

السلام عليكم

The spiritual clinic (23)

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The answered supplications of Prophet Ayyub (Job) 3

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"Do not despair over what had eluded you"

(On Allah, we rely)

[benefits of belief in al-qadar]

All praise to Allah, The Most Merciful,

Last week we learn about "the belief in Allah's

Decree - Insha Allah this week, we will learn about

the benefits of the belief in al-qadar (Allah's destiny)

and also we will learn about distress in our life

as part of Allah's Decree from the rules of the Quran.

They are the hardships, disasters and tribulations that

happend on the earth, or happened to the individual

or to his wealth or family, they all happen by the

will and decree of Allah, they all can be called "distress"

This distress is part of our worldly life test. We all are

in need to learn Allah's Laws regarding distress so that

we can follow these rules and be saved.

Let's start with Surat ALKAF 18 (V 23-24), Allah said

2 Never, say about anything "I shall do this tomorrow" without adding, "If Allah so wills".

This is an order from Allah not to pre-judge the future or its events because the matter is up to Allah's will, the only Power in life.

It is impossible for man to know what may happen in the future as it is controlled by Allah's Will, which man has no knowledge about it

∴ Rule ① No one can give definite judgment of tomorrow

Facts : Always remember that, the curtains hiding the future are stretched in full so as to hide everything beyond the present moment. These are the curtains of the Unseen, which Allah only has its knowledge, and Allah controls it by "His Will"

∴ Conclusion ① Human being must never say he is definitely doing something tomorrow, unless he

attached his intention to Allah's Will.

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3 ② Man must not make any assertion about Tomorrow

③ In practice: every person should think and wish plan as they think, but they must always remember that Allah's Will is the only effective Power in life so there are always two possibilities for every decision or intention

④ If man intends to do whatever he wants (seeking Allah's help, feeling that Allah's will is in full control of everything), then should Allah helps him to put his decision and intention into <sup>effect</sup> action, then all well and good.

⑤ but it may be also that Allah may decide something different to what he intends, then he should not despair or be sad. All matters belong to Allah at the beginning and at the end, and all Allah's Decree is good for the believers

We submit to Allah's Will, because it is beyond  
our knowledge,

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Let's have an example of the correct practice of  
the mentioned belief in Allah's Will and Allah's Decree.

2 men applied for a job in Austin, they  
studied for the interview and were looking forward  
for it. Unfortunately, when they reached the airport,  
they were informed about "a delay for 4 hours"  
as the weather is not suitable for flying, i.e.  
Austin, there are severe thunder storms. This means  
that they will miss the interview, as they will  
reach Austin by 4 PM (The interview finishes  
3:30 PM).

Both of them were not expecting that they  
may lose this excellent opportunity just because  
of the bad weather, but it is the Will of  
Allah.

so one of them (muslim by name only, no belief in Allah's decree) became very upset, angry and frustrated, trying to catch any other way to reach Austin in time but none. He returned home so angry with Allah's Decree, saying to his wife: it is always that Allah wants me to miss the good opportunity, why the thunder has to be severe today, at the time of the interview ?? why I can't have the interview? why it is always me? why others (in Austin) can get the job? why all my dreams will never become real? I am not happy with my life!!

I don't want to pray any more - so long Allah is

against me ?? I will not try to look for a job as

I am sure that Allah will always be against me

I hate everything ∴ (1) Total despair of Allah's Mercy

(2) full reflection of Allah's decree

∴ In Conclusion: That muslim clarified to Allah that

he doesn't believe in His Decree → total loss, failure / miserable worldly life + punishment in Day of Judgment in the test of life, i.e.

But the other Muslim, who is a believer in Allah's decree and he was also looking for the job - but he knows that: nothing can be done except by Allah's will. So he realized that it is Allah's will that he will not appear in the interview in Austin, i.e. no job.

Immediately he remembered the rules of the belief in Allah's decree: ① No one can change Allah's Will, which is the only effective Power in the worldly life

② All Allah's decree is good for the believer.

