

WHAT DID YOU PREPARE FOR IT?

ماذا أعددت لها؟

Sunday Evening Class 2

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Introduction

We need to study both the Quran and the sunnah in order to be on the right path. One of the means of increasing faith is to attend the gatherings of knowledge, accompanying good people and reciting the Quran. In the ayah below, Allah tells us about the reward of being on the straight path

SURAH FUSSILAT AYAH 30-32

41:30

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إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ ثُمَّ اسْتَقَمُوا تَتَنَزَّلُ عَلَيْهِمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ أَلَّا تَخَافُوا وَلَا تَحْزَنُوا وَأَبْشِرُوا
بِالْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي كُنتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ ﴿٣٠﴾

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Indeed, those who have said, "Our Lord is Allah " and then remained on a right course - the angels will descend upon them, [saying], "Do not fear and do not grieve but receive good tidings of Paradise, which you were promised.

41:31

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نَحْنُ أَوْلِيَائُكُمْ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا تَشْتَهُى أَنْفُسُكُمْ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا
تَدْعُونَ ﴿٣١﴾

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We [angels] were your allies in worldly life and [are so] in the Hereafter. And you will have therein whatever your souls desire, and you will have therein whatever you request [or wish]

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تَزَلَّ مِنْ عَفْوَِرٍ رَحِيمٍ ﴿٣٢﴾

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As accommodation from a [Lord who is] Forgiving and Merciful."

In this Ayah, Allah tells us about those who believe in the oneness of Allah without associating any partners with him, obeying him and avoiding the disobedience to Allah and they remain firm on the straight path, angels will descend on them at the time of death and will tell them to not be afraid or sad and they will be given glad tidings of Paradise.

- The angels were their friends in the Duniya and also in the Akhirah the angels will be the first one to receive them in paradise.
- In Paradise, they will have that their inner self desire and in Paradise they will find everything they wish. This is from their lord who is forgiving and Merciful.

HADITH:

A man asked the Prophet (ﷺ) "When will the Hour be established O Allah's Messenger (ﷺ)?" The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "What have you prepared for it?" The man said, "I haven't prepared for it much of prayers or fast or alms, but I love Allah and His Apostle." The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "You will be with those whom you love." - Sahih al-Bukhari 6171

When the companions heard the answer they asked the Prophet (ﷺ) if this is just for the Bedouin who asked or is it for everyone ? The Prophet (ﷺ) replied that it is for everyone that they will be with the one they love on the Day of Judgment.

We need to study the Hadith just as how we study the Quran. There are many benefits in this hadith

- Sunnah is considered a practical explanation of the Quran. The Sunnah completes the Quran.
- Ayesha R.A said the manners of the Prophet (ﷺ) were the Quran. This means the Prophet (ﷺ) was implementing the Quran by his manners.
- The sunnah of the Prophet (ﷺ) answers everything we need in the Duniya and the Hereafter
- Allah preserved the Sunnah just as he preserved the Quran. And Sahih Bukhari is the most authentic book after the Quran.
- There is nothing that brings one closer to paradise except the Prophet (ﷺ) told us about it and there is nothing that brings one closer to the hellfire except the Prophet (ﷺ) warned us about it.
- We have to study the Sunnah of the Prophet (ﷺ) and one of its aspects is "question and answer". A person comes and he would ask the Prophet (ﷺ) a question and he would answer or sometimes the Prophet (ﷺ) would ask a question and the companions would answer. This was a way of educating the companions and the ummah and drawing our attention to something important. The Prophet (ﷺ) is a leader, teacher and father and is an example for all the Muslims
- In the above hadith, the man came and asked a question "when is the Hour?" which was not an appropriate question because it is knowledge of the unseen. Only Allah (جل جلاله) alone knows when will be the Day of Judgment. The Prophet (ﷺ) did not answer him, but gave a proper response. It is not important to know when is the Hour, but it is important "what have we prepared for that day?"

