

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَمَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ وُلْدِ آدَمَ كَمَا يُحِبُّ وَيَرْضَى بِأَنْ يُصَلِّيَ عَلَيْهِ



TAFSIR OF AHLUS SUNNAH

Through the Centuries

Surah Al-Zalzalah 99 : Verse No. 4



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يَوْمَئِذٍ تُحَدِّثُ أَخْبَارَهَا

On that day earth will narrate its news,

Tafsir al-Baghawi

تفسير البغوي

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ قَالَ: قَرَأَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ هَذِهِ آيَةَ {يَوْمَئِذٍ تُحَدِّثُ أَخْبَارَهَا} قَالَ: أَتَدْرُونَ مَا أَخْبَارُهَا قَالُوا: اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ أَعْلَمُ. قَالَ: فَإِنَّ أَخْبَارَهَا أَنْ تَشْهَدَ عَلَى كُلِّ عَبْدٍ وَأَمَةٍ بِمَا عَمِلَ عَلَى ظَهْرِهَا، أَنْ تَقُولَ: عَمِلَ عَلَى يَوْمِ كَذَا وَكَذَا كَذَا وَكَذَا قَالَ: فَهَذِهِ أَخْبَارُهَا.

Sayyiduna Abu Hurairah – may Allah be pleased with him – reported: The Holy Prophet – may Allah send peace and blessings upon him – recited this verse and said, “Do you understand what are its news?” The companions replied, “Allah and His Messenger know best.” He said, “Its news are the testimonies on every male and female devotee about whatever they did on the surface of earth. It will say, ‘On a certain day, so and so did this’, and so forth.” He then said, “These are its news.”

Tafsir al-Baghawi (Ma'aalim al-Tanzeel) of Muhiyy al-Sunnah Imam Abu Muhammad Al-Husain ibn Mas'ood al-Baghwi al-Shafe'i ؓ D. 510 A.H.

Tafsir al-Kabeer

التفسير الكبير

قَوْلُ الْجَنُّهُورِ: أَنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى يَجْعَلُ الْأَرْضَ حَيوانًا عاقِلًا ناطقًا وَيُعْرِفُهَا جَمِيعَ مَا عَمِلَ أَهْلُهَا فَحِينَئِذٍ تَشْهَدُ لِبَنِي أَطَاعَ وَعَلَى مَنْ عَصَى

Majority of the scholars have said, “Allah Almighty will appoint an intelligent and talking animal on earth which will recognize

everything that was committed by its residents. It will testify for the one who obeyed and for the one who disobeyed Allah."

قَالَ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ: «إِنَّ الْأَرْضَ لَتُخْبِرُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ بِكُلِّ عَمَلٍ عَمِلَ عَلَيْهَا» ثُمَّ تَلَا هَذِهِ
الآيَةَ

The Holy Prophet – may Allah send peace and blessings upon him – has stated: The earth will certainly reveal the news on the Day of Judgment about everything that was done on it." And then he recited this verse.

Tafsir al-Kabeer (Mafateeh al-Ghaib) of Imam Fakhruddin Muhammad ibn Umar al-Raazi al-Shafe'i ؓ D. 606 A.H.

Tafsir al-Jalalain

تفسير الجلالين

تُخْبِرُ بِمَا عَمِلَ عَلَيْهَا مِنْ خَيْرٍ وَشَرٍّ

It will reveal the news of whatever good or bad that was committed on it.

Tafsir al-Jalalain of Imam Jalaaluddin Muhammad ibn Ahmad al-Mahalli al-Shafe'i ؓ D. 864 A.H. and Imam Jalaaluddin Abd al-Rahman ibn Abi Bakr al-Suyooti al-Shafe'i ؓ D. 911 A.H.

Tafsir al-Durr al-Manthoor

تفسير الدر المنثور

وَأَخْرَجَ ابْنُ مَرْدَوَيْهِ وَالْبَيْهَقِيُّ فِي شُعَبِ الْإِيمَانِ عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: «إِنَّ الْأَرْضَ لَتُخْبِرُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ بِكُلِّ مَا عَمِلَ عَلَى ظَهْرِهَا وَقَرَأَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: { إِذَا زُلْزِلَتِ الْأَرْضُ زِلْزَالَهَا } حَتَّىٰ بَدَعَ { يَوْمَئِذٍ تَحْدُثُ

أَخْبَارَهَا { قَالَ: أَتَدْرُونَ مَا أَخْبَارَهَا جَاءَنِي جِبْرِيلُ قَالَ: خَبَرَهَا إِذَا كَانَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ
أُخْبِرَتْ بِكُلِّ عَمَلٍ عَمِلَ عَلَى ظَهْرِهَا

Imam Ibn Mardawaih, Baihaqi mentioned in Shu'ab al-Iman from Sayyiduna Anas ibn Malik – may Allah be pleased with them – that the Holy Prophet – may Allah send peace and blessings upon him – has stated, "Indeed on the Day of Judgment, the earth will reveal the news about everything that was done on its surface." And then he recited this Surah till the end of this verse and asked, "Do you know what is its news? Sayyiduna Jibreel – peace be upon him – came to me and said, 'Its news on the Day of Judgement will entail every action that was committed on its surface'."

