



Chapter (59) sūrat I-ḥashr (The Gathering)

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Allah swt is always with us, when we wake up and when we are sleeping. Allah swt encompasses us in everything even though we cannot grasp Him, and this gives us the security. **Allah Ar Rafiq** only can do things for you. Allah swt Al Aziz Al Hakim. Don't trust yourself, don't believe in yourself, trust only Allah swt and believe only in Allah swt.

Tasbeeh helps you to keep moving, you move only when you are gathered. When you are not gathered you will drown. Who can gather you? Allah swt Al Aziz Al Hakim:

- By His Might can gather all the scattered matters
- By His Might can detach you from the things that cause you to be scattered

Allah swt brings to you what gathers you, Allah swt removes for you the things which scatter you. Allah swt puts everything in it's place. The people of the fire are scattered even if they appear to be gathered, appear to be supporting each other. Allah swt by His Might will gather them.

Allah Al Aziz Al Hakim

Believers

59:6 And what Allah restored [of property] to His Messenger from them - you did not spur for it [in an expedition] any horses or camels, but Allah gives His messengers power over whom He wills, and Allah is over all things competent.

Disbelievers

59:11 Have you not considered those who practice hypocrisy, saying to their brothers who have disbelieved among the People of the Scripture, "If you are expelled, we will surely leave with you, and we will not obey, in regard to you, anyone - ever; and if you are fought, we will surely aid you." But Allah testifies that they are liars.

The Stories - to you the stories may seem scattered. But in surat Al Hashr Allah swt gathered the stories so that there are no contradictions. Allah swt gives izzat to the believers even though they cut the trees.

59:5 Whatever you have cut down of [their] palm trees or left standing on their trunks - it was by permission of Allah and so He would disgrace the defiantly disobedient.

The Mountain - 59:21 If We had sent down this Qur'an upon a mountain, you would have seen it humbled and coming apart from fear of Allah.

Allah swt gathered the believers, He gave them the security. Allah swt gathered their wealth. Allah gathered the Muhajireen, the Ansar and those that came afterwards. Allah swt gathered things, people and power to the believers. then Allah swt gathered the command for us:

59:18 O you who have believed, fear Allah. And let every soul look to what it has put forth for tomorrow - and fear Allah. Indeed, Allah is Acquainted with what you do. 59:19 And be not like those who forgot Allah, so He made them forget themselves. Those are the defiantly disobedient.

Plan what you will give for tomorrow - **TAQWA** and don't forget Allah swt.

FEAR - scatters the people

SECURITY - the faith brings people together

Only when you believe in Allah swt, when you have one goal everything will come together

The disbelievers may seem united, but the Army of Allah (fear) scatters the people

What gathers everyone together?

The matters of the dunya do not gather the people because everyone is interested in different things. But the matters about the akhirah, about Allah swt and about the Qur'an are gathered for everyone. Everyone needs it and is attracted to it because it is about you, about your Creator and about the actions of Allah swt.

59:3 And if not that Allah had decreed for them evacuation,
He would have punished them in [this] world,
and for them in the Hereafter is the punishment of the Fire.

In ayah 2 Allah swt shows us that not everything is at it seems. Don't be impressed by the fortresses of the disbelievers as Allah swt will make them leave them if He wants them to leave them, and they will leave with 'fear'. And the fear will make them to demolish their homes. The ones with 'insight' will look beyond what they see as they believe in Allah swt actions. Allah swt will bring you the ease, or expose a secret or something that never crossed your mind, Allah swt will bring it out.

| PAST | PRESENT | FUTURE |
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| What was your mind-set before the event – you did not think that they would leave their homes; they thought they would be protected in their homes. | What is happening now – Allah swt cast terror into their hearts from a place which they did not expect. | What is the future if this situation did not happen – Allah swt would have punished them in this life. |

And if not that Allah had decreed for them evacuation,



Qadr Allah – is not just about this specific situation. This 'qadr' will not change. But Allah swt is also telling you what will happen if this had not happened. You need to contemplate and compare similar situations and conditions.

He would have punished them in [this] world,

Allah swt will have tortured them with earthquakes or tornadoes etc. Which is worst, being thrown out of their homes or being tortured. Whatever Allah swt decrees for us is better than the other options available to us. Allah swt is telling us here the other option to thank Allah swt.

Accept the Decree of Allah swt

We don't always accept the decrees in our life but we don't know the other options. We think something is a problem but it is not a problem. With Allah swt you will always be a winner.

| ADVANTAGES | DISADVANTAGES |
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| You might not like someone but think of the advantages. You might be unable to do something but think of the advantages. | When wanting to follow your desires but you can't, think of the disadvantages. |

With the decree the other options are usually worst and you will also not like them. The best option is the option Allah swt choose for you. Everything is written, even the options, so this should make you so gathered, so focused.

and for them in the Hereafter is the punishment of the Fire.

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the exile – this is the better option. Maybe they will repent, maybe they will become Muslim which is what happened. Allah swt is able to remove them, He is able to punish them; Allah swt is able to take revenge for them trying to kill Nabi SAWS.

Allah swt is teaching you here that anything else is not an option so don't use it as an option even if you have the power to. Nobody is more Powerful than Allah swt.

This is Allah swt consoling the Prophet SAWS. The torment in the Hereafter is bigger and more encompassing.

59:4 That is because they opposed Allah and His Messenger. And whoever opposes Allah - then indeed, Allah is severe in penalty.

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they opposed – when we are gathered around Allah swt, when we are attached to Allah swt, this is the real security. Nobody thought the Bani An-Nadhir would be exiled from their homes but they opposed Allah swt, they were rebellious against Allah swt and His Messenger SAWS.

shāqqū – to be torn, to tear a piece of paper. To divide or break the land when there is an earthquake. Anything which is apart is 'shaqq'. Shaqqu for the believer's is a good action – i.e. a plant growing. Shaqqa also means something difficult, hard, I can't do it. 'Shaqq' can mean a split which is good or bad depending on the situation.

Here the Bani An-Nadhir strove to be bad, to oppose Allah swt and the Messenger SAWS. This created enmity between the believers and the disbelievers. Anyone who disobeys any kind of authority or leadership is considered 'shaqq'. They didn't want to be flexible, for them the only option was to be rebellious and get the other tribes to join them in their disobedience to Allah swt and the Messenger SAWS. 'Shaqq' is also to make it hard for others.

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(is) severe - They deserved the pain even though Allah swt is the Most Gentle which shows how severe were their actions. No one is more Forbearing than Allah swt, He is always forgiving.

- Accept the decree otherwise you will be more 'shaqq' (torn apart)
- Don't challenge Allah's decree