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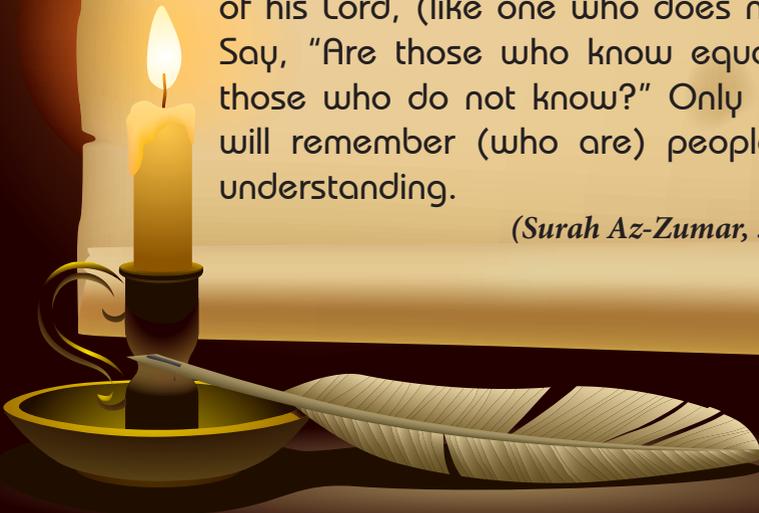
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أَمَّنْ هُوَ قَانِتٌ آنَاءَ اللَّيْلِ سَاجِدًا
وَقَائِمًا يَحْذَرُ الْآخِرَةَ وَيَرْجُو رَحْمَةَ
رَبِّهِ قُلْ هَلْ يَسْتَوِي الَّذِينَ يَعْلَمُونَ
وَالَّذِينَ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ إِنَّمَا يَتَذَكَّرُ أُولُو
الْأَلْبَابِ

Is one who is devoutly obedient during periods of the night, prostrating and standing (in prayer), fearing the Hereafter and hoping for the mercy of his Lord, (like one who does not)? Say, "Are those who know equal to those who do not know?" Only they will remember (who are) people of understanding.

(Surah Az-Zumar, 39/9)



PRESENTATION

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Dear Students,

As Ministry of National Education-Directorate General for Religious Teaching, in accordance with the main objectives of our national education, we have been carrying out various activities in order to educate and prepare you- our students- for your professional lives and the life itself. One of them is “**Life Criteria From Quran: Activities on Fourty Verses**”.

Quran, which is the best and the most beautiful of words, has been revealed in a twenty - three year period. Our beloved Prophet has read, dictated, taught and explained It to his companions. He has led a life in the direction of the criteria of Quran and set a living example of “Quran” for his society and the future generations.

Quran, being valid till the doomsday, has set the criteria of life for people to achieve happiness both in the world and in the Hereafter. The most important feature of the life criteria is the fact that they address to all humanity and all ages, without being limited to a certain time period or a specific society.

In Quran, Our Lord praised those who read Lord’s own words and act in line with these words. As Muslims, we must learn and apply the life criteria of Quran by reading It.

Learning Quran is learning the religion of Islam. Our Prophet pointed out this fact by commanding: “**The best among you are those who learn and teach Quran**”(Buhari, Fedailü’l-

Kur’an, 21). For this reason, we can sum up our duties towards Quran this way: **Learning, reading, understanding/ trying to understand what we read, applying/putting into practice what we understand, and teaching these practises to the others.**

The most basic goals of Our Directorate General are: to make you- the precious young people – understand Our Book which is the main source of our religion, so that It enlightens the spirits and hearts by being internalized; to raise you as individuals who have the responsibility for the future of our country and our civilization; who have moral values; who can response to the needs and expectations of the humanity; who may guide the society on different platforms such as mihrabs, minbars and rostrums; and who are bejeweled with the ethics of Quran.

For correct understanding of Islam; Quran – the road map of our lives – and Its verses – the signboards – must be understood correctly. In this context, I think that “**Life Criteria From Quran: Activities on Fourty Verses**” which has been prepared by us, will have an important position.

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude towards our teachers and to our colleagues those who contributed to the present study, and I wish you success – to our valuable students- who are the assurance of our future.

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IS THERE ANY WHO WILL REMEMBER?

وَلَقَدْ يَسَّرْنَا الْقُرْآنَ لِلذِّكْرِ فَهَلْ مِنْ مُدَكِّرٍ

Surah Al-Qamar, 54 / 17

It's Meaning

“And We have certainly made the Quran easy for remembrance, so is there any who will remember?”

