To believe in all that he tells us (تصديقه) because all that he said is the truth.
- ❏ To obey him (طاعته). He tells us how to pray and manners.
- ❏ To send salat and salam upon him (السلام والصلاة عليه). We send salat and salam upon the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) then Allah will praise us.
- ❏ When we say his name, we say (صلى الله عليه وسلم). And if someone says his name then we say also say (السلام والصلاة عليه).
- ❏ On Fridays, we increase in sending blessings on the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم). And when we always say it then Allah will make our life easy.

SENDING SALAT AND SALAM ON THE PROPHET (صلى الله عليه وسلم)

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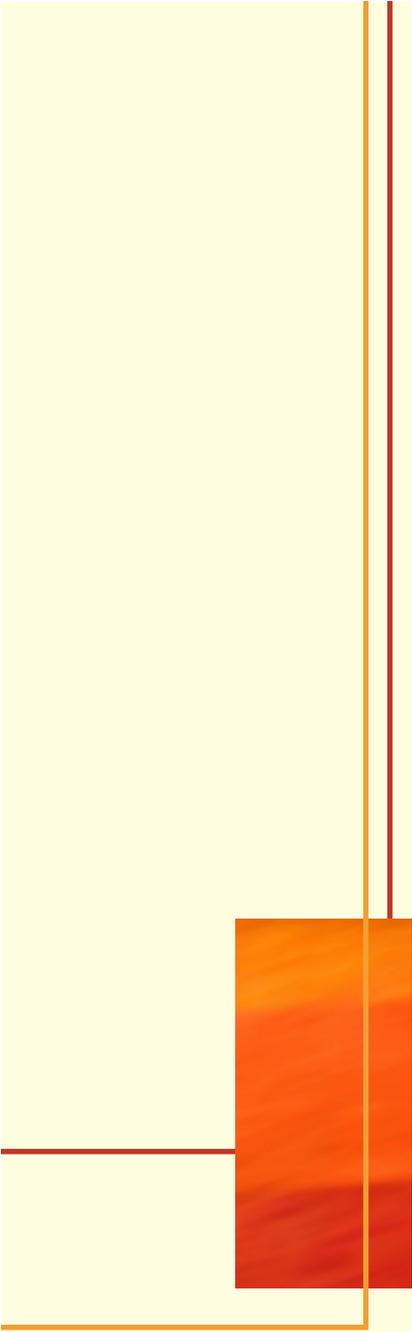
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To obey him (طاعته)

To send salat and salam upon him
(السلام والصلاة عليه)

HOW DO WE APPLY THIS IN OUR LIFE?

-  We will not be winners when we do not believe in the messengers.
-  We will be truthful and have good manners when we follow the messengers, but we will lose when we follow ourselves.
-  Belief in Allah, the Angels, the Books and the Messengers make us winners.



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**BELIEF IN
THE LAST DAY**
(الإيمان
باليوم الآخر)

-  If we do not think about the Day of Judgement then we can become careless and lazy. But belief in the Last Day keeps us safe and guided to the best manners.
-  Belief in the Last Day has a great impact in reforming us and making us responsible. Imagine if we didn't have school exams, then we won't feel motivated to do our homework or study.
-  Because we believe in the Last Day and it is the Day when everything will be decided and settled, and there will be winners who will go to paradise and losers who will go to the fire, then for sure we want to do our best.
-  This pillar is so important to make us successful and not lose. The more we remember the Last Day, the more we will be cautious of our actions and behavior.
-  The Last Day is one day, but many things will take place on that Day. We will summarize it in ten points.



WHAT WE NEED TO BELIEVE ABOUT THE LAST DAY

1. THE LAST DAY – THE DAY OF STANDING (اليوم الآخر يوم القيامة)

- It is the Last Day and one of its names is the Day of Standing. This means we will all stand before Allah.
- When we know it is the Last Day, what should we do? We should believe and use our time in the best way.

2. LIFE AFTER DEATH (البعث بعد الموت)

- After death, there will be the (البعث) - resurrection. This means the dead which are like sand and bones right now will be recreated by Allah and brought back to life again. Our souls will return our bodies.
- Remember the angel Israfeel will blow the trumpet and this is when the resurrection will take place.
- That's why the life we have now is so precious so that we can do our best. After we die, we cannot do anything anymore.

