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All praise be to Allah, and May His peace and blessings be on the last Messenger, Muhammad.

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Indeed, Allah's promise is true: "And who is truer to his covenant than Allah?" [The Holy Quran, Taubah: 111]... "[It is] the promise of Allah. Allah does not fail in His promise, but most of the people do not know." [The Holy Quran: Rum: 6]

Allah has promised that Islam will ultimately be victorious, be it on the hands of a group of Believers or through the Mahdi; a redeemer of Islam who will appear and rule for a period of time, ridding the world of evil before the end of time. Thus the attempts and schemes of Islam's

enemies are by all means futile. They will undoubtedly be defeated, and the Truth will certainly be victorious.

“Allah has written, ‘I will surely overcome, I and My Messengers.’ Indeed, Allah is Powerful and Exalted in Might.” [The Holy Quran, Al-Mujadila: 21]

“And Our word has already preceded for Our servants, the Messengers. Indeed, they would be those given victory. And indeed, Our soldiers will be those who overcome.” [The Holy Quran, As-Saffat: 171 – 173]

However, this victory and triumph has been set with a condition:

“O you who have believed, if you support Allah, He will support you and plant firmly your feet.” [The Holy Quran, Muhammad: 7]

If the Muslim group does not do as commanded by Allah, victory could be delayed. Allah may not change the circumstances or establish the means to attaining victory. Thus, among the fundamental principles and requirements of Islam is that Believers must support Allah. Once they support Him, they will be victorious, by Allah’s will. What is required of the Muslim group is to exert all its efforts in order to be worthy of Allah’s protection and support.



## The certainty that victory is solely given by Allah

Victory and triumph is solely established by Allah's will and decree. It is exclusively dependent on His word. It is established when He commands it to "be" and it then becomes.

The Messenger of Allah, David (pbuh) was able to quickly defeat Goliath, even though the scales of physical power were against him. Also, Abraham (pbuh) faced numerous obstacles as he traveled the world, but Allah eased everything for him. That is because he was Rabbani; a highly-esteemed character of absolute devotion, sincerity, allegiance, and obedience to Allah). Thus, Allah created wonders for him that would soften the hearts of tyrants and make them fear him, even though he was a mere individual with no seeming abilities.

The Messengers of Allah were profoundly certain about the truth of Allah's promise. They were certain that His promise will inevitably become true no matter how difficult their situation. They knew that Allah is capable of whatever He wishes, as was evident with the splitting of the sea for Moses (pbuh).

Allah's way in dealing with the preceding disbelieving nations has always been to destroy them if they persisted on their corrupt ways. This

can also be applied to the disbelievers of this day. Let us contemplate on how Allah, Exalted is He, dealt with the people of Noah and 'Ad, the people of Saleh and Midian, and the Children of Israel. When Allah punishes, He does so justly. He punishes those who deserve it; those who refuse His guidance after He revealed His verses to them and provided them with all that they asked for. We must never assume that the idea of a punishment befalling a nation that was once Muslim is unusual or unexpected. It is in fact the established and standard way of Allah to punish the immoral, disobeying, corrupt and arrogant disbelievers. Arrogance is a common characteristic of disbelievers. When we look at the prolonged disputes and arguments of previous nations with their Messengers, we can see their excessive mockery and arrogance towards Allah and His Messengers. That arrogance, mockery and disbelief is present today; thus we must expect the punishment of Allah if people do not repent and amend their ways.



## The Proclaimers of the Truth

### The animosity and attacks against the Muslims throughout history

The animosity and hatred of the disbelievers led to the attacks and battles against all Muslims. This hatred, combined with the economic and

worldly interests, motivated them to continue their relentless strikes. Prior to September 11th, 2001, enemies of Allah and Islam would attempt to deceive people and conceal their true goals and agendas. However, after fabricating the events of 9/11, they seem to have declared that there was no reason for being ashamed of or for concealing their actions and intentions. What happened in Afghanistan and Iraq, and what is happening in the Middle East after the Arab Spring is very apparent. These actions result from the belief that these people must be killed, tortured, and annihilated. We also saw what the enemies of Islam did when they entered Jerusalem during the Crusades. Within the first three days, they killed eighty thousand Muslims. This is indeed an inherited religious creed and is based on a belief, even though disbelievers of this day make it seem that they have abandoned all religious doctrines and creeds. Nonetheless, this is not the reality. In truth, they merely dissociate between their daily affairs and their relation towards Muslims that is solely based on a deeply entrenched malice and hatred towards Islam and Muslims.

