

NO FEAR ON THEM NOR WILL THEY BE SAD

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Introduction

Allah wants the best for us. He wants to fix us and He wants us to come back to Him. We must never think that Allah wants to harm us. We need to believe that there is no creation in the world except that Allah created it for a purpose. Everything in this world glorifies Allah. Allah is our reformer and He wants to correct our intention. The purpose of any disease e.g. the virus is not to terrify people but to make them realize where is the real security. The virus did not come so people despair but it came to show the truth i.e. Allah is the real King. The virus did not come to dominate our life but to show us that Allah is the only dominator. This virus did not come to kill people but to give life to the dead hearts. This creation came to show us how to have taqwa and how to purify your hearts from falling into sins. This virus came to tell us to be cautious and to only fear Allah. Allah brought this virus quickly not to create panic among the people but to make the people come back to Allah. Everyone today is raising their hands asking for safety and security. Allah created this virus to lift the barrier on our eyes to tell us there is a day of judgement when everyone will stand in front of Allah. This virus came to tell us that the gates of repentance are open for us because we will leave this life at any time. This virus came as an alarm for us because there are so many things we can do now. Allah created the virus to change the people by reviving their hearts with faith. This virus came to unite the people. We need to believe that Allah is our Creator and He created everything with a good purpose.

There is a purpose behind our life. There is more to life than eating and drinking. Only a believer will realize we have a bigger purpose in our life i.e. to know our creator. Allah wants our hearts; in the end we will all go back to Allah. This is an opportunity for us to go back to Allah while we are alive and ask Him for forgiveness. We do not want to humiliate ourselves to a creation, but to the Creator. We should rely, hope, love and fear Him. No one loves us more than our creator. Allah took care of us without us seeking it and for sure He will protect us if we believe in Him. When we believe in Allah and ask him for forgiveness we will live a secure life.


Any disturbance that happens is due to the mischief of the people. Imagine all the sins happening in the world, so many people transgressing and exceeding their boundaries and Allah is very patient and forbearing. All of the sins of humanity do not affect Him nor does the good of humanity affect Him either. Who is this human being who thinks he can do anything? Subhan Allah. And this scene is to confirm to us there is a Day of Judgement which no one can escape or resist.

Allah is The Most Merciful, The Most Rich, The Most Forbearing, The Most Loving, The Most Compassionate - there is no one like Him. We need to ask for forgiveness from Allah. 1. We all make mistakes but the problem is when we blame others. Sins bring us down so we run to Allah asking for forgiveness. On the other hand when you think you are right then you deceive yourself with this thought. We cannot resist Allah power and He is always there for us.


Allah mentions so many times in the Quran to ask forgiveness.

1. Allah commands us to ask Forgiveness

SURAH AL BAQARAH AYAH 99



يَسْأَلُ اللَّهَ الرَّحْمَنَ الرَّحِيمَ



ثُمَّ أَفِيضُوا مِنْ حَيْثُ أَفَاضَ النَّاسُ وَاسْتَغْفِرُوا اللَّهَ إِنَّ اللَّهَ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ

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Then depart from the place from where [all] the people depart and ask forgiveness of Allah . Indeed, Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.

We need to willing ask Allah for forgiveness.

2. Allah praises the people who ask for forgiveness

SURAH AAL E IMRAN AYAH 15-17

﴿قُلْ أُوْنِبْتُكُمْ بِخَيْرٍ مِّنْ ذَلِكَ لِّلَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْاْ عِندَ رَبِّهِمْ جَنَّاتٌ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا وَأَزْوَاجٌ مُّطَهَّرَةٌ وَرِضْوَانٌ مِّنَ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ بَصِيرٌ بِالْعِبَادِ﴾ (١٥)

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Say, "Shall I inform you of [something] better than that? For those who fear Allah will be gardens in the presence of their Lord beneath which rivers flow, wherein they abide eternally, and purified spouses and approval from Allah . And Allah is Seeing of [His] servants -

﴿الَّذِينَ يَقُولُونَ رَبَّنَا إِنَّنَا آمَنَّا فَاغْفِرْ لَنَا ذُنُوبَنَا وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ﴾ (١٦)

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Those who say, "Our Lord, indeed we have believed, so forgive us our sins and protect us from the punishment of the Fire,"

﴿الصَّابِرِينَ وَالصَّادِقِينَ وَالْقَانِتِينَ وَالْمُنْفِقِينَ وَالْمُسْتَغْفِرِينَ بِالْأَسْحَارِ﴾ (١٧)

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The patient, the true, the obedient, those who spend [in the way of Allah], and those who seek forgiveness before dawn.