3. BOOK OF RECORDS (صحائف الأعمال)

- Right now, there are two angels who are recording and writing everything we do.
- On the Day of Judgement, our Book of Records will be given to us. We should never think we can get away with things, we need to believe everything is being recorded.
- We want our Book of Records to be good. If it is good, then we will receive it with our right and if it is bad, then we will receive it with the left hand.
- On the Last Day, Allah will account us according to what is in our Book of Records.

4. THE ACCOUNT (الحساب)

- Allah will account all of us. He will account the people and what they did in this life.
- No one will account us except Allah.
- There is something very special, we believe there are people who will enter paradise with no account. They are excellent people who always rely on Allah, always do their best, are truthful and never stop doing good. May Allah make us among those who enter paradise with no account. Ameen.
- There will be different types of account:
 1. Some will enter paradise with no account
 2. Some will have an easy account
 3. Some with have a difficult account
- Which one do you want? Of course with no account. We ask Allah to make us enter paradise with no account and we rely on Him.

5. THE SCALE (الميزان)

- We believe in a great and large Scale. There are two sides to the Scale.
- On one side all the good deeds (الحسنات) will be placed and on the other side all the sins (السيئات) will be placed.
- Every deed we do has a weight. If we pray, fast, read Qur'an or speak good, it will be placed on the side of good deeds.

■ If there is backbiting, shouting or hurting others then it will be placed on the side of sins.

■ We want the side of our good deeds to be heavier than our sins, what will make it very heavy?

1. **Good manners (حسن الخلق)**: to do good, to pardon, to overlook, even if someone says something bad to us, we do not hurt them. We help our mother and friends. We say a good word and if we can't then we stay quiet. We always smile and say salam. We shower and stay clean. All of these are good manners. We remove any harm from the path. We feed the birds and cats. We should never underestimate any good deed.
2. **Believe in Allah alone (لا إله إلا الله)**: we do not worship anyone except Allah because no is perfect except Him.
3. **All praises are due to Allah (الحمد لله)**: we will not complain or argue, but always say "alhamdulillah". We praise Allah for everything.

6. INTERCESSION AND POOL OF THE PROPHET (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (شفاعة النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم وحوضه)

■ People will be thirsty on the Day of Judgement, but those who loved the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم), believed in him and followed him will drink from the Pool of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم).

■ When we take the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) as our role model then we will get to drink from his pool of water.

- ❑ People will be thirsty if they did not take him as a role model or love him.
- ❑ The word (شفاعة) means the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) will intercede for the people by the permission of Allah, for example a person might reach a higher level in jannah.
- ❑ For example, in school you might get A-, but the teacher knows you're better, so she'll give you an A. Or someone gets a D, but then they are bumped up to a C.
- ❑ What should we do to get the intercession of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)?
 1. To believe in Allah
 2. To love the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)
 3. Increase in sending salat and salam upon the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم).
 4. To take him as a good example

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7. SIRAT (الصراط)

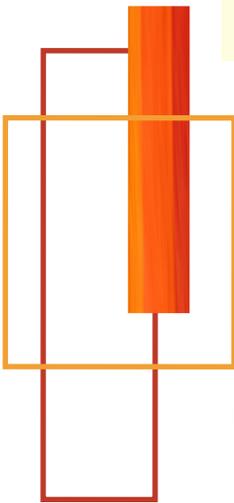
- The Sirat is a bridge over the fire that is thinner than a strand of hair and sharper than a sword, but those who believe and do good deeds will be able to pass it quickly.
- Those who did not believe will not reach this station because they would have already been thrown in the fire.
- People will cross it according to their level of faith and good deeds. The more faith and good deeds we have, the faster we will pass, but the less faith and less good deeds, the slower we'll pass. May Allah increase us in faith and good deeds. Ameen.

