

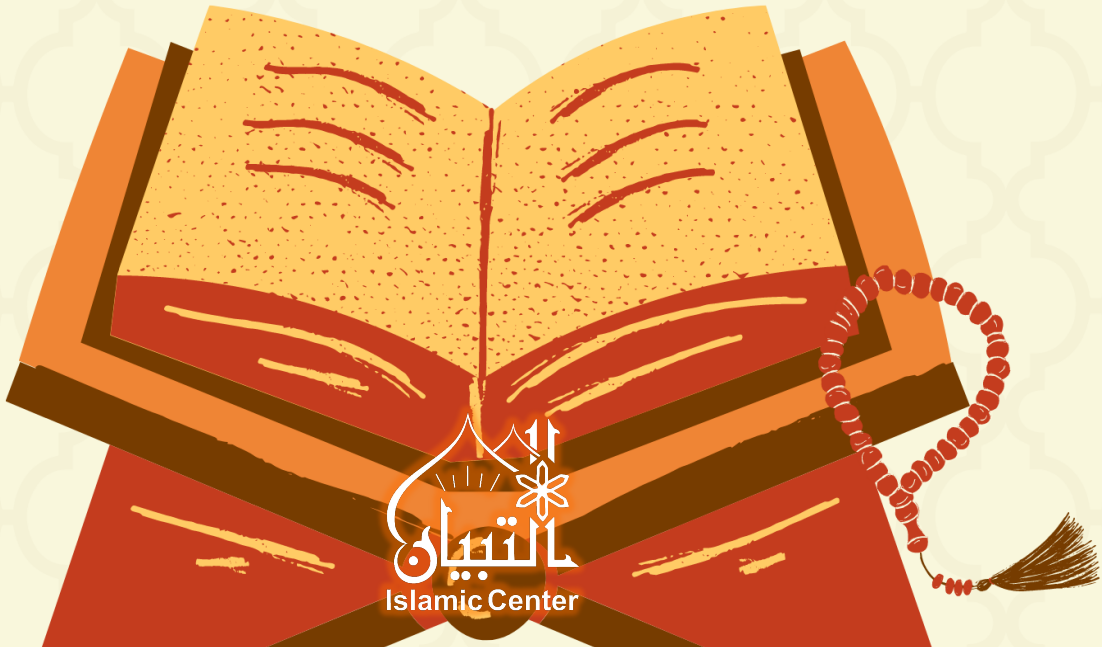
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SHAYKH ABDUL SALAM BIN MUHAMMAD



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SURAH AL-ASR

📖 Some benefits regarding this Surah:

- 1) This Surah is from the shortest Surah's of the Noble Qur'an.
- 2) This Surah is quite comprehensive.
- 3) It has been said that if one contemplates and reflects upon this Surah, it will suffice him.
- 4) One needs to understand what loss is if he wishes to understand this Surah.

﴿وَالْعَصْرِ ۝١﴾

[1:1] By Al-Asr.

📖 General Tafsir:

Allah has taken an oath by time to clarify that anyone who does not possess the four characteristics mentioned in this Surah is in loss. If he attains these four characteristics, he will be successful.

📖 Tafsir of the Words and Phrases:

- 1) [...Al-Asr] Time.

📖 Benefits derived from this Ayah:

- 1) If Allah takes an oath, it generally means that He is claiming evidence upon that which will be asserted in the coming Ayat.

﴿إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَفِي خُسْرٍ﴾

[1:2] Indeed, every person is certainly in loss.

📖 General Tafsir:

Every person certainly faces and experiences some form of loss in his life.

📖 Tafsir of the Words and Phrases:

1) [...is certainly in loss] i.e. one's capital has been wasted, and this capital is your age and time. It is rare that a person will not waste their time.

📖 Benefits derived from this Ayah:

- 1) The truth is that it is quite difficult for a person to protect himself from being in loss.
- 2) If a person spends his time in disobeying Allah, there is no doubt of him being in loss.
- 3) If a person performs a permissible act, even then he is in loss! For he could not earn anything for the Hereafter with these acts.
- 4) If a person obeys Allah and performs righteous deeds, then he is also in loss, since he could have performed a more righteous deed or the same righteous deed in a more complete manner.

﴿إِلَّا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ﴾

[1:3] Except those who believed and did righteous deeds and continued to exhort each other to the truth and continued to exhort each other to patience.

📖 General Tafsir:

To save ourselves from being in a certain state of loss, it is extremely important that we believe in Allah and actualize it. This alone will not save us from being in loss, so performing righteous deeds is a must. These two alone will not save us from being in loss, so we have to continue exhorting one another to the truth. These three alone will not save us from being in loss since we may face numerous difficulties and hardships, so we have to be patient and exhort all the Muslims to be patient as well.

📖 Tafsir of the Words and Phrases:

- 1) [...those who believed...] Their belief was made apparent by the actions of their tongue, heart and limbs.
- 2) [...did righteous deeds...] The levels of “...righteous deeds...” have no limit. Had a person been made aware of it, he would rush to exhort others to the truth and patience.
- 3) [...exhort each other to the truth...] i.e. the guidance which was revealed by Allah; this includes the Qur’an and Hadith.

4) [...exhort each other to patience] This patience is of three types:

- a) Patience upon the truth and consistently being firm upon it; such as singling out Allah in worship, following the Prophetic Sunnah and praying and fasting.
- b) Patience from committing sins; such as polytheism, adultery, fornication, unjust killing, lying.
- c) Patience upon all forms of afflictions; such as refraining from wailing.

📖 Benefits derived from this Ayah:

- 1) Acting upon these four points is an individual obligation; If some people act on these four points, neither will this responsibility be fulfilled nor will it suffice the rest.
- 2) The reason why “**...righteous deeds...**” was mentioned after “**...believed...**” is so that people don’t become careless by thinking that righteous deeds are not important.
- 3) The reason why “**...righteous deeds...**” was mentioned separately from “**...truth...**” and “**...patience...**” is so that people don’t fall into error by thinking that they can be safe from being in loss if they limit righteous deeds to themselves. They will have to teach this knowledge, action and patience to others as well.



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