

Fruits for the Week

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CHARACTERISTICS OF SHAITAN

Allah SWT said: *“O you who believe! Follow not Shaitan’s footsteps: If any will follow the footsteps of Shaitan, he will (but) command what is indecent and wrong: and were it not for the grace and mercy of Allah on you, not one of you would ever have been pure: but Allah does purify whom He pleases: and Allah is The One who hears and knows (all things).” (Al-Nur:21)*

The above verse warns us that Shaitan is very smart and intelligent. He uses very sweet words. He tries his best to convince them with logic and common sense. He is a sneaker; he is neck-to-neck with all those individuals who do not remember Allah, with those who do not pray; with those who do not fast; and with those who do not read Qur’an. He even tries his best to be close to those who believe, to those who pray, fast and read Qur’an. As a sneaker, he tries to distract their thinking, block their understanding, whisper to them while they are in their religious obligations. He makes sure that they should be busy with this world; that they should love the glamour of this life; and that they work hard to earn better life through every possible channel.

Shaitan makes sure that people are to understand that everything in this world is halal. There is nothing called haram. Allah created everything to be halal. Allah is Ar-Rahman, Ar-Rahim, Al-Ghafoor, Al-Wadood. He is The Most Merciful. He is the Most Forgiving and The Most Gracious. Shaitan can convince anyone with these beautiful names of Allah; and he will make sure that they should not worry about the heavy penalty of Allah. He can convince anyone or you that Allah will never ever penalize you as long as you believe in Him.

Do whatever you want, and Allah will forgive you and He will take care of you because you believe He is The Most Merciful.

Shaitan knows how to entice them to drink all varieties of alcohols, to eat all types of food products, to dance, mix with the opposite sex, get involved in sex, raping, gambling, stealing, heating, lying, cursing, killing, etc. He knows how to convince people to join the caravan of these activities. He makes sure to polarize these activities as halal for them. All those who say that such activities are haram do not know what they are talking about. They do not know how to enjoy life; and they do not know what they are missing. All those who claim that such activities are haram, have fabricated these terminologies to forbid people from enjoying life. After all, people are to enjoy life to its maximum. No one should stop anyone from his/her lust. Otherwise why in the world Allah created them. As long as Allah created this world with all its lust and enjoyment, people should not deny themselves the beauty of this life.

Since Shaitan is a sneaker, he will do his best to distract people from the right path. It is understood that he is a sneaker and at the same time an enemy to each and every human being. It is therefore, recommended not to listen to him. If and when any believer is attacked or even approached by a sneaking Shaitan, he should say: *“A’uzubillahi minash-shaitanir rajim”* (I seek refuge in Allah from the outcast Shaitan).

Wallahu A’lam

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