أسماء الله الحسنى

Allah's Most Beautiful Names Allah's Most Beautiful Names: Al-Kafeel (The Protector and The Guarantor) Al-Kafy (The All-Sufficient)

In this assembly we shall continue (Allah willing) our discussion of a great weapon that the Muslim should equip himself with to be able to face the trials of life, so that he could use it, whenever calamities befall him.

As the human being was created weak and helpless, he cannot face the adversities and hardships of life or wrestle with calamities unless he puts his trust in his Lord and entrusts all his affairs to Him.

That great weapon that the Muslim should not neglect is **At-Tawakkul (i.e. putting his trust in Allah and entrusting all his affairs to Him) for Allah is Al-Kafy** (The All-Sufficient), in prosperity and adversity, affliction and prosperity.

We say: "Allâh (Alone) is Sufficient for us, and He is the Best Disposer of affairs (for us)", asking Allah for His help and assistance in getting what we need, to obtain blessings or repel harms and calamities. We rely on Allah and resort to Him; we seek His help and depend on Him, we ask Him for His support, success and guidance.

The slave must perceive the meaning of Allah's name Al-Wakeel (The Trustee, The Disposer of affairs, The Guardian over all things), Al-Kafeel (The Protector and The Guarantor) and Al-Kafy (The All-Sufficient): this is because Allah, Glorified be He, is Sufficient for those who trust Him, entrust their affairs to Him, seeking help from none but Him and relying on Him alone.

Allah, The Almighty, is "The Best Disposer of affairs":

"Allah is The Best Disposer of affairs": it is an acknowledgement of this fact, that none can dispose of our affairs in the best way except Allah. It is a form of praise and exaltation that the slave glorifies his Lord with, for He is The Best Protector and Guardian, The Best One to be Entrusted with everyone's affairs. He is The Trustee who takes charge of His slaves and all the worlds in all matters. He, Exalted be He, maintains and sustains their affairs, with His graces, in creating them, conducting their lives and interests, guiding them, and determining everything with an (exact) determination, and He never abandons them or entrusts them to anyone else.

⇒ "Allâh (Alone) is Sufficient for us, and He is the Best Disposer of affairs (for us)": what a great meaning, and an exalted denotation that has a stupendous impact.

It is the phrase that looms before the Muslim when he is deprived of all material powers and earthly means, and whenever he is abandoned by any worldly support. This great saying is the refuge for every person when the earth, despite its vastness, seems to close in on them, and their souls are torn in anguish. This divine word comes up on every afflicted person's tongue when fear and sadness overwhelm hsi heart.

^{••} In the last assembly, we discussed the great denotations and meanings of Allah's Most Beautiful Name **{Al-Wakeel} (The Trustee, The Disposer of affairs, The Guardian over all things)**; today we shall continue studying other Most Beautiful Names that are similar to it, in order to realize the meaning of **At-Tawakkul (i.e. putting his trust in Allah and entrusting all his affairs to Him), this great act of worship that is performed by the** heart, without which no slave would be considered a true believer. Then we shall conclude this assembly by mentioning its great fruits.

■ Gaining divine knowledge about Allah's Most Beautiful Names and contemplating them overwhelm the slaves' hearts with confidence, reassurance, comfort and certainty. Indeed, Allah has not revealed His Names to the slaves except that they should know Him, resort to Him and call upon Him with them as Allah, The Almighty, says:

﴿وَلِلَهِ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَى فَادْعُوهُ بِهَا وَذَرُوا الَّذِينَ يُلْحِدُونَ فِي أَسْمَائِهِ سَيُجْزَوْنَ مَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ﴾ [سورة الأعراف: 180]

And (all) the Most Beautiful Names belong to Allâh, so call on Him by them, and leave the company of those who belie or deny (or utter impious speech against) His Names. They will be requited for what they used to do." (Surat Al-A`raf, 180)

Cone of the Most Beautiful Names established for Allah, The Almighty, and that is similar to His Name {Al-Wakeel} [The Trustee, The Disposer of affairs, The Guardian over all things] is Allah's Name {Al-Kafeel}: (The Protector and the Guarantor) as it is mentioned in the holy Quran and Sunnah. Allah, Exalted be He, says:

(وَأَوْفُوا بِعَهْدِ اللَّهِ إِذَا عَاهَدْتُمْ وَلا تَنْقُضُوا الأَيْمَانَ بَعْدَ تَوْكِيدِهَا وَقَدْ جَعَلْتُمُ اللَّهَ عَلَيْكُمْ كَفِيلاً) [سورة النحل: 91]

"And fulfill Allah's covenant when you make a covenant, and do not violate your oaths after ratifying them, for surely you have made Allah your Guarantor {kafeela}; indeed, Allah knows what you do." (Surat An-Nahl, 91)

Allah's Name {Al-Kafeel}: is not mentioned in this form in the holy Quran except in the previous verse.

At-Tabari said: "This verse (Surat An-Nahl, 91) means: you have made Allah your Guarantor Who watches over you all, for It is He Who protects and takes care of those who fulfill Allah's covenant when they pledge and honour their covenants."

Al-Qurtubi said: "Allah is Al-Kafeel, meaning The Guarantor, Witness, Guardian, and The Supreme Surety."

(Surat An-Nahl, 91) # "for surely you have made Allah your Guarantor {kafeela}"

[9] [وَأَوْفُوا بِعَهْدِ اللَّهِ إِذَا عَاهَدْتُمْ وَلا تَنْقُضُوا الأَيْمَانَ بَعْدَ تَوْكِيدِهَا وَقَدْ جَعَلْتُمُ اللَّهَ عَلَيْكُمْ كَفِيلاً) [سورة النحل: 91] In his comment on the previous verse, Ash-Shawkani said: {It means a witness, a guardian, a surety, and it was said: The All-Watcher because the guarantor watches over and takes care of the affairs of the one in his custody.}

روى البخاري عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ -رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ- عَنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ حصَلَّي اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ- أَنَّهُ ذَكَرَ "رَجُلاً مِنْ بَنِي إسْرَائِيلَ سَأَلَ بَعْضَ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ أَنْ يُسْلِفَهُ أَلْفَ دِينَارٍ، فَقَالَ: انْتِنِي بِالشَّهَدَاءِ أُشْهِدُهُمْ. فَقَالَ: كَفَى بِاللَّهِ شَهِيدًا. قَالَ: قَالَتِنِي بِالْكَفِيلِ. قَالَ: كَفَى بِاللَّهِ كَفِيلاً. قَالَ: صَدَقْتَ، فَدَفَعَهَا إِلَيْهِ إِلَى أَجَلِ مُسَمَّى، فَخَرَجَ فِي الْبَحْرِ فَقَضَى حَاجَتَهُ، ثُمَّ الْنَمَسَ مَرْكَبًا يَرْكَبُهَا يَقْدَمُ عَلَيْهِ لِلْأَجَلِ الَّذِي أَجَلَهُ، فَلَمْ يَحِدْ مَرْكَبًا، فَأَخَذَ خَسْبَةً فَنَقَرَهَا فَأَدْخَلَ فِيهَا أَلْفَ دِينَارٍ وَصَحَيفَةً مِنْهُ إِنّ صَاحِبِهِ، ثُمَّ زَجَّجَ مَوْضِعَهَا، ثُمَّ أَتَى بِهَا إلَى الْبَحْرِ، فَقَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ أَنِّي كُنْتُ تَسَلَّفْتُ فُلَانًا أَلْفَ دِينَارٍ، فَسَأَلَنِي كَفِيلِاً، فَقُلْتُ: كَفَي بِاللَّهِ كَفِيلاً، فَرَضِيَ بِكَ،

