



Cloud of Thought – Submit and you will be saved

- As we go up there can be many dangers, but the more we submit the more we'll be saved because all matters are in His Hands.
- The one who wants to reach Allah (ﷻ) should submit and surrender. We will not reach except by submission.

Surah Al Baqarah 131: (إِذْ قَالَ لَهُ رَبُّهُ أَسْلِمْ قَالَ أَسْلَمْتُ لِرَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ) When his Lord said to him, "Submit (i.e. be a Muslim)!" He said, "I have submitted myself (as a Muslim) to the Lord of the 'Alamin (mankind, jinn and all that exists)."

- How many people are there whose concern is only themselves and they only surrender to themselves. Such people are living for themselves thus they will not reach.
- The one who lives for himself and only surrenders to his desires will live and die small. But when a person submits to Allah (ﷻ) then he will live big and die great, subhan Allah.
- How can we submit? Be a slave of Allah (ﷻ); whatever He commands then fulfill it and whatever He forbids then abstain from it.
- When we surrender to Allah (ﷻ) then we will be saved. If we go according to what Allah (ﷻ) commanded then we are actually freeing ourselves.
- We have to begin with ourselves and there is a divine law.

Surah Ar Ra'ad 11: (لَهُ مُعَقَّبَاتٌ مَنْ بَيْنِ يَدَيْهِ وَمَنْ خَلْفُهُ يَخْفَظُونَهُ مِنْ أَمْرِ اللَّهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُغَيِّرُ مَا بِقَوْمٍ حَتَّىٰ يُغَيِّرُوا مَا بِأَنفُسِهِمْ وَإِذَا أَرَادَ اللَّهُ إِلَيْهِ سُوءًا فَلَا مَرَدَ لَهُ وَمَا لَهُمْ مِنْ ذُونَهُ مِنْ قَوْلٍ) (For him (each person), there are angels in succession, before and behind him. They guard him by the Command of Allah. Verily! Allah will not change the (good) condition of a people as long as they do not change their state (of goodness) themselves (by committing sins and by being ungrateful and disobedient to Allah). But when Allah wills a people's punishment, there can be no turning back of it, and they will find besides Him no protector.)

- Allah (ﷻ) will not change the state of anyone until the person changes himself.



Surah Al Anfal (ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّ اللَّهَ لَمْ يَكُنْ مُّغَيِّرًا نَّعْمَةً أَنْعَمَهَا عَلَىٰ قَوْمٍ حَتَّىٰ يُعَذِّرُوا مَا بِأَنفُسُهُمْ لَا وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ سَمِيعٌ عَلَيْهِمْ 53:) (That is so because Allah will never change a grace which He has bestowed on a people until they change what is in their own selves. And verily, Allah is All-Hearer, All-Knower.)

- We need to take responsibility and the measure for success is our submission to Allah (ﷻ).
- We will be asked about what we did with our deen? Thus we should submit, and not fear or have hope in anyone except Allah (ﷻ).
- We will be under His guardianship when we submit to Him and we will be saved.

How do we apply what we learned and change for the better?

- Submit to Allah (ﷻ)
- Begin with changing yourself

May Allah (ﷻ) make us among those who submit to Him. Ameen.