Guidelines for understanding Qadar

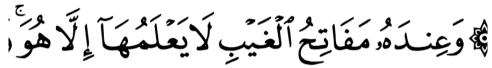
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1. Knowledge Of Ghayb



And with Him are the keys of the unseen; none knows them except Him.

(Al An'am 6:59)

- What mentioned in the Quran and Sunnah should be fully accepted and believed in.
- The texts concerning ghayb have real meanings that are within human reason.
- Ghayb issues should be understood and interpreted in accordance with the apparent meaning of the texts.
- We should not attempt to subject ghayb issues to our physical world 's laws.

2. Believing In Allah's Attributes as mentioned in the Quran and Sunnah

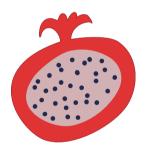
Accept all of Allah's names & attributes

Allah's names & attributes have rea meanings.

They are all attributes of perfection.

They are not like those of any member of His creation.

They should be accepted without 'kayf' (attempt to interpret /misinterpret with our limited knowledge)

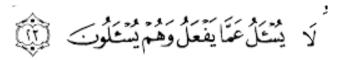


Allah's names related to Qadar:

Al-Alim the All-Knowing al_Hakim the Wise

ad-Dayyan the Supreme Judge & Ruler al-Qadir the Capable

3. Acknowledge Our Intelectual limitation



He cannot be questioned about what He does, but they will be questioned.

Points To Remember:

- 1. We should not question Allah's actions.
- 2. We should not overestimate our intellectual ability.
- 3. We should declare our defeat & submit fully to Allah's guidance.
- 4. Knowing our limits in issues of faith reflects true knowledge.

4. Avoiding Disputes Over Qadar Points To Remember:

- 1. We should avoid into arguments about its obscure issues.
- 2. Prophet Muhammad considered his companions reluctance to discuss delicate issues of Qadar as a clear proof of their faith.

Abdullah Ibn Masud reported that Prophet mUhammad (peace & blessings be upon him) said :

'When my companions are mentioned (with blame), hold back; when the stars are mentioned (for fortunetelling), hold back; and when Qadar is mentioned (without knowledge0, hold back.'

(Recorded by at-Tabarani, Abu Nua'ym and others, as-Sahihah no.34)

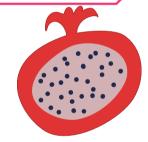
4. Avoiding Disputes Over Qadar

Abu Hurairah reported that once Prophet Muhammad (peace & blessings be upon him) entered the masjid to find his companions arguing about Qadar. He became angry, his face turning red as if promegranate juice had been smeared over his cheeks, and he said:

'Is this (arguing) something that you have been commanded to do, or is it part of my message to you? Indeed, those before you fell to destruction when they started arguing in this matter (of Qadar). I command you not to argue about it'

Recorded by at-Tirmidhi, verified as hasan by al-Albani. (al Miskat no. 95)

Please find the correct answer:



- 1. Which one of these answers is not the guidelines for understanding Qadar?
- a. Acknowledge our intellectual limitation
- b. Believing in Allah's attributes in accordance to the Quran & Sunnah
- c. Argue with people with regards to Qadar.
- d. We should fully believe and accept the knowledge of ghayb
- 2. Al-Qadir is one of Allah's name related to the discussion on Qadar. What is the meaning of al-Qadir?
- a. The All-Knowing
- b. The Capable
- c. The Wise
- d. The Supreme Judge & Ruler