

Put u vječni život

Zamislite da stojite na sred neke velike željezničke stanice. Mladi ljudi, stari ljudi i djeca brzo prolaze pored vas; svi su oni u velikoj žurbi. Svi pokušavaju da se ukrcaju u isti voz jer će svi krenuti na isto putovanje. Neki su pažljivo spakovali sve što posjeduju. Oni nisu svjesni da im ništa od toga neće trebati na kraju ovog putovanja. Neki se opraštaju od svojih porodica. Oni ne shvataju da nema povratka s ovog putovanja. Mi smo jedni od milion drugih putnika koji će se, kada dođe pravo vrijeme za to, ukrcati na taj isti voz. Stojimo ovdje i čekamo voz koji će nas odvesti u vječni život, voz u koji ćemo se jednoga dana svi morati ukrcati.

Na kraju putovanja čekaju nas smrt i meleki. Svi sa sobom nosimo knjigu koju ne možemo vidjeti. Ako ovo putovanje vozom posmatramo kao kratak život koji smo proveli na ovom svijetu, onda sve što činimo tokom tog putovanja, svaki naš grijeh i zasluga su detaljno zapisani u toj knjizi. Možda toga nismo svjesni, ali meleki pažljivo bilježe svaku riječ koju kažemo, svaki korak koji napravimo, svaki naš grijeh i postignuće. Otvaranje ove knjige je najbolja vijest za vjernike, jer vjernik je svoj kratki život ispunio dobrim djelima, obožavanjem i molitvom. On shvata da ga na kraju ovog putovanja čeka smrt nakon koje počinje beskrajni život na onom svijetu. Zato on stoji pred Gospodarom ponizno i s vjerovanjem:

„onaj kome se knjiga njegova u desnu ruku njegovu da – reći će: 'Evo vam, čitajte knjigu moju, ja sam čvrsto vjerovao da ću račun svoj polagati.'"

(Sura Al-Haqqa, 19-20)

S druge strane, oni koji poriču, ukrcat će se na ovo putovanje s ogromnom radošću i zadovoljstvom, budući da ih je zavarao šejtan tako što ih je opčinio ovim svijetom. Na ovom putovanju ne postoji način da se nagoni drže pod kontrolom, ne postoje vjerske dužnosti, oslanjanje i vjerovanje u Boga, nego samo uživanje u prolaznom veselju ovoga svijeta. Ipak, knjiga koju nesvjesno svi nosimo sa sobom će bez sumnje biti otvorena na kraju ovog putovanja i sve što se desilo na ovom putu biće zapisano, dan za dano i sat za satom:

„ I Knjiga će biti postavljena i vidjećete grešnike prestravljene zbog onoga što je u njoj. „Teško nama!”- govoriće-„kakva je ovo knjiga, ni mali ni veliki grijeh nije propustila, sve je nabrojala!” – i naći će upisano ono što su radili. Gospodar tvoj neće nikome nepravdu učiniti.”

(Sura Al-Kahf, 49)

U stvari, ako pogledate, vidjećete ogromnu grupu lažnih i neiskrenih duša svuda po stanici kroz koju prolaze milioni ljudi. To je tako ogromna grupa da su se ljudi izgubili u njoj. Oni možda vide lica jedni drugih, ali su zaboravili lice Boga. Oni vrijednuju jedni druge. Ono što njihovi supružnici i prijatelji kažu od ogromne je važnosti. Toliko ih zanima sve što se dešavalo tokom jednog dana, da se sve što kažu tiče ovog svijeta. Oni pričaju o tome kako će zaraditi novac, kako će svoju djecu poslati u najbolje škole i kako su stekli bogatstvo i posjede; ali ipak ne znaju da će sve ovo morati ostaviti za sobom na stanicama na kojima se zaustave. Oni ne znaju da je Bog jedini koji ih čeka na kraju ovog putovanja.

„ zato ostavi ove u zabludi njihovoj još neko vrijeme! Misle li oni – kada ih imetkom i sinovima pomažemo, da žurimo da im neko dobro učinimo?

Nikako, ali oni ne opažaju.“

(Sura Al-Muminum, 54-56)

S druge strane, vjernici se ukrcavaju na ovaj voz s osjećajem vjere, pokornosti i sa iskrenim srcem. Oni znaju da je ovo putovanje u stvari vrlo kratko. Bog će ih u ovom kratkom životu testirati sa poteškoćama i bolesti, a oni će na ove testove odgovoriti sa hrabrošću i dobrotom. Njihova putovanja će biti ispunjena dobrim djelima, molitvom i obožavanjem. Oni će također morati za sobom ostaviti svoje bogatstvo, imetak, supružnike, prijatelje i djecu, jer sve što ih čeka na kraju ovog putovanja jeste hladna zemlja i bijeli pokrov. Pošto su oni toga svjesni, oni ne osjećaju strast prema životu na ovom svijetu i shvataju da ovozemaljski život nije mjesto za pohlepu i želju. Na kraju ovog putovanja, na koje oni idu sa iskrenim srcem i dubokom vjerom, pred njima se otvaraju vrata dženneta.

