

MODULE 4

Class Title: Surah Az-Zalzalah

Aim of the lesson: To learn the reality of the *aakhirah* and prepare for accountability

Category: *Tafseer*

Lesson Format: Power point presentation with discussion

(Greeting to students) *Assalamu 'alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh*

(*Ta'awwudh*) *A 'oodhu billahi min Ash Shaytaanir Rajeem*

(*Tasmiyah*) *Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem*

(*Du'a*) *Rabbish rahli sadri wa yassirli amri wahlul 'uqdatum millisani yafqahu qawli* [Surah Ta-Ha 20: Verses 25-28]

Slide 1:

I hope this lesson that we are doing on Surah Az-Zalzalah is beneficial because it is a beautiful *surah* which can have a very powerful impact on a person, provided that you open your heart to it. May Allah (swt) make *khayr* (benefit) the outcome of today's class.

Let us first listen to the beautiful recitation of this *surah*. How many of you know it by heart?

Slides 2 - 4:

(Recitation of the *surah*)

Slide 5:

Before we talk about this beautiful, amazing *surah*, I want to ask you something; if I use the word knowledge, what comes to your mind? What is knowledge? Knowledge is information, experience, understanding, etc. What part of your body is utilized or active when you are attaining knowledge? The mind.

When I use the word belief or *eemaan*, on the other hand, what comes to your mind? What is *eemaan*? *Eemaan* is faith; something that comes from the heart. What part of your body is utilized or active when we talk about *eemaan*? The heart, the soul and the mind as well.

So when we talk about knowledge, we are talking about and focusing on the mind; our mind becomes active. When we focus on *eemaan* or faith, there are a lot of things that become active in us; our minds, along with our hearts and souls.

Slide 6:

What are the things that our *eemaan* is based on? It is to believe in Allah (swt), His angels, His books, His messengers, the Last Day and Divine pre-ordainment. The fifth pillar of *eemaan* is the Last Day; these are the things that we need to have *eemaan* on ¹. However,

¹ We believe in God, and the revelation given to us, and to Abraham, Ishmael, Isaac, Jacob and the Tribes; and that which was given to Moses and Jesus, and that which was given to all prophets from their Lord. We make no discrimination between one and another of them, and we bow to God (2:136, cf. 3:84; 4:163-165; 6:84-87).

just the knowledge of these is not enough, we have to have faith and that usually activates our hearts and souls as well.

When we talk about the Last Day, what are the things that you need to have belief in with regards to the Day of Judgment?

Slide 7:

With regards to the Day of Judgment, we need to believe in the trial of the grave, reward and punishment in the grave, resurrection, the gathering of mankind for accountability, the Judgment, the scale of deeds, the *Hawdh*, the path, the intercession, Paradise, Hell and all that Allah (swt) prepared in these two abodes for their dwellers.

Slide 8:

Show video clip.

Slides 9-11:

To begin with, there is the trial of the grave. Do you know that people will be tried and questioned in their graves? We are not talking about the Day of Judgement here; when you die and are in the grave, you'll be questioned right there. Then there will be a punishment or reward of the grave; it's not just the trial and the question and answer session, but based on that your punishment or reward will start from the grave.

We have not reached the Day of Judgement; we are still talking about the grave right now. Resurrection however, is when we come alive again. There will be a gathering of mankind for accountability on the Day of Judgement. Then the judgment will be given; the scale of deeds will be actual scales where Allah (swt) will put our good and bad deeds ². Then there will be the *Haud* (pond); *haud-e-kauthar*³. Only believers will enter into *Jannah* (Paradise); they will be privileged enough to drink from this *haud* (pond). Then comes the path ⁴, then

"O ye who believe! Believe in Allah and His Messenger, and the scripture which He hath sent to His Messenger and the scripture which He sent to those before (him). Any who denieth Allah, His angels, His Books, His Messengers, and the Day of Judgment, hath gone far, far astray. " (Surah 4 (An-Nisa): 136)

² "We shall set up scales of justice for the Day of Judgment, so that not a soul will be dealt with unjustly in the least, and if there be (no more than) the weight of a mustard seed, We will bring it (to account) and enough are We to take account" Surah Al Anbiyah: 47

³ See end of document – reference for teachers

⁴ "One Day shall thou see the believing men and women – how their light runs forward before them and by their right hands: "Good news for you this Day! Gardens beneath which flow rivers! To dwell therein! This is indeed the highest achievement" - "One Day will the hypocrites – men and women – say to the believers "wait for us! Let us borrow from your light!" It will be said "Turn ye back to your rear! Then seek a light! So a wall will be put up betwixt them, with a gate therein. Within it will be Mercy throughout and without it, all alongside will be punishment" Surah Al Hadeed: 12 & 13

the intercession of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)⁵ , Paradise, Hell and all that Allah (swt) has prepared for the dwellers of the Hellfire and *Jannah*.