Some of the prophecies of the enemies of Allah are similar to the Islamic prophecies; however, they distort and interpret them as they see fit. For instance, they know that the Messiah will be resurrected, that he

will kill the disbelievers and Jews and rule the Islamic world. It is also known that many of the Christians will then embrace Islam, that the earth, religion and sovereignty will truly belong to Allah, and that the entire world will be under the authority of Islam. These are all truths that have been long established. Nonetheless, the Christians – whilst relaying these facts – alter them to fit their religion and beliefs. They claim that the Messiah will come to kill all Muslims, and that he will also kill two-thirds of the Jews, while the remaining third embraces Christianity. They also declare that the Messiah will rule the world with Christianity for a thousand years. No doubt, they have an apparent religious creed and a great deal of desire and persistence on this creed. Allah (swt) describes them in the following verse:

“Those to whom We gave the Scripture know him [the Last Messenger] as they know their own sons. But indeed, a party of them conceal the truth while they know [it].” [The Holy Quran, Al-Baqarah: 146]

The Jews who were present at the time of the last Messenger, Muhammad (pbuh) knew that he was carrying the Truth, yet they chose to not believe him. Instead, they conceived the most evil plans against him. Even in this day, if the disbelievers realize that Muslims are carrying

the Truth and that they will be victorious, they will not accept the Islamic call nor submit themselves to Allah. After all, they knew that Muhammad (pbuh) would be victorious, that he would successfully spread his religion, and that half of the world would follow him whilst the Jews lose all authority. Nevertheless, they did not accept the Islamic call. They chose to battle him everywhere. They fought him in Banu Qaynuqa, in Banu Qurayza, in Khaybar, and in Banu Nadir. They fought him (pbuh) despite knowing that he was a true Messenger. Thus their knowledge of the Truth did not prevent them from battling the Messengers and their followers.



## The start of the conflict between the Truth and falsehood

The conflict between the Truth and falsehood started from the very creation of Adam (pbuh). Satan refused to prostrate to Adam when Allah commanded him to do so. Thereafter, Satan vowed to mislead Adam's children. That was the start of the conflict, and it continued to grow as time went by. This conflict will last until the end of time, and it will be manifested in various trials. The most difficult trial which man will face will be the appearance of the Dajjal; an evil figure who will appear and

claim to be the Messiah. He will deceive the Shia into believing that he is the long-awaited Mahdi. He will also deceive the Jews and Christians and lead them to believe that he is Jesus. The Dajjal will be the greatest trial which mankind will face, and shortly after their lives will come to an end.

Each individual's stance and responsibility amid all of this should be very clear. Every human is responsible for purifying himself in front of Allah. Each human must go against the current of corruption and falsehood, regardless of the great exhaustion and tribulations that he or she may face. That alone is what will save people on the Day of Judgment.

At the moment, it is not expected of the Muslim group to establish an Islamic state. Rather, what is required now and in the future, is steadfastness upon this religion. It is required from the Muslim group to stand up and support this religion to the best of its capability, following the Divine methodology that was outlined by Allah through His Messenger (pbuh). Allah will then decree for it what He wishes; be it a delayed victory or the granting of power and authority to the Muslims so that they can establish an Islamic state and rule the world. Truly, anything and everything which Allah decrees is just, merciful, and most noble.



## The future belongs to this religion [Islam]

Most surely, the future belongs to the religion of Islam. However, Allah will only grant victory when its people truly stand up for what they deeply believe, with certainty, sincerity and steadfastness. They must demonstrate to Allah their true devotion, servitude, obedience and willingness to sacrifice everything that they have in order to please Him. That is when they will become deserving of Allah's allegiance and noble selection. That is their first and foremost obligation. It is not required of them to prepare armies or weapons of warfare such as warplanes, missiles, and explosives at this time, as that is far beyond their reach. Allah does not require those things from them. Rather, the Muslims' duty at this stage is to seek the support of Allah by means of supporting Him (swt) and His religion.

