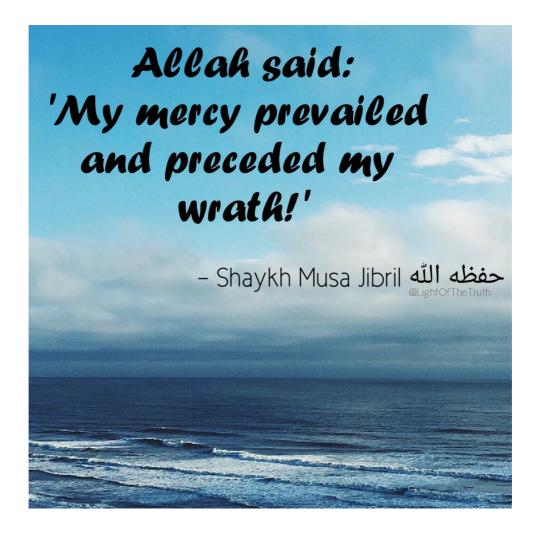
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القضاء - The good and bad of destiny

والقدر

I can tell there is a matter troubling your heart, there is sadness to your voice, what is it that is causing disturbance to your tranquility?

ولتعرفنهم في لحن القول You know them in the tone of their voices



'What is yours is gonna come to you, even if you are sleeping in your home. Just be patient and make duah, but be patient.'

ولا تفرحوا بما اَتاكم Don't get too happy about what Allah gave you and also don't get sad about what you didn't get, it's been written!

- Shaykh Musa Jibril

The most important thing in Islam is Qadaa wal Qadr, this is important.

The judge, do you know who's the judge? Allah, Allah is the judge!

- القدر What Allah judges upon you, what is going to happen to you.

That's what it means.

What does Qadaa mean? What does Qadr mean?

Tell me by Allah, when Allah is the judge and He judges and decrees a matter is there any person on this Earth, whether it be your mother, your father, your family or even the whole world gathered together, is there anyone who can put back His judgement? NO!

Relax, when you comprehend this you will be different, when this matter [of Qadaa and Qadr] is perceived you will find illumination even in the darkest of moments, you will find fragrance even in the days which reek the most, you will find your heart content even with the Earth is shaking beneath your feet.

Okay, we know that Qadaa means Allah is the judge - His judgement, and Qadr means what will happen to you. Let me ask you a question, when did Allah the AlMighty judge this? For example, you will marry Abdullah Ibn such and such, you will bare five children, when did Allah judge all these matters?

Allah judged them <u>fifty-thousand</u> years ago before Adam was created! It was all judged, every single matter big and small was judged, if something was meant for

you nothing in this entire world will be able to stop it from reaching you, nothing, nothing, moreover, if something was not meant for you, if all the nations got together they would not be able to give you any more than that which Allah had already decreed for you, if it's not yours you will not get it, do you want something that's not yours or do you desire the right one? We want the right one, so who decides that? Allah, that's why we don't get upset.

The discussion taking place here, the topic, the time, it had already been recorded fifty-thousand years before Allah created Adam, Allah already judged it!

There is a pillar of Qadr which means nothing, nothing at all can take place on this Earth without Allah willing to do it - is it possible for anything on this Earth to happen which is despised by Allah? Only that which is by Allah's will, whatever Allah wills takes place, whatever Allah doesn't will never takes place, so don't get mad, don't twist and turn at night restlessly preoccupying your mind with countless thoughts, when you get mad at an occurrence, you don't get mad at for example the people, rather you get mad at your Lord!

When an issue arises, and it is not according to what you had in mind, you wanted something and you didn't get it, then know it wasn't for you. The only thing you say is:

There is no might nor power except in Allah ولا قوة الا بالله

To Allah we belong and unto Him we shall return, O Allah reward me good for my misfortune and substitute it with something good and even better!

Be happy, don't get angry or upset with anyone, they are nothing. That judge in the court room, when I saw him I said, 'O Allah only you dictate upon him what to say!' - Allah is the judge, there is none that can put back His judgement, and it has already been written down, He created ALL things, and He ordered them in due proportion, do you know what that means? It means Allah ordered them to be exactly what He ordered them to be.

