

سورة المؤمنون



goal.

Allah describes your environment. There are many things around you, which you may take for granted, or be unaware of. There are 7 heavens, which form a secure ceiling above you, protecting and guarding you. These 7 heavens are 7 layers, one on top of the other. They are also like pathways, above each other. To go up, you have to go through each of them one by one. Every layer has a check post and an angel guard. Allah has beautified the lowest heaven with the sun and the moon, the planets, and the stars, which add to the beauty, and also act as guides to show the direction.

There are so many other benefits we get from the heavens. Out of the incubator of the womb, Allah still protects you. He is not heedless of His creation, He didn't create you and then leave you. Allah prepared the universe for you before He created you. He is Present, and fully Aware of everything happening to you. Allah negates heedlessness from Himself. When you know this, why are you heedless to Him?

We cannot reach the great vision of Al-Firdaus Al-A'la by ourselves. We wouldn't even have known about Al-Firdaus if Allah didn't tell us about it. With all the facilities at your disposal, it isn't fair for you to be heedless of the achievements you must accomplish. Allah encompasses everything He creates. In the same way, you must not be heedless of your great mission. Allah is not heedless of a single atom; He provides and guides all His creation. This should increase your faith and make you take action. Don't be heedless of Al-Firdaus; work for it, use what Allah put at your disposal.

Allah sends nourishment from the sky, in the form of rain, making the dead land alive. This rain is sent down in perfect estimation, just the right amount needed at the particular place, not more so that it destroys, nor less so that the creation dies; it is the perfect amount.

Anas ibn Malik رضي الله عنه reported:

It rained upon us as we were with the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم. He removed his cloth (from a part of his body) till the rain fell on it. We said:

Messenger of Allah, why did you do this?

He said:

لَإِنَّهُ حَدِيثُ عَهْدِ رَبِّهِ تَعَالَى

It is because it (the rainfall) has just come from the Exalted Lord.

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The Believers

A Visionary Journey to

Al-Firdaus Al-A'la

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Allah mentions different things in the universe, which He facilitated for mankind. You must realize that you are the center, and all the things around you are subjected to you, because you have a big mission and high

وَلَقَدْ خَلَقْنَا فَوْقَكُمْ سَبْعَ طَرَائِقَ وَمَا كُنَّا عَنِ الْخَلْقِ غَافِلِينَ

And We have created above you seven layered heavens, and never have We been of

[Our] creation unaware

وَأَنْزَلْنَا مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً بِقَدَرٍ فَأَسْكَنَّاهُ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَإِنَّا عَلَى ذَهَابٍ بِهِ لِقَادِرُونَ

And We have sent down rain from the sky in a measured amount and settled it in the earth. And indeed, We are Able

to take it away

فَأَنْشَأْنَا لَكُمْ بِهِ جَنَّاتٍ مِّنْ نَّخِيلٍ وَأَعْنَابٍ لَّكُمْ فِيهَا فَوَاحٍ كَثِيرَةٌ وَمِنْهَا تَأْكُلُونَ

And We brought forth for you thereby gardens of palm trees and grapevines in which for you are abundant fruits and from

which you eat

وَشَجَرَةٍ تَخْرُجُ مِنْ طُورِ سَيْنَاءَ تَنْبُتُ بِالذَّهْنِ وَصَبِغٍ لِللَّكْلِينَ

And [We brought forth] a tree issuing from Mount Sinai which produces oil and food for those

who eat

وَإِنَّ لَكُمْ فِي الْأَنْعَامِ لَعِبْرَةً نُّسْقِيكُم مِّمَّا فِي بَطُونِهَا وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَنَافِعُ كَثِيرَةٌ وَمِنْهَا تَأْكُلُونَ

And indeed, for you in livestock is a lesson. We give you drink

from that which is in their

bellies, and for you in them are numerous benefits, and from

them you eat

وَعَلَيْهَا وَعَلَى الْفُلْكِ تُحْمَلُونَ

And upon them and on ships you are carried

23:17-22

The connection between the earth and sky is maintained, not cut off. The earth will not bloom without this provision from the sky. Rain is pure water direct from Allah.

When it rained, the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم went out and let the rain touch his body.

Rain washes the earth, and nourishes it. It is **يُقَدَّر**, so it is sometimes more and sometimes less, as needed. This water is also reserved underground, settled in reservoirs under the earth, coming above ground when needed. This is a hidden treasure, preserved until needed.

When you acquire the knowledge, listening and listening, pouring more and more into your heart, it will emerge when the situation warrants it.