These are all the things regarding which our faith must be strong; only knowledge of them is insufficient. We must have this blind trust that, yes this is all definitely going to happen to me.

What happens when one dies? The angels come to take the soul ⁶; and then what happens? They ask us three questions ⁷. We need to have utmost faith in the fact that we will be asked questions; very basic questions about our religion; what was our religion, who was the messenger and *rasool* that we followed, very basic questions. We will probably think that these are easy questions; we shouldn't have any problem in answering them. But the reality is that only the firm believers, the practicing Muslims, will be able to answer them, not everyone ⁸.

These basic questions will become very difficult for us if we are not strong in our faith. How can you tell if your faith is strong enough? What is the litmus test that will tell you now, if you have faith in the long list of things that I just gave you? Your *a'maal* (deeds); how you are leading your life, will tell you if you have the required faith. Is your lifestyle showing that you actually believe in all these things, or do you just have knowledge of them? It is your *a'maal* that convert your knowledge into faith. Knowledge is very bookish, but when we talk about faith it is reflected in your lifestyle. The punishment in the grave will be given to only the ones who deserve it. The people who do good deeds will be given rewards in the grave ⁹.

The spirit goes to *barzakh*, but it has connections with the body, so you actually feel the pain or pleasure. The spirit feels what the body is going through.

Slides 12-15:

What do you think happens to the ones who are not buried? There are lots of bodies who are not buried. Will they experience any kind of punishment? We don't know how they will

⁵ "And the Earth will shine with the glory of its Lord: The record will be placed; the prophets and the witnesses will be brought forward and a just decision pronounced between them; and they will not be wronged (in the least)" Surah Az Zumer: 69

⁶ Allah (swt) says, "...When death approaches any of you, Our angels take his soul and they never fail in their duty." (al Ana'm 6:61).

⁷ See end of document - Reference for teachers

⁸ 'Allah will establish in strength those who believe with the word that stands firm...' (Ibraheem 14:27)

⁹ Those who believe, and do deeds of righteousness, and establish regular prayers and regular charity, will have their reward with their Lord: on them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve. (Surah Al-Baqarah 2: 277)

experience it, but Allah (swt) has made it very clear to us that this is something that will be experienced by **everyone**¹⁰. A body that has been eaten up in the grave will experience it, somebody who has been cremated (burned) will experience it, the one who drowned and is at the bottom of the sea will also suffer it; the soul will feel the pain. We don't know how this will happen; only that it definitely will.

Slides 16-17:

There is a *hadith* in Bukhari which narrates that the Prophet (pbuh) passed two graves and said, "Indeed they are being punished and they are not being punished for something that is great." Then he said, "Indeed as for one of them, he would spread tales in order to sow conflict among people."

That was what the first person did wrong and as for the other, he would not protect himself from urine. Such minor things like not practicing the prescribed bathroom etiquettes became the cause for being punished in the grave. He probably didn't clean himself properly before offering *salah*. The other person used to cause confusion and conflict between people; say things that would create confusion between two people. Repeating things that others have said, saying things just for the sake of saying them and causing a lot of confusion, resulting in a conflict. Most of us do that and this person was punished in the grave because of that. This is an authentic *hadith* from Bukhari.

Slide 18:

Now coming to Surah Az –Zalzalah; this was just the initial background that I wanted to give you. Basically, this *surah* is a description of the Day of Judgment and it also talks about the payment for good and evil that we do in this world; something very important that we need to know and understand.

Slide 19:

Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) said that this *surah* is equivalent to one-fourth of the Qur-an [An Nasai].

What does that imply? This one small *surah*, which we just heard being recited, is equal to one quarter of the Qur-an. What does that mean, why did the Prophet (pbuh) say this? Yes, it has a lot of power; it can have a big impact on you because it is so powerful. It can change your life, but you need to open your heart to it. You need to understand and feel what Allah (swt) is trying to warn you about.