What your heart desires, if it was meant to get to you, it has already been written for you, it will come, you will welcome it, you'll love it, but what is not meant for you is not yours...got it? Are you happy now? It's not yours, nothing can happen on this Earth without Allah's will.

مشيئة الله

One of the pillars of Qadr (اركان القدر), is the pillar - That nothing can happen on this Earth without ALLAH's will

Abu Hanifa came to Zayn Al-Abidin, I want you to pay attention to this, he told him, is Allah content or can He accept the bad/evil deeds? Look at the answer, he said, how - can you force it upon Him? Of course Allah accepted it but He never commanded us to do that, He told us *hell fire is there and there's things that take you to the hell fire, avoid them, I don't want you to go to the hell fire,* and He hates him and He doesn't like him. Even worse than that, people they joined partners with Him [shirk], that hurts Allah, but Allah accepted that taking place, it's not being done forcefully, we're not prevailing above Allah, whatever Allah wants will take place, whatever Allah does not will it'll never take place.

Allah knows everything, the disbelievers on The Judgement Day, they will stand in the hell fire,

Those who disobey Allah on The Judgment Day, when they stand around the hell fire, they will say 'O Allah, send us back, we will do better!'

Do you know what Allah said to them? He said, 'if We send them back they will do exactly what they did before!' See Allah knows, Allah knows! Everything is by Allah's will, but you need to ask Him. If something is not yours, it will not get to you, end of.

There is a story regarding Ali Ibn Abi Talib [may Allah be pleased with him]. Once he went to the mosque and he had a horse with him, he told a man to take care of the horse whilst he went in. He went inside and the man stole the leash of the horse and ran away. Ali finished and he got four dinars out to give it to him. When he went outside, he found the horse without the leash, so he sent his servant saying, 'I have four dinars, go buy me a leash for my horse'. The man went, he found someone selling his leash, it was the same

man who stole it, he bargained with him and gave him four dinars. The moral is, If that man had waited he would have took the money legally, but he was hastening and instead he ran away hence taking the money by haraam.

Understand if it's not yours it's not yours. The four dinars was for that man, but he took it unlawfully. What is yours will come to you, even if you are sleeping in your home. Just be patient and make duah, but be patient. I advise you, make duah, duah is powerful...duah is powerful!

A woman came to Prophet Musa [May Allah be pleased with him], this is [we can take it if it doesn't go against our religion], she went to him and asked him to ask Allah on her behalf for children, because Prophet Musa used to speak to Allah. The woman was married for a while and she desired children. Musa asked Allah and Allah replied saying this woman is a barren woman, she will not bare children! Musa told her, and she went away, *she was continuously invoking, imploring, asking Allah, she never stopped.* Think, it came to her from Allah but despite that she never stopped.

If you or I or anyone received this from Allah we would stop, some of us ask Allah for a few months, whatever we want, then we stop and we complain that our Lord never gave what we requested!

The lady went to him a second time, she told him 'Ask your Lord O Musa,' and he asked Allah, he told her again that she is a barren women, not going to get children, a third time again same thing. Then one time she came to Musa again but this time she was carrying children, an infant and one in her hand, she said, 'Musa, look Allah granted me these children!'

Musa asked Allah, he was confused, he said, 'O Allah, you told me this is a barren woman about three times, that she will not bare children but then You granted her children.' He said, 'Every time we wrote down she is a barren woman she called out Ya Raheem, Ya Raheem, Ya Raheem! O Musa My mercy prevailed and preceded over my wrath'.



When you ask Allah, He will give you whatever you want, ask Him because nothing will happen on this Earth without Allah's will - but you need to beautify your supplications with patience. That's why we don't get upset or angry, because whatever happens has not only been written down already, but it was written by Allah!

Whatever catastrophe happens here, on this Earth, this side of the Earth and that side of the Earth, to yourself, upon her, and upon everybody, has been written in the book – before we disclosed it upon you, before we exposed it, before we inflicted you. It is easy upon us to do that, because we don't want you to get sad over little things, we don't want you to get too happy over a lot of things, and Allah does not like a proud, boastful, those arrogant people - وَإِللهُ لَا يَحِبُ كُلُ مُخْتَالُ فَحُورٍ.

