

The Lit Cave

Surah Kahf

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When we trust Allah SWT, He lights the way for us, makes things clearer for us. Shaytan is nobody's friend; he exists to deceive and misguide us. Only Allah SWT can be our Wali.

مَا أَشْهَدْتُهُمْ خَلْقَ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَلَا خَلْقَ أَنْفُسِهِمْ وَمَا كُنْتُ مُتَّخِذَ الْمُضِلِّينَ عَضُدًا

18:51 -

I did not make them witness to the creation of the heavens and the earth or to the creation of themselves, and I would not have taken the misguiders as assistants.

Allah SWT didn't give the shayateen any authority in anything; they were not even witness to the creation of the earth and heavens. They did not even witness their own creation, then how can they be creators of anything? They were not counselled for anything, so how can he be wali to anyone? Only Allah SWT is the Creator and Disposer of All Affairs, so how can He have partners from the shayateen?

Would you trust a doctor who has no experience in surgery? Similarly, the shayateen did not help or even witness the creation, then how can they be your trustees? How can anyone who misleads anyone else be a supporter?

This tells us that it is easy to fall into shaytan's trap and we must be aware and careful at all times. Allah SWT does not need awliya, but it is His Favor and Kindness upon them, subhanAllah. We should keep believing and guided people around us because we can be vulnerable to shaytan when we are alone!

The as'hab al Kahf and the man from the garden both have good companions, they are not alone.

وَيَوْمَ يَقُولُ نَادُوا شُرَكَائِيَ الَّذِينَ زَعَمْتُمْ فَدَعَوْهُمْ فَلَمْ يَسْتَجِيبُوا لَهُمْ وَجَعَلْنَا بَيْنَهُمْ مَوْبِقًا -

18:52

And [warn of] the Day when He will say, "Call 'My partners' whom you claimed," and they will invoke them, but they will not respond to them. And We will put between them [a valley of] destruction.

On the Day of Judgment, Allah SWT will ask of those who took any partners to call their partners. The reality is there is no partner to Allah SWT, but these people think these partners can benefit them in the dunya and on the Day of the Judgment. Truly, shirk is the biggest fitna.

And when they're called, these partners, there will be no response of course. This is to clarify the fitna of this shirk. When there is no response, then there will be barriers and separation between the two, of course, they will be enemies to each other on that day. When people have faith, they will be in groups, brought together by their faith. This is why times of trials also show you who your true friends are. Simply put, shirk is separation and tawheed is unity/connection.

وَرَأَى الْمُجْرِمُونَ النَّارَ فَظَنُّوا أَنَّهُمْ مُوَاقِعُوهَا وَلَمْ يَجِدُوا عَنْهَا مَصْرِفًا - 18:53

And the criminals will see the Fire and will be certain that they are to fall therein. And they will not find from it a way elsewhere.

The Day of Judgment will clarify everything - and after everything is recompensed, when good people have their deeds, and the bad people have their bad deeds with them, then these bad people (the mujrimoon) will be shown their reality - of their partners, their final destination. They will be shown the Hellfire before they have to enter it, and they will become scared and stress, but they know in their hearts that this is what they deserve, subhanAllah, and this is where they will go. This in itself will be a torment!