

سورة الدخان

Súráh al-Dukhān

(smoke)

Súráh # 44

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Chapter 44 - Súrah al-Dukhān

The surah that mentions a divine portent of an evil destiny that will come in the appearance of something unknown called the Smoke. It manifests in the sky and enveils the unbelievers on the earth, until they cry in vain to God that they shall believe in the Quran and its Messenger of only He delivers them from this torment. It takes its name from the “smoke” (dukhān) mentioned in . The surah highlights the mercy that is the Quran, addresses the obduracy of the powerful and wealthy oppressors, and draws comparisons between the people of Pharaoh, Tubba’, and the Meccans. The people of Paradise will enjoy heavenly bliss while those who were mighty in this world will suffer the torments of Hell.

The surah is also known as: Mist.

This is a ‘makki’ surah. It is narrated from the Holy Prophet (S) that if this surah is recited at night, then seventy thousand angels pray to Allah (s.w.t.) to forgive the sins of the reciter.

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If recited on Thursday nights, all sins are forgiven and houses are built for the reciter in Jannah. The reward for reciting each letter of this surah is equal to that of freeing a thousand slaves for seeking the pleasure of Allah (s.w.t.). Imam Muhammad al-Baqir (A) said that whoever recites surah ad-Dukhan in his faraa'idh (compulsory prayers) will be protected from the torment of the Day of Judgement and will easily be able to give his accounts. His book of deeds will also be given to him in his right hand.

If kept in one's possession, this surah acts as a protection from the plots of Shaitan. If kept under one's pillow before sleeping at night, there will be no suffering from nightmares and one will always get good dreams.

Keeping this surah in a place of business makes the trade prosper.

Imam Ja'far as-Sadiq (A) has said that keeping this surah as a talisman ensures protection from the authorities and makes people fond of the wearer. Drinking water in which this surah has been dissolved is a cure for all ailments related to the stomach.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

**O Allah send Your blessings on Muhammad
and the family of Muhammad.**

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

**In the name of Allah
the All-beneficent, the All-merciful.**

هـ ميم

Hā, Mīm.

﴿ ٢ ﴾ وَالْكِتَابِ الْمُبِينِ

By the Manifest Book!

إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَاهُ فِي لَيْلَةٍ مُبَارَكَةٍ ۚ إِنَّا كُنَّا مُنذِرِينَ ﴿٣﴾

**Indeed We sent it down on a blessed night,
and indeed We have been warning [mankind].**

فِيهَا يُفْرَقُ كُلُّ أَمْرٍ حَكِيمٍ ﴿٤﴾

Every definitive matter is resolved in it,

أَمْرًا مِّنْ عِنْدِنَا إِنَّا كُنَّا مُرْسِلِينَ ﴿٥﴾

as an ordinance from Us.

Indeed We have been sending [apostles],

رَحْمَةً مِّن رَّبِّكَ ۚ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ ﴿٦﴾

as a mercy from your Lord
—indeed He is the All-hearing, the All-knowing—

رَبِّ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا ۚ إِنَّ كُنْتُمْ مُوقِنِينَ ﴿٧﴾

**the Lord of the heavens and the earth,
and whatever is between them,
should you have conviction.**

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ يُحْيِي وَيُمِيتُ رَبُّكُمْ وَرَبُّ آبَائِكُمُ الْأَوَّلِينَ ﴿٨﴾

**There is no god except Him:
He gives life and brings death,
your Lord and the Lord of your forefathers.**

بَلْ هُمْ فِي شَكٍّ يَلْعَبُونَ ﴿٩﴾

Rather they play around in doubt.

فَأَنْتَقِبُ يَوْمَ تَأْتِي السَّمَاءُ بِدُخَانٍ مُّبِينٍ ﴿١٠﴾ ﴿١١﴾

**So watch out for the day
when the sky brings on a manifest smoke,**

يَغْشَى النَّاسَ ۗ هَذَا عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ ﴿١١﴾

enveloping the people.

[They will cry out:] ‘This is a painful punishment.

رَبَّنَا اكْشِفْ عَنَّا الْعَذَابَ إِنَّا مُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿١٢﴾

**Our Lord! Remove from us this punishment.
Indeed we have believed!**

أَنِّي لَهُمُ الذِّكْرَىٰ وَقَدْ جَاءَهُمْ رَسُولٌ مُّبِينٌ ﴿١٣﴾

**What will the admonition avail them,
when a manifest apostle had already come to them,**

ثُمَّ تَوَلَّوْا عَنْهُ وَقَالُوا مُعَلِّمٌ مَّجْنُونٌ ﴿١٤﴾

but they turned away from him,
and said, 'A tutored madman?'

