

سورة المؤمنون



The Believers

A Visionary Journey to Al-Firdaus Al-A'la

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Allah states some of the blessings which He bestowed upon us.

Allah made your sense of hearing specially for your

benefit. The word **أَنْشَأَ** means that Allah initiated the creation. The sight is also for your benefit. The core of the heart, the place of thinking and feeling, is also for your benefit; this makes you different from the animals, who can also hear and see. This is all so that you would be grateful. Use what Allah gave you, and be grateful to Him. This is the result of belief.

Allah spread you abundantly all over the earth, and subjected the earth to you. All your needs and necessities are available on earth. On the Day of Judgement, you will all be gathered together for recompense.

Allah is the One who gives life and causes death, He is in charge of it. For Him alone is the alternation of day and night, which come in succession, one after the other, is beautiful transition. This is very obviously in the control of Allah. Everything happens for a purpose.

In spite of all these blessings, they remain with what their ancestors said. They are stuck in the errors of the past. The faith must be renewed when you see the signs and blessings of Allah. But they still don't believe. So they say how can we be resurrected, when we are dust and bones. They are letting the false belief of their ancestors prevent them from belief. They use their intellect to judge the ability of Allah. Belief should be above logic.

This statement is always used by disbelievers through the ages. Belief will take you to Al-Firdaus. But they judge with their minds and logic. They also say they were promised this resurrection in the past, when the messengers came to their forefathers. This shows that Allah sent the same message through the ages, to all mankind. Everyone received this promise of resurrection on the Day of Judgement.

Belief in the Day of Judgement is very important. Those who don't believe in it will deviate from the straight path. So they call the Day of Judgement one of the legends of the past, stories which people narrated in the past, and talk of in the present as well.

Does it make sense that all of this universe was made in vain? Can all the blessings and your whole life, so intricately planned, be in vain? All the signs of Allah cannot be for nothing. The signs are there to help you to believe in Allah. They are not only stories. But the disbelievers just want to dismiss the Day of Judgement, so they deem it as unimportant. They call it a legend because it is so fantastic and illogical when you think about it and judge it with your own mind. They take faith very lightly.

Allah puts forth rhetorically questions to make them believe or to make

وَهُوَ الَّذِي أَنْشَأَ لَكُمْ السَّمْعَ وَالْأَبْصَارَ
وَالْأَفْئِدَةَ قَلِيلًا مَّا تَشْكُرُونَ

And it is He who produced for you hearing and vision and hearts; little are you grateful.

وَهُوَ الَّذِي ذَرَأَكُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَإِلَيْهِ تُحْشَرُونَ
And it is He who has multiplied you throughout the earth, and to Him you will be gathered.

وَهُوَ الَّذِي يُحْيِي وَيُمِيتُ وَلَهُ اخْتِلَافُ اللَّيْلِ
وَالنَّهَارِ أَفَلَا تَعْقِلُونَ

And it is He who gives life and causes death, and His is the alternation of the night and the day.

Then will you not reason?

بَلْ قَالُوا مِثْلَ مَا قَالَ الْأَوَّلُونَ

Rather, they say like what the former peoples said.

قَالُوا إِذَا مِتْنَا وَكُنَّا تُرَابًا وَعِظَامًا أَإِنَّا
لَمَبْعُوثُونَ

They said, "When we have died and become dust and bones, are we indeed to be resurrected?"

لَقَدْ وَعَدْنَا نَحْنُ وَآبَاؤُنَا هَذَا مِنْ قَبْلُ إِنْ هَذَا
إِلَّا أَسَاطِيرُ الْأَوَّلِينَ

We have been promised this, we and our forefathers, before; this is not but legends of the former peoples."

قُلْ لِمَنِ الْأَرْضُ وَمَنْ فِيهَا إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ

Say, [O Muhammad], "To whom belongs the earth and whoever is in it, if you should know?"

سَيَقُولُونَ لِلَّهِ قُلْ أَفَلَا تَذَكَّرُونَ

They will say, "To Allāh." Say, "Then will you not remember?"

قُلْ مَنْ رَبُّ السَّمَاوَاتِ السَّبْعِ وَرَبُّ الْعَرْشِ
الْعَظِيمِ

Say, "Who is Lord of the seven heavens and Lord of the Great Throne?"

سَيَقُولُونَ لِلَّهِ قُلْ أَفَلَا تَتَّقُونَ

They will say, "[They belong] to Allah." Say, "Then will you not fear Him?"

قُلْ مَنْ بِيَدِهِ مَلَكُوتُ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَهُوَ يُجِيرُ وَلَا
يُجَارُ عَلَيْهِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ

Say, "In whose hand is the realm of all things - and He protects while none can protect against Him - if you should know?"

سَيَقُولُونَ لِلَّهِ قُلْ فَأَنَّى تُسْحَرُونَ

They will say, "[All belongs] to Allah." Say, "Then how are you deluded?"

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it an evidence against them. So Allah tells His Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم to ask the disbelievers who the earth and whatever it contains belongs to. For someone who is denying the Day of Judgement, a disbeliever, what will be his answer? He will say Allah is the Owner. They will admit the truth. Their answer is not from the heart, or they would be believers. So they admit that all is from Allah, and He is the Owner of everything on earth. This knowledge is in your nature. Allah is reminding them with these questions, and they should heed the reminder.

The next question Allah puts forth is to ask them who is the Rabb of the heavens and the throne of Allah. This is the lordship of Allah, which the disbelievers accept. They don't deny it, except for a few of them. The universe needs a Rabb to maintain, sustain and provide for it. Allah is the Rabb of the seven heavens, they need Allah even though they are a huge creation. So the disbelievers will admit that Allah is the Rabb. If they know this, why aren't they cautious of their actions? Why then don't they have taqwa?

The next question – to whom does the kingship and ownership of the universe belong? Who owns the dominion? You have no one but Allah to protect you. No one can give victory against Allah. He is the One who protects the one running to Him for refuge. This is a danger zone, don't cross it. No one can help you against Allah. If they are still not convinced, then their answers are useless. Their intellect is absent. It is as if they are bewitched. The shaitan has twisted the facts in their minds. They are so stubborn in their disbelief. They know the truth but they still deny it.