

Surah 'Adiyat, Chapter 100

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In the Name of God the Compassionate, the Merciful

Verses 1 – 11

{وَالْعَادِيَاتِ ضَبْحًا} 1

1. I swear by the quickly riding invaders whose horses breath fast.

{فَالْمُورِيَاتِ قَدْحًا} 2

2. And I swear by whose hoofs let out sparks of fire, while striking against rocks.

{فَالْمُغِيرَاتِ صُبْحًا} 3

3. And I swear by the defeating animals Divine enemies (i.e. riders thereof) in the early morning.

{فَأْتُرْنَ بِهِ نَفْعًا} 4

4. Whereby they raise dust storms in the atmosphere.

{فَوْسَطْنَ بِهِ جَمْعًا} 5

5. And then pierce themselves into the hearts of the enemies. [1](#)

{إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِرَبِّهِ لَكَنُودٌ} 6

6. Verily man is ungrateful to his Providence.

{وَإِنَّهُ عَلَىٰ ذَلِكَ لَشَهِيدٌ} 7

7. And he himself is a witness thereto.

{وَإِنَّهُ لِحُبِّ الْخَيْرِ لَشَدِيدٌ} 8

8. And he has intense love for wealth.

{أَفَلَا يَعْلَمُ إِذَا بُعْثِرَ مَا فِي الْقُبُورِ} 9

9. What! Does he not know when they will be raised from the graves?

{وَحُصِّلَ مَا فِي الصُّدُورِ} 10

10. And secrets of the hearts will be exposed.

{إِنَّ رَبَّهُم بِهِمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ لَّخَبِيرٌ} 11

11. Their Providence on that Day (of Reckoning) shall certainly be know (of their deeds, in their eyes).

Moral

Bodily notes are enough.

[1](#). This relates to the Battle of Salasil, when the tribe of Bani Salim, liying about Medina, had been plotting against the Prophet, who has advised, through Gabriel, to take action. He deputed Abu Bakr and later Omar, to lead the forces against them, when both returned in failure, leaving the battlefield. Then Omar Ibn Aas was sent, who followed suit. Finally, Ali was ordered to lead the same forces, who were taken cross-country, marching during the night alone, when he was opposed by the former three leaders, who felt he should surpass them. Ali, having reached the spot after morning prayers, when in admiration of his deeds was revealed this Surah.

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