When a catastrophe befalls on someone, be patient. Some people complain, others regress on their heels whilst others bare patiently – the best are those who praise Allah. Allah knows what's best for you, and He will choose the best for you, always. Anything that happens just say Alhamdulilah. The Prophet used to say الحمد لله على كل حال, do you know what that means? Praise be to Allah under all circumstances, whatever happens, just praise Allah under all circumstances, whatever happens, remember Allah decreed it!

رفعت القلم وجفت الصحف

The Pen has [been] lifted and the ink has dried - in other words what will happen to you has been written.

That's why you don't get mad, it's Allah's decision, when you get upset you're saying, 'why didn't you give me this Allah?!'

أم يحسدون الناس على ماآتاهم الله من فضله

Allah is the one who decides, He is the one who gives and grants, you want something then you ask Him, it's as simple as that, to Him belongs all things. No one can do anything, Allah does it so we praise Allah, you wanted something and you didn't get it - it's not yours. How will you take something that's not yours?! It's not yours because It's better for you that way... Don't ever say but this and that, i wish this and that, Allah ordered for it to happen that way, you cannot take something which is not yours, and what is yours will never miss you, no one can change anything Allah wrote down in the book, the mother of books, no one can change it, Allah judged it, so if a matter is meant for you, I swear by Allah, you will receive it, wallahi if it's yours you're going to get it, wallahi if it's yours no one can take it away from you, wallahi if it's yours it will come back to you.

'I wish...but...' don't say this, this is from shaaytan, the Prophet said this is they key for shaaytan, relax knowing that Allah knows best, Allah is the one who dictates, He is the one who directs people to say this and that, He is the one who guides people, this is the guidance of Allah, He guides whom He wills and whoever Allah sends astray for him there is no guidance!

وعنده مفاتح الغيب لا يعلمها إلا هو

What has passed, what is taking place now, and whatever will take place in the future in your life is Allah's will. A Muslim is just like the bee, give honey to the people wherever you go, all the time remember that it's Allah's will so say Alhamdulilah - nothing can happen on this Earth without His will.

what He doesn't will won't take place, put your trust in Allah, the best of protectors, guardians, and the best of trustees. قدر الله وماشاء - Allah has decreed, what He wills is done, that's it, you cannot change it.

فلا وربك لا يؤمنون حتى يحكموك فيما شبجر بينهم ثم لا يجدوا في أنفسهم حرجا مما قضيت ويسلموا تسليما

But know Muhammad, there is no way they can have faith until they make you judge in all disputes between them, and find in themselves no resistance against your judgment, and they accept it with full acceptance, full acceptance - Allah said this, this is His command!

Pillars of Al Qadaa - اركان القضاء

Knowing this changes the heart, it makes one content, your soul will be wandering around paradise whilst physically entrapped in the Dunya, every calamity possible will fall before your eyes yet your heart and feet will not waiver knowing it is the decree of Allah.

- 1. Allah knows everything
- 2. Allah wrote everything
- 3. Allah <u>created</u> everything
- 4. Nothing can take place on this Earth without Allah's approval, *His will*

There are so many trees here on this Earth, every year a lot of trees fall down, do you know how many there is? Allah knows it! When I think about just the leaves I go crazy - look at the knowledge of Allah, not a leaf falls down from a tree but He knows it.

The keys of the unseen is with Allah, no one knows them but He!

What's in the heavens and what's in Earth, there is not a leaf that falls down but He knows it, not a small grain under the soil in heaven which is hidden somewhere but He knows it. Not a little thing but He knows it, He knows it, and it's been written in the book of Allah.

Pillars of Al Qadr - اركان القدر

Qadr - What has been decreed for you, what has been written for you.

- 1. When you are the mother's womb, 120 days old, the angel comes to blow the soul in the foetus, four matters are written at this stage:
 - If you're going to be sad or happy [شقي وسعيد]
 - Whether you will enter Hell-Fire or Paradise
 - What you will do in this life
 - Your provisions
- 2. The matters which are decreed on a yearly basis on Laylatul Qadr [In Ramadan].