إِنَّا كَاشِفُو الْعَذَابِ قَلِيلًا ۚ إِنَّكُمْ عَائِدُونَ ﴿١٥﴾

**Indeed We will withdraw the punishment a little;
but you will indeed revert [to your earlier ways].**

يَوْمَ نَبْطِشُ الْبَطْشَةَ الْكُبْرَىٰ إِنَّا مُنتَقِمُونَ ﴿١٦﴾

**The day We shall strike with the most terrible striking,
We will indeed take vengeance [on them].**

وَلَقَدْ فَتَنَّا قَبْلَهُمْ قَوْمَ فِرْعَوْنَ وَجَاءَهُمْ رَسُولٌ كَرِيمٌ ﴿١٧﴾

**Certainly We tried
the people of Pharaoh before them,
when a noble apostle came to them,**

أَنْ أَدُّوْا إِلَيَّ عِبَادَ اللَّهِ ^{صَلِّ} إِنِّي لَكُمْ رَسُولٌ أَمِيْنٌ ﴿١٨﴾

[saying,] ‘Give over the servants of Allah to me;
indeed I am a trusted apostle [sent] to you.

وَأَنْ لَا تَعْلُوا عَلَى اللَّهِ ^{صلى} إِيَّايَ ؕ إِنِّي آتِيكُمْ بِسُلْطٰنٍ مُّبِينٍ ﴿١٩﴾

Do not defy Allah.

Indeed I bring you a manifest authority.

وَإِنِّي عُدْتُ بِرَبِّي وَرَبِّكُمْ أَنْ تَرْجُمُونِ ﴿٢٠﴾

**I seek the protection of my Lord and your Lord,
lest you should stone me.**

﴿ ٢١ ﴾ فَإِنْ لَّمْ تُؤْمِنُوا بِي فَاعْتَرِلُونِ

**And if you do not believe me,
keep out of my way.'**

فَدَعَا رَبَّهُ أَنِ هَؤُلَاءِ قَوْمٌ مُّجْرِمُونَ ﴿٢٢﴾

Then he invoked his Lord, [saying,]
‘These are indeed a guilty lot.’

فَأَسْرِ بِعِبَادِي لَيْلًا إِنَّكُمْ مُتَّبَعُونَ ﴿٢٣﴾

**[Allah told him,] ‘Set out with My servants by night;
for you will indeed be pursued.**

وَأَتْرُكِ الْبَحْرَ رَهْوًا إِنَّهُمْ جُنْدٌ مُّغْرَقُونَ ﴿٢٤﴾

**And leave the sea calmly;
they will indeed be a drowned host.'**

كَمْ تَرَكُوا مِنْ جَنَّاتٍ وَعُيُونٍ ﴿٢٥﴾

How many gardens and springs did they leave behind!

وَزُرُوعٍ وَمَقَامٍ كَرِيمٍ ﴿٢٦﴾

Fields and splendid places,

﴿ ٢٧ ﴾ وَنِعْمَةٍ كَانُوا فِيهَا فَاكِهِينَ

and the bounties wherein they rejoiced!

كَذَٰلِكَ ۖ وَأَوْرَثْنَاهَا قَوْمًا ءَاخِرِينَ ﴿٢٨﴾

**So it was;
and We bequeathed them to another people.**

﴿ ٢٩ ﴾ فَمَا بَكَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ السَّمَاءُ وَالْأَرْضُ وَمَا كَانُوا مُنظَرِينَ

**So neither the sky wept for them,
nor the earth;
nor were they granted any respite**

وَلَقَدْ نَجَّيْنَا بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ مِنَ الْعَذَابِ الْمُهِينِ ﴿٣٠﴾

**Certainly We delivered the Children of Israel
from a humiliating torment,**

مِنْ فِرْعَوْنَ ۚ إِنَّهُ كَانَ عَلِيًّا مِّنَ الْمُسْرِفِينَ ﴿٣١﴾

from Pharaoh.

Indeed he was a tyrant among the profligates.

وَلَقَدْ أَخْتَرْنَاهُمْ عَلَىٰ عِلْمٍ عَلَّامِينَ ﴿٣٢﴾

**Certainly We chose them knowingly
above all the nations.**

وَأَتَيْنَهُمْ مِّنَ الْآيَاتِ مَا فِيهِ بَلَاءٌ مُّبِينٌ ﴿٣٣﴾

**And We gave them some signs
in which there was a manifest test.**

إِنَّ هَؤُلَاءِ لَيَقُولُونَ ﴿٣٤﴾

Indeed these ones say,

إِنَّ هِيَ إِلَّا مَوْتُنَا الْأُولَىٰ وَمَا نَحْنُ بِمُنشَرِينَ ﴿٣٥﴾

**‘It will be just our first death,
and we shall not be resurrected.**

فَاتُّوْا بِآبَائِنَا إِن كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ ﴿٣٦﴾