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Quran is a divine book sent for people to organize their lives.
- Quran shows the method of being happy and peaceful by giving people advices.
- The commandments and prohibitions of Quran are compatible with human's nature and they are easy to apply. Islam is the religion of easiness.
- Our Lord advices us to regard Quran.
- We pay attention to the advices of Quran and try to practice them in our lives.

MUSLIM'S FRIENDS

إِنَّمَا وَلِيُّكُمُ اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا الَّذِينَ يُقِيمُونَ
الصَّلَاةَ وَيُؤْتُونَ الزَّكَاةَ وَهُمْ رَاكِعُونَ

Surah Al-Ma'idah, 5 /55

It's Meaning

“Your ally (friend) is none but Allah and (therefore) Allah’s Messenger and those who have believed—those who establish prayer and give zakah (almsgiving), and they bow (in worship).”

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Friend is the one who loves us, protects us and wants our favour.
- Real friend keeps his/her friend out of harm's way.
- The supreme being who deserves friendship mostly is Allah. Because Allah fulfills all the needs of the servants and always wants goodness for them.
- Our Prophet (S.A.V.)¹ [PbUH] is the friend of us, the believers. He made self-sacrifice for our accession to Islam.
- The leading pillar of being a believer is establishing prayer and giving zakah (almsgiving).
- Believers are friends of each other. They must do what is necessary for this friendship.

¹ Sallallahü aleyhi ve sellem, shortly written as (s.a.v.), is said for saying salavat – when Our Prophet's name is mentioned; and it means: “Peace be upon him”.

ALLAH REMEMBERS THE SERVANT, TOO

فَاذْكُرُونِي أَذْكَرُكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لِي وَلَا تَكْفُرُونِ

Surah Al-Baqarah, 2 / 152

It's Meaning

“So, remember Me; I will remember you. And be grateful to Me and do not deny Me.”

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Invocation is remembering and keeping God (c.c.) in our minds. It is acting with the awareness that Allah is with us while we are eating, drinking, walking- everywhere secret or nonsecret-.
- Allah remembers us with mercy and grace when we remember Allah.
- Gratitude is being aware of blessings of God and sharing them with others.
- Believer mustn't forget Allah. He/She must be grateful for the blessings and mustn't be ungrateful.
- For example; we recite Basmala when we start to eat. We say “Maşaallah” when we see a beautiful thing; we say “Elhamdulillah” when we reach a blessing. So, we remember the Name of Allah and be grateful for the blessings of God.

HZ. MUHAMMAD (PbUH), BENEDICTION FOR THE WORLDS

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا رَحْمَةً لِّلْعَالَمِينَ

Surah Al-Anbya, 21 / 107

It's Meaning

"We haven't sent you, (O Muhammad), except as a mercy to the worlds."

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Mercy is a Quranic expression, which means that Allah (c.c.) takes a pity on the servants, has strong like for them, and treats them with compassion and grace.
- The supreme mercy for the servants (from God) is Islam, which is sent through Our Prophet.
- Our Prophet (PbUH) is the source of mercy and abundance for every creature; especially for people.
- Our Prophet loved all the creatures, treated them affectionately and graciously.
- As the ummah of the Prophet of Mercy, we must treat every creature with love, mercy and grace.

SUPPLICATE THROUGH
PATIENCE AND PRAYER

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَعِينُوا بِالصَّبْرِ وَالصَّلَاةِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ
مَعَ الصَّابِرِينَ

Surah Al-Baqarah, 2/153

It's Meaning

“O, you who have believed, seek help through patience and prayer. Indeed, Allah is with the patient ones”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- The believer seeks help from Allah (c.c.) under difficulties.
- The best way of seeking help from Allah is through patience and prayer.
- Being patient is at the same time making an effort to succeed.
- The believer who is in the presence of his/her Lord conveys his/her wishes directly to God and takes refuge in God for help.
- Allah (c.c.) never renders the servant helpless -who begs for-through patience and prayer.

ALLAH KNOWS BOTH THE HIDDEN AND THE UNCONCEALED

قُلْ إِنْ تَخْفُوا مَا فِي صُدُورِكُمْ أَوْ تُبْدُوهُ
يَعْلَمُهُ اللَّهُ وَيَعْلَمُ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي
الْأَرْضِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Surah Ali 'Imran, 3/29

It's Meaning

“Say, ‘Whether you conceal what is in your breasts or reveal it, Allah knows it. And Allah knows that which is in the heavens and that which is on the earth. And Allah is over all things competent’ ”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Allah is almighty.
- Allah (c.c.) knows that which is in the heavens and that which is on the earth.
- Allah (SWT) knows separately the actions of every people on earth, every birds on sky, every organisms in oceans and every microscopic creatures simultaneously.
- An individual can't conceal anything from God. God even knows what is in our hearts.
- We must act in the awareness that Allah knows us in all aspects and always observes us.