وَسَالَانِي شَهِيدًا فَقُلْتُ: كَفَى باللَّهِ شَهِيدًا، فَرَضِيَ بِكَ، وَأَنِّي جَهَدْتُ أَنْ أَحِدَ مَرْكَبًا أَبْعَتُ إِلَيْهِ الَّذِي لَهُ فَلَمْ أَقْدِرْ، وَإِنِّي أَسْتَوْدِعُكَهَا فَرَمَى بِهَا فِي الْبَحْرِ حَتَّى وَلَجَتْ فِيهِ، ثُمَّ انْصَرَفَ وَهُوَ فِي ذَلِكَ يَلْتَمِسُ مَرْكَبًا يَخْرُجُ إِلَى بَلَدِهِ، فَخَرَجَ الرَّجُلُ الَّذِي كَانَ أَسْلَفَهُ يَنْظُرُ لَعَلَّ مَرْكَبًا قَدْ جَاءَ بِمَالِهِ، فَإَذَا بِالْخَشَبَةِ الَّتِي فِيهَا الْمَالُ فَأَخَذَهَا لِأَهْلِهِ حَطَبًا، فَلَمَ نَشَرَهَا وَجَدَ الْمَالُ وَالصَّحِيفَةَ، ثُمَّ قَدِمَ الَّذِي كَانَ أَسْلَفَهُ فَأَتَى بِالْأَلْفِ دِينَارٍ، فَقَالَ: وَاللَّهِ مَا زِلْتُ جَاهِدًا فِي طَلَب مَرْكَبٍ لاَتِنِي عَنْ وَاللَّهُ مَا يَنْظُرُ لَعَلَّ مَرْكَبًا قَدْ جَاءَ بِمَالِهِ، فَإَذَا بِالْخَشَبَةِ الَّذِي قَيهَا الْمَالُ فَأَخَذَهَا لِأَهْلِهِ حَطَبًا، فَلَمَا مَرْكَبُ لاَ يَعَالَ وَالصَحِيفَةَ، ثُمَّ قَدِمَ الَّذِي كَانَ أَسْلَفَهُ فَأَتَى بِالْأَلْفِ دِينَارٍ، فَقَالَ: وَاللَّهِ مَا زِلْتُ جَاهِدًا فِي طَلَب مَرْكَبُ لاَتِي فَيهَا الْمَالُ وَالصَحِيفَةَ، ثُمَ قَدِمَ الَّذِي كَانَ أَسْلَفَهُ فَأَتَى بِهُنُ أَنْ فَا ذَي

[Abu Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) reported that the Messenger of Allah (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) said that a man from the Children of Israel had asked another man to lend him one thousand dinars, so the latter asked him to bring witnesses to bear witness to this loan. The former replied: "Allah is Sufficient as witness."

The man said: "Bring me a surety!" The former replied: "Allah is Sufficient as surety." The man said: "You are right!" Then he lent him the money for a fixed period of time. The first man went across the sea. When he finished his job, he searched for a ship so that he could reach the other man in the time due for the debt repayment but he could not find any.

So, he took a piece of wood and made a hole in it, then inserted one thousand dinars and a letter to the lender in it, and then firmly closed (i.e. sealed) the hole. He took the piece of wood to the sea and said: "O Allah, You know well that I took a loan of one thousand dinars from so-and-so, and he demanded a surety, but I told him, "Allah is Sufficient as a surety" and he accepted You as a surety.

He then asked for a witness, and I told him, "Allah is sufficient as a Witness", and he accepted You as a Witness. O Allah, You know well that I exerted best efforts to find a ship to reach him and pay him his money, but I could not find any, thus I entrust this amount of money to You!" Saying that, he threw the piece of wood into the sea till it went out far into it, and then he went away.

Meanwhile, he started searching for a ship in order to reach the creditor's country. One day, the lender came out to see whether a ship had arrived bringing back his money, when all of a sudden, he saw the piece of wood in which his money had been inserted. He took it home to use it in light a fire. When he sawed it, he found his money put therein and the letter inside it. Shortly after that, the debtor came, bringing one thousand dinars to him, and he said: "By Allah, I had been trying hard to find a boat so that I could get you your money, but I failed to find one before the one I have come by." The lender asked him: "Have you sent anything to me?" The debtor replied: "I told you I could not find a boat other than the one I have come by." The lender said: "Allah has delivered the money which you sent in the piece of wood on your behalf. Now you may keep your one thousand dinars and depart, being guided on the straight path."]

Linguistically, the Arabic term al-kafeel (the guarantor) indicates the meanings of protection, care, guarantee, sustenance and support.

Allah, Al-Kafeel, Glorified be He, is The One Who takes charge of (guards, maintains, provides for) all creatures, and *guarantees their livelihoods and sustenance. He is The Maintainer* Who manages and disposes of their affairs, and takes care of their interests, for He is The One Who created sustenance and the sustained creatures; He is The Creator of needs and the creatures needing them. He is The One who maintains the lives of all creatures, for there is no creature that is not maintained and sustained by the sustenance of Allah, The Almighty. All creatures are inundated with Allah's lavish endowments and generosity. These lavish bestowments are not specific for the believers apart from the disbelievers, for Allah, Exalted be He, grants the livelihoods and sustenance of His creatures, providing them therewith so that every being takes its share of them.

(كُلاَ نُمِدُ هَؤُلاءِ وَهَؤُلاءِ مِنْ عَطَاءِ رَبِّكَ وَمَا كَانَ عَطَاءُ رَبِّكَ مَحْظُورًا) [سورة الإسراء: 20]. # "On each - these as well as those - We bestow from the Bounties of your Lord. And the Bounties of your Lord can never be forbidden." (Surat Al-Israa, 20)

Allah, Al-Kafeel (The Protector and the Guarantor) has decreed that no soul will die until it receives its full livelihood and provision that it has been predestined to receive and as He has ensured that it will be delivered to it.

This should be known as a fact, that is: no soul will die until it gets its full livelihood and its lifetime expires.

Allah, The Almighty, says:

: (وَلَنْ يُؤَخِّرَ اللَّهُ نَفْسًا إِذًا جَاءَ أَجَلْهَا وَاللَّهُ خَبِيرٌ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ) [سورة المنافقون: 11].

"And Allâh grants respite to none when his appointed time (death) comes.
And Allâh is All-Aware of what you do. "(Surat Al-Munafiqun, 11)

Indeed, the treasures of Allah, Exalted be He, are full of everything; He gives all creatures from these treasures that do not run out. Allah, The Almighty, says:

(مَا عِنْدَكُمْ يَنْفَدُ وَمَا عِنْدَ اللهِ بَاقِ) [سورة النحل: 96]

"Whatever is with you, will be exhausted, and whatever is with Allâh (of good deeds) will remain." (Surat An-Nahl, 96)

If all creatures ask Allah for His provisions, and He gives them all these grants, this won't decrease anything of His Kingdom and possessions, because His favours and bounties are beyond description and imagination. Rather His bounties and benevolence are as perfect and great as His divine knowledge. Blessed is our Lord, Who has encompassed everything in mercy and knowledge, for His favours, benevolence, knowledge and mercy have embraced all creatures!

No one can benefit or provide himself with sustenance, or dispose of His own affairs on his own, and be self-subsisting, independent from Allah, Al-Wakeel, Al-Kafy, Al-Kafeel, Glorified be He.

O our Lord, It is You Who owns all perfect graces and merits in Your creations, Of You we have all hopes And great expectations In misfortune and affliction. For verily, You made me accustomed to Your generosity, You are my Guarantor thereof, Making me used to Your graces, Thus, don't entrust me to anyone except You!

Allah, The Almighty, says:

(وَمَا كُنْتَ لَدَيْهِمْ إِذْ يُلْقُونَ أَقْلَامَهُمْ أَيُّهُمْ يَكْفُلُ مَرْيَمَ) [سورة آل عمران: 44]

 "You were not with them, when they cast lots with their pens as to which of them should be charged with the care of Maryam (Mary)" (Surat Aal-`Imran, 44)

Maryam was put under the care and sponsorship of Zachariya.

Solution: When the slave becomes certain of this, he will realize that Allah, The Guarantor, The Trustee, and The Disposer of affairs, and The One and Only Sustainer and Grantor.

