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القضاء والقدر-Divine decree and destiny

1. The most severely chastised of all people on the Day of Judgment will be the one who resents the decree of Allah.

2. Verily Allah, the Glorified, manages affairs in accordance with what He decrees, not according to what pleases you.

3. Verily Allah, the Exalted, does not give a servant more than what He has decreed for him in the Wise Reminder, even though his means [of seeking it] may be great, his craving for it intense and his stratagems for it strong; nor does the weakness of a person or the paucity of his means stand between him and what is ordained for him in the Wise Reminder. And indeed, the one who knows this and acts upon it will have the most comfort in benefit among all people, and verily the one who disregards it and doubts in it will have to face the most harm.

ـ إِنَّ اللّهَ تَعالَى لَمْ يَجْعَلْ لِلْعَبْدِ وإِنِ اشْتَدَّتْ حيلَتُهُ، وعَظُمَتْ طَلِبَتُهُ (وَإِنْ عَظُمَتْ حيلَتُهُ واللهِ تَعالَى لَمْ يَجْعَلْ لِلْعَبْدِ وإِنِ اشْتَدَّتْ حيلَتُهُ، وعَظُمَتْ طَلِبَتُهُ (وَإِنْ عَظُمَتْ حيلَتِهِ، أَنْ يَبْلُغَ دُونَ ما سُمِّيَ لَهُ في مَكَيْدتُهُ، أَكْثَرَ مِمّا سُمِّيَ لَهُ فِي الذِّكْرِ الحَكيمِ، ولَمْ يَحُلْ بَيْنَ العَبْدِ في ضَغْفِهِ وقِلَّةٍ حيلَتِهِ، أَنْ يَبْلُغَ دُونَ ما سُمِّيَ لَهُ في الذَّكْرِ الحَكيمِ، وإنَّ العارِفَ لِهذا، اَلعامِلَ بِهِ، أَعْظَمُ النّاسِ راحَةً في مَنْفَعَة وإنَّ التّارِكَ لَهُ والشّاكَ فيهِ لَأَعْظَمُ النّاسِ الدِّكْرِ الحَكيمِ، وإنَّ العارِفَ لِهذا، العامِلَ بِهِ، أَعْظَمُ النّاسِ راحَةً في مَنْفَعَة وإنَّ التّارِكَ لَهُ والشّاكَ فيهِ لَأَعْظَمُ النّاسِ مَضَرَّة

4. Divine decree works contrary to the estimations and planning [of the people].

5. Destiny overpowers the cautious.

6. Reliance on [divine] decree is more comforting.

7. Devine decree cannot be repelled by strength and struggle.

8. The impediments of divine decree are the bane of eminence.

9. When the destiny descends, caution becomes nullified.

10. When divine decree comes, the plans [of people] are nullified.

11. When destiny cannot be repelled, then cautiousness is futile.

12. Allah has set for everything a measure, and for every measure a [specified] term.

13. In the changes brought about by divine decree there is a lesson for the people of reason and intellect.

14. The verdict [of Allah] is precise and His knowledge is absolute.

15. Everything has a way out except [what has been decided by] divine decree.

16. How can one whose certitude is not true [and firm] be pleased with the divine decree?

17. One who seeks to overpower destiny is overcome by it.

18. One who is certain about destiny is not disturbed by what befalls him.

19. One who is pleased with what has been destined [for him] is not troubled by warning.

20. The tribulations of destiny overtake precaution.

21. The best expeller of distress is reliance on divine decree.

22. The descending of destiny overtakes precaution.

23. The descending of destiny blinds the sight.

24. Destiny comes to pass in accordance with divine decree, contrary to the choice and planning [of the people].

25. The worst of things is displeasure with the divine decree.

26. He ('a) was asked about destiny so he said: It is a dark path, so do not traverse it, and it is a deep sea, so do not dive into it, and it is a secret of Allah, the Glorified, so do not trouble yourself with [trying to understand] it.

27. Destiny overpowers precaution.

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