ALL THE WORSHIPS ARE FOR ALLAH

قُلْ إِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي لِلَّهِ رَبِّ
الْعَالَمِينَ

Surah Al-An'am, 6/162

It's Meaning

“Say, ‘Indeed, my prayer, my rites of sacrifice, my living and my dying are for Allah, Lord of the worlds’ ”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Allah is the owner of everything.
- The most important duty of us in this life is being good servants who gain the love of God.
- Everything we do must be done in order to receive God's (c.c.) approval.
- Our all worships must be for God.
- God has determined a length of life for all creatures. They are born, they grow and die after a length of time. It matters not how long we live but how.

IMPORTANCE OF TIME

وَالْعَصْرِ ﴿١﴾ إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَفِي خُسْرٍ ﴿٢﴾
 إِلَّا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ
 وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ ﴿٣﴾

Surah Al-‘Asr, 103/1-3

It's Meaning

“By time, indeed, mankind is in loss; Except for those who have believed and done righteous deeds and advised each other to truth and advised each other to patience”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Century means centennial time. Here, the whole time can mean the era in which Our Prophet (PbUH) lived or life span of each human being.
- The regular movements of world and sun and the alternation of night and day are among the indicators of the presence of Our Lord. Also, the movements of world and sun make the time.
- It is not possible to stop the time, but using it well depends on us.
- The people make loss mostly when they don't use time well.
- Having faith in God, being in the right way, inviting the people to the way of God, being patient and encouraging the others to be patient are some of the most basic values of us that keep us away disappointment.
- In order to not to make a loss and not to be disappointed in the end, we must follow the way that is shown us by Our Lord and advice others to follow this good way, too.

PRAYER IS A RELIGIOUS DUTY FOR BELIEVERS

إِنَّ الصَّلَاةَ كَانَتْ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ كِتَابًا مَّوْقُوتًا

Surah An-Nisa, 4/103

It's Meaning

“Indeed, prayer has been decreed upon the believers a decree of specified times”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Five-time prayer is decreed upon the believers by Allah (c.c.)
- The most excellent invocation (of Allah) comes true with prayer.
- Performing prayer retains an individual from doing evil.
- Prayer raises the servitude awareness and time discipline for one.
- We must perform our prayers on time and properly.

HUMAN IS CREATED IN THE BEST STATURE

لَقَدْ خَلَقْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ فِي أَحْسَنِ تَقْوِيمٍ ط

Surah At-Jin, 95/4

It's Meaning

"We have certainly created man in the best stature".

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- God has created the human in the best stature and given some features to him/her
- God has created the human excellently spiritually and physically.
- God has created the human as a creature who wishes, demands, thinks, speaks, writes, understands, expresses, and who has artistry.
- Human is a clever creature who separate reason from superstitious, beautiful from ugly, good from bad, right from wrong, benevolence from evil, sweet from bitter.
- In return of all these blessings and beauties, we must consider the wisdom of God and give God our endless thanks.

HOLD TO THE ROPE OF ALLAH

وَاعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلَا تَفَرَّقُوا

Surah Al 'Imran, 3/103

It's Meaning

“Hold firmly to the rope of Allah all together and do not become divided...”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Holding to the rope of Allah is being affiliated to the orders of Quran and Islam.
- Islam is a religion that keeps the people together and make them gain the awareness of being ummah.
- Muslims are siblings. Differences in countries, colors, races and languages aren't obstacles for Muslims to be siblings and to collaborate.
- Social unity –solidarity is the source of peace and happiness.
- Let's hold firmly to the rope of Allah all together and keep alive the spirit of fraternity.

YOU'RE SUPERIOR IF YOU BELIEVE

وَلَا تَهِنُوا وَلَا تَحْزَنُوا وَأَنْتُمْ الْأَعْلَوْنَ إِنْ
كُنْتُمْ مُؤْمِنِينَ

Surah Al 'Imran, 3/139

It's Meaning

“So, do not weaken and do not grieve, and you will be superior if you are (true) believers”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Both success and failure are the facts of life. What really matters is striving fearlessly in the event of failure.
- Our faith in God makes us struggle against difficulties powerfully.
- Besides striving for success, believing and trusting in God (c.c.) are required, either.
- Believer is a long-distance one who is hard - working and goal-driven.
- In order to succeed, we must work with conviction undauntedly and without relaxing.