So he said to himself: All Praise to Allah, I am sure that Allah chooses the best for me. If Allah prevents me from reaching Houston and appearing in the interview, this means that it was not a successful trip and I would not have

the job. All praise to Allah. I will return home - take  
rest and start looking for another job fail.

7 This is the true belief that Allah's will controls  
everything as Allah has all knowledge - wisdom and Power.

∴ We need to remember "if Allah so will"  
before any word related to the future, a Quranic  
rule which has a lot of good effect on the spirit

i.e. ① Always do not give any definite judgement

regarding any decision, plan or action  
in the future, be ready for any possibility as  
it is Allah's will that controls, it is not your will.

② Be content - reassured and having internal  
peace that all the matters from Allah are  
good for the believer.

③ Do not be lazy, do not despair of Allah's  
mercy, do not be disinterested, on the contrary, have

more strength, confidence and reassurance that you  
rely on Allah's Will and mercy and you are sure that  
everything is for your good.

Again, never forget "If Allah so wills"

made it at the beginning of every statement related  
to the future.

Personal advice: always tell to yourself:  
myself, I know your limitations regarding  
knowledge, power and wisdom, myself <sup>you</sup> are  
very emotional, short sighted, having little knowledge  
and experience in life, So it is the greatest mercy  
of Allah (The All knowledge, Power and wisdom) to  
be the One to decide, plan and choose for  
you. My self, I am content with all that  
Allah chooses for me and decrees for me even if

it is opposite that you like, I am very appreciating to Allah  
that He is the One to get me out of the responsibility  
of blaming you for ~~every~~ <sup>any</sup> wrong decision.

Instead, I never have the guilty feeling of wrong decisions in life. I believe that Allah chooses the good and I try to accept all Allah's decree and to accommodate it with all the trust and hope in Allah.

9 It is the advice and command of Prophet Mohamed (S.A.W) which we need to remember whenever our plans are <sup>moved</sup> in different directions of what <sup>we</sup> planned :

② The example of a believer is that of a fresh tender plant. From whatever direction wind comes, it bends it. But when the wind becomes quiet, it (the plant) becomes straight again.

① The strong believer is better <sup>and</sup> more beloved to Allah than the weak believer and there is goodness in both.

Strive for what benefits you - seek help from Allah and do not despair, if a mishap should

happen to befall you, then do not say "If only I had acted such and such, it would have happened such and such. Rather say," Allah has decreed and He does what He wills" for verily "if" initiates Satan.

Applying this Hadith to the previous story is clarifying that the first man was believing in "if" so Satan controls his reaction to Allah's Decree completely, leading to despair and sadness

But the second man, a believer in Allah's decree, was proving his belief by accepting Allah's decree, planning to be a strong believer, trying again, and again for the job - with all the hope in Allah's mercy

Let's now learn about the meaning of the <sup>Hadith</sup> of Prophet Mohamed

(S.A.W) which is related to the belief in Allah's Decree.

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Let's learn this hadith which will prove that

all matters in our life are up to Allah's Decree (Allah's will) and that no one can escape whatever Allah had decreed for him,

On the authority of Abu Abbas Abdulla

11 the son of Abbas (may Allah be pleased with them both) who said:

One day I was behind the Prophet (S.A.W) and he said to me.

Young man, I shall teach you some words (of advice):

Be mindful of Allah, and Allah will protect you. Be mindful of Allah, and you will find Him in front of you. If you ask, ask of Allah and if you seek help, seek help of Allah. Know that if the Nation were to gather together to benefit you with anything, it would benefit you only with something that Allah has already prescribed for you, and that if

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They gather together to harm you with anything, they  
would harm you only with something Allah had  
already prescribed for you. The pens have been lifted  
and the pages have dried.

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In another version

Prophet Mohamed (S.A.W) said: Be mindful of  
Allah, you will find Him before you. Get to know  
Allah in prosperity and He will know you - in  
adversity. Know that what has passed you by,  
was not going to befall you and that what  
has befallen you was not going to pass you by.

And know that victory comes with  
patience, relief with affliction and  
ease with hardship.

This is the rules of the belief in

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Allah's Decree so let us learn  
benefits of the belief in Allah's Decree