3. Asking forgiveness is one of the characteristics of the pious people.

SURAH AAL E IMRAN AYAH 133-135

وَسَارِعُوا إِلَى مَغْفِرَةٍ مِّن رَّبِّكُمْ وَجَنَّةٍ عَرْضُهَا السَّمَوَاتُ وَالْأَرْضُ أُعِدَّتْ لِلْمُتَّقِينَ ﴿١٣٣﴾

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And hasten to forgiveness from your Lord and a garden as wide as the heavens and earth, prepared for the righteous

الَّذِينَ يُنْفِقُونَ فِي السَّرَّاءِ وَالضَّرَّاءِ وَالْكَبِيرِ وَالضَّرَّاءِ وَالْعَافِينَ عَنِ النَّاسِ وَاللَّهُ يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿١٣٤﴾

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Who spend [in the cause of Allah] during ease and hardship and who restrain anger and who pardon the people - and Allah loves the doers of good;

وَالَّذِينَ إِذَا فَعَلُوا فَحِشَةً أَوْ ظَلَمُوا أَنْفُسَهُمْ ذَكَرُوا اللَّهَ فَاسْتَغْفَرُوا الذُّنُوبَ بِهِمْ وَمَنْ يَغْفِرِ الذُّنُوبَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَلَمْ يُصِرُّوا عَلَىٰ مَا فَعَلُوا وَهُمْ يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١٣٥﴾

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And those who, when they commit an immorality or wrong themselves [by transgression], remember Allah and seek forgiveness for their sins - and who can forgive sins except Allah ? - and [who] do not persist in what they have done while they know.

One of the characteristics of pious people is to ask forgiveness. It is not wrong to make mistakes. Sins should make us humble before Allah. The best title is to be a slave of Allah who makes mistakes. When we ask for forgiveness not only will Allah forgive us but He will send blessings and remove the distress and disease.

4. Allah forgives those who ask for His forgiveness

SURAH AN NISA AYAH 110



وَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ سُوءًا أَوْ يَظْلِمْ نَفْسَهُ ثُمَّ يَسْتَغْفِرِ اللَّهَ يَجِدِ اللَّهَ غَفُورًا رَحِيمًا

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And whoever does a wrong or wrongs himself but then seeks forgiveness of Allah will find Allah Forgiving and Merciful.

5. Seeking forgiveness brings goodness and removes distress

Even if a few people ask for forgiveness then Allah will not punish and will send blessings.

SURAH AN NUH AYAH 10-13

71:10

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And said, 'Ask forgiveness of your Lord. Indeed, He is ever a Perpetual Forgiver.

فَقُلْتُ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ إِنَّهُ كَانَ غَفَّارًا

71:11

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He will send [rain from] the sky upon you in [continuing] showers


يُرْسِلُ السَّمَاءَ عَلَيْكُمْ مِدْرَارًا

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وَيُمَدِّدْكُمْ بِأَمْوَالٍ وَبَنِينَ وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ جَنَّاتٍ وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ أَنْهَارًا


And give you increase in wealth and children and provide for you gardens and provide for you rivers.

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مَا لَكُمْ لَا تَرْجُونَ لِلَّهِ وَقَارًا

What is [the matter] with you that you do not attribute to Allah [due] grandeur

Allah asks humanity to ask forgiveness from him and He promises to send rain and send blessings on earth.

6. Seeking forgiveness brings mercy

When we seek forgiveness of Allah then we will get his mercy.

SURAH AN NAML AYAH 46

قَالَ يَاقَوْمِ لِمَ تَسْتَعْجِلُونَ بِالسَّيِّئَةِ قَبْلَ الْحَسَنَةِ لَوْلَا تَسْتَغْفِرُونَ اللَّهَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ

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He said, "O my people, why are you impatient for evil instead of good? Why do you not seek forgiveness of Allah that you may receive mercy?"

7. Seeking forgiveness removes torment and pain


SURAH ANFAL AYAH 33

8:33

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وَمَا كَانَ اللَّهُ لِيُعَذِّبَهُمْ وَأَنْتَ فِيهِمْ وَمَا كَانَ اللَّهُ مُعَذِّبَهُمْ وَهُمْ يَسْتَغْفِرُونَ

But Allah would not punish them while you, [O Muhammad], are among them, and Allah would not punish them while they seek forgiveness.

Allah said that He will not punish the people while they are asking forgiveness. Asking forgiveness removes the problem.

