

Behave Best in Times of Calamity

*As-Salaam 'Alaykum wa Rahmatullaahi wa Barakaatuh.
Bismillah Walhamdulillah Was Salaatu Was Salaam 'ala Rasulillah*

When calamity strikes, it is not without the knowledge of Allah. This statement is in reference to the recent senseless killing of the Muslims right inside Masajid on the day of Jumuah in Christchurch New Zealand by a white fundamental terrorist. Allah Ta'ala says in Surah Al-Hadid Q57:22.

مَا أَصَابَ مِنْ مُصِيبَةٍ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا فِي أَنْفُسِكُمْ إِلَّا فِي كِتَابٍ مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ نَبْرَأَهَا إِنَّ ذَلِكَ عَلَى اللَّهِ يَسِيرٌ

No disaster strikes upon the earth or among yourselves except that it is in a register before We bring it into being - indeed that, for Allah, is easy (Q57:22)

Allah Ta'ala described the excellence of those behave best in times of calamity in the following verse of the Surah Al-Bakarah (Q2:156 – 157).

الَّذِينَ إِذَا أَصَابَتْهُمْ مُصِيبَةٌ قَالُوا إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ

Who, when disaster strikes them, say, "Indeed we belong to Allah, and indeed to Him we will return." (Q2:156).

أُولَئِكَ عَلَيْهِمْ صَلَوَاتٌ مِنْ رَبِّهِمْ وَرَحْمَةٌ وَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُهْتَدُونَ

Those are the ones upon whom are blessings from their Lord and mercy. And it is those who are the [rightly] guided. (Q2:157).

O Allah, reward us for our affliction and give us something better than it in exchange for it, amin.

Subhanakal lahomma wabihamdik. Ash-hado alla-ilaha-illa ant. Astaghfiroka w'atoobo-ilayk.

Glory be to You, Oh Allah, and all praise! I testify that there is no deity but You. I seek Your forgiveness and to You, I do repent.

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