

Visual Nurturing

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Allah is the Nurturer and the Reformer. The journey of nurturing takes different steps.

When Allah brings a story in front of you, it is so that you can visualize it, and increase your faith.

Looking with your insight will nurture you.

Namrud, the tyrant king, argued with Ibrahim عليه السلام about the Lordship of Allah. He claimed the actions of Allah for himself. This showed his stubbornness, because there is no doubt about the Lordship of Allah, it is very apparent.

What makes someone transgress with something so clear? This is because Allah gave him power and authority, by giving him kingship. So he felt that everyone should obey him.

He misused the authority that Allah gave him. You must not use the blessings of Allah to exceed your boundaries. Everything that Allah gives us is for our nurturing. But Namrud was deceived by his power. He went to the extent of claiming lordship for himself.

التربية البصرية

البصيرة
بالقلب

ألم تر

الى الذي احاج ابراهيم في ربه

ان آتاه الله الملك

اذ قال ابراهيم ربي الذي يحيي و يميت

من افعال الله الاحياء و الاماتة

من اعظم التدابير

الاحياء مبدأ الحياة الدنيا

الاماتة مبدأ الحياة الآخرة

قال أنا احيي و أميت

فإن الله يأتي بالشمس من المشرق فأت بها من المغرب

فبهت الذي كفر

و الله لا يهدي القوم الظالمين

أَلَمْ تَرَ إِلَى الَّذِي حَاجَّ إِبْرَاهِيمَ
فِي رَبِّهِ أَنْ آتَاهُ اللَّهُ الْمُلْكَ إِذْ قَالَ
إِبْرَاهِيمُ رَبِّيَ الَّذِي يُحْيِي
وَيُمِيتُ قَالَ أَنَا أَحْيِي وَأُمِيتُ
قَالَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْتِي
بِالشَّمْسِ مِنَ الْمَشْرِقِ فَأْتِ بِهَا
مِنَ الْمَغْرِبِ فَبُهِتَ الَّذِي كَفَرَ وَاللَّهُ
لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ

Have you not considered the one who argued with Abraham about his Lord [merely] because Allah had given him kingship? When Abraham said, "My Lord is the one who gives life and causes death," he said, "I give life and cause death." Abraham said, "Indeed, Allah brings up the sun from the east, so bring it up from the west." So the disbeliever was overwhelmed [by astonishment], and Allah does not guide the wrongdoing people

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Ibrahim عليه السلام debated with him, using the action of Allah, of giving life and causing death. He started his debate at a high level. The beginning and end of life includes all other matters in between. Birth is the start of the worldly life, and death is the beginning of the life of the hereafter.

Namrud exceeded his boundaries even more with this. He knew he couldn't give life and death, in the way of Allah, so he stated it in a different way, that he gave life by leaving someone alive, and causing them to die by killing them.

Namrud put himself in the hot seat by claiming this, so Ibrahim عليه السلام challenged him to make the sun rise from the west instead of the east. Namrud knew he was defeated, so he became silent. The one who wants to overcome the truth will be stopped in his tracks with solid evidence. He will not be guided because of his kufr. Denial is always a dead end. The wrong doing prevents the heart from being guided.