Those who struggle for Al-Firdaus know and believe all this. They know that without belief, there is no success. The people of dunya think they need to believe in themselves to be successful. But the believer knows that the base is Allah, and without Allah, nothing has value. Allah is the One in control, He is Able to send rain, and remove it, curtail it, send it but not let it reach, or let it flood and destroy.

The human being is so weak and helpless when he is a baby and Allah is the One who takes care of him. So don't be proud and arrogant. Allah takes care of the whole universe, you are but a tiny creation. You must appreciate the blessings of Allah. Belief is very important, without which nothing has any value.

With water, there is growth. There is no growth without Divine help. The Qura'an is like rain, it gives your soul nourishment and growth. Water initiates growth, it is the means. Date palms and grapes are mentioned together several times in the Qura'an. The best tree is the date palm, it grows in the desert, in harsh and hot conditions, and makes do with even a small amount of water. It's fruit is a complete food, with all the essential nutrients. The grapevine grows in cooler regions. Both are beautiful trees, and their fruit is sweet.

The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said :
مِنَ الشَّجَرِ شَجْرَةٌ تَكُونُ مِثْلَ الْمُسْلِمِ، وَهِيَ النَّخْلَةُ

There is a tree among the trees which is similar to a Muslim (in goodness), and that is the date palm tree.
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You cannot grow without knowledge; it makes you produce the best manners and character. The believer is like a date palm, all its actions are good. The believer will use whatever insignificant facility it has to

grow and develop and move towards Al-Firdaus. The believer is not only on the surface, he tries to benefit the society too. It is not an achievement if you pray and fast, but are bad to the people. You must try to benefit others.

The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said :
خَيْرُ النَّاسِ أَنْفَعُهُمْ لِلنَّاسِ
 The best of people are those who benefit others.

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The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said :
**مِثْلَ الَّذِي يَقْرَأُ الْقُرْآنَ كَالْأَرْجَةِ ، طَعْمُهَا طَيِّبٌ وَرِيحُهَا طَيِّبٌ .
 وَالَّذِي لَا يَقْرَأُ الْقُرْآنَ كَالْتَمْرَةِ ، طَعْمُهَا طَيِّبٌ وَلَا رِيحَ لَهَا ،
 وَمِثْلَ الْفَاجِرِ الَّذِي يَقْرَأُ الْقُرْآنَ كَمِثْلِ الرَّيْحَانَةِ ، رِيحُهَا طَيِّبٌ
 وَطَعْمُهَا مُرٌّ . وَمِثْلَ الْفَاجِرِ الَّذِي لَا يَقْرَأُ الْقُرْآنَ كَمِثْلِ الْحَنْظَلَةِ ،
 طَعْمُهَا مُرٌّ وَلَا رِيحَ لَهَا**

The example of him (a believer) who recites the Qur'an is like that of a citron which tastes good and smells good. And he (a believer) who does not recite the Qur'an is like a date which is good in taste but has no smell. And the example of a dissolute wicked person who recites the Qur'an is like the Raihana (sweet basil) which smells good but tastes bitter. And the example of a dissolute wicked person who does not recite the Qur'an is like the colocynth which tastes bitter and has no smell.

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The olive tree grows in the temperate regions of the Mediterranean, the area of Ash-Sham, or the Levant. The olive tree is an evergreen, and its fruit gives forth an oil which is of such high frequency it glows. When it is set alight, it illuminates its surroundings. The essential element of the olive fruit is the oil. Another component is the colour, which gives it the glow. It can also be eaten. It is a privileged tree.

The area of Ash-sham is where all the messengers came from. Musa عليه السلام spoke to Allah on top of the mention of Tur, also in Ash-Sham; this is where the first olive tree grew.

We must effect upon everything that Allah tells us. The olive tree gives oil and a glow. This is like the heart of a believer; it is like a lamp. The oil is the fitrah. If you set it alight with the flame of knowledge, the heart will glow. Allah tells us all this to strengthen that faith.

Allah also mentions the livestock, the source of food and transport. But this is an admonition, there is a lesson to be learnt. Don't just think of the food and milk, this example is given to increase your faith. Allah subjected the livestock to you, as a benefit. From its stomach, where it lies preserved and stored, comes the pure milk. Don't look at things from the surface, observe it multidimensional, with the spectacles of faith. This reserve of a pure drink comes from the stomach of the female cattle, stored between blood and stool. The believer may be surrounded with evil, but they will still produce goodness. We see a very pious child come from a disbeliever family, and an evil member from a family who are good and practicing the deen. Allah is the only One who protects.

The cattle are subjected to you, as are all the other modes of transport, so that they can also be used for transport, and trade, and they will carry your baggage. This is all from Allah. He made all these facilities for you, so that it is easy for you to reach the highest level. Use all these advantages to go to Al-Firdaus. This is your great and beautiful mission.