صح عن جَابِر بْنِ عَبْدِ اللهِ -رضي الله عنهما- قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللهِ -صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ-: "أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ! اتَّقُوا اللهَ، وَأَجْمِلُوا فِي الطَّلَبِ، فَإِنَّ نَفْسًا لَنْ تمُوتَ حَتَّى تَسْتَوْفِيَ رِزْقَهَا وَإِنْ أَبْطَأَ عَنْهَا، فَاتَّقُوا الله وَأَجْمِلُوا فِي الطَّلَبِ، خُذُوا مَا حَلَّ وَدَعُوا مَا حَرُمً" (أبو نعيم في الحلية وصححه الألباني).

That is why Jaber bin Abdullah, may Allah be pleased with him, reported that Allah's Messenger (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) said:

"O people! Fear Allah and be moderate in seeking a living [i.e. Seek the beautiful and legitimate path in seeking provision] for no soul will die until it has received its provision, in full, even if it is slowed down. So, fear Allah and be moderate in seeking a living [i.e. Seek the beautiful and legitimate path in seeking provision] take that which is permissible and abstain from that which is forbidden." (Classified as authentic by Al-Albani)

[It was reported that Ibn Jarir, Ibn Khuzaymah, Muhammad ibn Nasr al-Marwazi and Muhammad ibn Haroun al-Rawayni were traveling in Egypt, when their food ran out, they had nothing left and felt so hungry. They felt pangs of hunger as they gathered one night in a house where they used to take as a shelter, and agreed to draw lots to decide who would ask people for food. The lot fell on Ibn Khuzaymah, and he said to his friends: give me some time to pray. Al-Bakri said: He hurried to pray Salat al-Istikhaara (the Special Prayer for Seeking Guidance and Counsel from Allah). Suddenly, while he was praying, a group of people carrying candles knocked on the door, they were sent by the ruler of Egypt. They opened the door, and someone asked the four men: "Which of you is Muhammad ibn Nasr?" They said: "Here he is!" They gave him fifty dinars. Then, it was said: "Who is Muhammad ibn Jarir?"

They gave him fifty dinars, and they did the same with al-Rawayni and Ibn Khuzaymah. Then they said to the four of them: "The ruler was taking a nap yesterday when he saw in a dream that the four Muhammads (i.e. the four men were called Muhammad)) are hungry, and he was ordered to send them money. He pleads to you that if you run out of money to send one of you to him to get more.]

➡ May hearts rejoice in the sponsorship and guardianship of of The Lord Who is Al-Kafeel (The Protector and The Guarantor), Al-Kafy (The All-Sufficient)-Glorified be He, and let the souls be pleased and happy for their endowment with the all-perfect care of the Lord of the 'Âlamîn (mankind, jinn and all that exists), and let the souls feel relaxed and become serene for their Lord is Able and Ever-Merciful.

Ibn al-Qayyim said:

"Allah is The Guarantor of all that they need, Nothing whatsoever can deplete His treasures! And He is the Guardian over them and their Protector, Safeguarding them against all harms.

When any person realizes that Allah is The Protector, The All-Sufficient Lord, and that He, Glorified be He, is The Guarantor of the livelihoods of His slaves and their interests, then he adores none but Him, his heart will be attached to Him, Exalted be He! That person will definitely abstain from relying on his own power and might and relies only on the all-perfect Omnipotent and Supreme Might in all his affairs, conditions and demands. A

قال تعالى: (إنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ الَّذِينَ إِذَا ذُكِرَ اللَّهُ وَجِلَتْ قُلُوبُهُمْ وَإِذَا تُلِيَتْ عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتُهُ زَادَتْهُمْ إيمَانًا وَعَلَى رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ) [سورة الأنفال:2].

- "The believers are only those who, when Allâh is mentioned, feel a fear in their hearts and when His Verses (this Qur'ân) are recited unto them, they (i.e. the Verses) increase their Faith; and they put their trust in their Lord (Alone)" (Surat Al-Anfal, 2)
- Al-Qurtubi said: "Every believer must believe that Allah, Glorified be He, is the The Trustee and Guarantor, entrusted with providing His slave with all provisions, and creates for him guidance. When Allah finds His slave misguided, He guides him to the straight path, thus, his heart resorts to him, and yearns for His Lord's graces and favours.

So, entrust your affairs to him, then you will be blessed with His grace that you will be lavishly showered with."

Contemplate the words of the great companion Abu Dharr al-Ghafari (may Allah be pleased with him) and how Allah made him feel as if he had eaten and drunk his fill. He said: (For thirty nights and days, I have just taken nothing but Zamzam water, yet I gained weight till my abdominal folds appeared out of excess abdominal fat and I did not feel hunger pangs.) [Narrated by Muslim]

It is Allah, The Almighty, Who sufficed him, and He is Able to suffice and enrich us. Whoever puts his trust in his Lord, The All-Sufficient, finds his sufficiency in Him. The great companion Abu Dharr al-Ghafari (may Allah be pleased with him) did not feel hunger pains though he had eaten nothing for thirty days; he added weight even though nothing entered his stomach except Zamzam water. Yes, this is the case of everyone who faithfully and sincerely puts his trust in Allah. Some people drank Zamzam water then claimed that they have not felt satisfied, nor were cured from their diseases. In fact, the problem lies in their hearts: for they did not put their trust in their Lord, for had they sincerely trusted their Lord, they would have felt sufficed and satisfied. This applies to both the physical needs, and the spiritual needs as well.

Know for sure that if anyone asks Allah truthfully and sincerely, he will be sufficed by Him, Glorified be He. Allah, The Almighty, will take care of him and even subjugate to him everything that enriches him, with His graces, making him do with any one except Him.

Thus, anyone who is sincere with Allah, Glorified be He, and puts his trust in Him, taking Him as His Guarantor, will be sufficed in Allah, His Guarantor and All-Sufficient Lord. Thus, Allah, The Almighty, will help Him to fulfill any commitment he has taken upon himself, and facilitate for him all matters in a way that has never occurred to him.

Dears, we must be sincere and truthful with our Lord! Let us put our trust in Allah, fully believing in Him to be able to enjoy our life in this world and in the hereafter.

E How beautiful and blissful it is to put your trust in Allah and be certain of the promises of Allah, The Lord of mankind, jinn and all that exists. If the Muslim is certain that the real Protector, The Sustainer and The Ever-Preserving Keeper over everything is Allah, then he won't submit or humiliate himself to anyone except Him. He will be a free person, without ever humiliating himself to anyone save Him; he will obey his Lord and surrender to Him, hoping for all good from Him. He will never commit a disobedience to be granted with one of Allah's endowments. For instance, marriage is an endowment from Allah, The Almighty. Single persons who are looking for an eligible spouse should never seek such a divine endowment by committing a sin or by doing anything that makes Allah, Al-Kafeel (The Protector and Guarantor) wrathful. The same applies to money whose real owner is Allah, Al-Kafeel. We, Allah's slaves, should not earn or gain ill-gotten money. Nothing whatsoever: wealth, honor, prestige, dignity and honor are all in the Hands of Allah, Al-Kafeel, Glorified be He. If the slave abstains from committing sins in seeking such bounties, he will not be let down or abandoned by his Lord, rather He will be close to Him, The All-Merciful, The Ever-Merciful Lord, Exalted be He.

Allah's Messenger (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) depicted a wonderful picture of the believer who does not fear the blame of blamers for the sake of Allah, and believes that It is The Lord of *mankind, jinn and all that exists,* Al-Kafeel (The Protector and The Guarantor) Who guarantees livelihoods and lifetimes. That is why people's fear does not prevent them from saying the truth and declaring it.

قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَهِ ﷺ: "أَلَا لَا يَمْنَعَنَّ أَحَدَكُمْ رَهْبَةُ النَّاسِ أَنْ يَقُولَ بِحَقٍّ إِذَا رَآهُ أَقْ شَهِدَهُ، فَإِنَّهُ لَا يُقَرِّبُ مِنْ أَجَلٍ، وَلَا يُبَاعِدُ مِنْ رِزْقِ أَنْ يَقُولَ بِحَقٍّ أَقْ سُهِدَهُ، فَإِنَّهُ لَا يُقَرِّبُ مِنْ أَجَلٍ،

Allah's Messenger (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) said: "Let not fear of the people prevent one of you from saying the truth, if he sees or witnesses it, as speaking the truth or reminding of a great matter, does not bring death closer, nor pushes livelihoods farther." (reported by Ahmad and classified as authentic by Al-Albani]

We wonder how many of us have considered Allah their Guarantor and Trustee in their oaths, promises and covenants?!! How many of them believed in this yet did not fulfill their promises and broke their oaths?!! Many of Allah's slaves often swear and give covenants, yet they break them what they promised their Lord.

Sheikh Al-Fawzan said in his interpretation of Allah's saying: (وَقَدْ جَعَلْتُمُ اللَه عَلَيْكُمْ كَفِيلاً) [سورة النحل، 91]

4 "having made Allah your Guarantor." (Surat An-Nahl, 91)

[This verse means that Allah, Glorified be He, takes revenge on those who break their covenant. This is because they trusted one another in the name of Allah, Exalted be He, thus Allah, The Almighty, has become their Guarantor, Their Reckoner and All-Watchful over all, and whoever makes Allah His Guarantor, Reckoner, and All-Watchful over his deeds will not escape Him. The evil treacherous intentions are not hidden from Allah, Exalted be He, Who knows what is concealed in hearts, not to mention their deeds.

(إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَفْعَلُونَ) [سورة النحل: 91]

"Surely Allah knows all you do." (Surat An-Nahl, 91)

Allah, The Guarantor, is not like other guarantors who might neglect or overlook things, or might be ignorant about the persons they guaranteed, but Allah,

Glorified be He, knows everything and anything. Nothing of His slaves' intentions, purposes, goals or actions are hidden from Him, so beware of Allah, Glorified be He, The Guarantor, The All-Knowing, the All-Knowing, the Ever-Cognizant, The All-Powerful from Whom nothing is hidden, rather nothing in the heavens nor on earth can escape or disable Him in the least.

Allah is Al-Kafeel (The Protector and The Guarantor), Al-Kafy (The All-Sufficient), Al-Wakeel (The Trustee, The Disposer of affairs, The Guardian over all things): He is The One who takes charge of His slaves' affairs with His benevolence and kindness, He never lets them down, or abandons them to be entrusted to anyone except Him.

﴿وَمَنْ يَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ فَهُوَ حَسْبُهُ﴾ [سورة الطلاق: 3]. # "And whosoever puts his trust in Allâh, then He will suffice him." (Surat At-Talaq, 3)

He will never let you down for He suffices you and protects you from all evils. Thus, when you say: "Allâh (Alone) is Sufficient for us, and He is the Best Disposer of affairs (for us)", you are actually signing an instrument of proxy with Allah, Exalted be He.

We are not taking the pledge verbally only, but with all our senses; we are completely confident, assured due to our full and complete trust in Allah.

Allah, The Almighty, says:

إِفَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا فَقُلْ حَسْبِيَ اللَهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّهَ إِلَّهَ عَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَهُوَ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيمِ ([سورة التوبة: 129].

But if they turn away, say (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم): "Allâh is sufficient for me. Lâ ilâha illa Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He) in Him I put my trust and He is the Lord of the Mighty Throne."" (Surat At-Tawbah, 129)

This verse denotes that when any believer is deserted and let down by people, then he should know that Allah, The Lord of the Great Throne is with him, supporting him and helping him, on condition that he is on manifest truth, not oppressors, falsely thinking that he is oppressed. This is because Allah, Exalted be He, does not favor anyone no matter who he is. Allah, The Almighty, says in His Holy Book:

(الْحَمْدُ للهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ الرَّحْمنِ الرَّحِيمِ مَلِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ) [سورة الفاتحة: 1-4]

 "All the praises and thanks be to Allâh, The Lord of the 'Âlamîn (mankind, jinn and all that exists); The All-Merciful, The Ever-Merciful; The Only Owner (and the Only Ruling Judge) of the Day of Recompense (i.e. the Day of Resurrection); You (Alone) we worship, and You (Alone) we ask for help (for each and everything). (Surat Al-Fateha, 1-4)

The entire religion is mentioned in this verse:

(إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِين)

"You (Alone) we worship, and You (Alone) we ask for help (for each and everything).

This verse means: {O Allah, we worship and obey none except You; we associate no one with You, and You alone do we ask for help in all our affairs. All goodness is in Your hand, and there is no helper except You.}

Allah has tested His slaves in worshiping Him and seeking His help; those who worship Him as He should be worshipped are those who seek His help in the most becoming way.

Dears, anyone of us can train himself and exert best efforts in order to be able to put his trust in Allah. When prophet Musa (Moses) threw his staff for the first time and saw it turning into a snake, gliding along, he was afraid and ran away. The Holy Quran relates to us that when he stood before the magicians, his sense of fear diminished, and he trusted his Lord more:

(فَأَوْجَسَ فِي نَفْسِهِ خِيفَةً مُّوسَى) [سورة طه: 67]

4 "So Mûsâ (Moses) conceived fear in himself." (Surat Ta-Ha, 67)

Then in the third time, in the most difficult situation, when he was in front of the sea, his trust in his Lord was complete and perfect, thus he said:

(قَالَ كَلَّا إِنَّ مَعِيَ رَبِّي سَيَهُدِينِ) [سورة الشعراء: 62]

[Mûsâ (Moses)] said: "Nay, verily with me is my Lord. He will guide me." (Surat Ash-Shu`ara, 62)

- Whoever calls for Allah's help, and entrusts his affairs to Him will be defended, maintained and protected by Him. Whoever finds sufficiency in Allah, will be enriched, maintained and pleased by Him. Indeed, if Allah takes charge of any of His slaves, and endows him with His beautiful divine care, He will suffice him, and relieve him of all his worries, and makes him enriched and satisfied. He will do without anyone except Him, Exalted be He.
- One of Allah's Most Beautiful Names that is established in the holy Qur'an and Sunnah and is similar to His Name Al-Wakeel (The Trustee, The Disposer of affairs, The Guardian over all things) is His Name, Al-Kafy (The All-Sufficient) that is mentioned once in the Holy Quran in Allah's saying:

{"أَلَيْسَ ٱللَّهُ بِكَافٍ عَبْدَهُ ..."}[سورة الزمر: 36]

u "Is not Allâh Sufficient for His slave?" (Surat Az-Zummar, 36)

This Most Beautiful Name {Al-Kafy} is mentioned in the verb form {*yakfekahum*} (will *suffice* you) in Allah's sayings:

{فَسَيَكْفِيكَهُمُ اللهُ} [سورة البقرة: 137].

So Allâh will suffice you against them. And He is the All-Hearer, the All-Knower." (Surat Al-Baqarah, 137)

إِنَّا كَفَيْنَاكَ الْمُسْتَهْزِئِين} [سورة الحجر: 95]. # "Truly! We will suffice you against the scoffers" (Surat Al-Hijr, 95)

- ➢ Allah is All-Sufficient for His slaves, and He is their Provider, Sustainer, Protector and Mender of their affairs. Indeed, He is The All-Sufficient Who relieves His slaves of their pains, and wards off their concerns, shields them against people's injustice and evil.
- ☑ It is Allah Who suffices them with His help, making them get along without anyone else save Him for Allah is All-Sufficient for them, endowing them with all what they need and plead to Him for. Allah, Glorified be He, suffices His believers in a special way when they put their trust in him, for, surely, there is no fleeing from Allah, and no refuge but with Him, for He is The One and Only God, no partner has He, and to Him none could be co-equal. All sufficiency is provided by none but

Allah, The Almighty, thus no one deserves to be worshipped by Him, and the rewards and satisfaction of no one but Him should be desired or hoped for. Indeed, Allah is All-Sufficient for His slaves in their livelihoods, sustenance, victory, power, honor, glory and pride.

☑ Indeed, Allah, The Almighty, Who has sufficed His believing slaves with His kindness, all-gentle care and generosity, has guided them to worship Him, and rendered them victorious over their own selves, their own desires, and made them triumph over their devils and their enemies.

