

Quranan Arabiyyah

Surah Al Hadid

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Surah Al Hadid tells us about balance, but not from the perspective of the people but how the *dunya* and *aakhirah* need to be balanced. This *dunya* isn't for play, or show off, or compete with another or pass the time, but to build yourself up for your *aakhirah*.

This should be a two-part thing as well, faith on the inside, and the application on the outside. When you're truthful, and direct, then the reward is multifold, rather than when you're two-faced. When Allah SWT sends rain to revive dead lands, and it has new life, in many different aspects. People are like that too, they will come back with more depth and perspective. And it's not the rain (*dunya*) that we should have faith in Allah SWT Himself.

In Surah Al Baqarah, Allah SWT tells us how He gives life to the dead - He gives us the examples, like the birds in Ibrahim AS. Immediately after Allah SWT mentions spending and giving. We have to believe in Allah SWT, to have complete faith, and He will make it easy for us to do the best of the deeds.

In Surah Taha Allah SWT says He not just created Musa, but manufactured him just right for Firawn and the Banu Israel. This why we should believe in Allah SWT, not the means.

The four groups of people are:

- Musaddiqeen wa Mussadiqaat
- Siddiqeen
- Shuhadaa
- Disbelievers

The first three groups are the most productive. They are all believers and they give, of their wealth and their time for the sake of Allah SWT. The *shuhadaa* give their lives for the sake of Allah SWT and this shows their truthfulness.

Ayah 18

إِنَّ الْمُصَدِّقِينَ وَالْمُصَدِّقَاتِ وَأَقْرَضُوا اللَّهَ قَرْضًا حَسَنًا يُضَاعَفُ لَهُمْ وَلَهُمْ أَجْرٌ كَرِيمٌ

Indeed, the men who practice charity and the women who practice charity and [they who] have loaned Allah a goodly loan - it will be multiplied for them, and they will have a noble reward.

The *musaddiqeen* and *musaddiqaat* are the people who doing their deeds, giving for the sake of Allah SWT, from *anfaqa*. The *munafiq*, which is a derivative of this word, think they are doing good, but their intention is not to serve Allah SWT, they do it for themselves, or for the sake of people.

The word for *musaddiq* comes from *sidq*, the same root for *siddiqeen* but here the word means is a true confirmation of their belief/their faith with their charity.

Their specific action is (أَقْرَضُوا اللَّهَ قَرْضًا حَسَنًا) that when they give they believe they're giving to Allah SWT, not people and they do so with sincerity, without hesitation or reminding people of their favor. This is a regular, consistent action, not a random one.

And Allah SWT will return their loan, He increases their rewards by ten to seven hundred times, depending on their level of faith. And also He rewards them a honorable reward - Jannah.

Ayah 19

وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا بِاللَّهِ وَرُسُلِهِ أُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الصَّادِقُونَ وَالشُّهَدَاءُ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ لَهُمْ أَجْرُهُمْ وَنُورُهُمْ وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَكَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا أُولَٰئِكَ أَصْحَابُ الْجَحِيمِ

And those who have believed in Allah and His messengers - those are [in the ranks of] the supporters of truth and the martyrs, with their Lord. For them is their reward and their light. But those who have disbelieved and denied Our verses - those are the companions of Hellfire.

From the second group, the *siddiqeen*, the best example is Abu Bakr RA, because he believed without doubt, he never questioned a thing, without any hesitation. This group will enter Paradise without reckoning and they're above the *shuhada* but lower than the *anbiya*. Their main qualities are patience and *yaqeen* (from Surah Sajdah). They are the most truthful in every level - and the best balanced between their hearts, as well as actions.

The focus for the *siddiqeen* is their belief - in Allah SWT - that He exists, that He is the Nurturer, that He is Worthy of Worship and that He has Beautiful Names and Perfect Attributes. They also work at increasing their belief through the Quran. They believe in the messengers and they want

to follow the Rasool SAW perfectly. They are very truthful, in every aspect, hearts, tongues and actions.

The next category after the *anbiyaa* and the *siddiqeen* is the *shuhadaa*, they are the ones who give their lives for the sake of Allah SWT. Also those people whose lives are lost while protecting their religion, their family, their honor and chastity, their wealth or land are considered for the sake of Allah SWT. You cannot kill yourself, believing it is for Allah SWT's - this is WRONG. *Shuhadaa* are also different kinds - drowning, collapsed walls, plagues, stomach disease, accidents etc. Khalid Ibn al Waleed, SaifUllah, despite having fought so many battles with such courage, still died in his bed. The souls of the *shuhadaa* are like birds in Paradise and they will have their light and their reward, like the *siddiqeen*.

The last group is the people who disbelieve, they cover up the truth and they will be the companions of the Fire.