Tafsir Al-Durr al-Manthoor Bi al-Tafsir al-Mathoor of Imam Jalaaluddin Abd al-Rahman ibn Abi Bakr al-Suyooti al-Shafe'i ؓ D. 911 A.H.

Tafsir Rooh al-Bayaan

تفسير روح البيان

(روى) أن عبد الرحمن بن صعصعة كان يتيماني حجابي سعيد الخدري رضى الله عنه

فقال ابو سعيد يا بنى إذا كنت في البوادي فارفع صوتك بالأذان فاني سمعت رسول الله

صلى الله عليه وسلم يقول لا يسمعه جن ولا انس ولا حجر ولا شجر الا شهد له

Hadeeth: Sayyiduna Abdur Rahman ibn Sa'sa'ah – may Allah be pleased with him – was in the care of Sayyiduna Abu Sa'eed Khudri – may Allah be pleased with him. Sayyiduna Sa'eed Khudri – may Allah be pleased with him – said to him, "My son, when you find yourself in a jungle then call Azan loudly, for I have heard the Holy Prophet – may Allah send peace and blessings upon him – saying that whichever human, jinn, tree or stone hears it, they will certainly bear testimony of it."

وروى أن أبا أمية صلى في المسجد الحرام المكتوبة ثم تقدم فجعل يصلى هاهنا
وهاهنا فلما فرغ قيل له يا أبا أمية ما هذا الذي تصنع قال قرأت هذه الآية يومئذ
تحدث اخبارها فأردت أن يشهد لي يوم القيامة فطوبى لمن شهد له البكان بالذكر
والتلاوة والصلاة ونحوها وويل لمن شهد عليه بالزنى والشرب والسراقة والبساوى

It is also reported that Abu Umayyah prayed Fard Salah in the Sacred Mosque and then prayed optional Salah on different spots. When he completed it he was asked about it, "What was it that you were doing, Abu Umayyah?" He replied, "When I read this verse, I thought that I would make it my witness on the Day of Judgment, so glad tidings for those for whom the place bears witness of his Dhikr, Quran recitation, Salah etc. and woe to those for whom it bears witness of his fornication, drinking and stealing etc."

ويقال ان لله عليك سبعة شهود:

- 1- البكان كما قال تعالى يومئذ تحدث اخبارها
- 2- والزمان كما في الخبرين ادى كل يوم انا يوم جديد وانا على ما تعبل في شهيد
- 3- واللسان كما قال تعالى يوم تشهد عليهم السنتهم
- 4- والأركان كما قال تعالى وتكلمنا أيديهم وتشهد أرجلهم
- 5- والهدكان كما قال تعالى وان عليكم لحافظين
- 6- والديوان كما قال تعالى هذا كتابنا ينطق عليكم بالحق
- 7- والرحمن كما قال انا كنا عليكم شهودا

فكيف يكون حالك يا عاصي بعد ما شهد عليك هؤلاء الشهود

It is said that Allah Almighty has 7 witnesses over you:

1. The place as Allah Almighty has stated in this verse:

Sura Az-Zalzala : Verse 4

يَوْمَئِذٍ تُحَدِّثُ أَخْبَارَهَا

On that day earth will narrate its news,

2. The time, as it has been mentioned in the Hadeeth that every day proclaims, "I am the new day, I will testify on whatever you do in it."
3. The tongue, as Allah Almighty has stated:

Sura An-Noor : Verse 24

يَوْمَ تَشْهَدُ عَلَيْهِمْ أَلْسِنَتُهُمْ

On the day when their tongues will testify against them.

4. The limbs, as the Almighty has stated:

Sura Yaseen : Verse 65

تُكَلِّمُنَا أَيْدِيهِمْ وَتَشْهَدُ أَرْجُلُهُمْ

Their hands will speak out to Us and their feet will bear witness.

5. The two angels, as the Almighty has stated:

Sura Al-Infitaar : Verse 10, 11

وَإِنَّ عَلَيْكُمْ لَحَافِظِينَ

And indeed there are some guardians over you.

كِرَامًا كَاتِبِينَ

The honourable recorders.

6. The book, as Allah Almighty has stated:

Sura Al-Jaathiyah : Verse 29

هَذَا كِتَابُنَا يَنْطِقُ عَلَيْكُمْ بِالْحَقِّ

“This Book of Ours speaks against you with the truth.”

7. The Most Merciful Almighty Himself, as He stated:

Sura Yunus : Verse 61

إِنَّا كُنَّا عَلَيْكُمْ شُهُودًا

We are Witness upon you.

So think, what will be your situation, O sinner, if all of them testify against you?!

Tafsir Rooh al-Bayaan of Imam Isma'eel Haqqi ibn Mustafa al-Istanbuli Hanafi ؒ D. 1127 A.H.