Know for sure that It is Allah, Who is All-Sufficient for you in your worries and evils, for He is The One Who fulfills your needs and relieves your agonies. Believing in Allah's name Al-Kafy (the All-Sufficient) has a great effect in soothing and comforting the believer's heart when a calamity befalls him as he realizes that he will inevitably be relieved.

- ➢ The slave's belief in Allah's Name Al-Kafy (the All-Sufficient) rids his heart of any fear of the effects of calamities and adversities, and relieves him of any dread of another person whom Allah ordains to be a cause of his safety and comfort, otherwise Allah creates a cause for him to be saved from him. Thus, all what you need is to strengthen your faith in Allah so that you can gain and attain His protection, power, authority, patronage and guardianship in addition to His Sufficiency, for none is *All-Sufficient* except Him, and none is a True Protector except Him, Glorified be He. Indeed, Allah is Sufficient as a Reckoner, and He is Sufficient as a Protector, Supporter and Helper.
- Al-Saadi said: [Allah is Al-Kafy (The All-Sufficient) for His slaves in all what they need; He is All-Sufficient for the distressed ones when they supplicate to Him to provide them with His sustenance, livelihood and provisions.

Moreover, Allah is Al-Kafy (The All-Sufficient) Who suffices the true believers Who put their trust in Him in a special way, as He provides them with their religious and worldly needs.]

If you want to be the strongest of all people, then rely on Allah and put your trust in Him, The Ever Living One Who dies not, and keep repeating to yourself, with all confidence in Him, Al-Wakeel [The Trustee, The Disposer of affairs, The Guardian over all things], and Al-Kafy [The All-Sufficient]:

{"أَلَيْسَ ٱللَّهُ بِكَافٍ عَبْدَهُ ... "} [سورة الزمر: 36]

Is not Allâh Sufficient for His slave?" (Surat Az-Zummar, 36)

{قُلْ أَفَرَأَيْتُم مَّا تَدْعُونَ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ إِنْ أَرَادَنِيَ اللَهُ بِضُرِّ هَلْ هُنَّ كَاشِفَاتُ ضُرِّهِ أَوْ أَرَادَنِي بِرَحْمَةٍ هَلْ هُنَّ مُسْبِكَاتُ رَحْمَتِهِ ^{عَ}قُلْ حَسْبِيَ اللَّهُ ^عَلَيْهِ يَتَوَكَّلُ الْمُتَوَكِّلُونَ.} [سورة الزمر: 38]

Say: "Tell me then, the things that you invoke besides Allâh - if Allâh intended some harm for me, could they remove His harm? Or if He (Allâh) intended some mercy for me, could they withhold His Mercy?" Say: "Sufficient for me is Allâh; in Him those who trust (i.e. believers) must put their trust."" (Surat Az-Zummar, 38)

Allah's sufficiency for His slave can only be attained if he puts his trust in Him. The more he has good expectations of his Lord, having high hopes in Him, truly and sincerely trusting Him, the more he will not be failed by Him. But, that slave should not be in a hurry or expedite his Lord's grants or His response to his invocations because Allah, The Almighty, says:

{قَدْ جَعَلَ ٱللَّهُ لِكُلِّ شَىْءٍ قَدْرًا} [سورة الطلاق: 3] # "Indeed, Allâh has set a measure for all things." (Surat At-Talaq, 3)

This means that Allah has set a due date for everything, nothing could go beyond it. Allah, Exalted be He, delivers everything in its due date that He has assigned, thus the believer who is trusting his Lord should not expedite anything saying: "Oh, I have put my trust in Allah and invoked Him, yet my invocation is not answered, and I am not sufficed!"

To such person I say: "you have to put your full trust in Allah, and believe that certainly Allah will accomplish His purpose at the moment He has set for it as per His all-perfect wisdom, all-awareness and omniscience. Thus, whoever occupies himself with acts of worship and keeps worshipping his Lord over his own affairs, will be sufficed by Him, Exalted be He, and will be provided with all his needs. Moreover, whoever is occupied with his Lord and His orders over people, will be sufficed by Him and will be able to dispense with those people. Yet, whoever is occupied with people over his Lord and His orders, will be abandoned by Allah, rather Allah will make him fall in their grip.

Ibn Abu Shaybah reported that Abu Aoun said: "When the righteous people met, they used to urge one another to do three things, and whenever they went away, they used to send to one another a letter of three words:

'Whoever strives hard (i.e. does righteous deeds) for his Hereafter, Allah will suffice him for his worldly life; and whoever mends what is between him and Allah, Allah will mend what is between himself and people; and whoever mends and refines his secret actions, Allah will mend and correct for him his public actions."

If the slave knows that Allah is All-Sufficient, Who suffices His slaves with their needs of sustenance, livelihood, protection, victory and honor, then he will find all sufficiency in his Lord, and will have no hope or desire save in Him.

قال رسول الله ﷺ: «وَمَن استَكفَى كَفَاهُ اللهُ عزَّ وجلَّ» النسائي

Allah's Messenger (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) said: "Whoever is content with his lot, Allah, the Mighty and Sublime, will suffice him."

Anyone who falls into a distress, must invoke Allah for sufficiency, and surely Allah will suffice him. The slave must supplicate to Allah, The Almighty, to suffice him.

قال رَسُولُ اللهِ ﷺ لعلي رضي الله عنه وعلمه كلمات تكفي العبد سؤال الناس، قال له (لَوْ كَانَ عَلَيْكَ مِتْلُ جَبَلِ صِيرِ دَيْنًا أَدَّاهُ اللَهُ عَنْكَ؟ قَالَ: قُلْ: «اللَّهُمَّ اكْفِنِي بِحَلَاكَ عَنْ حَرَامِكَ وَأَغْنِنِي بِقَضْلِكَ عَمَّنْ سِوَاكَ» صححه الألباني

The Messenger of Allah, Allah's blessings and peace be upon him, taught Ali, may Allah be pleased with him, divine words that would suffice the slave and make him do without all people, even if he bore a debt equal to the mountain of Sir, Allah would pay it off for him. *He (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) told him: "Say: 'O Allah! Suffice me with Your lawful livelihood so that I do not need the unlawful, and enrich me with your graces needing nothing from anyone else'"*

 Allah's Messenger, Allah's blessings and peace be upon him, used to ward off what feared him with his trust in Allah and his reliance on Him, The Almighty. Whenever he, Allah's blessings and peace be upon him, feared a man or a group of people, he used to invoke Him by saying:

«اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَجْعَلْكَ فِي نُحُورِ هِمْ، وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ شرورهم". رواه أحمد

"O Allah, I make You my shield against them, and take refuge in You from their evils." (Narrated by Ahmed)

وكان إذا غزا على الله الله عنه عَضُدِي وَنَصِيرِي، بِكَ أَحُولُ، وَبِكَ أَصُولُ، وَبِكَ أُقَاتِلُ».

⇒ It was reported that whenever Allah's Messenger (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) went on an expedition, he used to say: "O Allah, You are my Aider and Helper; with Your Help I ward off my enemies, with Your Help I pounce upon them, and with Your Help I fight them."

Allah, The Almighty, is our ultimate hope, and He is All-Sufficient for us, warding off all harms, protecting us from all evils, guarding us with allperfect protection and guardianship and defending us with His allperfect divine care.