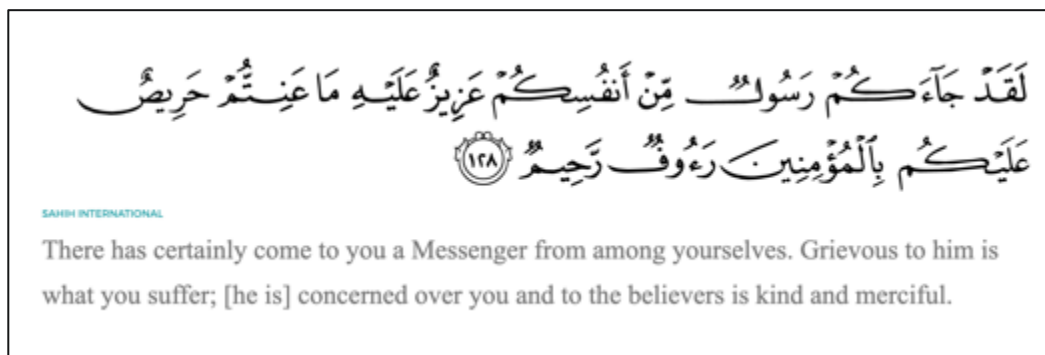
- The Prophet's answer shows his forbearance and mercy. He did not say, "how dare you ask this question.". He did not embarrass or scold the man, rather he corrected the question with another question.
- Knowledge of the Hour of the Day of Judgment is with Allah alone and not the angels or messengers or anyone.

Lessons from the Hadith:

The answer of the Prophet (ﷺ) in the above hadith indicates:

1. **Mercy of the Prophet (ﷺ)** because when the man asked an appropriate question about the time of the Hour, the Prophet did not scold him but dealt with him gently. Allah tells us about the mercy of the Prophet (ﷺ) in the Quran.

SURAH AT TAWBAH AYAH 128



The Prophet (ﷺ): said to Ayesha "Gentleness is not in something except that it adorns it, and it is not stripped from something except that it ruins it," [Muslim].

2. **Wisdom of the Prophet (ﷺ)**: it indicates his wisdom by turning an improper question into a proper question. The man asked when is the hour and the Prophet (ﷺ) responded with another question which is a proper question i.e. "what have you prepared for it?" the concern for every believer should be what has be prepared for the hour ? We need to pause and think what we have prepared for the Day of Judgment ? We need to ask ourselves this question everyday.

HADITH:

I was with the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) and a man from among the Ansar came to him and greeted the Prophet (ﷺ) with Salam. Then he said: 'O Messenger of Allah, which of the believers is best?' He said: 'He who has the best manners among them.' He said: 'Which of them is wisest?' He said: 'The one who remembers death the most and is best in preparing for it. Those are the wisest.'")
- Sunan Ibn Majah Book 37, Hadith 4400

The companions did not compete with one another in the Duniya but they wanted to know how to achieve the best status with Allah. In this life we need to remember the Day of Judgment and prepare for it. In this way we will be wise and intelligent

HADITH:

The sun does not rise except everything of Allah's creation glorifies His praises except the devils and ignorant ones of the sons of Adam)
- Sahih Aj Jami'e 5599, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan.

A mindful and wise person will glorify Allah's praises when he sees the universal signs. Such a person knows that the life of Duniya will perish and he will always remember the Day of Judgment. A mindful person will look at this life like a bridge that they will cross to reach the final abode. The Duniya is a temporary stage where we will take our provision for our final destination.

Despite the Prophet's sins being forgiven, he was an example for us to prepare for the hereafter. He never relied that all his sins were forgiven, rather he worshipped Allah till the last day of his life.

