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Concept Of Temptation In Surah Al-Al-A'raf

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ABSTRACT

This article presents the information about temptation in the verses and hadiths, and it is explained with scientific basis, it talks about the place of the concept of temptation in people's lives today

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One of the spiritual diseases in today's society is the disease of temptation, which targets the value of a person and his entire being. There are many factors that cause this disaster in a person. When this spiritual disease becomes stronger, people only become aware of it when someone commits suicide. In fact, the main reason for the onset of this disease is that a perfect person should know how to behave during temptation. This is exactly what the verse to be studied below says:

إِنَّ ٱلَّذِينَ ٱتَّقَوا إِذَا مَسَّهُم طَلَفٌ مِّنَ ٱلشَّيْطَٰنِ تَنَكَّرُوا فَإِذَا هُم مُّبْصِرُونَ { 201 } وَإِخْوَ تُهُمَ يَمُدُونَهُمَ فِي ٱلْغَيَّ ثُمَّ لَا يُقَصِرُونَ { 202 }

"Those who fear Allah, when a thought of evil from Satan assaults them, bring Allah to remembrance, when lo! they see (aright)! But their brethren (the evil ones) plunge them deeper into error, and never relax (their efforts)."¹.

The concept of "temptation", which is emphasized in this verse of Surah Al-A'raf, is one of the most urgent problems of today's time, and it also causes pain in the heart of the person who wants to write about it. Because in the life of our people, who have a pure outlook, it was impossible to imagine such negative situations.

In today's dangerous times, the issue of protecting human consciousness and ideology is more urgent than ever. Note that when someone's house is on fire, everyone runs in that direction. Everyone's intention is good, to help him. However, no one should be indifferent to the precarious situations that may arise in the case of negative situations like the one that is going to be covered today. Because it is based on the following verse:

¹ See: Surah Al-A'raf, 201-202 verses // The Meaning and translation of The Noble Qur'an/ Author of the meanings and translations Abdulaziz Mansur. – Tashkent: Islamic university of Tashkent, 2018. – 176 p.

"And their (Satan's) friends are in misguidance, they help them (the devils), then they will not stop (these provocations)" it is added separately.

In fact, today various forms of the evil of temptation are increasing and continuing without stopping even in social networks.

Therefore, it is important for every parent to pay attention to the changes that are taking place in their worldview before the financial support in their child's life.

In the teachings of our holy religion, special attention is paid to such important aspects as the inviolability of human life and the preservation of its dignity. For example, in the hadith sharifs, a person is prohibited from even fantasizing, let alone killing himself. Including:

... فعن أنس قال: قال رسول الله ﷺ: لا يتمنيّ أحدكم الموت...

Anas bin Malik relates that the Prophet (s.a.w) said: "None of you should wish for death (because of the harm done to him)..."² (Sahih al-Bukhari hadith 7235).

This is the testing ground of life. Allah Almighty has informed about this in many verses of the Holy Qur'an. For example, he says so in Surah Al-Balad:

لَقَدْ خَلَقْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ فِي كَبَدٍ

"Verily We have created man into toil and struggle."³ (Surah Al-Balad, verse 4).

In fact, only a person who is trained in trials can achieve true happiness. Otherwise, it is out of the question that a person will miss the opportunity of life, which is given only once, and destroy his human dignity and faith by being deceived by the temptation of the devil.

In all aspects of human life, one cannot achieve true success without facing various trials and contradictions. No matter how dark or long the night may be in the face of life's trials, it is a true human virtue to be able to stand boldly as if waiting for the glorious dawn.

A Muslim believes that the good and bad things that happen to him are from Allah Almighty. Without it, his faith will not be perfect. This condition of faith should find its application not only in our language, but also in our actions. This is one of the main reasons for this problem. If this understanding takes a firm place in our actions, any difficulties that may come to us in the world life will decorate the page of our life with good days in the future.

It is not an exaggeration to say that the scale of the abominable vice of committing suicide in our society today has reached such a level that even some people do not even shudder at it. In fact, it is painful to think about the honor of a dynasty behind it, the life of a person and the sad fate of his loved ones left behind.

The reason for our special emphasis on this problem is that during our many years of observations, we have seen that no matter how much awareness work is carried out among the population in the regions where this disease has occurred, it has produced negative results in some regions. Propaganda has turned into anti-propaganda when it comes to modern revolution.

So what was the reason for this? The main reason is that some people who started to prevent this evil preached to the youth without even knowing how to express the word death.

So, first of all, it is important that we correct our attitude towards death. Death is the last breath of every person in life, the last moment in which the eternity of every person is decided, the moment when every particle of our good and bad is brought to our eyes, the time that is counted, it proves that the grave is a garden from the gardens of heaven or a pit from the pits of hell.

Our grandfathers and grandmothers, who understood the real meaning of death and felt its great love, refrained from even uttering this word. That is why the word "death" is not directly used in the pronunciation of the deceased person. Perhaps it has become a tradition to use words such as "So-and-so will pass away from the world", "They will disappear", "They will hand over the deposit".

² See: Imam Al-Bukhari. Sahih Bukhari. – Damashq: Daru Ibn Kasiyr, 2002. – 1788 p.

³ See: Surah Al-Balad, 4- verse // The Meaning and translation of The Noble Qur'an / Author of the meanings and translations Abdulaziz Mansur. – Tashkent: Islamic university of Tashkent, 2018. – 594 p.

And today, our light attitude towards this word is one of the main reasons for the rise of this evil. If you notice, some of them are jokingly using the word death because of their lack of understanding. Even some mothers fearlessly try to teach their children by using the word "Death"...

Another serious reason is that some of us, both old and young, do not know the proper manners of a Muslim when they hear the condolence message. If you notice, some people, when they hear about a person who has passed away with a disease or similar difficulty, use the words "he is freed from anxiety and difficulty" in response to him. Isn't the use of such words in front of young people who are just beginning to form their minds in some sense cause them to play with death easily? It is said in the hadiths about this:

فعَنْ عَائِشَةَ رضي الله عنها قَالَتْ : قِيلَ : يَا رَسُولَ اللهِ ، مَاتَتْ فَلَانَةُ ، وَاسْتَرَاحَتْ , فَغَضِبَ رَسُولُ اللهِ صَلّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلّمَ وَقَالَ : إِنَّمَا يَسْتَرِيحُ مَنْ غُفِرَ لَهُ (رواه أحمد 24192)

It is narrated from Aisha, may God be pleased with her: It was said: O Messenger of God, such and such a woman died and became peaceful (saved from the hardships of the world). The Messenger of God, may God's prayers and peace be upon him, became angry and: "Only the one who is forgiven by Allah will find peace" (Narrated by Imam Ahmad/24192).

Another serious reason is the lack of kindness. Children who grow up in families that do not always get along with each other, where there are wars and quarrels for trivial reasons, the small hearts of children grow up imagining the world in the image of this evil family. What should a child, who grew up understanding the world as unloving, hear on the other hand the world death as a simple thing, a way to get rid of life's difficulties?

Unfortunately, the evidence of this has been witnessed in life. It can be said that the occurrence of suicide in some children of school and kindergarten age, whose consciousness is not yet fully formed, can be said to be due to these reasons.

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