8. QANTARA (القنطرة)

- This is a purification station between the people.
- For example, there might be someone praying and fasting and doing all good with Allah, but he backbites others, shouts at them and hurts them. Will he quickly go to paradise? No. He will stop at qantara because why did he do bad things to others? So his good deeds will go to the one he hurt.
- That's why we have to be good with others, and not hurt them or insult them or make fun of them. We should not make fun others with jokes, writing or even drawing.
- We do not want to give away our good deeds because of our behavior.
- Suppose someone was mean to us, what should we do? We pardon them and Allah will reward us.
- You will see how belief in the Last Day makes us better people.

9. FIRE (النار)

- We believe in the fire which is a punishment prepared for those who do not believe Allah and the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم), who are bad to others, are arrogant, harsh and hard.
- That's why we ask Allah to always protect us from the fire. We never want to go to it and we believe it is there.



DUA TO BE PROTECTED FROM THE FIRE AND TO ASK FOR JENNAH

قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ
وَسَلَّمَ " مَنْ سَأَلَ اللَّهَ الْجَنَّةَ ثَلَاثَ
مَرَّاتٍ قَالَتِ الْجَنَّةُ اللَّهُمَّ ادْخُلْهُ الْجَنَّةَ
وَمَنْ اسْتَجَارَ مِنَ النَّارِ ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ
قَالَتِ النَّارُ اللَّهُمَّ اجِرْهُ مِنَ النَّارِ."

"The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: 'Whoever asks Allah for Paradise three times, Paradise will say: 'O Allah, admit him to Paradise.' And whoever seeks protection from Hell three times, Hell will say: 'O Allah, protect him from the Fire.'"⁷

- Only Allah judges who will go to the fire. We do not say who will go, but we ask Allah to protect us.

⁷ Sunan an-Nasa'i 5521

10. JENNAH (الجنة)

- We believe in jannah which no eye has seen, no ear has heard and never crosses the heart.
- Our body and soul will be happy and we will be with people around us who are always happy.
- There is nothing to disturb us in jannah, there is no harshness, evil, bad words or sickness.
- We believe there are homes, palaces, rivers, food, drinks, market and all that we love there and more.
- There is no sadness, worries or evil. There is nothing bad in jannah, everything is pure enjoyment. And there is no death or fear in jannah.
- We all want to go to jannah, and we make dua:



DUA FOR JENNAH AND PLEASURE OF ALLAH

اللهم انا نسألك رضاك والجنة

O Allah we ask You for Your pleasure and jannah.

- The best thing we can have in jannah is that Allah will be pleased and happy with us. And we will see the Face of Allah.
- And we ask Allah to grant us the best and highest level in jannah which is called Firdaous Al 'Ala. It is under the Throne of Allah.

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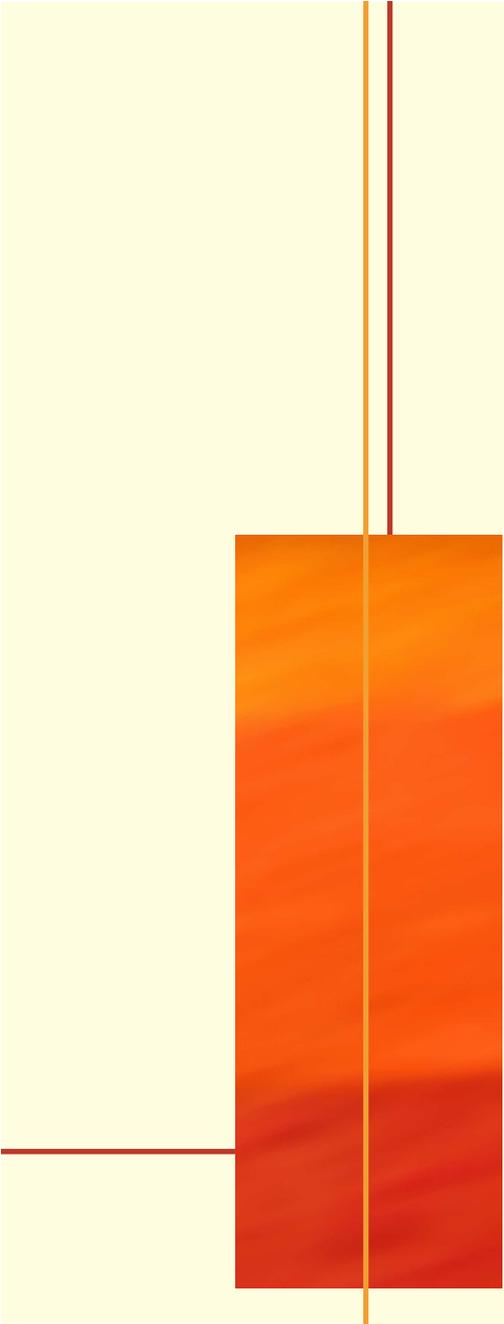
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(الإيمان باليوم الآخر)

