



## Quranic and Prophetic Nurturing Program

### Surah An Naml – Class 42

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### Introduction

عَنْ عَائِشَةَ، أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ عَلَّمَهَا هَذَا الدُّعَاءَ "اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ مِنَ الْخَيْرِ كُلِّهِ عَاجِلِهِ" (Dua: ) وَأَجِلِهِ مَا عَلِمْتُ مِنْهُ وَمَا لَمْ أَعْلَمْ وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنَ الشَّرِّ كُلِّهِ عَاجِلِهِ وَأَجِلِهِ مَا عَلِمْتُ مِنْهُ وَمَا لَمْ أَعْلَمُ اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ مِنْ خَيْرِ مَا سَأَلَكَ عَبْدُكَ وَبَيْكَ وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا عَادَ بِهِ عَبْدُكَ وَبَيْكَ اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ الْجَنَّةَ وَمَا قَرَبَ إِلَيْهَا مِنْ قَوْلٍ أَوْ عَمَلٍ . (وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنَ النَّارِ وَمَا قَرَبَ إِلَيْهَا مِنْ قَوْلٍ أَوْ عَمَلٍ وَأَسْأَلُكَ أَنْ تَجْعَلَ كُلَّ قَضَاءٍ قَضَيْتَهُ لِي خَيْرًا" .

It was narrated from 'Aishah (may Allah be pleased with her) that: the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) taught her this supplication: "Allahumma inni as'aluka minal-khayri kullihi, 'ajilihi wa ajilihi, ma 'alimtu minhu wa ma la a'lam. Wa a'udhu bika minash-sharri kullihi, 'ajilihi wa ajilihi, ma 'alimtu minhu wa ma la a'lam. Allahumma inni as'aluka min khayri ma sa'alaka 'abduka wa nabiyyuka, wa a'udhu bika min sharri ma 'adha bihi 'abduka wa nabiyyuka. Allahumma inni as'alukal-jannatah wa ma ma qarrab ilayha min qawlin aw 'amalin, wa a'udhu bika minan-nari wa ma qarraba ilayha min qawlin aw 'amalin, wa as'aluka an taj'al kulla qada'in qadaytahuli khayran (O Allah, I ask You for all that is good, in this world and in the Hereafter, what I know and what I do not know. O Allah, I seek refuge with You from all evil, in this world and in the Hereafter, what I know and what I do not know. O Allah, I ask You for the good that Your slave and Prophet has asked You for, and I seek refuge with You from the evil from which Your slave and Prophet sought refuge. O Allah, I ask You for Paradise and for that which brings one closer to it, in word and deed, and I seek refuge in You from Hell and from that which brings one closer to it, in word and deed. And I ask You to make every decree that You decree concerning me good)." - Sunan Ibn Majah 3846

- An advanced civilization has plans to implement but there can be situations where it needs to be readjusted. Sometimes there is a good plan but there are no resources. Or there is a plan and when given to a person to implement, they do their own thing and not follow the plan.



- But with Allah (ﷻ), only His plans can be implemented real-time.

Allah Al Qadir Al Qadeer Al Muqtadir – (القادر القدير المقتدر) The All-Able, The Ever-Able, The All-Determiner

Allah Al Qadir (القادر) – The All-Able

**Surah Al An'am 65:**

قُلْ هُوَ الْقَادِرُ عَلَىٰ أَنْ يَعْلَمَ عَلَيْكُمْ عَذَابًا مِّنْ فَوْقِكُمْ أَوْ مِنْ تَحْتِ أَرْجُلِكُمْ أَوْ يَلْبِسَكُمْ شَيْئًا وَيُذِيقَ بَغْضَكُمْ بَأْسَ بَعْضٍ ۝  
انْظُرْ كَيْفَ نُصَرِّفُ الْآيَاتِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَفْقَهُونَ

Say: "He has power to send torment on you from above or from under your feet, or to cover you with confusion in party strife, and make you to taste the violence of one another." See how variously We explain the Ayat (proofs, evidence, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.), so that they may understand.

- Allah (ﷻ) has the full ability to make happen whatever He wills. Nothing can disable Him and nothing can miss Him.
- Allah Al Qadir has full ability by knowing what to do and having the ability to do it. Our ability is limited, sometimes we know what to do but we do not have the power to do it and sometimes we have power to do something but do not know what to do.
- We can have ability but are not inspired to do something or we are not in the mood.

**Surah Al Mursalaat 23:**

فَقَدَرْنَا فِنْعَمَ الْقَادِرُونَ

So We did measure; and We are the Best to measure (the things).

- All of the creation is implementing the Plan of Allah (ﷻ). It is by Allah's ability to cause us to come.

Allah Al Qadeer (القدير) – The Ever-Able



- This is a superlative form that Allah (ﷻ) is always able. The most beautiful things in life are the Names of Allah (ﷻ).
- Allah (ﷻ) is the One Who can teach us and inspire us to act. In the supplication of istikhara we seek Allah's knowledge and ability.
- The name of Allah Al Qadeer is found in many places in the Qur'an.