Slide 20:

This *surah* is called *Az-zalzalah*, because it talks about an earthquake that will take place before *Qiyamah* (the Day of Judgment). What exactly is going to happen?

¹⁰ Every soul shall taste death ...(3:185, 21:35, 69:57)

Slide 21:

At the time of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh), the disbelievers used to nag him constantly with questions about *Qiyamah*; when will it come, what will happen, etc.

Slides 22-23:

Allah (swt) does not mention here the exact time when *Qiyamah* will come ¹¹, but He (swt) tells us the first sign of *Qiyamah*; a violent earthquake. They ask thee about the Hour when will be its fixed time; say, 'The knowledge of it is only with my Lord; none shall manifest it at its time but He; heavy shall it be in the heavens and the earth; it will not come to you but of a sudden.' They ask thee as if thou wert solicitous about it. Say, its knowledge is only with Allah, but most people do not understand." (Qur'an, 7:187)

Have you noticed that the frequency of earthquakes is increasing day by day? Ten years back the frequency of earthquakes around the world was much less as compared to what's happening now. So this is probably a sign that we are heading towards that one final earthquake before the Day of Judgment. This also tells us that the knowledge of the hour is only with Allah (swt). Only He (swt) knows when it will come, as He (swt) chooses not to reveal this detail.

So what is the question that we should be asking? Does it really matter when it comes? Don't you think that the moment we die, that's the end of us and that's like the Day of Judgment for us? We may not even be alive at that time and yet all of us might be present; we don't know as it can happen tomorrow for all we know or it can happen two hundred years later. We don't know. Our concern should not be about when it's going to come, but about what will happen to us when it comes¹².

Slide 24:

Idha zulzilatil ardu zilzalaha; When the earth is shaking with its final earthquake.

What's going to happen?

¹¹ Surely, knowledge of the Hour is with Allah alone. (31:34)

¹² Anas bin Maalik, (ra), said that a man asked the Prophet (pbuh): "When will the (last) hour come?" He replied: "What have you done to prepare for it?" The man replied: "Nothing, except the love I have for Allah and His Messenger." The Prophet (pbuh) replied: "You will be (on the Day of Judgment) with those whom you love." Anas bin Maalik (ra) said: "We (his companions) never rejoiced at anything more than his words, when he said "You will be (on the Day of Judgment) with those whom you love."" Anas, continued: "I love the Prophet (pbuh), Abu Bakr and 'Umar, and I hope to be with them (in the Hereafter) due to my love for them, even if I cannot do (the same amount of righteous deeds) as they do." (Bukhari & Muslim).

Slides 25-28:

This whole earth will be given a final jolt, causing all the buildings to collapse. Mountains will be crushed and hills will be totally leveled; this earth of ours will be totally flattened. It will not look like it does right now; this is good for our information, but we need to focus on what's going to happen to us; what is going to happen to ME?

The reason why Allah (swt) talks about this is because we've seen, heard and read about lots of calamities that have taken place in this world. Some have been so disastrous that you get scared when you watch the video clips; you thank Allah (swt) that you weren't there. If worldly catastrophes are so disastrous can you imagine what is going to happen on the Day of Judgement? That earthquake will be a million times more disastrous.

Slides 29-30:

Let's watch a video

Slides 31-32:

The second *ayah* is: *wa akhrajatil ardu athqaalaha*; When the earth throws out its burdens. All the treasures that exist in the earth will be thrown out; not just that, even dead bodies will be thrown out. Keep your focus on yourself. This is how life on this earth will end; it will be very chaotic. What happens if I tell you that an earthquake will take place tomorrow? You'll be worried about a lot of things; should I stay close to my mother, I should be doing good deeds, etc. That's what Allah (swt) wants to engrave in our minds and hearts. Maybe that's the reason why it's going to be so chaotic; so that we start worrying about it. We must not only have knowledge of this, in fact we must have firm belief in it.

Slide 33:

Abu Hurayrah (ra) said: "The Prophet (pbuh) said, 'Between the two blows of the trumpet there will be an interval of forty.' The people said, 'O Abu Hurayrah! Do you mean forty days?' He said, 'I cannot say anything.' They said, 'Do you mean forty years?' He said, 'I cannot say anything.' They said, 'Do you mean forty months?' He said, 'I cannot say anything.'