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- 2 Life after death (البعث بعد الموت)
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- 4 Accounts (الحساب)
- 5 The Scale (الميزان)
- 6 Intercession and Pool of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (شفاعة النبي وحوضه)
- 7 Sirat (الصراط)
- 8 Qantara (القنطرة)
- 9 Fire (النار)
- 10 Jennah (الجنة)

HOW DO WE APPLY THIS IN OUR LIFE?

- When we believe in the Last Day, then we will always account ourselves and think before we do something. Is it pleasing to Allah or not?
- We will want to show the best manners to others and not hurt them.
- We ask Allah to protect us from the fire and make us enter jannah with no account. And we ask Him for His pleasure and to make us enter the highest level in jannah - Firdaus Al 'Ala.



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**BELIEF IN
THE DECREE
GOOD AND
BAD OF IT**
الإيمان
بالقدر خيره
(وشره)

- ❏ The final pillar of faith is a test for our belief in all the other pillars. It is a test for our belief in Allah, the Angels, Books, Messengers and Last Day.
- ❏ A situation will come in our life to show if we learned or not.
- ❏ This pillar is called “Belief in the Decree - Good and Bad of it” (الإيمان بالقدر خيره وشره).
- ❏ Everything that happens in our life, such as learning at this moment, our mother is talking to us, or eating are all decrees.
- ❏ There is nothing coincidence or random in our life. When we meet someone is not a coincidence, but it is a decree.
- ❏ To say something is by coincidence or random, shows lack of belief in Allah because He is All-Aware of everything and He puts everything into place.
- ❏ This universe is not a coincidence, everything is planned, precisely measured and decreed by Allah.
- ❏ When the rain falls, when people are born, when people die, when people succeed, when people lose, when people fall sick and when people are cured are not coincidence, but everything is decreed and measured by Allah.
- ❏ If someone tells you a building just appears in front of you, is that coincidence? Of course not. Surely before it is an idea, planning, drawing, bringing building material and workers, so can this be coincidence? No.
- ❏ There are things that go according to rules and laws in this life. If we do good, then we will get good. If we do bad and hurt others, then bad will come to us. That’s why it’s important to always choose the best and do good.

- ❏ We cannot say, "it doesn't matter if I do bad because Allah decreed it for me". There are laws which Allah placed and He sent us messengers and books so that we choose what is right. When we do good then we get good. When we do bad then we get bad.
- ❏ If someone comes to us and tells us mean words, then they will be accountable for what they said, but we do not want to be like them. What should we do? We will pardon them because we believe in Allah and we want Allah to pardon us. We do not want to hurt anyone just as they hurt us. So through this decree it makes us a better person and brings out good from us.
- ❏ Or someone is doing good to us and gives us so we are happy. This inspires us to also give and not be stingy, and to make others happy just as they made us happy.
- ❏ Every situation - good or bad - can make us a better person, whether to be more grateful, more patient or inspire us to do good.
- ❏ For example, when Suleiman (عليه السلام) was with his army, he could hear the ant speaking to the other ants telling them to enter their homes because Suleiman (عليه السلام) and his army are coming and they might crush you.
- ❏ Suleiman (عليه السلام) did not get angry because the ant talked about him, but made dua to Allah thanking Him that he could understand the ants. So through this decree it brought out gratitude from him.
- ❏ And there are things which remind us of jannah and the fire. For example, when we see people greeting us and everything beautiful, we remember how it will be like in jannah to be greeted by the angels, so we ask Allah to make us enter jannah. Or if we get burnt from something