The matter that is currently required from the Muslims is that they rid their souls of any personal interests, whims, or desires induced by Satan. The Muslim group must stand in front of people – especially those tyrants who are wrongfully worshiped in this world – and proclaim the Truth that there is none to be worshiped and obeyed except Allah. The members of the Muslim group must proclaim this Truth, be steadfast and thereafter

wait for the will and decree of Allah. If He wishes, He may select individuals among the group as martyrs, and if He wishes, He may grant authority to the group and through them grant victory to this religion. Furthermore, if He wishes, He may gather all of the people in this world and lead them to accepting the call of the Muslims. It is also possible for Allah to lead the Muslim group to becoming the first followers of the Mahdi, who is a Redeemer of Islam who will rule the world for a period of time. Thus the possibilities are endless; but ultimately, everything is in Allah's hands.

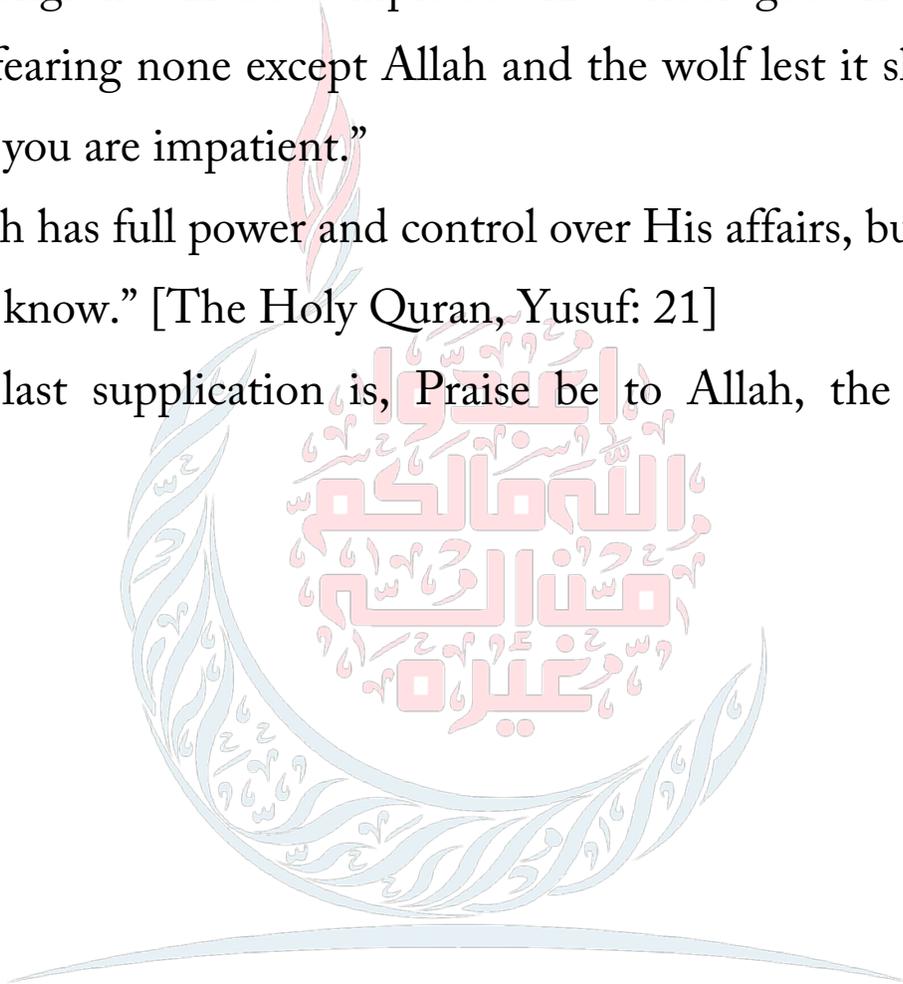
This is the future. Allah states in the Quran: “[They continued] until, when the Messengers despaired and were certain that they had been denied, there came to them Our victory, and whoever We willed was saved. And Our punishment cannot be repelled from the people who are criminals.” [The Holy Quran, Yusuf: 110]

That is the way of Allah in regards to the Islamic advocacy. People must face trials and tribulations, and Allah will then come forth with His victory, rescuing those who believed and became deserving to be saved from the destruction that will befall the disbelievers. Thereafter, Allah's religion will become victorious, because the future belongs to this religion.

As Al-Bukhari narrated, the Messenger of Allah (pbuh) said, “By Allah! This religion will be completed till a rider goes from Sana'a to Hadhramaut fearing none except Allah and the wolf lest it should trouble his sheep, but you are impatient.”

“And Allah has full power and control over His affairs, but most of the people do not know.” [The Holy Quran, Yusuf: 21]

And our last supplication is, Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds.



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