**Bring our fathers back [to life],
should you be truthful.'**

أَهُمْ خَيْرٌ أَمْ قَوْمُ تُبَّعٍ وَالَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ أَهْلَكْنَاهُمْ إِنَّهُمْ كَانُوا
مُجْرِمِينَ ﴿٣٧﴾

**Are they better, or the people of *Tubba'*,
and those who were before them?**

**We destroyed them;
indeed they were guilty.**

﴿ ٣٨ ﴾ وَمَا خَلَقْنَا السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا لَعِبِينَ

**We did not create the heavens and the earth
and whatever is between them for play.**

مَا خَلَقْنَاهُمَا إِلَّا بِالْحَقِّ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَهُمْ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٣٩﴾

**We did not create them except with reason;
but most of them do not know.**

إِنَّ يَوْمَ الْفُضْلِ مِيقَاتُهُمْ أَجْمَعِينَ ﴿٤٠﴾

**Indeed the Day of Judgement
is the tryst for them all,**

يَوْمَ لَا يُغْنِي مَوْلَىٰ عَنْ مَوْلَىٰ شَيْئًا وَلَا هُمْ يُنصَرُونَ ﴿٤١﴾

the day

**when a friend will not avail a friend in any way,
nor will they be helped,**

إِلَّا مَنْ رَحِمَ اللَّهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ ﴿٤٢﴾

**except for him on whom Allah has mercy.
Indeed He is the All-mighty, the All-merciful.**

إِنَّ شَجَرَةَ الزُّقُومِ ﴿٤٣﴾

Indeed the tree of Zaqqūm

طَعَامُ الْآثِمِ ﴿٤٤﴾

will be the food of the sinful.

كَالْمُهْلِ يَغْلِي فِي الْبُطُونِ ﴿٤٥﴾

Like molten copper it will boil in the bellies,

كَغَلِي الْحَمِيمِ ﴿٤٦﴾

boiling like boiling water.

خُذُوهُ فَاعْتِلُوهُ إِلَىٰ سَوَاءِ الْجَحِيمِ ﴿٤٧﴾

and drag him to the middle of hell,

﴿٤٨﴾ ثُمَّ صُبُّوا فَوْقَ رَأْسِهِ مِنْ عَذَابِ الْحَمِيمِ

then pour over his head
the punishment of boiling water.'

ذُقْ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَزِيزُ الْكَرِيمُ ﴿٤٩﴾

‘Taste!

Indeed you are the [self-styled] mighty and noble!

إِنَّ هَذَا مَا كُنْتُمْ بِهِ تَمْتَرُونَ ﴿٥٠﴾

This is indeed what you used to doubt!’

إِنَّ الْمُتَّقِينَ فِي مَقَامٍ أَمِينٍ ﴿٥١﴾

Indeed the Godwary will be in a secure place,

فِي جَنَّاتٍ وَعُيُونٍ ﴿٥٢﴾

amid gardens and springs,

يَلْبَسُونَ مِنْ سُنْدُسٍ وَإِسْتَبْرَقٍ مُتَقَابِلِينَ ﴿٥٣﴾

**dressed in fine silk and brocade,
sitting face to face.**

كَذَٰلِكَ وَزَوَّجْنَاهُم بِحُورٍ عَيْنٍ ﴿٥٤﴾

**So shall it be,
and We shall wed them to black-eyed houris.**

يَدْعُونَ فِيهَا بِكُلِّ فَاكِهَةٍ آمِنِينَ ﴿٥٥﴾

There they will call for every fruit, in safety.

لَا يَذُوقُونَ فِيهَا الْمَوْتَ إِلَّا الْمَوْتَةَ الْأُولَىٰ ۖ وَوَقَّهُمْ عَذَابَ الْجَحِيمِ

﴿٥٦﴾

**There they will not taste death
except the first death,
and He will save them from the punishment of hell**

﴿ ٥٧ ﴾ فَضْلًا مِّن رَّبِّكَ ۚ ذَٰلِكَ هُوَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ

—a grace from your Lord.
That is the great success.

فَإِنَّمَا يَسَّرْنَاهُ بِلِسَانِكَ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٥٨﴾

**Indeed We have made it simple in your language,
so that they may take admonition.**

فَأَرْتَقِبْ إِنَّهُمْ مُرْتَقِبُونَ ﴿٥٩﴾

**So wait!
Indeed they [too] are waiting.**

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

**O Allah send Your blessings on Muhammad
and the family of Muhammad.**

**Please recite
Surat al-Fatihah
for
ALL MARHUMEEN**