

سُورَةُ الْبَيِّنَاتِ

Sūrah al Bayyinah

(THE EVIDENCE)

Revealed at Madinah, it has eight Āyāt and only one Section.

In the Name of Allah

The Most Gracious, The Most Merciful.

1. Those who have disbelieved from among the People of the Book and the associaters, could not break off, until there came unto them evidence.
2. A Messenger from Allah rehearsing Writs cleansed.
3. Wherein there are eternal discourses.
4. And those who are vouchsafed the Book differed not save after there had come unto them the evidence.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

لَمْ يَكُنِ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ مُنْفِكِينَ حَتَّى تَأْتِيَهُمُ الْبَيِّنَةُ ﴿١﴾

رَسُولٍ مِّنَ اللَّهِ يَتْلُو آصْحَافًا مُّطَهَّرَةً ﴿٢﴾

فِيهَا كُتُبٌ قِيَمَةٌ ﴿٣﴾

وَمَا تَفَرَّقَ الَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْكِتَابَ إِلَّا مِنْ بَعْدِ مَا جَاءَتْهُمْ الْبَيِّنَةُ ﴿٤﴾

5. And they were commanded not but that they should worship Allah keeping religion pure for Him, as upright men, and that they should establish the Ṣalāt and pay Zakāt. That is the right religion.

وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ مُخْلِصِينَ لَهُ الدِّينَ حُنَفَاءَ
وَيُقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَيؤْتُوا الزَّكَاةَ وَذَلِكَ دِينٌ
الْقَيِّمَةُ ﴿٥﴾

6. Verily those who disbelieved from among the People of the Book and the associaters shall be cast unto Hell-fire as abiders therein. These are the worst of creatures.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ
فِي نَارِ جَهَنَّمَ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أُولَئِكَ هُمْ
شَرُّ الْبَرِيَّةِ ﴿٦﴾

7. Verily those who believe and work righteous works – these! They are the best of creatures.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ أُولَئِكَ
هُم خَيْرُ الْبَرِيَّةِ ﴿٧﴾

8. Their recompense with their Rabb shall be Gardens Everlasting with running waters, as abiders therein for ever. Well-pleased will be Allah with them and well-pleased will be they with Allah. That is, for him who fears his Rabb.

جَزَاءُهُمْ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ جَنَّاتُ عَدْنٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا
الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ وَرَضُوا عَنْهُ
ذَلِكَ لِمَنْ خَشِيَ رَبَّهُ ﴿٨﴾

Secrets of Revelation

Before the advent of Islam, the world was in the grip of ignorance. The infidels, the People of the Book and the idolaters, were utterly engrossed in it. Infidelity, polytheism, oppression and tyranny, were rampant. The state of affairs around the world was so pathetic that it had never been so before, nor could it ever be so in the future. To fight it out, a light of extraordinary power was needed as the deeper the darkness, the stronger should be the light to dispel it. It was at this juncture in the history of mankind that Allah raised the Holy Prophet ^{SAW} as His Messenger who illuminated the entire universe for all times to come. He presented before mankind Allah's Book, a clear and clean Code of Life, comprising precepts and

practices in a document of Truth which shall continue to illuminate all epochs and all times to come.

The Islamic System

The most outstanding feature of this System is that it lays down basic principles as well as subsidiaries for the entire mankind for all times to come. The People of the Book had looked forward to believe in the Final Prophet once he was raised but ironically, despite clear evidences they resorted to dissension. The pagans were in total ignorance but the former had known it from their Books. And Islam did not suggest transfer of power from any person or ruler to the another by force rather it simply commanded mankind to obey Allah with due sincerity, in a straightforward and upright manner.

The Caliphate

Islam replaced the concept of governing with Caliphate. This meant that man is not the ruler but only Allah's deputy, given the powers to enforce His will and purpose. He cannot impose his personal opinion in any matter, be it physical worships, other practices or the monetary affairs. This indeed is the best course for the welfare of mankind and those who oppose it and resort to denial, whether the People of the Book the polytheists or the infidels are destined to Hell.

Salvation only in Islam

Islam spelled out the rights and duties of entire mankind. Now anyone who crosses the laid down limits, or refutes it, will not be emancipated; rather shall abide in Hell, being the vilest amongst His creation and a source of trouble for everyone due to his conduct. On the other hand those who believed and practically adopted the Code of Life given by Islam are the best amongst the creation because their piety ushers in the Barakah for everyone. For them are beautiful abodes with finest gardens and flowing rivers, to live in. The greatest reward will be Allah's Pleasure and they too will be pleased with Him.

Allah's Awe is an Act of Qalb

All these bounties will be awarded to those enjoying Allah's awe, which is an act of the Qalb. It is a state which endows a person the confidence as if he is beholding Allah, or atleast he feels sure that Allah is watching him, before he undertakes any task. This state is acquired by the Qalb through Barakah of the Holy Prophet^{SAW} available in the company of an Accomplished Shaikh.