

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

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Through the Centuries

Surah Al-Naba 78 : Verse No. 37-40



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رَبِّ السَّمُوتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا الرَّحْمَنُ لَا يَمْلِكُونَ مِنْهُ خِطَابًا



From Him Who is the Lord of the heavens and the earth and all that in between them is, the Most Affectionate, they shall not have the power to speak to Him.

يَوْمَ يَقُومُ الرُّوحُ وَالْمَلَائِكَةُ صَفًّا لَا يَتَكَلَّمُونَ إِلَّا مَنْ أَذِنَ لَهُ

الرَّحْمَنُ وَقَالَ صَوَابًا

On the day when the spirit (Jibril) and all angels will stand in rows, no one shall be able to speak, but he whom the Most Affectionate will permit and who speaks aright.

ذَلِكَ الْيَوْمُ الْحَقُّ ۚ فَمَنْ شَاءَ اتَّخَذَ إِلَىٰ رَبِّهِ مَآبًا

That is the true day. Now let him who wills seek a way to his Lord.

إِنَّا أَنْذَرْنَكُمْ عَذَابًا قَرِيبًا ۖ يَوْمَ يَنْظُرُ الْمَرْءُ مَا قَدَّمَتْ يَدَاهُ وَيَقُولُ

الْكَفْرُ يَلِيَّتَنِي كُنْتُ تُرَابًا

We warn you of a torment which is near at hand; a day when man will see whatsoever his hands have sent on before, and the infidels will say; 'would that I were dust'.

{ رَبِّ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا الرَّحْمَنُ لَا يَمْلِكُونَ مِنْهُ خِطَابًا } { تَعَالَى }

{ خِطَابًا } { أَيْ لَا يَقْدِرُ أَحَدٌ أَنْ يُخَاطِبَهُ خَوْفًا مِنْهُ }

[from] the Lord of the heavens and the earth and all that is between them, the Compassionate One, Whom, exalted be He, they, that is, creatures, will not be able to address, that is to say, not one of them will be able to address Him for fear of Him,

{يَوْمَ يَقُومُ الرُّوحُ} جِبْرِيلُ أَوْ جُنْدُ اللَّهِ {وَالْمَلَائِكَةُ صَفًّا لَا يَتَكَلَّمُونَ} أَمَّا الْخَلْقُ {إِلَّا مَنْ أَذِنَ لَهُ الرَّحْمَنُ} فِي الْكَلَامِ {وَقَالَ} قَوْلًا {صَوَابًا} مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمَلَائِكَةِ كَأَنْ يَشْفَعُوا لِنَاسٍ ارْتَضَى

On the day when the Spirit, Gabriel, or Allah's hosts, and the angels stand arrayed, creatures, will not speak, except him whom the Compassionate One permits, to speak, and who says what is right, from amongst the believers and the angels: as if [meaning] that they will intercede for he whom He approves of.

{ذَلِكَ الْيَوْمُ الْحَقُّ} الثَّابِتُ وَقُوعُهُ وَهُوَ يَوْمُ الْقِيَامَةِ {فَمَنْ شَاءَ اتَّخَذَ إِلَىٰ رَبِّهِ مَآبًا} مَرْجِعًا أَمَّا رَجَعًا إِلَى اللَّهِ بِطَاعَتِهِ لِيَسْلَمَ مِنَ الْعَذَابِ فِيهِ

That is the True Day, whose coming to pass is definite, namely, the Day of Resurrection. So whoever wishes [to], let him seek resort with his Lord, a return [to Him], that is to say, [let him] return to Allah by being obedient to Him, so that he may be secure from chastisement in it.

{إِنَّا أَنْذَرْنَاكُمْ} يَا كُفَّارَ مَكَّةَ {عَذَابًا قَرِيبًا} عَذَابُ يَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ الْآخِرِ وَكُلُّ آتٍ قَرِيبٌ {يَوْمَ يُنْظَرُ السُّرُءُ} كُلِّ امْرِيٍّ {مَا قَدَّمْتُ يَدَايَ} مِنْ خَيْرٍ وَشَرٍّ {وَيَقُولُ الْكَافِرُ يَا لَيْتَنِي كُنْتُ تُرَابًا} يَعْنِي فَلَا أُعَذَّبُ يَقُولُ ذَلِكَ عِنْدَمَا يَقُولُ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى لِلْبَهَائِمِ بَعْدَ الْاِقْتِصَاصِ مِنْ بَعْضِهَا لِبَعْضٍ كَوْنِ تَرَابًا

Lo! We have warned you, O disbelievers of Mekkah, of a chastisement that is near, the chastisement of the impending Day of Resurrection — for anything that is impending is [also] near — the

day when a person, [when] every person, will behold what his hands have sent ahead, of good and evil, and the disbeliever will say, 'O would that I were dust!', in other words, and not be chastised. He says this when Allah, exalted be He, says to the beasts, after each of them has retaliated against the other, 'Be dust!'.

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