#### **Surah Al Baqarah 20:**

يَكَادُ الْبَرْقُ يَخْطُفُ أَبْصَارَهُمْ ۝ كُلَّمَا أَضَاءَ لَهُمْ مَّسْوِاً ۝ وَإِذَا أَظْلَمَ عَلَيْهِمْ قَامُوا ۝ وَلَوْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ لَذَهَبَ بِسَمْعِهِمْ  
وَأَبْصَارِهِمْ ۝ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

**The lightning almost snatches away their sight, whenever it flashes for them, they walk therein, and when darkness covers them, they stand still. And if Allah willed, He could have taken away their hearing and their sight. Certainly, Allah has power over all things.**

- The hypocrite does not want to hear the truth except his lies and deception. If Allah (ﷻ) wills, He can remove the hypocrites' eyesight and hearing because they are not using it properly.
- Allah (ﷻ) abrogated ayat, so surely there are decrees to change matters, why? To teach us to be flexible.

#### **Surah Al Baqarah 106:**

مَا نَسْخَحْ مِنْ آيَةٍ أَوْ نُنْسِهَا نَأْتِ بِخَيْرٍ مِّنْهَا أَوْ مِثْلِهَا ۝ أَلَمْ تَعْلَمْ أَنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

**Whatever a Verse (revelation) do We abrogate or cause to be forgotten, We bring a better one or similar to it. Know you not that Allah is able to do all things?**

- Allah (ﷻ) is able to decree five prayers from the start but it was first commanded as fifty prayers in the Night of Isra'a and Mi'raj. This is to show us Allah (ﷻ) is able to change matters. It is not about making everything with no change, but change is to cause us to learn.
- Sheikh As Sa'ady said Allah Al Qadeer is complete in His ability and by His ability He causes everything to exist. Why are we here? Allah's ability. Why is something here?



Allah's ability. And by His ability, He disposes all affairs. He decrees matters and causes it to happen to cause us to come. By His ability, He made everything a perfect fit. By His ability, He causes life and death. Whatever Allah (ﷺ) wills, He just says "Be" and it is.

- And by His ability, He can change the hearts. The very thing which can cause us to be sad can make us happy. And this is by Allah's ability and decree.
- It is Allah's ability to cause things to happen. We should not look at people when we see changes, but we should know it is all Allah's ability. We are tested if we believe in Allah's ability or the people's ability.

### Allah Al Qadeer (المقدّر) – The Determiner

- Al Muqtadir is utmost in ability and it is shown He is the Only One able and no one else.
- The impact of the names of Allah Al Qadeer Al Qadir Al Muqtadir is belief in the decree.

### Ayah 74

وَإِنَّ رَبَّكَ لَيَعْلَمُ مَا تُكِنُّ صُدُورُهُمْ وَمَا يُعْلِنُونَ

And verily, your Lord knows what their breasts conceal and what they reveal.

Word	Meaning
وَإِنَّ رَبَّكَ لَيَعْلَمُ	and your Lord knows
مَا تُكِنُّ صُدُورُهُمْ	what their breasts conceal
وَمَا يُعْلِنُونَ	and what they reveal

- An advanced civilization always remembers Allah's favor upon it, especially knowledge. It is not only processes, procedures, facilities and wealth. Dawud (عليه) and Suleiman (عليه السلام) praised Allah (ﷺ) for the knowledge He gave them, and not the dominion.



- An advanced civilization knows the priorities so that it is not ungrateful to the main favor of Allah (ﷻ) which is knowledge. And it is a great favor from Allah (ﷻ) to learn the Qur'an and His speech. May Allah (ﷻ) never deprive us from learning His Book. Ameen.
- An advanced civilization also enriches its people with knowledge, channels of communication, and making its people happy. A person learns this from Allah's actions. And all of this is for nurturing so that a person is upgraded and can enter paradise.
- **(وَإِنَّ رَبَّكَ لَيَعْلَمُ) (And verily, your Lord knows):** what is the purpose of Allah's favor upon us? To nurture us, reform us, correct us and fix us. In an advanced civilization, the purpose of giving is to change and upgrade. Allah (ﷻ) knows everything about us for nurturing. The One Who nurtures needs to know everything, but there are matters which we do not need to know if it does not concern us. The one in charge would have to know. For example at home, you would need to know what's missing in the house or what's broken in order to fix it or get something, but others do not need to know.
- **(مَا تُكِنْ صُدُورُهُمْ) (what their breasts conceal):** Allah (ﷻ) knows what the people are hiding and guarding inside their chests – from good and bad. And this should make us aware because we will be nurtured with this. Alhamduilah we do not know what is inside the people's chests because it will cause us to be stressed.
- **(وَمَا يُعْلِنُونَ) (and what they reveal.):** and what they show. Allah (ﷻ) knows everything for nurturing and reforming.

May Allah (ﷻ) make us from the grateful ones. Ameen.