

## Advise to the students of knowledge

1: Allah (Subhānahu wa ta'alā) says:

﴿أَيَّامًا مَّعْدُودَاتٍ﴾ الآية-

[Observing Saum (fasts)] for a fixed number of days

(Al-Baqarah:184)

In this excellent month do not waste your time by saying he said and they said (chit chat / gossiping) and asking too many questions.

The prophet (ﷺ) said:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَرْضَى لَكُمْ ثَلَاثًا، وَيَكْرَهُ لَكُمْ ثَلَاثًا؛ فَيَرْضَى لَكُمْ أَنْ تَعْبُدُوهُ، وَلَا تُشْرِكُوا بِهِ شَيْئًا،  
وَأَنْ تَعْتَصِبُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا، وَلَا تَفْرُقُوا، وَيَكْرَهُ لَكُمْ قَيْلَ وَقَالَ، وَكَثْرَةَ السُّؤَالِ،

وَإِضَاعَةَ الْمَالِ

Verily Allah likes three things for you and He disapproves three things for you. He is pleased with you that you worship Him and associate not anything with Him, that you hold fast the rope of Allah, and be not divided; and He disapproves for you irrelevant talk, persistent questioning and the wasting of wealth.

(Muslim: 1715)

2: Always remember the saying of Allah (Subhānahu wa ta'alā):

﴿وَوُضِعَ الْكِتَابُ فَتَرَى الْمُجْرِمِينَ مُشْفِقِينَ مِمَّا فِيهِ وَيَقُولُونَ يَا وَيْلَتَنَا مَالِ هَذَا الْكِتَابِ لَا  
يُعَادِرُ صَغِيرَةً وَلَا كَبِيرَةً إِلَّا أَحْصَاهَا وَوَجَدُوا مَا عَمِلُوا حَاضِرًا وَلَا يَظْلِمُ رَبُّكَ أَحَدًا﴾

And the Book (one's Record) will be placed (in the right hand for a believer in the Oneness of Allah, and in the left hand for a

disbeliever in the Oneness of Allah), and you will see the Mujrimun (criminals, polytheists, sinners, etc.), fearful of that which is (recorded) therein. They will say: "Woe to us! What sort of Book is this that leaves neither a small thing nor a big thing, but has recorded it with numbers!" And they will find all that they did, placed before them, and your Lord treats no one with injustice.

(Al-Kahf: 49)

3: Be patient and stay upon the path of taqwah, and do not forget the promise of Allah (Subhānahu wa ta'alā):

﴿إِنْ تَصْبِرُوا وَتَتَّقُوا لَا يَضُرُّكُمْ كَيْدُهُمْ شَيْئًا إِنَّ اللَّهَ بِمَا يَعْمَلُونَ حَيِّطٌ﴾

But if you remain patient and become Al-Muttaqun, not the least harm will their cunning do to you. Surely, Allah surrounds all that they do. (Ale-Imran: 120)

4: Supplicate and remember Allah (Subhānahu wa ta'alā) much. Allah (Subhānahu wa ta'alā) says:

﴿وَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ كَثِيرًا لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ﴾

and remember the Name of Allah much (both with tongue and mind), so that you may be successful. (Al-Anfaal: 45)

Especially do Istighfar: Allah (Subhānahu wa ta'alā) says:

﴿يَا قَوْمِ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ ثُمَّ تُوبُوا إِلَيْهِ يُرْسِلِ السَّمَاءَ عَلَيْكُمْ مِدْرَارًا وَيَزِدْكُمْ قُوَّةً إِلَىٰ

﴿قُوَّتِكُمْ وَلَا تَتَوَلَّوْا مُجْرِمِينَ﴾

And O my people! Ask forgiveness of your Lord and then repent to Him, He will send you (from the sky) abundant rain, and add

strength to your strength, so do not turn away as Mujrimun  
(criminals, disbelievers in the Oneness of Allah). (Hud : 52)

And this supplication (حسبنا الله ونعم الوكيل) Allah (Subhānahu wa ta'alā) says:

﴿الَّذِينَ قَالَ لَهُمُ النَّاسُ إِنَّ النَّاسَ قَدْ جَمَعُوا لَكُمْ فَاخْشَوْهُمْ فَزَادَهُمْ إِيمَانًا وَقَالُوا حَسْبُنَا  
اللَّهُ وَنِعْمَ الْوَكِيلُ (173) فَانْقَلَبُوا بِنِعْمَةٍ مِّنَ اللَّهِ وَفَضْلٍ لَّمْ يَمَسَّ لَهُمْ سُوءٌ وَاتَّبَعُوا رِضْوَانِ  
اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ ذُو فَضْلٍ عَظِيمٍ﴾

Those (i.e. believers) unto whom the people (hypocrites) said, "Verily, the people (pagans) have gathered against you (a great army), therefore, fear them." But it (only) increased them in Faith, and they said: "Allah (Alone) is Sufficient for us, and He is the Best Disposer of affairs (for us)." (173) So they returned with Grace and Bounty from Allah. No harm touched them; and they followed the good Pleasure of Allah. And Allah is the Owner of Great Bounty. (Ale-Imran : 173-174)

وَصَلَّى اللَّهُ وَسَلَّم وَبَارِكْ عَلَى نَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ

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