CONDUCTING TO GOODNESS

مَنْ يَشْفَعُ شَفَاعَةً حَسَنَةً يَكُنْ لَهُ نَصِيبٌ مِنْهَا
 وَمَنْ يَشْفَعُ شَفَاعَةً سَيِّئَةً يَكُنْ لَهُ كِفْلٌ مِنْهَا
 وَكَانَ اللَّهُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ مُقِيتًا

Surah An-Nisa, 4/85

It's Meaning

“Whoever intercedes for a good cause will have a reward therefrom: and whoever intercedes for an evil cause will have a burden therefrom. And ever is Allah, over all things, a keeper”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Human as a social creature – is dependent in his/her many affairs.
- Whoever intercedes for a good cause will have a reward. Whoever intercedes for an evil cause share its sin and will be held responsible.
- Conducting to the affairs that ensure the people's happiness in this world and hereafter is a good behaviour. Conducting to their failure and sadness is a bad behaviour.
- We must help each other in good deeds; we must be the key for goodness, the lock for evil.

HUMAN IS A RESPONSIBLE BEING

أَيَحْسَبُ الْإِنْسَانُ أَنْ يُتْرَكَ سُدًى

Surah Al-Qiyamah, 75/36

It's Meaning

“Does human think that he/she will be left neglected?”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Nothing in the world is created in vain and without reason.
- Wisdom means righteousness, well-timed action -in word and in affairs- and objection that can't be realized at first glance.
- Everything created by God (c.c.) has wisdom and goal.
- Creating everything purposefully, Our Lord has created human being to worship, as well.
- God has given will-power and responsibilities to human being.
- Human is responsible for every good-bad, beneficial-harmful actions of himself/herself.
- We must be conscious of the responsibilities given us by Our Lord and live in accordance with purpose of creation.

COOPERATE IN GOODNESS

وَتَعَاوَنُوا عَلَى الْبِرِّ وَالتَّقْوَىٰ وَلَا تَعَاوَنُوا عَلَى الْإِثْمِ
وَالْعُدْوَانِ وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ إِنَّ اللَّهَ شَدِيدُ الْعِقَابِ

Surah Al-Ma'idah, 5/2

It's Meaning

“Cooperate in righteousness and piety, but do not cooperate in sin and aggression. And fear Allah; indeed, Allah is severe in penalty”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Good things are things that are loved by God (c.c.) and the things that are beneficial for a human's ownself and for others.
- Piousness is avoiding objecting to God, being respectful to God and minding God.
- Doing a favour is nice. Our religion commands us doing favours.
- Cooperation in goodness is ordered for us.
- Sin is all kinds of evil that is forbidden by God. Therefore, quitting to commit sins is required.
- Cooperation in evil and hostility is illicit. The ones who do evil and do harm to human being and other creatures must be anxious about God's torment.

CONTEMPLATE THE UNIVERSE

إِنَّ فِي اخْتِلَافِ اللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ وَمَا خَلَقَ اللَّهُ فِي
السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ لآيَاتٍ لِقَوْمٍ يَتَّقُونَ

Surah Yunus, 10/6

It's Meaning

“Indeed, in the alternation of the night and the day and (in) what Allah has created in the heavens and the earth are signs for a people who fear Allah!”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- The alternation of night and day; this certain system/order is the indicator of a unique power.
- There is a huge system and balance in the universe. This balance can't be incidental.
- Thinking on the existences such as night, day, sun and moon reminds us the might of God (c.c.).
- Drawing a lesson from the creatures depends on having wisdom and having a honest heart.

THE COURSE OF SHIPS DEPENDS ON LAW OF GOD

وَقَالَ ارْكَبُوا فِيهَا بِسْمِ اللَّهِ مَجْرِيهَا وَمُزْسِيهَا
إِنَّ رَبِّي لَغَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ

Surah Hud, 11/41

It's Meaning

“And Noah said, ‘Embark therein; in the name of Allah is its course and its anchorage. Indeed, My Lord is Forgiving and Merciful!’”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- God has created the law of nature, God has created the buoyancy of water, either.
- Transportation vehicles such as ships, planes, buses, and trains that we use nowadays move according to the law of nature created by God.
- When we get on a vehicle, we recite Basmala and mention Allah (c.c.). We remember that the vehicle moves with the power, strength and permission of Our Lord.
- When getting on a vehicle, we recite the pray in the verse that starts with “Bismillah...”