وإذا أوى إلى فِرَاشِهِ ﷺ تذكر أن الله كافيه بفضله عمن سواه «كانَ إذَا أَوَى إلى فِرَاشِهِ، قَالَ: الحَمْدُ لِلَهِ الذي أَطْعَمَنَا وَسَقَانًا، وَكَفَانَا وَآوَانَا، فَكَمْ مِمَّنْ لا كَافِيَ له وَلَا مُؤْوِيَ» صحيح مسلم

- It was reported that when the Messenger of Allah (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) went to bed, he used to remember that Allah sufficed him with His favours and graces. "The Messenger of Allah (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) used to say when he went to bed: "All praises be to Allah who has fed us, given us drink, and has satisfied us with His sufficiency and has provided us with a safe place, for, indeed, there are many (people) who have none to provide them with sufficiency or a safe place." [Narrated in Sahih Muslim]
- It was reported that the Messenger of Allah (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) taught his companions to say when they go to bed:

«اللَّهُمَّ أَسْلَمْتُ نَفْسِي إِلَيْكَ، وَفَوَّضْتُ أَمْرِي إِلَيْكَ، وَأَلْجَأْتُ ظَهْرِي إِلَيْكَ، رَهْبَةً وَرَغْبَةً إِلَيْكَ، لاَ مَنْجَا مِنْكَ إِلاَ إِلَيْكَ»، رواه البخاري

"O Allah! I have submitted myself to You, and entrusted my affairs to You, and committed my back to You, with hope and fear (expecting Your reward and fearing Your punishment). There is no refuge and no place of safety from You but with You." [Narrated by Al-Bukhari]

ومِن دُعائه على في قيام الليل: «اللَّهُمَّ لَكَ أَسْلَمْتُ، وَبِكَ آمَنْتُ، وَعَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْتُ، وَإِلَيْكَ أَنَبْتُ» رواه البخاري

Ibn 'Abbas reported that Allah's Messenger (may peace be upon him) used to say in his night prayers: "O Allah, it is unto You that I surrender myself. I affirm my faith in You and put my trust in You and turn to You in repentance." (Narrated by Al-Bukhari] حكان رسولُ الله ﷺ يُعلِّمُ أصحابَه الاستخارةَ في الأمور كلّها، كما يُعلِّم السورةَ من القرآنِ؛ يقول: (إذا همَّ أحدُكم بالأمر فلْيركَعْ ركعتين من غير الفريضة، ثَم لَيقُل: اللهمَ إني أستخيرُك بعلمك، وأستقُدرُكَ بقُدرتك، وأسألُك من فضلِك، فإنَّك تقدرُ ولا أقدرُ، وتَعلمُ ولا أَعلمُ، وأنت علَّامُ الغيوب، اللهمَّ فإنْ كنتَ تَعلَمُ هذا الأَمرَ-ثم تُسمِّيه بعَينِه- خيرًا لي في عاجلِ أَمْري وآجلِه- قال: أو في دِيني ومعاشي وعاقبةِ أمري- فاقدُرُه لي، ويستِره لي، ثم باركْ لي فيه، اللهمَ وإنْ كنتَ تعلمُ أنَّه شرَّ لي في دِيني ومعاشي وعاقبةِ أمري- أو قاربُ أَمري وآجلِه- فاصرُفني عنه، واللهمَ وإنْ كنتَ تعلمُ أنَّه شرً لي في دِيني ومعاشي وعاقبةِ أمري- أو قال: في عاجلِ أَمري وآجلِه- فاصرُفني عنه، واقدُرْ لي الخيرَ حيتُ كانَ ثمَّ رضَني به)رواه بخاري

The Messenger of Allah, Allah's blessings and peace be upon him, used to teach his companions the Special Prayer for Seeking Guidance and Counsel from Allah in all affairs just as he (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) taught them a Surah (Chapter) of the holy Qur'an. He (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) said:

"When one of you has a matter of concern he has to make a decision about, then let him perform two rak'as of non-obligatory prayer, then say, 'O Allah, I seek Your guidance [in making a decision] by virtue of Your knowledge and I seek power by virtue of Your power, and I ask You of Your tremendous bounty, for, verily, You have power and I have none; and You have knowledge and I have none; indeed, You are the All-Knower of all that is hidden (and unseen). O Allah, if You know that this matter (to be mentioned by named) is good for me in my religion, my life and livelihood and the end of my affairs (or he said: "my present and future") then decree it for me and facilitate it for me, and then place blessing for me within it, and if You know that this matter is evil for me in my religion, my life and livelihood and the end of my affairs, (or he said: "my present and future") then divert it from me and keep me away from it, and decree for me what is good, wherever it may be, and then make me content with it."

The Prophet, Allah's blessings and peace be upon him, taught us to rely on our Lord Who

إِكُنْ فَيَكُونُ (البقرة: ١١٧]

When He decrees a matter, He only says to it: "Be!" - and it is." (Surat Al-Baqarah, 117)

It is Allah alone Who knows what is good for us and what is more beneficial for us. Let anyone, who invokes none but his Lord to endow him with his needs, be delighted for Allah will aid him and facilitate for him all his affairs. let him rejoice and be comforted in all that befalls him. Whoever seeks victory, let him put his trust in Allah, and whoever is surrounded with his enemies and the earth becomes narrowed him and closed in on him, let him put his trust in Allah. Allah, The Almighty, relates what Moses did:

﴿وَقَالَ مُوسَىٰ يَا قَوْمِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ آمَنْتُمْ بِاللَّهِ فَعَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلُوا إِنْ كُنْتُمْ مُسْلِمِينَ ﴾ [سورة يونس: 84]

"And Mûsâ (Moses) said: "O my people! If you have believed in Allâh, then put your trust in Him if you are Muslims (those who submit to Allâh's Will)."" (Surat Yunus, 84)

(وَعَلَى اللهِ فَتَوَكَّلُوا إِن كُنتُم مُّؤْمِنِينَ ﴾ [سورة المائدة:23]

 "In Allah you must place your trust, if you are believers."" (Surat Al-Ma'idah, 23)

"if you are believers": if we are true believers. To be a true believer, your faith should be based on knowledge of Allah and His Names and Attributes. This divine knowledge will make us rely on Allah, and will instill in our hearts the belief that He, Glorified be He, protects us, helps us, and aids us, and that He, The Almighty, defends us and wards off all evils from us.

Sufficiency and love and will be chosen by Him over others.

(وَمَنْ يَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ فَهُوَ حَسْبُهُ﴾ [سورة الطلاق: 3]. # "And whosoever puts his trust in Allâh, then He will suffice him." (Surat At-Talaq, 3)

{يَا أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ حَسْبُكَ اللهُ وَمَنِ اتَّبَعَكَ مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِين} [سورة الأنفال: 64]

Illâh is Sufficient for you !! Allâh is Sufficient for you !! Allâh is Sufficient for you and for the believers who follow you." (Surat Al-Anfal, 64)

It means: "Allah suffices you and is All-Sufficient for the believers who follow you. 'It is Allah, The Almighty, Who is All-Sufficient for you, and All-Sufficient for your followers, O Muhammad, Allah's blessings and peace be upon you!'

- That is, Allah, Exalted be He, suffices His slave for all his religious and worldly affairs. Trusting your Lord means your heart's dependence and reliance on Allah in attaining what you need and warding off all evils, and having full confidence in Him, making use of all means and causes that are religiously lawful and allowed.
- We must rely on Allah in all matters: in worship and obedience, and in abiding by what is made lawful. Whoever sincerely trusts his Lord, will definitely get what he wants. At-Tawakul (i.e. putting our trust in our Lord) is an act of worship performed by the heart. It is the person's belief that Allah is All-Sufficient for him in everything, it makes him dispense with everything and everyone except Him, Exalted be He. It is your contentment with Allah as your Guardian and Trustee and Best Disposer of affairs, and abstinence from relying on your might and personal strength, or might and personal strength of any human being. It is the belief that Allah, The Almighty, does what He wills, and that if He, Glorified be He, wills anything, it must be, and if He wills not anything, it will never be.

At-Tawakul (i.e. putting your trust in your Lord) means that you abstain from getting attached to or relying on anyone except Allah, being fully subsmissive to Allah, without depending on any worldly means. We should exert best efforts and make use of all means without relying on them, rather we should depend on Allah, alone, clinging to the strength and power of Him, The Almighty, The All-Wise. As for those who depend on anyone except Allah, they are surely losers, because It is Allah Who is Omnipotent and all people on earth and all powers of this world possess neither harm nor benefit for themselves. This is evident in the saying of Allah, The Almighty:

(قُلْ فَادْرَعُوا عَنْ أَنفُسِكُمُ الْمَوْتَ إِن كُنتُمْ صَادِقِينَ) [سورة آل عمران: 168].