Slide 34:

The Prophet (pbuh) added: 'Everything of the human body will perish except the last end part of the spinal cord and from that bone Allah (swt) will reconstruct the whole body. Then Allah (swt) will send down water from the sky and people will grow like green vegetables!' [Al-Bukhari and Muslim]

Slide 35:

And man will say, "What is the matter with it?" Everybody will be totally confused.

Slides 36-37:

The fourth *ayah* says: *yauma-idhin tuhaddithu akhbaaraha*.

The day will declare its information (about all that happened over it of good and of evil).

Let's not get into the scientific aspect of what I'm going to discuss now; let's try not to focus on HOW all this is going to happen or even possible, focus on WHAT is going to happen to you.

Allah (swt) is saying that the earth will start telling tales about what took place on it. Think about yourself, standing on the Day of Judgment; you're totally lost, you don't know what's happening and then the earth starts telling your whole life story in front of everyone. (The earth doesn't tell your life story, does it? E.g. your body will testify against how you misused it, not the earth) yes it will

All the good deeds, all the bad deeds with each and every detail, even your secret, will be narrated by the earth. Everything includes your secrets too

Verily, its information is that it will testify against every male and female servant, about what they did upon its surface. It will say that he did such and such on such and such day. So this is its information."

At-Tirmidhi said, "This Hadith is Sahih Gharib."

Slides 38-40:

Bi anna rabbaka auhaa laha. Because your Lord has inspired it.

Allah (swt) has given these orders to the earth, that on the Day of Judgment it has to narrate each event of every person, individually.

My daughter's classmate's sister was nineteen years old and met with an accident in the U.S. She had done her A- levels from here and went there for further studies. She met with an accident and died. She was just nineteen years old.

Have you noticed that Allah (swt) repeatedly brings such incidents before us as a reminder so that we don't take it for granted that that we'll be alive till sixty years or even till twenty? You can't be sure if you'll be alive tomorrow. A car accident is something that can happen to any one of us. A heart attack is something that can happen to any one of us.

How embarrassing is it for us if somebody makes our video while doing something shameful? If somebody made your movie and ran it in front of the whole of humanity, how would you feel? This is what's going to happen; everything will be shown to everyone.

Slides 41-43:

Then this next *ayah* says, *Yauma-idheen yasdurun naasu ashtaatal leyurau a'maalalum*.

“That day mankind will proceed in divided groups that may be shown their deeds.”

This is very important; there will be two groups of people on the Day of Judgment. One will be a happy group that will be told to enter Paradise, may Allah (swt) make us belong to this group. There will be a second group, a miserable group, which will be sent to Hell.

What about those people who are still in doubt; who feel that they are still not convinced as yet; those who feel that there is too much peer pressure around them, those who feel that they need to be a little more mature before they start doing certain things that Allah (swt) wants them to do. What about these people who know that certain things must be done but are still waiting for it to come from their heart? What about those people who are procrastinating?

Will there be another group of people whom Allah (swt) will be really lenient with because they had the intentions and they were going to do *taubah*, they were going to start doing it, they had the *niyah* (intention). What about them? Is Allah (swt) going to make an interim group for them? No.

The scariest thing is that there will not be any third group. So right now if *Qiyamah* takes place, you need to ask yourself, ‘Where will I go? What kind of life am I leading? When I say that I’ve got faith in the Day of Resurrection, are my *a’maal*, my lifestyle a reflection of my faith or do I simply possess the knowledge in my mind?’ These are the questions that we need to ask.

Next, of course there will be actual weighing scales in the Hereafter and Allah (swt) will put our good deeds and bad deeds side by side; then He (swt) will see which outweighs the other.

Slide 44:

Now this is very interesting; Allah (swt) says, *Famay ya ’mal mithqaala dharratin khayrayn yarah*; So whoever does good equal to the weight of an atom or a small ant, shall see it.

There are so many things that we can do, but we don’t because we feel that it’s not a big deal. One thinks that the lack of this wouldn’t change my books; this wouldn’t help me to go into *Jannah*. So we overlook those small deeds. For example, smiling at your maid, smiling at your younger sister, helping out your sister / brother with whatever he or she is doing, helping a lady cross the road... very small things, but these little things will make a big impact eventually. Saying *Assalamu’alaykum* rather than saying Hi; every time you say *Assalamu’alaykum*, that in itself carries a lot of reward, man passed and said "Assalamu-alaikum wa rahmat -Allaahi wa barakaatuh". The Prophet (SAW) said he will have 30 hasanats"(Bukhari 586). do we realize that? We don’t realize that the last *Assalamu’alaykum* opportunity that we had in our life could have made the difference on the scale. So Allah (swt) is saying that every small deed will have an impact on the Day of Judgment.

