Surah 78 Surah Naba

THE NEWS

THE LINK BETWEEN SURAH NABA AND SURAH MURSALAAT

Surah Mursalaat makes it clear that Allaah's promises will certainly come to pass. A part of these promises is the bounties that Allaah will shower on the pious people in the Aakhirah. The verses of Surah Naba mention many bounties that Allaah conferred on man in this very world. At the same time, man must not forget that he also suffers many adversities and difficulties. Allaah mentions these worldly bounties so that man's attention is drawn to the fact that Allaah will also confer bounties to people in the Aakhirah. Of course, there will also be many who will have to suffer punishment in the Aakhirah as well, just as they have to suffer these in this world as well.

A SUMMARY OF THE SURAH

The first five verses reproach those Kuffaar who expressed doubt about the advent of Qiyaamah. Allaah says that these people will soon realise how wrong they are. In verses 6 to 16, Allaah recounts the various bounties that he has bestowed on man so that man realises that Allaah can grant him the bounties of the Aakhirah as well.

Verses 17 to 30 describe the frightful scene of Qiyaamah, beginning with the advent of Qiyaamah and ending when people will be cast into Jahannam. A description of the bounties to be received by the people of Jannah follows in verses 31 to 36.

"the Rabb of the heavens, the earth and whatever is between them and the Most Compassionate..." [verse 37]. This verse refers to concept of Towheed. It refutes the notion that any being can overrule Allaah's decree. The closing two verses clearly mention that the advent of Qiyaamah is certain. Therefore, people should prepare themselves well before it occurs, otherwise they will be filled with regrets only.
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In the name of Allaah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

1. What do they (who deny Qiyaamah) ask about?

2. About the great news (the coming of Qiyaamah)...

3. ...concerning which they differ?

4. Take heed! They will soon come to know (that it will most certainly take place).

5. Take heed again! They will soon come to know.

6. Have We not made the earth a bedding (a place where they may live in comfort)...

7. ...the mountains pegs (to lend stability to the earth, having their bulk underground)...

8. ...and created you in pairs (so that you may live in peace and comfort with your spouse)?
9. (And have We not) Made your sleep a means of rest...

10. ...the night a drape (covering the earth in tranquil darkness)...

11. ...and the day a means of earning livelihood?

12. (And have We not) Made seven powerful skies above you...

13. ...and We placed a bright lamp (the sun in the sky, which provides both heat and light).?

14. And (do we not) send torrential rains from laden clouds...

15. ...to extract with it seeds (grain), plants...

16. ...and dense gardens.? (All these phenomena reveal the great creative powers of Allaah. When He can create all these wonderful things, how can the Kuffaar doubt that He can resurrect creation on the Day of Qiyaamah?)

17. Verily the (time for the) Day of Judgement has been fixed (already determined).
18. (It will be) The day when the trumpet will be blown and you will come (to the Plain of Reckoning) in large groups (according to beliefs and actions).

19. The sky will be opened and will become (like) many doors (for the angels to make their entry).

20. The mountains will be made to fly (about like flakes of wool) and will be (finally) reduced to dust.

21. Indeed Jahannam is a place of ambush (where the angels of punishment are lying in wait to punish the Kuffaar)...

22. ...an abode for the rebellious (the proud and haughty ones).

23. They will remain there for an extremely long period of time (without their punishment coming to an end).

24. In Jahannam they will taste neither any coolness nor any drink...

25. ...except boiling water and Ghassaaq (Flowing pus from the wounds of those in Jahannam)...

26. ...as a befitting punishment (for their kufir and sins).
27. Indeed they never looked forward to reckoning...

28. ...and adamantly rejected Our Aayaat.

29. We have meticulously recorded everything in the book (their books of actions). (Therefore they cannot refute anything and will be punished for every sin.)

30. (They will be told,) “Now taste (the punishment)! (Do not plead for respite because) We shall increase you only in punishment.” (Your punishment can only get worse, no better.)

31. Those with Taqwa shall certainly have success (attain their objective),...

32. ...(and will have) Jannaat, (garden) and grapes...(vineyards)

33. ...Youthful maidens of equal (the same) age (as their wives),...

34. ...and brimming glasses (of the most delicious drink).

35. There (in Jannah) they shall hear neither futile (foolish) talk nor lies (any falsehood).
36. (All this will be) Compensation, conferred (to them) as an ample gift from your Rabb…

37. ...Who is the Rabb of the heavens, the earth and whatever is between them and the Most Compassionate, Whom they will be unable to address. (The people of Jahannam will be unable to request Allaah to grant them respite. The people of Jannah will also be unable to ask for more because they will be unable to imagine anything more.)

38. (This will occur) On the day when the spirit (Jibra’eeel and every living being) and the angels will stand (humbly) in rows, (overawed by Allaah’s presence) none of them will be able to speak except the one whom Ar-Rahmaan permits (to speak) and who speaks correctly (what is the truth).

39. That is the Day of Truth. So whoever wills (desires salvation) should adopt a recourse towards his Rabb (by accepting Islam and diligently fulfilling the injunctions of the Shari’ah).

40. We have certainly warned you of a near (imminent) punishment; (which will take place on) the day when a man will see what his hands sent ahead (forwarded) and the Kaafir will say, “Oh dear! If only I had been dust (and did not have to face this day)!”