 "Say: "Avert death from your ownselves, if you speak the truth."" (Surat Aal-`Imran, 168)

- Al-Saadi said: If the slave's heart relies on his Lord and *puts his trust in Him as it should be* and depends on Him wholeheartedly in achieving all his interests and repelling all harm, and strengthening himself and his inner goodness, then his Lord will suffice him, and He will fulfill for him all affairs and direct him perfectly in his words and actions. And Allah will be All-Sufficient for him in all his worries and He will relieve him of all grief. You will find all your affairs are amazingly facilitated for all difficulties will become eased, your afflictions will be relieved, troubles will pass away, even your needs will be fulfilled and gratified, and blessings will descend on, and curses and evils are repelled from you.
 - ➡ O Allah, make us among those who have asked You for guidance and with those You have endowed with Your guidance! O our Lord, make us among those who put their trust in You, and You have, graciously, sufficed them.
 - In the stories of the holy Qur'an and Sunnah, there are amazing evidences and manifestations that bear witness to the believers' reliance on their Lord and how He, The Almighty, has endowed them with their sufficiency, despite the weakness or lack of means; nevertheless Allah, Exalted be He, protected and took charge of them in their darkest moments:
 - The story of the Prophet Yunus, Allah's blessings and peace be upon him: suddenly he found himself in a tough situation, that is, in the darkness of the whale's belly, in the darkness of the night, and in the darkness of the sea.

Allah, The Almighty, relates to us this in the Holy Quran:

(فَنَادَى فِي الظُّلُمَاتِ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ سُبْحَانَكَ إِنِّي كُنْتُ مِنَ الظَّالِمِينَ فَاسْتَجَبْنَا لَهُ وَنَجَيْنَاهُ مِنَ الْغَمِّ وُكَذَٰلِكَ نُنجِي الْمُؤْمِنِينَ﴾ [سورة الأنبياء: 87-88]

"And (remember) Dhun-Nûn (Jonah), when he went off in anger, and imagined that We shall not punish him (i.e. the calamities which had befallen him)! But he cried through the darkness (saying): Lâ ilâha illâ Anta [none has the right to be worshipped but You (O, Allâh)], Glorified (and Exalted) be You [above all that (evil) they associate with You]! Truly, I have been of the wrong-doers." So We answered his call, and delivered him from the distress. And thus We do deliver the believers (who believe in the Oneness of Allâh, abstain from evil and work righteousness.)." (Surat Al-Anbyaa, 87-88)

The story of the Prophet Moses, Allah's blessings and peace be upon him: a great tyrant, "Fir'aun (Pharaoh)", was very powerful, equipped with deadly weapons. That oppressor was spiteful, arrogant, whereas the followers of Moses were a small group. That tyrant and his soldiers were behind Prophet Moses and his followers, and the sea was in front of them. How come Moses and his followers will be saved?!! Was there any hope of rescue? Allah, The Almighty, relates to us this in the Holy Quran:

إِقَالَ أَصْحَابُ مُوسَى إِنَّا لَمُدْرَكُونَ قَالَ كَلَّا ۖ إِنَّ مَعِيَ رَبِّي سَيَهْدِينِ ﴾ [سورة الشعراء: 61-62]

- "And when the two hosts saw each other, the companions of Mûsâ (Moses) said: "We are sure to be overtaken." [Mûsâ (Moses)] said: "Nay, verily with me is my Lord. He will guide me." (Surat Ash-Shu`ra, 61-62)
- The story of the believing man of Fir'aun's family: that man put his trust in Allah. He said, as the Holy Quran relates to us:

(وَأُفَوِّضُ أَمْرِي إِلَى اللهِ إِنَّ اللهَ بَصِيرٌ بِالْعِبَادِ) [سورة غافر: 44]

- "And you will remember what I am telling you, and my affair I leave it to Allâh. Verily, Allâh is the All-Seer of (His) slaves." (Surat Ghafir, 44)
- So, the result and outcome of this was:

(فَوَقَاهُ اللَّهُ سَيَيْنَاتِ مَا مَكَرُوا وَحَاقَ بِآلِ فِرْعَوْنَ سُوءُ الْعَذَابِ) [سورة غافر: 45]

"So Allâh saved him from the evils that they plotted (against him), while an evil torment encompassed Fir'aun's (Pharaoh) people." (Surat Ghafir, 45) The story of the mother of Moses, Allah's peace be upon him: she obeyed Allah and put her trust in Him in a situation that make hearts crumble to pieces. Allah, The Almighty, says:

(وَأَوْحَيْنَا إِلَىٰ أُمِّ مُوسَىٰ أَنْ أَرْضِعِيهِ حَفَلَاً خِفْتِ عَلَيْهِ فَٱلْقِيهِ فِي الْيَمِّ وَلَا تَخْافِي وَلَا تَحْزَنِي حَلِنًا رَادُهُ إِنَّا رَادُهُ إِلَيْكَ وَجَاعِلُوهُ مِنَ الْمُرْسَلِينَ) [7: القصص]

- * "And We inspired the mother of Mûsâ (Moses): (telling): "Suckle him [Mûsâ (Moses)], but when you fear for him, then cast him into the river and fear not, nor grieve. Verily, We shall bring him back to you, and shall make him one of (Our) Messengers."" (Surat Al-Qasas, 7)
- She submitted to her Lord and His order due to her extreme trust in Him, Glorified be He! Had it not been for her trust and confidence in her Lord, she would not have thrown her baby- her flesh and blood- in the river, below the crashing waves.
- Hajar, the wife of Prophet Ibrahim, Allah's peace be upon him: Ibrahim left her and her infant son in the desert. Allah, The Almighty, says in Surat Ibrahim that he left them:
 - (بِوَادٍ غَيْرِ ذِي زَرْعٍ) (سورة ابراهيم: 37) # "in an uncultivable valley" (Surat Ibrahim, 37)

He submitted obediently and subserviently to the order of his Lord, Glorified be He, without knowing the reasons. Actually, this was a trial for Hajar and Ibrahim, Allah's peace be upon him, and their trust of their Lord. It was reported that Hajar asked him: "To whom are you leaving us, Ibrahim?" He did not reply, so she said: "Did Allah command you to do this?" He nodded, thus she said, "Then He will not let us down."

> كان النبي ﷺ نائمًا تحت الشجرة عند عودته من غزوة ذات الرقاع، فيأتي أحد الكفار ويضع السيف في رقبته ويقول له: "يا مُحمد من يمنعك مني؟" فيقول له النبي ﷺ: "الله يمنعك مني." فسقط السيف من يد الرجل، فأخذه الرسول ﷺ ووضعه في رقبته وقال له: "وأنت من يمنعك مني؟" فقال له: "يا مُحمد كن خير آخذ." فقال له النبي ﷺ: "أتشهد أن لا إله إلا الله واني رسول الله؟"، قال "لا"، فقال له: "إذن لا تُعين على أحداً". قال: "نعم"، فقال له: "أذهب".

The Messenger (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) was taking some rest under a tree after the Battle of Dhat al-Raqqa, after having hung his sword on it, when an infidel came and took the sword, and put it at the Messenger's neck and said: "O Muhammad! Who will protect you from me?" The Messenger of Allah (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) said: "Allah will protect me from you!" Thus, on hearing this, the infidel trembled and the sword fell down from his hand, so the Prophet (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) caught it and asked him: "Now, who will protect you from me?" The man said: "O Muhammad! Repel evil with that which is best and pardon me!"

The Messenger of Allah (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) said, "On condition you bear witness that there is none worthy of worship but Allah and that I am the Messenger of Allah." He said, "No!

So, the Prophet (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) told him: "Then don't ever support anyone in fighting against me!" He said: "I promise you!" The Prophet (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him): "Go away!"