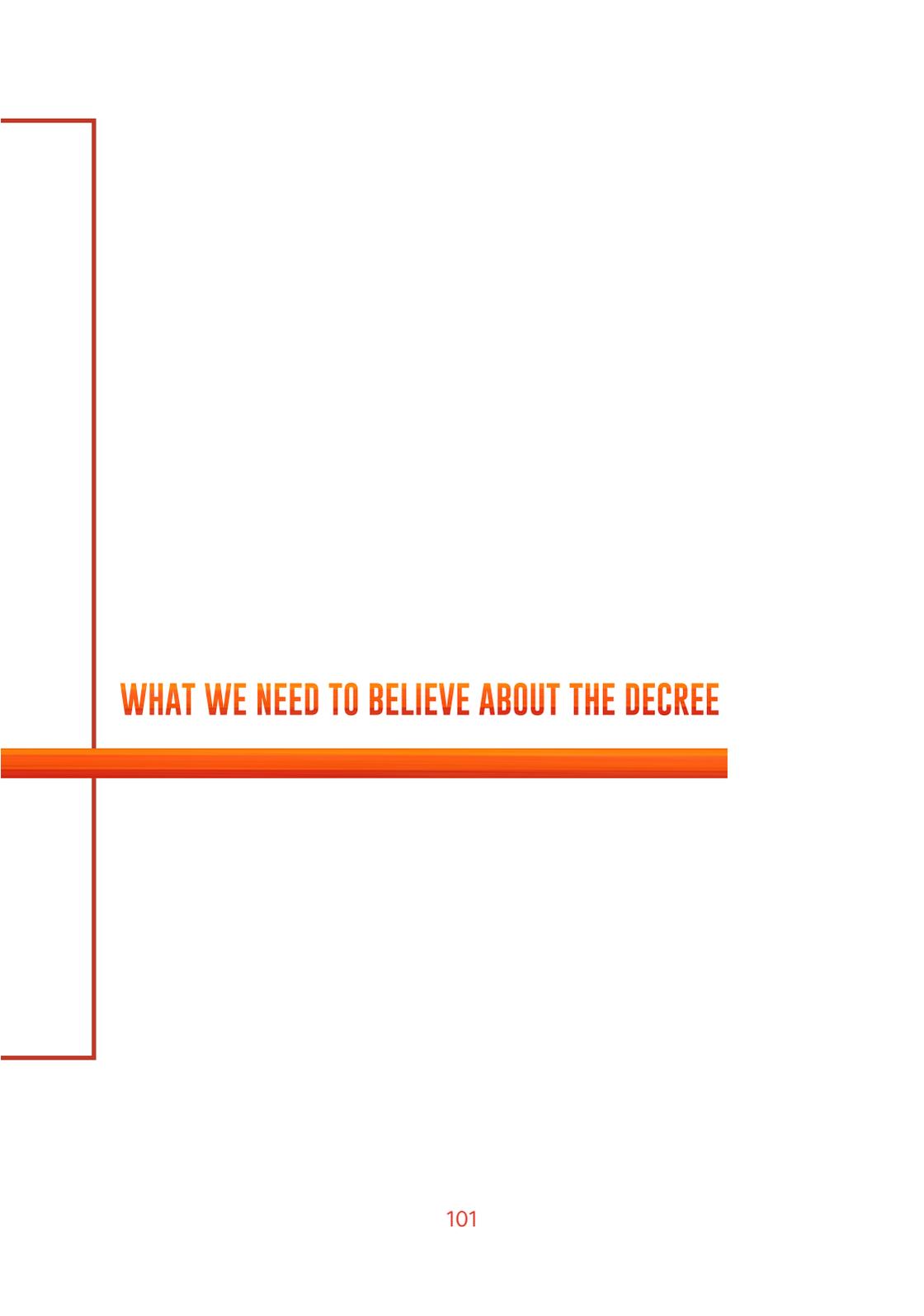
hot or boiling water, then we remember what the fire of the hereafter will be like, so we ask Allah to protect us from the fire.



