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THE DAY OF ASSEMBLY

Allah (SWT) says: *“One day We shall call together all human beings with their respective Imams. Those who are given their record in their right hand will read it (with pleasure), and they will not be dealt with unjustly in the least.”* (Al-Isra’: 71)

The above verse tells us that the *Day of Assembly* is the day when every single human being is to be resurrected from his grave and is to be assembled with all other people of the world as far back as the creation of Adam to the Day of Judgment. Such a day is very horrible, terrible, and shocking. In Surah Qaf, Allah informs us that after the earth is to split and to crack, all are to come from their graves to be assembled so that they will be judged. The idea of being assembled together is explained as follows: *“The day when the earth will be rent asunder, letting them hurrying out, that will be a gathering together, quite easy for us.”* (Qaf: 44)

People will come out of their graves naked. They will be too close to one another. They will have no space to move except an area as big as their own footsteps. At the time of Assembly, the sun will be as close as one mile instead of being the present 92,870,000 miles. It will be too hot. People will be sweating and will sink into their own sweats according to the amount of mistakes and sins they had committed. Al-Miqdad narrated that he heard the Prophet (SAW) saying: *“During the Day of Resurrection the sun will be close from people till about one mile. People will be sunken with their sweats according to their deeds. Some will have sweats up to their ankles while others will have it to their knees; some will have sweats up to their navels and others will have it up to their mouths.”*(Muslim)

People will be horrified, baffled and stunned. They cannot move or look at any direction except that their eyes are stuck upward with humility, worries, and anxiety. Allah says: *“They will come forth, their eyes humbled from their*

graves, (torpid) like locusts scattered abroad, hastening, with eyes transfixed, towards the Caller! Hard is this day! The unbeliever will say.” (Al-Qamar: 7-8)

Another horrible description of the Day of Assembly is found in Surah Ibrahim. Allah says: *“Think not that Allah does not heed the deeds of those who do wrong. He but gives them respite against a day when the eyes will fixedly stare in horror, running forward with necks outstretched, their head uplifted, their gaze returning not towards them, and their hearts a (gaping) void!”* (Ibrahim: 42-43)

After being assembled, people will be grouped behind their leaders, mentors, celebrities, philosophers, prophets, messengers accordingly. They are to be witnesses for or against. The Qur’an states the following: *“How then if We brought from each prophet a witness, and We brought them as a witness against these people! On that Day those who reject faith and disobey the apostle will wish that the earth were made one with them, but never will they hide a single fact from Allah.”* (An-Nisa: 41-42)

Allah will address all those who were put in the front lines as leaders, prophets, celebrities, etc. Each is to look behind and see his followers. Each will be asked if he had taught them what they claimed about him. Many of the front leaders will denounce their followers as they have nothing to do with them. They may excuse themselves. However, to be judged properly, Allah will bring each to the court of justice without exception. May Allah (SWT) save us from the torment of the grave and the horrible situation on the Day of Assembly. Wallahu A’lam.

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