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94. Are all forms of faith valued?

The Qur'an is very critical of those who remember Allah SWT during times of danger, but the moment they are saved are quick to forget the favor bestowed upon them. The Qur'an reminds us that

فَإِذَا رَكِبُوا فِي الْفُلْكِ دَعَوُا اللَّـهَ

"When a group of people embark their ships and are in danger, they call on God."[1]

But when they are saved, they forget God.

A faith that is in principle a faith that is brought about momentarily by hardship has no value even Pharaoh lipped his faith once he was face to face with death before drowning آمَنتُ – I believe [2] he said, at which point these words had no value anymore.

Allah SWT states:

آلْآنَ وَقَدْ عَصَيْتَ

"Now? And before thou didst rebel."[3]

Meaning that repentance and faith now have no benefit.

The Qur'an reminds us that faith which is praised is one that comes along with stability and perseverance

قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّـهُ ثُمَّ اسْتَقَامُوا

"Those who have said, 'Our Lord is God.' then have gone straight."[4]

In life too, it is not marriage that is important, but rather the companionship of the spouse. It is not

childbirth that is important, but the raising of the child that is important.

1. Ankaboot 29:65
2. Yunus 10:90
3. Yunus 10:91
4. Fussilat 41:30

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