SUCCESS COMES WITH THE HELP OF GOD

وَمَا تَوْفِيقِي إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَإِلَيْهِ أُنِيبُ

Surah Hud, 11/88

It's Meaning

“...My success is not but through Allah. Upon Allah I have relied, and to Allah I return”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- If we struggle, God will give us the success.
- We only get the success with the allowance and the help of God.
- Therefore, we never get spoiled and insult others because of our success.
- We always trust in and take refuge in God, by praying.
- When we get successful, we mustn't forget the help of God and offer thanks to God.

GOOD WORD IS LIKE A GOOD TREE WITH FRUITS

أَلَمْ تَرَ كَيْفَ ضَرَبَ اللَّهُ مَثَلًا كَلِمَةً طَيِّبَةً كَشَجَرَةٍ
طَيِّبَةٍ أَصْلُهَا ثَابِتٌ وَفَرْعُهَا فِي السَّمَاءِ ﴿١٩﴾ تُوْتِي
أُكْلَهَا كُلَّ حِينٍ بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهَا وَيَضْرِبُ اللَّهُ الْأَمْثَالَ
لِلنَّاسِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَذَكَّرُونَ

Surah Ibrahim, 14/24-25

It's Meaning

"Have you not considered how Allah presents an example, (making) a good word like a good tree, whose root is firmly fixed and its branches (high) in the sky? It produces its fruits all the time, by permission of its Lord. And Allah presents examples for the people that perhaps they will be reminded".

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- A Muslim must be nice in all aspects; besides, his/her words must be nice, either.
- Allah (c.c.) and the angels are pleased with our good words.
- We get the good results in return for the good words both in this world and hereafter.
- The best word among the words is Kalimah Tawheed. Namely; "Lailahe Illallah Muhammedun Resulullah" (Theres is no god but Allah, Muhammad (PbUH) is the servant and the Messenger of Allah").
- We must understand and try to apply the advices of Quran in our lives.

ALLAH IS THE GUARDIAN OF QURAN

إِنَّا نَحْنُ نَزَّلْنَا الذِّكْرَ وَإِنَّا لَهُ لَحَافِظُونَ

Surah Al-Hijr, 15/9

It's Meaning

“Indeed, it is We who sent down the Quran and indeed, We will be Its guardian”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- One name of the Quran is Invocation (Dhikir). It means remembering. Quran reminds human being 'the right thing' and wants him/her to obey it. Quran shows 'the wrong thing'; and wants human being to avoid it.
- The protector of Quran is Allah. Allah SWT will protect It from all kinds of deterioration and change till doomsday – as It has been protected until today-.
- We must keep the warnings of Quran in our minds and configure our lives according to Quran by reciting It much.

OUR ORGANS ARE GIVEN FOR OUR GRATITUDE

وَاللَّهُ أَخْرَجَكُم مِّن بُطُونِ أُمَّهَاتِكُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ
 شَيْئًا وَجَعَلَ لَكُم السَّمْعَ وَالْأَبْصَارَ وَالْأَفْئِدَةَ
 لَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ

Surah An-Nahl, 16/78

It's Meaning

“Allah has extracted you from the wombs of your mothers not knowing a thing, and Allah made for you hearing and vision and intellect that perhaps you would be grateful”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Human has been born helpless and unacquainted.
- Allah is the creator of the human (excellently), Allah has given the features the human needs.
- God has given the love and mercy to our parents, in order to make them raise us in a good way.
- Gratitude is keeping Our Lord in mind who has given the blessings to us and using it on true path.
- We mustn't get spoiled because of the opportunities we have and we must be thankful to Our Lord who has given them to us.

BE NEITHER STINGY NOR LAVISH!

وَلَا تَجْعَلْ يَدَكَ مَغْلُولَةً إِلَىٰ عُنُقِكَ وَلَا تَبْسُطْهَا
كُلَّ الْبَسْطِ فَتَقْعُدَ مَلُومًا مَّحْسُورًا

Surah Al-Isra, 17/29

It's Meaning

“And do not make your hand (as) chained to your neck or extend it completely and (thereby) become blamed and insolvent”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- God (c.c.) wants our expenses be moderate.
- Extravagance is immoderacy, it's not generosity.
- Both stinginess and extravagance are the behaviours that are disliked by God.
- Stinginess is 'not sharing' the blessings -given by God- with anyone.
- Expenses must be made when and how much needed.
- We must use dispose of the blessings given by Our Lord on the way of (for the sake of) God.