HADITH:

Ayesha (May Allah be pleased with her) said: The Prophet (ﷺ) would stand (in prayer) so long that the skin of his feet would crack. I asked him, "Why do you do this while your past and future sins have been forgiven?" He said, "Should I not be a grateful slave of Allah?"
- Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari & Muslim, Book 1, Hadith 98

Even the family members of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) did not rely on their lineage to be forgiven their sins and would ask Allah for forgiveness of their sins. One man entered the Ka'aba in the middle of the night and said, he saw a young man crying, invoking Allah and asking for forgiveness. He said to himself, "a youth at this time, praying at the Ka'aba?". This man waited until the dawn appeared and could hear the youth crying, saying, "O Allah shower your mercy upon me, forgive my sins, I am an ignorant, needy slave of yours, You are the Rich and Generous Lord". Then the man saw his face and found it was the grandson of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) Zain ul Abideen. He said, "you are asking for forgiveness". He then said, do you need read the following ayat?

SURAH AL MUHMINOON AYAH 101-103

23:101

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فَإِذَا نُفِخَ فِي الصُّورِ فَلَا أَنْسَابَ بَيْنَهُمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ وَلَا يَتَسَاءَلُونَ

So when the Horn is blown, no relationship will there be among them that Day, nor will they ask about one another.

23:102

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فَمَنْ ثَقُلَتْ مَوَازِينُهُ، فَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْمُفْلِحُونَ

And those whose scales are heavy [with good deeds] - it is they who are the successful.

23:103

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وَمَنْ خَفَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ، فَأُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ خَسِرُوا أَنْفُسَهُمْ فِي جَهَنَّمَ خَالِدُونَ

But those whose scales are light - those are the ones who have lost their souls, [being] in Hell, abiding eternally.

EVENTS ON THE DAY OF JUDGMENT

- This Day will last 50,000 years, the sun will crack open. There are seven skies and the thickness of each sky is a walking distance of 500 years. The strong heaven will crack open and it will be torn. The color of the sky will change to a red on the Day of Judgement. The sky will be rolled up as paper scrolls are rolled.
- The sun will lose its light and the moon will be eclipsed. and both the sun and moon will be thrown in the hellfire.
- The stars will scatter and fall from their orbits, they will lose their lights and beauty. There will be no stars in the sky.

- The mountains will first become a heap of sand, then like wool then floating particles of dust and then they will be moved away from their places. The strong, rigid and firm mountains will become particles of dust.
- The seas will burst and the graves will be opened and turned upside down. The dead bodies in the graves will rise alive. Allah will revive them. They will come out of the graves gathered in one land before Allah for the recompense.

Allah tells us in Surah Al Qariyah Ayah 4 that the people will come out on Day of judgment like moths full of fear and horror. The people will not know where to go and will be scattered. Also Allah tells us in Surah Al Qamar Ayah 7 that people will come out like the locust.

This means some people will come out of their graves and they will be in the state of scattered moths and when they hear the caller, they will move like locusts towards the caller. Others said, the state of the people is like moths and of others is like locusts. Locusts move in an organized way towards their target.

SURAH AL QARIAH AYAH 4

30:4

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It is the Day when people will be like moths, dispersed,



يَوْمَ يَكُونُ النَّاسُ كَالْفَرَاشِ الْمَبْثُوثِ

SURAH AL QAMAR AYAH 7


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Their eyes humbled, they will emerge from the graves as if they were locusts spreading,



خُشَعًا أَبْصَرُهُمْ يَخْرُجُونَ مِنَ الْأَجْدَاثِ كَأَنَّهُمْ جَرَادٌ مُنتَشِرٌ

Allah tells us in Surah Abasa that on the Day of Judgement people will see their family and will run away from them. The same people who were beloved to them but on the day of judgment they will not ask them about their condition.

The first person they will run away from their brother and sisters. This is because in life we don't give the rights to our siblings in Duniya. After the siblings the parents are mentioned because no matter what do we are unable to fulfil the rights of our mother and father. After the parents the spouse is mentioned. In the end the children are mentioned because in the duniya we do the most for our offspring.

SURAH ABASA AYAH 34-37

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On the Day a man will flee from his brother

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And his mother and his father

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And his wife and his children,

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For every man, that Day, will be a matter adequate for him.