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THERE IS MERCY IN ADVERSITY

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Humankind has forgotten the Resurrection (Day of Judgment) and thinks the world will go on like this forever. When in fact humans may live for 60 years, 70 years, or say 100 years and in the end leave [this world]. They leave for the Qiyamah. Since people of today forgot about the hereafter, fear overcomes them whenever something disturbs their comfort in the world. They start thinking and fussing, "What will happen to us? Where will we run?" They say, "Should we run here or should we run there?" Allah Azza wa Jalla says:

يَقُولُ الْإِنْسَانُ يَوْمَئِذٍ أَيْنَ الْمَفَرُّ

"Yaqoolul insanu yawma'ithin aynal mafarr." (Sura Qiyamah:10) "Humankind says on that Day, "To where is escape?" He is referring to the Resurrection, but before Resurrection people are also coming to this state these days.

Allah Azza wa Jalla utters:

إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ يَوْمَئِذٍ الْمُسْتَقَرُّ

"Ila rabbika yawma'ithinil mustaqarr." "The place to stand on that Day is only the presence of your Lord." (Sura Qiyamah:12) "Where you are going is next to your Lord." You need to seek refuge in Him so you find ease. There is no place to run.

There is wisdom, a benefit, in everything. Without going through adversity humankind neither remembers the hereafter, the Qiyamah, nor obeys the commands of Allah. Therefore, these days are also Allah's mercy for people. If you ask, "How can adverse days be a mercy?" you remember Allah.



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We did not come for this world. We came for the hereafter, we came to remember Allah (JJ). We have reached this age, we have been through many wars and bad days, and we have witnessed Allah's wisdom. People always say "Allah" during war and remember Him, and jamis and masjids are full. They leave it all together after war.

We were in Lebanon during the war. The same with Cyprus. We know how Cyprus was in the past. In the past the population was not even one fifth of today, but Cypriots would fill the mosques. Today they came from Turkey and have become fivefold. If it was 100,000 then it is 500,000 today, but mosques are not full, they are empty. So this is Allah's warning but people do not understand. You need to remember Allah when you are comfortable too.

Allah (JJ) gives some adversity so you would not swear at anybody or be angry with anybody. Think of it as, "This is a warning from Allah in response to what we are doing," and take it as advice. Do not look for cause in anybody. Allah is the causer of everything. Allah is capable of everything and Allah is the one who makes a cause. Therefore, again you would be forgetting Allah if you put the blame on a person! Turn to Allah and seek refuge in Allah as there is no other place of refuge. He is the place of refuge and He is the one giving these adversities. He will give its rewards accordingly if you remember it.

Otherwise, you will live in adversity if you do not remember it and find fault in others. That would not be of any gain or benefit for you either. However, if you seek refuge in Allah and say, "These adversities came from Allah, we seek refuge in Allah, and our reward is with Allah," then Allah will reward you. In the hereafter when people receive their rewards for all the adversities they suffered they will say, "I wish I had suffered more adversities."

Therefore to be a believer and faith are beautiful things. People are at ease once there is that iman. May Allah grant us all iman and keep us safe from these adversities. May Allah make this country safe as well Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

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