„Život na ovom svijetu nije ništa drugo do zabava i igra, a samo onaj svijet je – život, kada bi samo oni znali!“

(Sura Al-Ankabut, 64)

Činjenica je da niti jedna osoba neće moći izbjeći čekanje na toj stanici i ukraćavanje na taj voz. Svi ljudi koje toliko cijenimo ukraćat će se na taj voz, i na kraju putovanja, sva ta cijenjena tijela će se pretvoriti u grumen zemlje. Kako se ta tijela budu spuštala u zemlju, kosti će se raspasti i od svih tih miliona ljudi neće ostati ni trag; sve što će ostati su duše koje se klanjaju pred našim Gospodarom i nadaju se oproštenju:

„ali onima koji se pokaju i uzvjeruju i dobra djela čine, Allah će njihova rđava djela u dobra promijeniti, a Allah oprašta i samilostan je.“ (Sura Al-Furqan, 70)

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ISLAM IN PERSPECTIVE

Mankind was a single nation

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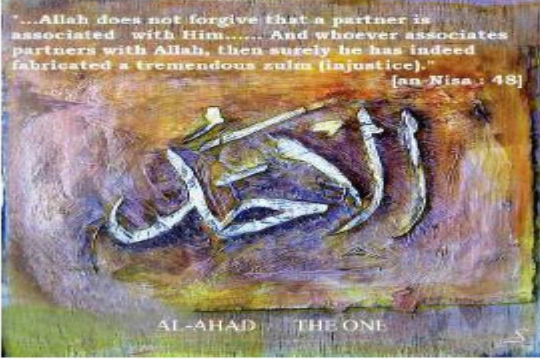
FORGIVE that which has been established in the Shu'ab (generalised law) in that mankind was a single nation following the revelation, then gradually they got divided in tribes (associating partners with Allah). Allah the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful, the Most Generous, does Allah not perhaps bring good news and warning? (Qur'an, 12:1)

The Allah (swt) says: "And those who were given the book before you, they were a single nation, and they were divided into tribes. And those who were given the book before you, they were a single nation, and they were divided into tribes." (Qur'an, 12:1)

The Prophet (swt) says: "Allah has created you from one man and one woman, and He has made you into 120,000 tribes. And He has made you into 120,000 tribes, and He has made you into 120,000 tribes." (Qur'an, 12:1)

After this clear explanation of the correct interpretation of the Quran, we know how much special attention the scholars who were concerned (people of the past) gave to the people of the future. The Allah (swt) says: "And those who were given the book before you, they were a single nation, and they were divided into tribes." (Qur'an, 12:1)

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...Allah does not forgive that a partner is associated with Him..... And whoever associates partners with Allah, then surely he has indeed fabricated a tremendous zulum (injustice). [an-Nisa: 48]

How I converted to Islam

By Muhammad Aliyev, formerly Ghazi Kizilgaya, an upper class Muslim, answers the query about his conversion to Islam, in this second part, he says how he found answers to all his questions in the Holy Quran.

I began reading the Quran with the intention to find truth in it but amazingly started to get answers to my questions one by one as if the Quran is answering and clearing all my doubts. Although I decided to read at least four pages every day and to complete it quickly, but I was shocked by my life, I could hardly read more than had a page daily. As I continued, I started getting answers to all my questions; why I was here, why I was created, what is the purpose of life, and by the grace of Almighty Allah I was getting closer to Quran and my Creator.

The brother who gave the Quran would call me and ask me to read the Quran. One day he asked me to perform salah (prayer) with him and I refused. However, we started meeting very often to discuss over coffee/pastry on Islam. One day while having coffee, he asked me a question: if he dies now, before completely finishing the Quran, he might miss something because he is a Muslim as he tried to follow the commands of Allah. What would I do if I die before I finish my Quran because, there is no guarantee of life after my death. I was shocked for a while, and could not detach the pain and risk as if I am going to die any moment. I was shocked, I was actually grateful to Almighty Allah for the first time in my life that if I die today please forgive my sins and grant me a good life in the morning. I was afraid and deciding not to waste more time, called the brother and informed him that I

