

Bismillah

Part1

We should know that the Messenger of Allah (saw) was sent by Allah to the whole of mankind, to explain and to make clear to them all that which is good and brings one closer to Allah

He also sent the Messenger to explain to them all that is evil and would distance a person from Allah

The reason for this being, that life - with all its variety, colours and appearances - is built upon two important matters: -

Firstly: Knowing the good - in order to follow it

Secondly: Knowing the evil - in order to keep away from it.

So, for example, in the matter of Tawhid of Allah (to single out Allah alone for worship) - the crux of Islam - it is built on iman (faith) in Allah and the rejection of shirk, kufr and taghut

Iman in Allah is good, whilst belief in at-taghut is evil

Thus, it is a must to recognise that which is good in order to follow it, whilst knowing also that which is evil so as to keep away from it

Likewise, in the matter of da'wah (calling) to Allah, which is built upon commanding the good (ma'ruf) and forbidding the evil (munkar)

To command the ma'ruf is good and is to be followed, whilst munkar is evil and is to be shunned

Likewise, in ittiba' (following of) the Prophet( saw), which is built upon following his Sunnah and turning away from bid'ah (religious innovations)

Sunnah is good and is to be followed, whilst bid'ah is evil and is to be shunned

The Prophet (saw) informed us of events which will befall this 'Ummah some of these narrations speak of good for this 'Ummah - indicating also that the future, power and honour is for the Muslims; and that they will be established in the land.

Other narrations warn us against those evil matters, that which would distance us from Allah - the Most High - and make us weak in front of the nations

So when we look around and see what is happening to the people in general and what is happening with the Ummah specifically a person has to ask himself why

How many natural disasters do we hear of earthquakes, tornados, floods and even locally as we just saw drought and fires in Australia

How many diseases have been wide spread and now we have to add to the list corona virus these are things that effect all of mankind

As for what is effecting Muslims is that we witness the torture, killing rape and imprisonment of Muslims from sham to Iraq all the way to asia, india Kashmir

The never ending story of Palestine?

But If we look into the Quran and Sunnah we will find an answer as to why these things accrue

Allah says to the meaning

“Corruption has appeared throughout the land and sea by [reason of] what the hands of people have earned so He (Allah) may let them taste part of [the consequence of] what they have done that perhaps they will return [to righteousness]” (30:41)

the Prophet (saw) tells the companions and it is as he in this same hadith is speaking to us in our times

It was narrated that ‘Abdullah bin ‘Umar said:

“The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) turned to us and said: ‘O Muhajirun, there are five things with which you will be tested, and I seek refuge with Allah lest you live to see them:

Immorality never appears among a people to such an extent that they commit it openly, but plagues and diseases that were never known among the predecessors will spread among them.

They do not cheat in weights and measures but they will be stricken with famine, severe calamity and the oppression of their rulers.

They do not withhold the Zakah of their wealth, but rain will be withheld from the sky, and were it not for the animals, no rain would fall on them.

They do not break their covenant with Allah and His Messenger, but Allah will enable their enemies to overpower them and take some of what is in their hands.

Unless their leaders rule according to the Book of Allah and seek all good from that which Allah has revealed, Allah will cause them to fight one another.”

Is this not our case today?

-Immorality

-Cheating in weight (business)

- Not paying zakat
- Breaking the covenant (worshipping other than him)
- Rulers ruling by man made law

so based on this alone do we not see why mankind is in this state of affairs?

We as humans forget, we weaken run out of patience but this is not the case with Allah (swt) and those who have weak iman and maybe little knowledge would look at all that we mentioned and start to doubt in Allah and even in his promises to the believers?

Someone see all these trials and tribulations and feeling of all the pressure and could start to doubt in Allah or think bad about Allah

Some may say we are the people of Allah why is this happening to us?

this was very similar to what happened in the battle of the trench or the confederates at ahzab

the Muslims were seeing the enemies getting closer and closer to breaking the lines of the Muslims, advancing towards the Muslims, the Muslims were surrounded trapped besieged and some started to lose hope

Allah (swt) tells us about this climax and what was going through the hearts and minds of some of the Muslims at that time

“[Remember] when they came at you from above you and from below you, and when eyes shifted [in fear], and hearts reached the throats and you assumed about Allah [various] assumptions” (33:10)

by Allah, He (swt) see all that is happening and He (swt) will and has shown His response

Look into the lands of the Muslims, look into India, Burma, Palestine, Syria, Iraq, Africa all this must be happening because of the above for years we have been feed that anyone who fights back the oppressor is a terrorist and anyone who even thinks this way is a potential terrorist, is this not the case my brothers?