Slides 45-48:

Then He says, *Famay ya 'mal mithqaala dharratin sharrayn yarah*; Whenever and whoever does evil equal to the weight of an atom or a small ant shall see it.

There are many sinful deeds that we do, which are very small according to us, and easily overlooked. Allah (swt) is saying that those small bad deeds that you do, thinking that they are not big, will have a huge impact on the Day of the Judgment.

Let's make a list of things that we feel are small sins; lying, cheating, backbiting, arguing with our parents, making fun of teachers, making fun of people in general, etc.

Allah (swt) is saying that whoever does a deed equal even to the weight of an atom or a small ant, shall see it. It will be shown not just to us but to the whole of humanity. Do you know what the principle is for good deeds and bad deeds? It is amazing; Allah (swt) keeps sending His mercy. "Verily Allah has recorded the good deeds and the evil deeds." Then he clarified that: "Whosoever intends to do a good deed but does not do it, Allah records it with Himself as a complete good deed; but if he intends it and does it, Allah records it with Himself as ten good deeds, up to seven hundred times, or more than that. But if he intends to do an evil deed and does not do it, Allah records it with Himself as a complete good deed; but if he intends it and does it, Allah records it down as one single evil deed."

[Al-Bukhari & Muslim]

That's the mercy Allah (swt) has on us and we don't seem to be bothered. We do bad deeds, keep repeating them and even acknowledge that they are wrong; but continue nevertheless.

Slide 49: That day mankind will proceed in divided groups that they may be shown their deeds.

Slides 50-51: There will not be a third group who.....

'We were so confused'

'We didn't live long enough'

'I would have done it if I were convinced'

'I was weak and not strong like so and so'

Slide 52: A persons actual deeds will be weighed and is indicated by the Sahih Hadith narrated from Abu'l-Darda' (radi Allahu anhu) who said: "I heard the Prophet (sal Allahu alaihi wa sallam) say, 'There is nothing that will be placed in the Balance that will weigh more heavily than a good attitude. The one who has a good attitude will attain thereby the status of one who fasts and prays (a great deal).'" [Sunan al-Tirmidhi]

Slides 53 - 54: What deeds come to your mind?

Helping others

Smiling

Giving way to others

Not arguing

Slides 56 – 65:

Sins Like

Laughing at others

Not listening to our elders

Losing temper etc

Everything will be recorded

Slide 66:

I want to show you a video in the end which is extremely powerful. I want you to remain focused. Keep your focus on the screen and let us think about ourselves and what we are doing with our lives today.

Video clip.

(Du'a for end of a gathering) Subhana Rabbika Rabbul 'Izzati 'amma yasifun wa salaamun 'alal mursaleen, walhamdulillahi Rabbil 'aalameen

(Parting salutation to students) Assalamu 'alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh

Reference for teacher:

Footnote 2: From Al-Baraa' ibn Aazib (ra), who said:

"We went out with Allah's Messenger (saws) with the funeral of a man of the Ansar and we came to the grave and the niche in the side of the grave (al-Lahd), had not been dug out yet, so Allah's Messenger (saws) sat and we sat around him as if we had birds upon our heads, and in his hand he had a stick with which he was striking the ground. Then he raised his head and said: 'Seek Allah's refuge from the Punishment of the Grave,' two or three times. Then he said: 'When the believing servant is leaving this world and going onto the Hereafter, angels with white faces - as if their faces were in the Sun - descend upon him. With them is a shroud from the shrouds of Paradise and perfume for embalming from the perfume of Paradise, so they sit away from him at the distance the eye can see and then the Angel of Death (as) comes and sits by his head and says: "O good soul, come out to forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure." He said: "So it comes out, just as a drop flows out from the mouth of the drinking vessel, and he takes it but does not leave it in his hand even for the blink of an eye until they take it and places it in that shroud, and that perfume, and there comes out from him a smell like that of the best musk found upon the face of the earth." He said: "So they ascend with it, (i.e. the persons soul) and they do not pass by any group of Angels except that they say: 'Who is this good and pure soul?' So they reply: "So and so, the son of so and so." with the best of his names which he used to be called by in this

