

الحمد لله الذي أقام بالعدل ملكوت السماوات والأرض، وأعد للظالمين ظلماتٍ بعضها فوق بعض، أحمده سبحانه، لا يظلم مثقال ذرة، وإن تك حسنة يضاعفها ويؤت من لدنه أجراً عظيماً

وأشهد أن لا إله إلا الله وحده لا شريك له، وأشهد أن سيدنا ونبينا محمداً عبده ورسوله، صَلَّى اللهُ وَسَلَّمَ وَبَارَكَ عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

**All praise be to Allah, who justly established the kingdom of the heavens and the earth, and prepared for the wrong-doers punishments of torment. I praise the Almighty who does do not oppress in the slightest of iotas, and rewards those dividends for the smallest of good deeds. And I bear witness that there is no god but Allah alone with no partner**

**And I witness that our Master and Prophet Muhammad is His slave and Messenger, may Allah bless him, his family, his companions and his followers with abundant peace and recognition. Amin**

- This past week and decade has been a time of great upheaval with unprecedented levels of human greed, atrocities, injustices and corruptions.
- Wealth, Oil, Land, Commodities, Lives have been stolen and Nations destroyed.
- **'Human rights'**, a buzzword of the last century, is slowly being swept under the carpet in favour of **'security'**; **"Freedom of Speech"** is ok as long as it is not against their interest.
- **Revelations: CIA Report, Iraq Inquiry, Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, Egypt**
- The religiously and morally corrupt have failed to heed that there is no power and no strength except by Allah.

أَفَلَمْ يَسِيرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ فَيَنْظُرُوا كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ

“Have they not travelled about the earth and seen the final fate of those before them?” (47:10)

دَمَّرَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلِلْكَافِرِينَ أَمْثَالُهَا

“Allah destroyed them utterly. And those who are disbelieve will suffer the same fate.” (47:10)

- Destruction is, and always has been, the fate of people who obtain and abuse great temporal power or wealth and forget where it came from.

فَأَمَّا عَادُ فَاسْتَكْبَرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ بِغَيْرِ الْحَقِّ وَقَالُوا مَنْ أَشَدُّ مِنَّا قُوَّةً أَوَلَمْ يَرَوْا أَنَّ اللَّهَ الَّذِي خَلَقَهُمْ هُوَ أَشَدُّ مِنْهُمْ قُوَّةً وَكَانُوا بِآيَاتِنَا يَجْحَدُونَ

“**Aad** were arrogant in the land, without any right, saying, ‘Who has greater strength than us?’ Did they not see that Allah, who created them, had greater strength than them? But they renounced Our Signs.” (41:15)

فَأَرْسَلْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ رِيحًا صَرْصَرًا فِي أَيَّامٍ نَحِسَاتٍ لِنُذِيقَهُمْ عَذَابَ الْخِزْيِ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَلَعَذَابُ الْآخِرَةِ أَخْزَىٰ وَهُمْ لَا يُنصَرُونَ

“So We sent a howling wind against them on disastrous ill-fated days to make them taste the punishment of degradation in the dunya. And the punishment of the akhira is even more degrading. And they will not be helped.” (41:16)

وَقَالَ فِرْعَوْنُ يَا أَيُّهَا الْمَلَأُ مَا عَلِمْتُ لَكُمْ مِنْ إِلَهٍ غَيْرِي

“**Pharaoh** said, ‘Council, I do not know of any other god for you apart from Me.’” (28:38)

وَاسْتَكْبَرَ هُوَ وَجُنُودُهُ فِي الْأَرْضِ بِغَيْرِ الْحَقِّ وَظَنُّوا أَنَّهُمْ إِلَيْنَا لَا يُرْجَعُونَ

“he and his troops were arrogant in the land without any right, thinking they would not return to Us.” (28:39)

فَأَخَذْنَاهُ وَجُنُودَهُ فَنَبَذْنَاهُمْ فِي الْيَمِّ فَانَظَرُ كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الظَّالِمِينَ

“So We seized him and his troops and flung them into the sea. See the final fate of the wrongdoers!”(28:40)

أَوَلَمْ يَعْلَم أَنَّ اللَّهَ قَدْ أَهْلَكَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِ مِنَ الْقُرُونِ مَنْ هُوَ أَشَدُّ مِنْهُ قُوَّةً وَأَكْثَرَ جَمْعًا

“(Qarun) Did he not know that before him Allah had destroyed generations with far greater strength than his and far more possessions?” (28:78)

- But he failed to pay heed and continued to strut arrogantly about the earth, and so shared the fate of those who came before.

فَخَسَفْنَا بِهِ وَبِدَارِهِ الْأَرْضَ فَمَا كَانَ لَهُ مِنْ فِئَةٍ يَنْصُرُونَهُ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ وَمَا كَانَ مِنَ الْمُنْتَصِرِينَ

“We caused the earth to swallow up both him and his house. There was no group to come to his aid, besides Allah, and he was not someone who is helped.” (28:81)

- Wealth, like power, is only borrowed from Allah, and He lends it to man on condition that he use it well and does not use it to spread corruption on the earth. If he does, then it is only a matter of time until Allah strips it/him away.

وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ لَا تُفْسِدُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ قَالُوا إِنَّمَا نَحْنُ مُصْلِحُونَ أَلَا إِنَّهُمْ هُمُ الْمُفْسِدُونَ وَلَكِنْ لَا يَشْعُرُونَ

“And when it is said to them, "Do not cause corruption on the earth," they say, "We are but reformers. Unquestionably, it is they who are the corrupters, but they perceive [it] not.” (2:12-13)