DO NOT BELITTLE THE PEOPLE,
DO NOT BE BOASTFUL!

وَلَا تُصَعِّرْ خَدَّكَ لِلنَّاسِ وَلَا تَمْشِ فِي الْأَرْضِ
مَرَحًا إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ كُلَّ مُخْتَالٍ فَخُورٍ

Surah Luqman, 31/18

It's Meaning

“And don't turn your cheek (in contempt) toward people and don't walk through the earth exultantly. Indeed, Allah doesn't like everyone self-deluded and boastful”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Belittling and mocking the others are among the behaviours that are forbidden by Our Lord.
- Self worship and being overproud are the signs of arrogance.
- We can't know who are surpassing in the presence of Allah.
- Our Lord loves modest ones and canonize them. Arrogant ones miss out God's love and mercy.
- We, the believers must be humble. We must avoid being in humiliating attitudes.

ALLAH HELPS THE ONE WHO HELPS
ALLAH'S RELIGION

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن تَنْصُرُوا اللَّهَ يَنْصُرْكُمْ
وَيُثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَكُمْ

Surah Muhammad, 47/7

It's Meaning

“O you have believed, if you support Allah, Allah will support you and plant firmly your feet”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- The believer must struggle for his/her religious values.
- Our Lord helps the ones who strive sincerely for his/her faith.
- Allah (c.c.) rewards every good deed.
- By means of God's help, we become powerful and we can survive under difficulties.
- What we do for our religion is in fact done for ourselves, too.

ESTABLISH JUMU'AH PRAYER KEENLY!

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِذَا نُودِيَ لِلصَّلَاةِ مِنْ يَوْمِ
الْجُمُعَةِ فَاسْعَوْا إِلَى ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَذَرُوا الْبَيْعَ ذَلِكُمْ
خَيْرٌ لَكُمْ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ

Surah Al-Jumu'ah, 62/9

It's Meaning

“O you have believed! When (the adhan) is called for the prayer on the day of Jumu'ah (Friday), then proceed to the remembrance of Allah and leave trade. That's better for you, if you only knew”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Jumu'ah (Friday) prayer is a prayer that must be performed with crowd (congregation) at mosque once in a week.
- When the adhan is called for that prayer, male believers must go to mosque for the prayer.
- At the time of Friday prayer, we must leave everything we do, including trade.
- Like other worships, Friday prayer is an invocation, too. At that time, we mention Allah (c.c.) and express our servitude to Allah.
- Human must deal with the affairs to earn livelihood and in addition, he/she must perform the worships, too. It is the best way for the human.
- We arrange all of our works according to Friday prayer. We must care performing our Friday prayer.

ESTABLISH JUMU'AH PRAYER KEENLY!

وَمَنْ يَتَّقِ اللَّهَ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ مِنْ أَمْرِهِ يُسْرًا

Surah At-Talaq, 65/4

It's Meaning

“Whoever fears Allah- God will make for him/her of his/her matter ease”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- There are trials and tribulations as well as amenities in life.
- In every bother, there is God's (c.c.) mercy, too.
- If we care following the orders of God, God makes our affairs easier.
- If we fulfill the responsibilities we're given by God, God helps us in overcoming the difficulties.
- We must always avoid defying the orders and breaking the rules of Our Lord.

BE PATIENT

فَاصْبِرْ صَبْرًا جَمِيلًا

Surah Al-Ma'arij, 70/5

It's Meaning

“So be patient with gracious patience”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Patience is putting up with the difficulties of good and beneficent affairs, and coping with difficulties.
- While doing useful and good things, one must be perpetual and determined.
- The ones who are patient can fight against difficulties and will be rewarded by God (c.c.).
- God is with those who are patient.
- We must trust in and take refuge in Allah and be patient.

THE ONES WHO ARE GIVEN THEIR
RECORDS IN THEIR RIGHT HANDS

فَأَمَّا مَنْ أُوتِيَ كِتَابَهُ بِيَمِينِهِ
فَسَوْفَ يُحَاسَبُ حِسَابًا يَسِيرًا

Surah Al-Inshiqaq, 84/7-8

It's Meaning

"As for he/she who is given his/her record in his/her right hand, he/she will be judged with an easy account".

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Every human being has a book of action in which the deeds performed throughout his/her life are written.
- Everything that one performs will be set before in hereafter.
- The ones who have faith in God (c.c.) and do good deeds will be given their records in their right hands.
- Because God is pleased with the ones who are given their records in their right hands, they will easily account for their deeds.
- The ones whose records are full of good and useful deeds will be happy in hereafter and they will be with their beloved ones.
- In order to account for our deeds easily in hereafter, we must fill in our records with good deeds in this world.

