Surah 76 Surah Insaan / Surah Dahar

MAN

THE LINK BETWEEN SURAH INSAAN AND SURAH QIYAAAMAH

Surah Qiyaamah warned people against rejecting the belief in Qiyaamah. It rebukes with the words, “Does man think that We shall never gather his bones (to resurrect him on the Day of Qiyaamah)?” In Surah Dahar, Allaah explains the matter in greater detail when He says that man was once a non-entity, after which Allaah created him from a drop of fluid and granted him the faculties of hearing and sight. This emphasises that Allaah can certainly repeat the procedure to resurrect man for Qiyaamah.

Tawheed was not explicitly mentioned in Surah Qiyaamah, Surah Dahar negates Shirk (the opposite of Tawheed) in verses 25 and 26. Surah Qiyaamah did not convey many glad tidings of rewards in the Aakhirah, Surah Dahar makes extensive mention of this.

A SUMMARY OF THE SURAH

The first three verses of the Surah discuss the creative power of Allaah Who has created man from a single drop of fluid. It will therefore be simple for Allaah to resurrect people on the Day of Judgement. In verse 4, the Kuffaar are warned of a dreadful punishment in the Aakhirah. Verses 5 to 22 explain the blessings and bounties that the pious bondsmen of Allaah will receive in Jannah.

“(O Rasulullaah ﷺ) Verily We have revealed the Qur’aan to you…” [verse 23] draws people’s attention to the Qur’aan, after which Allaah proceeds to encourage Rasulullaah ﷺ in verse 24, exhorting him to continue propagation even though the Kuffaar will never give up their opposition.

“Indeed these people (the Kuffaar) love the world and leave behind them (have no concern for) a weighty day (the Day of Qiyaamah)” [verse 27]. This verse repents the message contained in verses 20 and 21 of Surah Qiyaamah, where Allaah rebuked people for preferring this world to the Aakhirah.

In verse 24, Allaah again reminds man that He is Able to resurrect him on the Day of Qiyaamah, just as He was Able to create him initially. Allaah then tells people that the Qur’aan is a reminder for them which they may follow if they choose to. The Surah concludes with the words, “He (Allaah) enters whoever He wills into His mercy (by guiding them to Imaan) and has prepared a painful punishment for the oppressors (for the Kuffaar).”
In the name of Allaah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

1. Undoubtedly, a moment in time has passed by man when he was something not even worth mentioning (he was still a drop of semen).

2. Indeed We have created man from a mixed seed (fusion between the male sperm and female egg) to test him (by prescribing various duties for him) and We made him (a) hearing and seeing (being).

3. We guided him to the path (of the true Deen and Shari'ah), so he is either grateful (by following the path) or ungrateful (by choosing to remain a Kaafir).

4. Verily for the Kaafiroon We have prepared chains (jotters), yokes (oppressive collars) and a flaming fire (in the Aakhirah).

5. (On the other hand) The righteous (Mu'mineen) shall certainly drink from a cup which contains a (drink made from a) mixture of (water from the spring of) Kaafoor (Camphor)...

6. ... (which is) a spring (in Jannah) from which Allaah's bondsmen shall drink and which they shall cause to flow abundantly (whenever they wish).
7. They (the righteous are people who) fulfill their vows (and everything else that is binding on them) and fear the day (of Qiyaamah) whose difficulty shall be widespread (affect everyone).

8. Out of love for Allaah, they feed the poor, the orphan and the captive (every needy person, whether Muslim or non-Muslim)...
15. Utensils of silver (containing the most sumptuous foods) will be brought to them as well as glasses of crystal (containing the most delicious drinks)...

16. ...such crystal that is of silver (unlike anything of this world), with an appropriate measure (drink will neither be too little so that the person will wish for, nor will it be too much that he would have to force himself to finish it).

17. They will be given to drink from cups containing a (wonderful) ginger mixture-like.

18. (They will drink from) A spring there (in Jannah) called Salsabeel (Pure and clean water).

19. Lads of eternal youth will wait on them (to serve them whatever they wish). When you see them, you will think that they are scattered pearls (because of their great beauty).

20. If you look (around) there (in Jannah), you will see (tremendous) bounties and an enormous kingdom (vastly superior to anything in this world).

21. Their clothing will be (made of) fine green silk and thick silk. (In addition to this,) They will be adorned with bangles of silver (which will add to their beauty) and their Rabb shall give them pure drinks (that will neither be impure like the intoxicating wines of this world.)

22. (When enjoying all these bounties, they will be told,) “This is your reward. Your efforts (to please Allaah in the world) have been appreciated (accepted, and these bounties are a token of Our appreciation).”
23. (O Rasulullah ﷺ) Verily We have revealed the Qur’aan to you bit by bit (as and when the need arose and when appropriate).

24. So remain steadfast on the command of your Rabb and do not obey any sinner or (staunch) Kaafir from them (when they ask you to make compromises in your Deen to suit them).

25. Remember the name of your Rabb (engage in Dhikr and salaat) morning and evening. (This is an effective remedy for quarrels and arguments.)

26. Prostrate to Him (perform salaat) during the night and glorify Him during the long portions of the night.

27. Indeed these people (the Kuffaar) love the world and leave behind them (have no concern for) a weighty day (the Day of Qiyaamah).

28. (The Kuffaar have no reason to doubt their resurrection on the Day of Qiyaamah because) Only We have created them and only We strengthened their joints. Whenever We wish, We could replace them with people just like them. (When Allaah can do this, why can He not resurrect all mankind?)

29. (All of) This (that has been already mentioned) is certainly advice. So whoever wills should adopt a path (of submission that takes him) towards (the pleasure of) his Rabb.

30. (However) You cannot intend to do anything without Allaah’s will. (No person can be rightly guided without Allaah’s will). (Allaah Alone decides who will be rightly guided and who will not be because) Verily Allaah is All Knowing (of our talents), the Wise.

31. He enters whoever He wills into His mercy (by guiding them to Imaan) and has prepared a painful punishment for the oppressors (the Kuffaar).