world, until they come to the lowest Heaven, and ask that it should be opened for him, so it is opened for him, they accompany him through every Heaven until he is taken up to the seventh Heaven, and Allah the Al-Mighty says: "Write the record of my slave in Illiyon (signifying highness) and return him to earth to his body." Then they say: "Who is your Lord?" So he will say: "My Lord is Allah." So they will say: "What is your Deen?" He will say: "My Deen is Islam." So they say: "Who is the man who was sent amongst you?" So he will say: "He is Allah's Messenger." So they say: "How did you come to know that?" So he will say: "I read the Book of Allah, and believed in it, and attested to it." So a caller will call from Heaven: "Indeed My servant has spoken the Truth, so spread a place for him in Paradise, and an open door to Paradise for him, so some of its fragrances and scents come to him and his grave is extended as far as the eye can see." He said: "A person with a Handsome face, and beautiful clothes and good smell comes to him and says: 'Receive good news, which will please you. This is the day which you were promised.'" So he says to him: "Who are you?, since your face appears to signify good." So he says: "I am your righteous actions." He therefore says: "O Lord, establish the Last Hour. O Lord establish the Last Hour - so that I may return to my family and wealth."

But when the unbelieving servant is leaving this world and going into the Hereafter, angels with black faces descend upon him as far as the eye can see. The Angel of Death comes and sits by his head and says: "O foul soul, come out to Allah's displeasure and anger." So the soul spreads throughout the body, so he (the Angel of Death) drags it out, just as a pronged roasting fork is pulled out of wool. So he takes it, but does not leave it in his hand for the blink of an eye until they put it in those coarse sack cloths. Then there comes from him an offensive stench, like that of the foulest smelling corpse rotting upon the face of the earth. So they ascend with it (i.e. the soul), and they do not pass by any group of angels except that they say: "what is that foul smell!" So they say: "So and so, son of so and so," calling him with the ugliest names which he used to be called with in this world, until they come with him to the lowest heaven, and ask permission to enter, and it is not opened for him." Then Allah's Messenger (saws) recited:

"...for them the gates of heaven will not be opened, and they will not enter Paradise until the camel goes through the eye of a needle (which is impossible)." (Qur'an Al-Araf 7:40)

So Allah (swt) says: "write his record in Sijjeen (a name signifying constriction) within the lowest earth." Then his soul is flung down, and he recited:

"...and whoever assigns partners to Allah, it is as if he had fallen from the sky, and the birds had snatched him, or the wind had thrown him to a far off place." (Qur'an Al-Hajj 22:31)

So his soul is returned to his body and two Angels come and make him sit up. Then they say to him: "Who is your Lord?" So he will say: "Ah, ah, I don't know." So they will say: "Who is this man who was sent amongst you?" So he will say: Ah, ah, I don't know." So a caller will call from heaven: "You have lied so spread a place for him in the Fire, and open a door to the Fire for him." So some of its heat and scorching air comes upon him, and his grave is constricted to the extent that his ribs interlace, and a man with an ugly face, unsightly clothes and smelling offensively comes to him and says: "Receive news of that which will grieve you, this is the day which you were promised." So he will say: "Who are you?" He will answer: "I am your evil actions." So the unbeliever will say: "O Lord, Do not establish the Last Hour." (Saheehul-Jaami, reported by Ahmed and others)

Footnote 3: The Messenger of Allah (swt) said, "I entered paradise(in the night of *Mairaj*) and I came to a river whose banks were made of pearls, so I thrust my hand into its flowing water and found it was the strongest smell of musk. I asked "O Jibreel, what is this?" He replied, "This is *Al Kauthar* which Allah the Mighty Majestic has given you."" (Bukhari and Muslim)

The Messenger of Allah (swt) said, "Verily it is a river that my Lord the Mighty and Majestic has promised me and it has abundant goodness. It is a pond where my *ummah* will be brought to on the Day of Judgment. Its countenance is as numerous as the stars in the sky. Then, a servant of Allah (swt) from amongst them will be prevented from it, and I will say, "O Lord verily he is from my *ummah*", then He Allah will say, "Verily you do not know what he introduced after you.""(Muslim)