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would like to accept Islam. In fact with the discussion of previous evening, Allah opened my heart to truth and brought me accepting Islam would be a big blessing. I was a Muslim. The brother called me to the center and in front of two people, asked me to declare in Arabic and English the "Shahada". In Arabic: "Ashhadu Bah Muhammad Rasulullah. I bear witness that there is no God but Allah and that Prophet Muhammad is his Messenger (swt) (swt) (swt). I swear by Allah that when I took the Shahada, I felt an amazing sensation, as if a huge, physical weight had just been lifted off my chest. I gasped for breath as if I was breathing for the first time in my life. Allah made it for me to accept Islam, my journey to find the true religion ended with immense pleasure, happiness and utmost satisfaction.

I want to convey my humble message to all those who are looking for a true God and religion. It is only when you take the path of learning about all religions, you will know the beauty of Islam. Message of Quran of God Almighty in its Poetry and the way of life taught and practiced by Prophet Muhammad (swt) Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) is Islam, the only way of life which could help you pleased with your existence as human being. Islam is a total waste without Islam as the way of life. Allah is Allah, Allah had given me a new life, a clean slate and a chance for Jannah, and I pray that I live the rest of my life dedicated to practicing the message of Islam and to die as a Muslim. Amen.

Conclusion

A journey to the eternal life

Harun Yahya

IMAGINE you are standing in the middle of a very large train station. Young people, old people and children are all rushing past; they are all in a great hurry. They are all going to get on the same train, because they will be setting out on the same journey. Some have already packed all their own. They are anxious that they will not miss any of it as the end of the journey some are talking forward to their families. They do not realize there can be no return at the end of the journey. We are just some of the millions of wanderers who will board that same train when the time comes. We stand there and wait for the train that will take us off to our eternal lives in the Hereafter. A train that we shall one day have to board. At the end of the journey is death and nothing to meet on the way. Every body knows that we cannot see, if we think of that train stop on the final life we speak in this world, that everything we do on that journey, all our sin and merit, is written down in the detail in those ledgers. We may not be aware of it, but the angels carefully write down every word we say, every step we take, and all our sin and merit. The opening of those ledgers is the hour of reckoning for everyone, because the believer has filled his ledger with good deeds, worship and prayer. He realizes that death lies at the end of all his journey, after which will begin the wonderful life of the Hereafter. That is why he stands before our Lord in hesitation and trust. He for his sin is given his book in his right hand, he will say, "Here, come and read my Book! I counted on meeting my

Bookkeeper" (Surat Al-Hajj, 29-30)

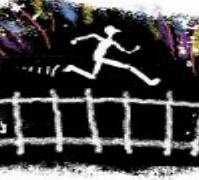
Descend on the other hand, embark on that train journey with great joy and delight, those they are directed by Satan into being caught up by this world. There is no railing of the knee, all on their journey, no religious observances and no relying on God and trusting in God, just living for the transient life of this world. At the ledgers they carry with them all accounts will inevitably be opened at the end of the journey, and everything on that journey will be written down, day by day and hour by hour.

The Book will be set in place (before death) and you will use the ledgers of the Hereafter. You will see the ledgers of what is in it. They will say, "Alas for us! What is this Book which does not pass over any action, small or great, without recording it?" They will find there every thing they did and your Lord will see every secret of all" (Surat Al-Kahf, 96)

In fact if you look down in a large crowd full of false and untruthful people all around in that station the millions of people are jumping through it. It is such a mass crowd that people become lost in it. They are not even an individual's faces but forget to see the face of God. They make one another very much. They know their power and strength are of no account in their eyes. They are so caught up by the events of the day that everything they say involves around this world. They talk about how they make money, how they put their children through the best schools and how they accumulated

wealth and possessions, yet they do not know that they will have to leave all those behind at the station as they step on. They do not know that all that awaits them at the end of the journey is God.

To leave them in their state of ignorance



good works, prayer and worship. They will also have to leave behind their wealth, possessions, spouses, friends and children as every step because all that awaits them at the end of the line is the cold ground and a white shroud. Since they are aware of this, they have no passion for the life of this world and realize that the life of this world is not a place for greed and desire. At the end of the journey, which they make with untruthful hearts and low faith, they make up the gates to the condition of Paradise to meet them.

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For a while, do they imagine that in the wealth and children We intend to them, We are wanting to them with good things? No, but they have no awareness" (Surat Al-Muhammad, 54-56)

Believers, on the other hand, board that train with deep faith, submission and a devoted heart. They know that the journey is actually open about God will set them with difficulties and tribulations in the land of this world, and they will respond to those with firm faith and goodness. Their journey will be filled with

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