DON'T REPEL THE PETITIONER!

وَأَمَّا السَّائِلَ فَلَا تَنْهَرْ

Surah Ad-Duha, 93/10

It's Meaning

"As for the petitioner, do not repel him/her".

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Quran disapproves ignoring a person who demands help from necessity. On the other hand, It regards mendicity as a manner that is incompatible with human prestige.
- We must mind the physical and spiritual needs of the people and help them within the bounds of possibility.
- If we can't help people, we must respond them without hurting and offending.

NOT ANY PRACTICE WILL BE UNRECIPROCATED

فَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ
وَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ شَرًّا يَرَهُ

Surah Az-Zalzalah, 99/7-8

It's Meaning

“So whoever does an atom’s weight of good will see it, and whoever does an atom’s weight of evil will see it”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Allah is fair. Allah is never unfair to anybody –even in minimum things-
- Both the minimum good deeds and the minimum bad deeds are recorded.
- The human will be rewarded for the minimum good deed by getting its merit- when he /she reaches the presence of his/her Lord.
- We will give the account of our whole behaviours in hereafter.
- We must live with the consciousness that every good and evil things come back to us so, we must prepare ourselves accordingly.

THE ONES WHOSE GOOD DEEDS PREDOMINATE
WILL BE REWARDED WITH THE HEAVEN

فَأَمَّا مَنْ ثَقُلَتْ مَوَازِينُهُ
فَهُوَ فِي عِيشَةٍ رَاضِيَةٍ

Surah Al-Qari'ah, 101/6-7

It's Meaning

"Then as for one whose scales are heavy (with good deeds), he/she will be in a pleasant life".

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- 'Our scales are heavy (with good deeds)' means our good behaviours surpass our bad behaviours.
- Things that increase our good deeds and merits are good actions we do in order to obtain God's consent.
- The ones who do good actions that are valuable in the presence of Allah (c.c.) will be happy in hereafter.
- Happiness in hereafter is reaching God's consent and Heaven.

GOD WANTS US TO BE WITH THE RIGHT ONES

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَكُونُوا مَعَ الصَّادِقِينَ

Surah At-Tawbah, 9/119

It's Meaning

“O you who have believed, fear Allah and be with those who are true”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- It's possible to protect faith by being pious and straightforward.
- It's not sufficient to be just righteous, being with the right ones is required, too.
- Let's be friends with frank people; and be frank like them.

APPEALING FOR MERCY

وَقُلْ رَبِّ اغْفِرْ وَارْحَمْ وَأَنْتَ خَيْرُ الرَّاحِمِينَ

Surah Al-Mu'minin, 23/118

It's Meaning

“And, [O, Muhammad], say ‘My Lord, forgive and have mercy, and You are the best of the merciful’ ”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Our Lord is propitious and has endless mercy.
- Allah (c.c.) is exceedingly merciful.
- We ask for God's forgiveness. Because God is only to forgive sins.
- We recognize superiority of Our Lord and we take refuge in God's limitless mercy.

THE GOAL OF LIFE IS BEING A GOOD SERVANT

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ

Surah Adh-Dhariyat, 51/56

It's Meaning

“And, I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Jinn are invisible creatures like angels.
- Allah (c.c.) has created the universe, the human being and jinn overall.
- Mankind isn't created in vain. Mankind's existence has a purpose.
- Jinn are creatures who have will like mankind and they are responsible for their actions, too.
- The real purpose of creation of jinn and human being –who are responsible creatures – is servitude to God.
- Our mission is spending our lives- appropriate for our nature- by following the orders of Our Lord.

ANGELS WHO RECORD PEOPLE'S DEEDS

وَأَنَّ عَلَيْكُمْ لَحَافِظِينَ
 كِرَامًا كَاتِبِينَ
 يَعْلَمُونَ مَا تَفْعَلُونَ

Surah Al-Infitar, 82/10-11-12

It's Meaning

"And indeed, (appointed) over you are keepers, Noble and recording; They know whatever you do".

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Allah (c.c.) doesn't leave the human being unattended in the world. God observes and follows their actions in everywhere, at any time.
- There are angels called "Kiraman Katibin" who are responsible for observing and keeping records of the actions of people.
- Those angels keep records of every actions of people (good or bad, open or hidden actions).
- Knowing that our actions are recorded by angels make us more careful in our words, actions and behaviours.
- We must always keep the recorder angels in mind and strive to do good deeds.