All the sins of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) were forgiven yet he would still seek forgiveness 100 times in every seating because seeking forgiveness makes us humble

8. Seeking forgiveness brings help and strength


SURAH HUD AYAH 3

8:3

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وَأَنِ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ ثُمَّ تُوبُوا إِلَيْهِ يُمْنِعْكُمْ مِّنْعَا حَسَنًا إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى وَيُؤْتِ كُلَّ ذِي فَضْلٍ فَضْلَهُ وَإِن تَوَلَّوْا فَإِنِّي أَخَافُ عَلَيْكُمْ عَذَابَ يَوْمٍ كَبِيرٍ

And [saying], "Seek forgiveness of your Lord and repent to Him, [and] He will let you enjoy a good provision for a specified term and give every doer of favor his favor. But if you turn away, then indeed, I fear for you the punishment of a great Day.

When we seek forgiveness from Allah and repent to Him then He will make us to live a good life till we die. We will not face any disease or poverty or sickness because. Allah says he will make us to enjoy our life and he will increase us in favours.

9. Seeking forgiveness is the way of the Messengers.

Asking forgiveness is the way of the messengers and the Prophets.

1. Our father Adam عليه السلام asked for forgiveness when he ate from the tree due to the whisper of the Shaitaan.



2. Prophet Nuh عليه السلام asked for forgiveness when building the ship and brought the good people in the ship and he was saved.



3. Musa asked عليه السلام for forgiveness when he killed a person by mistake. He asked Allah for forgiveness and Allah forgave him.

نبي الله موسى عليه السلام:

قال موسى عليه السلام لما قتل رجلاً من الأقباط: { قَالَ رَبِّ إِنِّي ظَلَمْتُ نَفْسِي فَاغْفِرْ لِي فَغَفَرَ لَهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ } [24].

4. Shuaib عليه السلام also asked for forgiveness and he called his people to seek forgiveness. No torment comes to you when you seek forgiveness because you learn your lesson

نبي الله شعيب عليه السلام:

قال شعيب عليه السلام لقومه: { وَاسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ ثُمَّ تُوبُوا إِلَيْهِ إِنَّ رَبِّي رَحِيمٌ وَدُودٌ } [25].

5. Salih عليه السلام called his people to ask forgiveness. His people were proud of themselves because of their intelligence. He told them to seek forgiveness and repent to Allah because it is Allah who make them to dwell and construct and He taught them to be civilized.

نبي الله صالح عليه السلام:

وقال سيدنا صالح لقومه بعد أن أمرهم بعبادة الله: { وَإِلَى ثَمُودَ أَخَاهُمْ صَالِحًا قَالَ يَا قَوْمِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ مَا لَكُمْ مِنْ إِلَهٍ غَيْرُهُ هُوَ أَنْشَأَكُمْ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ وَاسْتَعْمَرَكُمْ فِيهَا فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ ثُمَّ تُوبُوا إِلَيْهِ إِنَّ رَبِّي قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبٌ } [26].

Allah is near to us and He will respond to us. When we believe in Allah and trust him and ask for his forgiveness we can never go wrong. The Prophet would always ask for forgiveness. If we felt a barrier or shield on his heart he will immediately wash it with Istighfar. We don't want any barrier from feeling close to our creator. When we don't feel the sweetness of talking to our Creator we need to repent. When we feel hardness of our hearts we need to seek forgiveness from Allah.

HADITH - SEEKING FORGIVENESS

The "Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "Allah, the Exalted, has said: 'O son of Adam, I forgive you as long as you pray to Me and hope for My forgiveness, whatever sins you have committed. O son of 'Adam, I do not care if your sins reach the height of the heaven, then you ask for my forgiveness, I would forgive you. O son of 'Adam, if you come to Me with an earth load of sins, and meet Me associating nothing to Me, I would match it with an earth load of forgiveness.'" - Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari and Muslim, Book 1, Hadith 421

HADITH - SEEKING FORGIVENESS

The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "Allah, the Exalted, and Glorious said: 'A slave committed a sin and he said: O Allah, forgive my sin,' and Allah said: 'My slave committed a sin and then he realized that he has a Rabb Who forgives the sins and punishes for the (sin.)' He then again committed a sin and said: 'My Rabb, forgive my sin,' and Allah said: 'My slave committed a sin and then realized that he has a Rabb Who forgives (his sin and punishes for the sin.)' He again committed a sin and said: 'My Rabb, forgive my sin,' and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) said: 'My slave has committed a sin and then realized that he has a Rabb Who forgives the sin or takes (him) to account for sin. I have granted forgiveness to my slave. Let him do whatever he likes" - RIYADH AS SALIHEEN, AL BUKHARI AND MUSLIM, BOOK 1, HADITH 421

SAYING OF THE RIGHTEOUS PREDECESSORS ABOUT FORGIVENESS

- The righteous predecessors said you will find all the sicknesses and their remedies in the Quran. The sickness is your sin and the remedy is to ask forgiveness.

- We need to increase in asking forgiveness because we don't know when the forgiveness will descend on us.