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The Qur'an states that the inheritance of the world will be to the God Conscious and the Pious...

وَالْعَاقِبَةُ لِلْمُتَّقِينَ

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and

وَالْعَاقِبَةُ لِلتَّقْوَى

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The term Taqwa here is referring to deliverance, not relaxation. Management and governance requires special piety, capability and efficiency. The Qur'an states that:

أَنَّ الْأَرْضَ يَرِثُهَا عِبَادِيَ الصَّالِحُونَ

"The earth shall be the inheritance of My righteous servants."3

The inheritors of the world need to have two conditions fulfilled: one is being a worshipper of Allah SWT which is the "عبادى" that is being referred to, and the other is competence which is the piety, capability and efficiency required of management "الصالحن" – The righteous.

For this reason, we need to define what it means to say that those who inherit the world will be the pious

ones. We need to understand them in the context of what other Ayahs in the Qur'an say about the same topic and also what the Ahlul Bayt AS say about them.

When one falls ill, the full prescription of the doctor needs to be followed and all the medications need to be taken as prescribed, otherwise if only some of the instructions are followed it may mean that the illness is prolonged and possibly even we fall prey to other illnesses and/or side effects that could have been prevented.

That's why in the Qur'an Allah SWT is very critical of those who only believe in some of the Ayahs of the Qur'an and not others.4

Do schools and universities give certificates of completion to students who only complete some of the units and not others? Or which association fully rewards the worker that acts on some of the circulars while filing others without action? Which boss gives full pay to the employee who only fulfils some of the requirements of their work and not others?

- 1. Araaf 7:128
- 2. Taha 20:132
- 3. Anbiya 21:105
- 4. Nisa 4:150

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