

Lesson 4:

Du'a When Waking up from Sleep

Surah Al-Imran

Ayah 190 Play Ayah

إِنَّ فِي خَلْقِ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَآخْتِلَافِ الَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ لَآيَاتٍ لِّأُولَئِ

for men (are) surely Signs and the day (of) the night and (in the) alternation and the earth (of) the heavens (the) creation in Indeed

الْأَلْبَابِ

(of) understanding

TRANSLITERATION

inna fi khalqi al-samawati wal-ardi wa-ikh'tilafi al-layli wal-nahari laayatin li-uli al-albab

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Indeed, in the creation of the heavens and the earth and the alternation of the night and the day are signs for those of understanding.

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Deen as a Way of Life...continuing:

Three obligations stand out from the various meanings of *ad-Deen*:

1. To acknowledge Allah as the Lord, the Master and the Ruler;
2. To obey and serve only Him
3. To be accountable to Him, to fear only His punishment and to seek His Pleasure.

It is important to realize that within the meaning of Deen, the obedience to Allah's Messengers is implied, for Allah's Commandments are conveyed to human beings through His Books revealed to His Messengers.

But Allah has given human beings the freedom of choice either to accept His Guidance or to reject it. This is unlike Allah's other creations, who instinctively obey Him. No one can be forced to accept Islam against his wishes. Human beings have the freedom to choose their own way of life.

There is no Compulsion in Religion

Allah, subhana wa ta'ala, says in the Quran: "*There is no compulsion in Deen*" Surah alBaqarah 2:256 This means no one is to be forced to become a Muslim. Islam is plain and clear, and its proofs and evidence are also plain and clear. Therefore, there is no need to force anyone to embrace Islam.

Deen is the Universal Way of Life from the Beginning until Eternity

The Deen has remained the same for human beings throughout history. All Messengers and Prophets from Adam to Muhammad, saw, conveyed the same message.

"So fear Allah and obey Me."

This verse is repeated several times in Surah ashShu'ara 26:108.

This was the message of all Messengers and Prophets. However detailed laws and regulations (Shariah) changed as the human race went through the different stages of its history.