

Surah Al Hadid Ayah 28

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَآمِنُوا بِرَسُولِهِ يُؤْتِكُمْ كِفْلَيْنِ مِنْ رَحْمَتِهِ وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ نُورًا تَمْشُونَ بِهِ وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ

O you who believe [in Musa (Moses) (i.e. Jews) and 'Isa (Jesus) (i.e. Christians)]! Fear Allah, and believe in His Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم), He will give you a double portion of His Mercy, and He will give you a light by which you shall walk (straight). And He will forgive you. And Allah is Off-Forgiving, Most Merciful.

Word

Meaning

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا
اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ
وَآمِنُوا بِرَسُولِهِ
يُؤْتِكُمْ كِفْلَيْنِ
مِنْ رَحْمَتِهِ
وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ نُورًا
تَمْشُونَ بِهِ
وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ
وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ

O you who believe
have taqwa of Allah
and believe in His Messenger
He will grant you two portions
from His mercy
and He will make for you light
which you will walk with
and He will forgive you
and Allah is Most Forgiving, Especially Merciful

- (يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا) (O you who believe!): Allah (ﷻ) is addressing the believers and this is to attract anyone who's far to come near by believing.
- (اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ) (Fear Allah.): have taqwa of Allah (ﷻ) and do not follow your desires. This is the first time taqwa is mentioned in Surah Al Hadid.
- (وَآمِنُوا بِرَسُولِهِ) (and believe in His Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم)): believe in the Prophet (ﷺ) because he is our role model and every part of his life is known. We can't just have a book without a role model. If people only take a book without a role model then they can be deviated. What will a person get when he has taqwa and believes in the Prophet (ﷺ)?
 - (يُؤْتِكُمْ كِفْلَيْنِ مِنْ رَحْمَتِهِ) (He will give you a double portion of His Mercy.): a person will get a double portion of mercy for having taqwa and believing in the Messenger (ﷺ).
O Ever-Living Self-Sustaining by Your mercy I seek Your help (يا حي يا قيوم برحمتك استغيث).
 - (وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ نُورًا تَمْشُونَ بِهِ) (and He will give you a light by which you shall walk (straight).): the person will also be given light to know how to deal with different people in different situations. When a person walks, and not runs with light, then he can recognize when there's fitna, he can recognize between the good and bad. He

will also have insight in his dealings. May Allah (ﷻ) make us walk with light. Ameen.
The light represents faith, guidance and knowledge. This person is balanced and has wisdom.

- (وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ) (And He will forgive you.): and finally He will forgive you. Despite having mercy and light, we are still in need of forgiveness because we can still make mistakes, thus a person should not feel proud of himself.
- (وَاللَّهُ عَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ) (And Allah is Off-Forgiving, Most Merciful.): and Allah is All-Forgiving of all sins and He's Especially Merciful showering us with His mercy. This person did two things of having taqwa and believing in the Messenger (ﷺ) but Allah (ﷻ) gave him three things of mercy, light and forgiveness.

Surah Al Hadid Ayah 29

لَّنَّا يَظُنُّمُ أَهْلَ الْكِتَابِ أَلَّا يَقْدِرُونَ عَلَى شَيْءٍ مِّنْ فَضْلِ اللَّهِ وَأَنَّ الْفَضْلَ بِيَدِ اللَّهِ يُؤْتِيهِ مَن يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ ذُو الْفَضْلِ الْعَظِيمِ

So that the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians) may know that they have no power whatsoever over the Grace of Allah, and that (His) Grace is (entirely) in His Hand to bestow it on whomsoever He wills. And Allah is the Owner of Great Bounty.

Word

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أَهْلَ الْكِتَابِ
أَلَّا يَقْدِرُونَ عَلَى شَيْءٍ
مِّنْ فَضْلِ اللَّهِ
وَأَنَّ الْفَضْلَ
بِيَدِ اللَّهِ
يُؤْتِيهِ مَن يَشَاءُ
وَاللَّهُ ذُو الْفَضْلِ الْعَظِيمِ

Meaning

so they may know
the People of the Book
they have no power over
anything from Allah's Favor
and The Favor
is in the Hands of Allah
He gives it to whomever He wills
and Allah is the Owner of Great Favor

- (لَّنَّا يَظُنُّمُ أَهْلَ الْكِتَابِ) (So that the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians) may know): Allah (ﷻ) is addressing the People of the Book because Surah Al Hadid is a Medinan surah and during that time there were People of the Book present in Medina. What should the people of the book know?
 - (أَلَّا يَقْدِرُونَ عَلَى شَيْءٍ مِّنْ فَضْلِ اللَّهِ) (that they have no power whatsoever over the Grace of Allah.): this part is negation. they think it's in their hands to determine who can go to paradise or hellfire. **Surah Al Baqarah 111:** (وَقَالُوا لَنْ يَدْخُلَ الْجَنَّةَ إِلَّا مَن كَانَ هُودًا أَوْ نَصَارَىٰ تِلْكَ) (And they say, "None shall enter Paradise unless he



be a Jew or a Christian." These are their own desires. Say (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم), "Produce your proof if you are truthful." Favours are not in the hands of anyone.

If anyone gets something or is stopped from something, it's all from Allah (ﷻ). No one has control over Allah's favours and no one can decide who will attain Allah's favours. No one can say 'if you sin then go to so and so and they will forgive you'; this is imbalanced. No one can say 'go to so and so person and they will bless you'.

- **(وَأَنَّ الْفَضْلَ بِيَدِ اللَّهِ يُؤْتِيهِ مَنْ يَشَاءُ) (and that (His) Grace is (entirely) in His Hand to bestow it on whomsoever He wills.):** this part is affirmation, thus it's all (لا اله الا الله). Favor is in the Hands of Allah (ﷻ) alone and He gives it to whomever He wills. Allah (ﷻ) has Two Hands and both His Hands are Right. Favours are in the Hands of Allah (ﷻ) thus a person should not disable this quality.
- **(وَاللَّهُ ذُو الْفَضْلِ الْعَظِيمِ) (And Allah is the Owner of Great Bounty.):** and Allah is the Owner of Great Favours. We ask Allah (ﷻ) of His Great Favours. Ameen.

What did we learn from these ayat and how can we change for the better?

- Have taqwa and believe in the Messenger (ﷺ)
- Favours are from Allah (ﷻ) alone and no one else

This is the end of Surah Al Hadid. May Allah (ﷻ) accept from all, make us balanced and grant from His Great Favours. Ameen.