Do you not know Allah can see all this? Do you forget Allah is the greatest, do you forget Allahs wisdom and will encompasses all things?

Allah reminds us and those who have doubt

“And never think that Allah is unaware of what the wrongdoers do. He only delays them for a Day when eyes will stare [in horror]” (14:42)

but what about us what should our response be? In the hadith the prophet (saw) he says to

Abu Sa'id al-Khudri reported: The Messenger of Allah (swt) said, "Whoever among you sees evil, let him change it with his hand. If he is unable to do so, then with his tongue. If he is unable to do so, then with his heart, and that is the weakest level of faith." (muslim)

This is where changing or seeing an evil starts! -If you see an evil change it with his hand

If you cant -then change it with your tongue

If you cant -hate it with your heart

Wallahi this is exactly what the companions did they made the effort for change they were true muslims that understood unity and brotherhood that they fought, bleed and died for us today to say we are muslims, what are we doing for the Ummah to say it is Muslim tomorrow

And this is a question all of us should ask ourselves

## Part 2

My dear brothers do not lose hope, for indeed Allah is with the believers, and no one knows the soldiers of Allah except He (swt)

Brothers never lose hope indeed Allah is with us

But let us get deeper, let us go where most of us don't want to, let us open some wounds, let us hear what we don't want to hear out of fear or out of no care, because we only care about our selfish selves

Thawban – (ra)- the freed slave of the Prophet (saw) He related that the Messenger of Allah said:

"The nations are about to call each other and set upon you, just as diners set upon food." It was said: "Will it be because of our small number that day?" He said:

"Rather, on that day you will be many, but you will be like foam, like the foam on the river. And Allah will remove the fear of you from the hearts of your enemies and will throw weakness into your hearts." Someone said: "O Messenger of Allah! What is weakness?" He said: "Love of the world and the hatred for death."

Now think of this?

Think about the example the prophet is giving here "food" and why food?

-food takes many ingredients

-preparation

-its made to look nice

-then its ready to be eaten

-will not fight back

Allah is the greatest my dear brothers, he is the protector of this Deen

But in saying that we should not be as the bani isreal where with Musa (as) and were instructed to enter the holy land,

Allah tells us there answer

"They said, "(Musa), as long as they are in the land, we shall never go there. Go with your Lord to fight them but we shall stay where we are" (5:24)

Allah and His Messenger mention have over 1400 years ago given us the ways to cure all or problems are ways that we as Muslims can give victory to Allah and Islam,

but we should know even if we remain sitting just like the children of Israel, Allah does not need us, look my brothers look what Allah did to the oppressors

Muslims for years have been surrounded and faced sanctions -now no one can enter China, they think what they were doing to the Muslims in east turkestan went un noticed by Allah?

Allah says “and none knows the soldiers of you Lord but He” (74:31)

Corona virus

-country in complete shut down, economy being effected, lives lost

“and none knows the soldiers of you Lord but He”

Muslims for decades looked upon as strange as a threat now those countries who have wide spread corona are looked upon as the same way

“and none knows the soldiers of you Lord but He”

the armies of the world came to Muslim lands to kill Muslims – now people in the lands of where these armies came from are dying from this virus

“and none knows the soldiers of you Lord but He”

countries around the world spoke against the Niqab, some countries banning face coverings, now millions of people are forced to cover their faces not only their woman but men

“and none knows the soldiers of you Lord but He”

We have to be active Muslims, we must perfect our relationship with Allah, reject taghout, follow the Sunnah rush to the aid of the Muslims who are oppressed, give Dawah to Allah and above all give victory to the Deen of Allah, making the word of Allah the highest in any way possible that is within our capabilities