Sometimes we forget to pray, and Allah brings a situation to remind us to pray.



Or sometimes we're doing bad, and we go through a situation to remind us to ask for forgiveness.



WHAT WE NEED TO BELIEVE ABOUT THE DECREE

1. ALL THAT HAPPENS IS NOT COINCIDENCE (كل الاحداث ليست صدفة)

- Sometimes we're thinking of someone and we get a call of them, it is not because we know or a coincidence, but because Allah knows.

2. EVERYTHING HAPPENS ACCORDING TO PRECISE MEASURE (كل شيء بقدر)

- Everything happens according to precise measure. The number of fish in the sea, the drops of rain that fall, the leaves that fall from the trees are all precisely measured by Allah.

3. EVERYTHING HAPPENS BY THE PERMISSION OF ALLAH (كل شيء بإذن الله)

- Everything that happens around us is not by the permission of the people, but by the permission of Allah. When He wills for something to happen then it will happen so we do not give power to anyone.

4. ALLAH KNOWS EVERYTHING (كل شيء بعلم الله)

- Allah knows everything that happens in our life. Sometimes we're at home but we don't know what's happening.
- Allah knows the past, present and future of everything. He does not forget what has happened and knows all that will happen. There is nothing hidden from Him.

5. EVERYTHING HAPPENS ACCORDING TO PERFECT WISDOM (كل شيء بحكمة بالغة)

- Everything happens by the perfect wisdom of Allah. There is nothing else that could have happened that would be better. For example, if five birds come to us then this is the best thing and there cannot be something better.
- Sometimes we want to go somewhere and we get delayed because someone calls us or something happens to the car. And we get upset because we think, “why did this happen? Now I’m late”, but it is perfect wisdom.
- And then later we find out it was perfect because it protected us from something. And this shows belief when we know everything is good.
- Or sometimes something comes before expected like a delivery or people. Or someone receives a gift and not us. We should not feel bad or frustrated because everything is perfect. It is the best situation.

6. ALL DECREES ARE GOOD (كل الاقدار خير)

- All decrees are good even if it looks bad. We never say evil is from Allah. People do evil things and Allah will account them for it.
- Sometimes sickness looks bad, but there is goodness in it. Sometimes there we are delayed, but it is protection. Or someone tells us something and it makes us feel bad. But this leads us to be a better person by praying more and coming closer to Allah.

- We need to believe Allah does not want to punish us, but always wants good for us. But if we do bad then surely bad will come to us.

7. EVERY PERSON HAS A CHOICE AND ABILITY AND IS ACCOUNTABLE (للإنسان اختيار وقدرة ولكن محاسب)

- Every person has a choice and ability, and he is accountable for what he chooses. So we cannot say, "everything is decreed so we have no choice".
- We have a choice to do good or do bad, and we are accountable for what we choose. If we do good then Allah will reward us and if we do bad then there is punishment as well.
- That's why we cannot give an excuse when doing bad that Allah decreed this for me. We are the ones who chose to do bad.
- Allah shows us the way to jannah and when we do good then good things come to us. When we are kind to others, then kindness will come to us.

SUMMARY OF BELIEF IN THE DECREE GOOD AND BAD OF IT

(الإيمان بالقدر خيره وشره)

- 1 All That Happens Is Not Coincidence (كل الاحداث ليست صدفة)
- 2 Everything Happens According to Precise Measure (كل شيء بقدر)
- 3 Everything Happens by The Permission of Allah (كل شيء بإذن الله)
- 4 Allah Knows Everything (كل شيء بعلم الله)
- 5 Everything Happens According to Perfect Wisdom (كل شيء بحكمة بالغة)
- 6 All Decrees Are Good (كل الاقدار خير)
- 7 Every Person Has A Choice and Ability and Is Accountable (للإنسان اختيار وقدرة) ولكن محاسب

IMPACTS OF BELIEVING IN THE DECREE

(ثمرات الإيمان بالقدر)

1. TO BE FREE OF SHIRK (الخلاص من الشرك)

- ❑ No one decrees anything or decides or puts everything in place except Allah. Allah is Al Qadeer.
- ❑ It is shirk to think someone else has the power to decree.