- Allah sends an angel to decree four matters: ميه يفرق كل أمر حكيم

- Whom Allah will give life to
- Who will die
- Where catastrophe is going to happen
- Where provision is going to be given

DUAH

Take everything out of your heart, just praise Allah and show happiness and just keep making duah, never give up making duah.

This matter of Qadaa and Qadr, if we know them and implement them, know that all that is going to happen has been written, that Allah's the judge, He judged everything a long time ago, 50,000 years ago! Can we reject his judgment? No. okay...it's not yours, what's yours is going to get to you.

You get in your house, you get food form different countries, we get food here from hundreds of countries, we get the grapes, the figs, everything is from a different country, say SubhanAllah, SubhanAllah! It came from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Africa, Korea, from every place food came, prepared so that yours is going to get to you to your house. Your father is going to get you food today, we don't know where that bread came from, it's yours, even if it's from a different country, your gonna get your portion of it, doesn't matter what, no one can stop that, nobody, it's been decreed. I have what Allah has decreed for me, I have to go there drink my water, get my portion of food and go, this is the way it goes, you got it - and this is like the way Allah decided it, it's been decreed.

Make duah, the story of Imam Ahmad and the baker is an excellent example for us showing us the power of duah.

One day Imam Ahmad Ibn Hanbal was travelling to Ash-Shaam and on the way, he stoped by a Masjid to spend the night.

The guard of the Masjid told him he needs to leave the masjid as it's about to close. Though Imam Ahmad said he had no other place to go, the guard insisted that he leaves. Imagine, the Imam of his time, Imam Ahmad, if he wanted to he could have mentioned who he was and got whatever he wanted but he رحمه الله didn't, instead he left with his belongings and went to the steps of the Masjid.

The guard came outside and told him to leave the steps to and go elsewhere. This guard then picks up Imam Ahmad by his legs and drags him across to the middle of the street and leaves him there.

A righteous baker who owned a bakery across the street saw Imam Ahmad and said he could stay with him in his bakery tonight, whilst he would be doing his bakery work, Imam Ahmad can sleep there.

As the night was passing Imam Ahmad noticed something about the baker, throughout the whole night as the baker is working... kneading the dough, baking etc. the baker is glorifying Allah - the entire night he was making tasbeeh of Allah عز وجل !

Imam Ahmad was left shocked. How quickly people get tired of glorification today but this man was constantly in the state of doing dhikr! Imam Ahmad inquires from him how long he had been doing this and the baker replied his entire life. Imam Ahmad continued and asked what he had seen as a result of this? What the baker said was astonishing, he said, 'I never made duah to Allah for anything except that He answered it, except for one thing.'

Imam Ahmad (رحمه الله) asked, "what is that duah?"

He replied, 'To be able to see Imam Ahmad!'

Imam Ahmad رحمه الله was moved and brought to tears. He told the baker, "SubhanAllah...This is Allah! He brought Ahmad to you, dragging him by his feet all the way to your bakery...!' See what happens when you ask and glorify Allah!

The duah is going up and catastrophe is coming down, and they meet at the horizon fighting, it depends who is stronger, if the duah is stronger than the catastrophe [duah with firm determination, good expectation of the outcome] then the duah will overcome it, prevail over it and the catastrophe will not come down! If the duah is weak and the catastrophe is stronger [i.e lack of duah, Allah will not accept duah from a distracted heart or plain heart etc.] then the catastrophe will come down. Some times they are equal and they will be fighting until the Judgement Day

- 1. If the duah is stronger it will prevail over the catastrophe and prevent it from coming down
- 2. If the catastrophe is stronger it will prevail over the duah and come down
- 3. If they are equal, they will continue to fight until the Judgement Day

That's why we should always make duah, make it strong, call out to your Lord with firm determination that He will answer it and have good expectation of the outcome.

Allah said about Himself, whosoever knows I am able to forgive him, I will forgive him.

I am as my slave thinks of me, I can do for him what he thinks I can do for him - in other words whatever you want from Him, ask Him.

Umar [May Allah be pleased with him] said, I am not worried about an answer from Allah for my duah, I am concerned on how to put the duah together and ask Allah, because when I do this He will answer. Umar [may Allah be pleased with him] was confident Allah will answer!