Surah 95 Surah Teen

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THE LINK BETWEEN SURAH TEEN AND THE PRECEDING SURAHS

Surah Duha consoles Rasulullaah ﷺ, while Surah Inshiraah consoles the Mu'mineen. Now Surah Teen cites five proofs by which it is established that man has attained a high status solely because of his belief in Touheed. Allaah has granted man beauty as well as intellect so that he may understand the truth. However, because of man's inability to use this intellect, he has rejected the truth and lowered himself to earn the lowest levels of Jahannam.

A SUMMARY OF THE SURAH

The first four verses of the Surah present four proofs to substantiate the fact that man has been created in the best of moulds. Verse 5 mentions the punishment for evil doers, after which verse 6 makes an exception of the Mu'mineen, for they will receive grand rewards from Allaah. Allaah concludes the Surah by stating the final proof.
1. By the (oath of the) fig and the olive!

2. By (the oath of) Mount Sinai!

3. By (the oath of) this peaceful city (of Makkah)!

4. Undoubtedly, We created man in the best form. (Compared to other creatures, man's physique is certainly more beautiful and he also has intelligence which the others do not possess also power of choice.)

5. Thereafter, (as he reaches old age) We relegate (reduce) him to the lowest of the low (when he becomes too weak to walk upright and even loses his intelligence as senility sets in. This verse also refers to the Kuffaar who become worse than animals when they choose to reject Allaah)...

6. ... (this is the condition of all men) except those who have Imaan and who carry out good deeds. (Instead of old age hampering their lives, the Mu'mineen use the free time in their old age to engage in Ibaadah.) Theirs shall be a reward (in the Aakhirah) that will never come to an end. (limitless)

7. (After witnessing Allaah's ability to create and degenerate,) What is it then that makes you deny Reckoning (on the Day of Qiyaamah)? (When Allaah is Capable of doing the many great things that you see, why do you deny His ability to resurrect people after death?)

8. Is Allaah not the Greatest of all rulers? (Allaah has complete control over all affairs in this world and the Aakhirah and can do as He pleases in both.)