2. TO KNOW WHO IS ALLAH (تعرف من هو الله)

- ❑ Belief in the decree makes us know Who is Allah. For example we think about something and it comes to us, this shows us the knowledge and power of Allah. He knows that we want something and brings it to us.
- ❑ It is not because we have a sixth sense or that we can attract things or because of energy.
- ❑ When we make dua then good things come to us.
- ❑ Sometimes we really want to go somewhere, and then suddenly we have a feeling that we want to go somewhere else. This feeling is from Allah and a decree from Him.

3. TO KNOW OURSELVES (تعرف قدر نفسك)

- We will know our position when we know Allah decrees everything. Unlike someone who thinks he plans and does what he wants because then he'll give power to himself.

4. TO BE AWAY FROM SICKNESSES (البعد من الأمراض)

- Belief in the decree protects us from falling into sicknesses of the heart.
- For example, sometimes others get a gift and we don't. This is a decree from Allah so we ask Allah to give us, and this will protect us from being jealous.
- Or if Allah makes us intelligent, beautiful or rich, it is not because of ourselves, but a decree of Allah, so we should not be arrogant.
- And if we see someone who is intelligent, beautiful or rich, we should not be jealous of them but ask Allah to give us better.

5. TO BE BALANCED AND FIRM (التوازن والثبات)

- Belief in the decrees keeps us balanced and firm. We will not over-react when things happen because everything is a decree from Allah and there is always goodness in it.
- When there is something bad:
 1. Then we will be patient. We will not complain and say, “why are we stuck in traffic? Why didn’t they give me?” - this is not being balanced; it is exaggeration. When we are patient then we will have victory.
- When there is something good:
 1. Then we will be grateful. When Allah gives us intelligence, beauty, wealth or a gift, we will not say we are lucky, but it is all from Allah and we will be grateful to Him

6. STEADFASTNESS (الاستقامة)

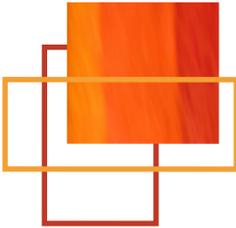
- This means if a decree happens in our life, we should continue doing good deeds and going forward. We will not say some decree happened to us, so we stop and get stuck.
- Belief in the decree makes us constant to always continue do good, to continue to pray and make dua and not worry.

IMPACTS OF BELIEF IN THE DECREE (ثمرات الإيمان بالقدن)

- 1 To Be Free of Shirk (الخلاص من الشرك)
- 2 To Know Who Is Allah (تعرف من هو الله)
- 3 To Know Ourselves (تعرف قدر نفسك)
- 4 To Be Away from Sicknesses (البعد من الأمراض)
- 5 To Be Balanced and Firm (التوازن والثبات)
- 6 Steadfastness (الاستقامة)

HOW DO WE APPLY THIS IN OUR LIFE?

- We believe that nothing is by coincidence and everything is decreed by Allah.
- Allah brings everything with wisdom so everything is good.
- We have a choice so we should not blame the decree. If we do good, we will find good and if we do bad then we will find bad.
- Belief in the decree protects us from shirk and to not think that someone has power to know or do things.



DUA TO BE PROTECTED FROM SHIRK

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ أَنْ أُشْرِكَ بِكَ وَأَنَا
أَعْلَمُ، وَأَسْتَغْفِرُكَ لِمَا لَا أَعْلَمُ.

O Allah! I seek refuge in you lest I associate anything with you while I know it, and I seek your forgiveness for what I do not know.⁸

- Belief in the decree makes us patient, grateful, balanced and to continue on the path.
- Making dua to Allah shows belief in the decree. We should not say, “everything is decreed”.

⁸ Al-Adab Al-Mufrad 716, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

- When we make dua, then Allah will make a decree to bring it. And when we seek forgiveness, Allah will decree to bring good to us.
- If believe in the decree then it will make us a winner.

**MAY ALLAH MAKE US TRUE BELIEVERS.
ALL PRAISES ARE DUE TO ALLAH LORD OF THE WORLDS**



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