TURNING TOWARDS MECCA WHILE PRAYING

فَوَلِّ وَجْهَكَ شَطْرَ الْمَسْجِدِ الْحَرَامِ

Surah Al-Baqarah, 2/149

It's Meaning

"Turn your face toward al-Masjid al-Haram".

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Masjid al-Haram is the name of the place in Mecca in which Ka'bah is located.
- "Haram" means venerable. Because Ka'bah is venerable, It has that name.
- Muslims were performing prayers turning their faces toward Masjid al-Aqsa in Jerusalem before Ka'bah. God commanded them turning their faces toward al-Masjid al-Haram while praying with this subsequent verse.
- We turn our faces toward Ka'bah while performing our prayers, too.

THERE IS NO CONFLICT IN QURAN

أَفَلَا يَتَدَبَّرُونَ الْقُرْآنَ وَلَوْ كَانَ مِنْ عِنْدِ غَيْرِ اللَّهِ
لَوَجَدُوا فِيهِ اخْتِلَافًا كَثِيرًا

Surah An-Nisa, 4/82

It's Meaning

“Then do they not reflect upon the Quran? If it had been from (any) other than Allah, they would have found within it much contradiction”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- God (c.c.) wants us consider the verses of Quran.
- Quran is undoubtedly the words of God. There is no contradiction in It.
- The issues that can be conflictive for us in Quran arise from our lack of knowledge.
- We must not only read Quran as a text. We must also try to understand and actualize It.

LEAVE ALL KINDS OF SINS

وَذَرُوا ظَاهِرَ الْإِثْمِ وَبَاطِنَهُ

Surah Al-Anam 6/120

It's Meaning

“Leave what is apparent of sin and what is concealed thereof”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Sins are actions and behaviours that are against the orders and prohibitions of Allah (c.c.).
- There are sins committed secretly as well as sins committed openly.
- The one who believes in God avoids committing sins. He/She leaves all kinds of sins-open or hidden-.
- Alcohol-drinking and gambling are examples for sins that are committed openly. Jealousy of others, grudge and hatred are examples for hidden sins.
- Sins damage and burden a human physically and spiritually.

RUN TO GOD!

فَفِرُّوا إِلَى اللَّهِ إِنِّي لَكُمْ مِنْهُ نَذِيرٌ مُبِينٌ

Surah Adh-Dhariyat 51/50

It's Meaning

“So flee to Allah. Indeed, I am to you from Allah a clear warner”.

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Our Prophet (PbUH) summoned all the people for servitude to Allah for their salvation.
- We must rush in our good actions.
- Our Prophet is responsible for conveying the messages from God (c.c.) to the people in so many words (openly and clearly).
- In order to be good servants, we mind the warnings of Our Prophet and try to do what is necessary.

WE AREN'T CREATED IN VAIN

أَفَحَسِبْتُمْ أَنَّمَا خَلَقْنَاكُمْ عَبَثًا
وَأَنَّكُمْ إِلَيْنَا لَا تُرْجَعُونَ

Surah Al-Mu'minin 23/115

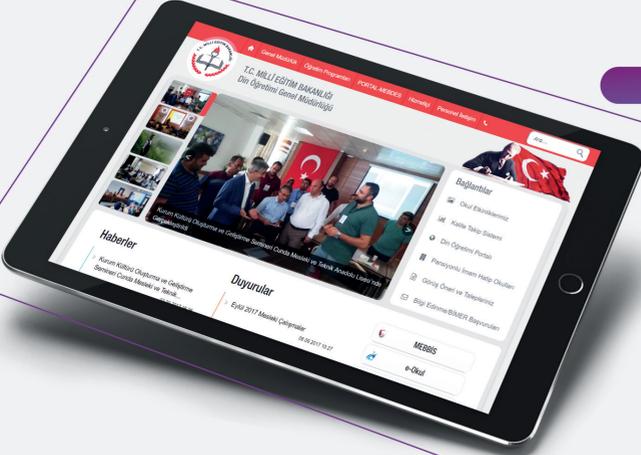
It's Meaning

“Then did you think that We created you uselessly and that to Us you would not be returned?”

What We've Learnt From The Verse

- Allah (c.c.) has created everything purposefully. Creation of human being has a purpose and a reason.
- The purpose of our creation (being created) is knowing Our Lord properly and being servants only to God.
- Our life span will be end up one day and we will be returned to the presence of Our Lord.
- We must make all of our actions with the consciousness that we will give the account of them to Allah.

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