- The Fruits We Gain from Putting our trust in Allah, Al-Wakeel (The Trustee, The Disposer of affairs, The Guardian over all things), Al-Kafeel (The Protector and The Guarantor), Al-Kafy (The All-Sufficient):
 - It is the slave's means to be loved by Allah, The Almighty. Allah, Exalted be He, says:

﴿فَإِذَا عَزَمْتَ فَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُتَوَكِّلِينَ ﴾ [سورة آل عمران: 159]

Then when you have taken a decision, put your trust in Allâh, certainly, Allâh loves those who put their trust (in Him)."" (Surat Aal-`Imran, 159)

When Allah, Exalted be He, loves a slave, He will never punish him or torment him in Hellfire; when Allah loves a slave, He will cast his love into the hearts of His slaves, and He will respond to his supplications and grant him his request.

It is the attribute of the true believers as Allah, The Almighty, says:

(إِنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ الَّذِينَ إِذَا ذُكِرَ اللَّهُ وَجِلَتْ قُلُوبُهُمْ وَإِذَا تُلْيَتْ عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتُهُ زَادَتْهُمْ إِيمَانًا وَعَلَىٰ رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ) [سورة الأنفال:2]

"The believers are only those who, when Allâh is mentioned, feel a fear in their hearts and when His Verses (this Qur'ân) are recited unto them, they (i.e. the Verses) increase their Faith; and they put their trust in their Lord (Alone)" (Surat Al-Anfal, 2)

It is one of the special attributes of the seventy thousand believers who will enter Paradise without being tormented or called to reckoning; those people:

«لَا يَكْتَوُونَ، وَلَا يَسْتَرْقُونَ، وَلَا يَتَطَيَّرُونَ، وَعَلَى رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ» رواه بخاري

"do not seek treatment with cauterization, nor ask others for Ruqyah (get oneself treated by the recitation of some verses of the Qur`an) nor regard things as an evil omen and they put their trust (only) in their Lord." (Narrated by Al-Bukhari]

To get rid of pessimism and be optimistic: pessimism is one of the acts of pre-Islamic ignorance era, and one of the characteristics of those who do not believe in Allah, The Almighty. It is forbidden to say, do or wear anything that denotes pessimism and superstition. Some people might say after getting back from wok: "I saw so-and-so and considered him a bad omen, so I came back home!" Moreover, if anything bad befalls him, he would claim: "It seems that I saw an evil omen in the morning."

قال النبي عنه: (الطِّيرةُ شركٌ، ولكن الله يُذهِبها بالتوكل) صححه الألباني.

Allah's Messenger (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) warned against this as it was reported that he (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) said: "Believing in bad omens is polytheism, yet Allah has ordained it to be erased by having trust in Him." (Classified as authentic by Al-Albani) ⇒ Believing in Allah's Most Beautiful Name {Al-Wakeel} (The Trustee, The Disposer of affairs, The Guardian over all things) showers the hearts of believers, entrusting their affairs to Allah with tranquility, comfort and reassurance; for they proceed in life, without having any worries.

Satan has no power over those who put their trust only in Allah, as Allah, The Almighty, says:

(إِنَّهُ لَيْسَ لَهُ سُلْطَانٌ عَلَى الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَلَىٰ رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ) [سورة النحل:99]

"Verily! He has no power over those who believe and put their trust only in their Lord (Allâh)." (Surat An-Nahl, 99)

قال صلى الله عليه وسلم: (سِمْم اللهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ عَلَى اللهِ، لَاحَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللهِ، يُقَالُ حِينَند: هُدِيتَ، وَكُفِيتَ، وَوُقِيتَ، فَتَتَنَحَى لَهُ الشَّيَاطِينُ، فَيَقُولُ لَهُ شَيْطَانٌ آخَرُ: كَيْفَ لَكَ بِرَجُلٍ قَدَّ هُدِيَ وَكُفِيَ وَوُقِيَ)

It was reported that the Messenger of Allah (Allah's blessings and peace be upon him) said: "Whoever says upon leaving his house: 'In the Name of Allah, I place my trust in Allah, there is no might or power except with Allah' (Bismillāh, tawakkaltu `alallāh, lā ḥawla wa lā quwwata illā billāh)' it will be said to him: 'You have been guided, sufficed and protected,' and Satan will step aside and become distant from him." [Narrated in Sahih At-Tirmidhi]

To gain the feeling of security, comfort, tranquility, strength and pride: whoever puts his trust in Allah, then he will be inundated with security and comfort, and he will feel that Allah will not abandon him. Moreover, he gain a sense of pride and strength simply because he believes in Allah, Exalted be He.

(إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُدَافِعُ عَنِ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا ...) [سورة الحج: 38]

"Truly, Allâh defends those who believe. Verily, Allâh likes not any treacherous ingrate to Allâh [those who disobey Allâh but obey Shaitân (Satan)]." (Surat Al-Hajj, 38) ﴿وَمَنْ يَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزِيزٌ حَكِيمٌ ﴾ [سورة الأنفال: 49].

- "When the hypocrites and those in whose hearts was a disease (of disbelief) said: "These people (Muslims) are deceived by their religion." But whoever puts his trust in Allâh, then surely, Allâh is All-Mighty, All-Wise." (Surat Al-Anfal, 49)
- To attain sufficiency and get rid of anxiety: Some of our righteous predecessors said: "Allah, The Almighty, has made for every action a reward of its kind, and made the reward for relying on Him and putting one's trust in Him to be sufficed by Him. Allah, Glorified be He, says:

﴿وَمَنْ يَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ فَهُوَ حَسْبُهُ [سورة الطلاق: 3]. And whosoever puts his trust in Allâh, then He will suffice him." (Surat # At-Talag, 3)

In this verse, Allah did not mention a special reward, rather He said that He Himself, Exalted be He, is All-Sufficient for His slave who put his trust in Him, and will suffice and protect him.

8 It makes him contented with the divine decree and predestination:

in fact, the believer who puts his trust in Allah, and entrusts his affairs to Him is certain that Allah's planning and conducting of his affairs is far better than his, and that he is cherished with Allah's sufficiency, his Guarantor and Trustee Who is taking charge of his affairs and interests. Indeed, *Sufficient is Allâh as a Wakîl (Trustee, or Disposer of affair), and Sufficient is Allâh as a Kafeel (Guarantor).* That is why he throws his worries at the door of his Lord, so he feels comforted, reassured and relieved of worries and stubbornness.

Ibn Rajab al-Hanbali, may Allah have mercy on him, said: "Know for sure that the fruit of putting your trust in Allah is contentment with the divine decree, for whoever entrusts his affairs belong to Allah, and is content with what He decrees for him, then he has fulfilled the true essence of putting trust in Allah."

- Yahya bin Muadh was asked: "When is a man considered sincerely putting his trust in Allah?" He said: (If he is content with Allah as his Guardian and Disposer of affairs."
- To be rewarded with the lofty dwellings in Paradise that Allah has prepared for those who put their trust only in their Lord: Allah, Exalted be He, says:

(وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَنُبَوَنَتَهُمْ مِنَ الْجَنَّةِ غُرَفًا تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا نِعْمَ أَجْرُ الْعَامِلِينَ الَّذِينَ صَبَرُوا وَعَلَىٰ رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ) [العنكبوت: 58-59]

"And those who believe (in the Oneness of Allâh - Islâmic Monotheism) and do righteous good deeds, to them We shall surely give lofty dwellings in Paradise, underneath which rivers flow, to live therein forever. Excellent is the reward for the workers. Those who are patient, and put their trust (only) in their Lord (Allâh)." (Surat Al-`Ankabut 58-59)

In conclusion:

One of the righteous scholars said a great saying, he said: "Be satisfied and contented with Allah in all what He has decreed for you, for He has not deprived you of anything except to give you of his lavish endowments, nor did He afflict you with trials except to heal and relieve you, nor made you sick except to cure you, nor did he cause you to die except to endow you with life.

So, don't ever abandon contentment with your Lord for the blink of an eye, otherwise you will fall out of his favours.

O Allah! Glorified be You and all praises belong to You! I bear witness that there is no god deserved to be worshipped except You, I seek Your forgiveness and repent to You!