

In The Name of Allaah, The Most Merciful, The Bestower of Mercy.

Dawkins [may Allaah guide him] says that everyone will die but there is no Herefater.

Abu Hurairah [may Allaah be pleased with him] reported that the Prophet [peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him] said, "Allaah will not accept the excuse of any person whose instant of death is delayed till he is sixty years of age". Imaam Ibn Hajr [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said, "There is no excuse left for him, such as if he said, 'If my lifespan was prolonged, I would do what I have been commanded. Therefore, if there us no excuse for him in abandoning obedience (to Allaah and the Messenger) even though he was able (to obey) due to the age he has reached, then there is nothing else except that it is obligated on him to seek forgiveness, devote himself in obedience and turn his attention to the afterlife. (1)

Al-Istidraaj [Receiving More Provision Whilst Persisting Upon Misguidance]

Allaah [The Most High] said:

وَالَّذِينَ كَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا سَنَسْتَدْرِجُهُمْ مِّنْ حَيْثُ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ
وَأُمْلِي لَهُمْ إِنَّ كَيْدِي مَتِينٌ

Those who reject Our Ayat (proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.), We shall gradually seize them with punishment in ways they perceive not. And I respite them; certainly My Plan is strong. [Surah Al-A'raaf. Verses 182-183]

[سَنَسْتَدْرِجُهُمْ – We shall gradually seize them with punishment] – Meaning, by granting them plentiful provision and respite until they think that they will neither be taken to task for their disobedience nor punished, so they increase in disbelief and transgression, and evil upon evil. And through this their punishment is increased and multiplied, so they harm themselves in ways they perceive not. This is why Allaah said: [إِنَّ كَيْدِي مَتِينٌ] -certainly My Plan is strong] (2)

[سَنَسْتَدْرِجُهُمْ مِّنْ حَيْثُ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ – We shall gradually seize them with punishment in ways they perceive not]: Imaam Sufyaan Ath-Thawree [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said that this means, "Whenever they commit sins, Allaah bestows a blessing on them and make them forgetful of seeking forgiveness. (3)

Few Verses Regarding The Resurrection

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

يَأْتِيهَا النَّاسُ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ فِي رَيْبٍ مِّنَ الْبَعْثِ فَإِنَّا خَلَقْنَاكُمْ مِّنْ تُرَابٍ ثُمَّ مِنْ نُطْفَةٍ ثُمَّ مِنْ عَلَقَةٍ ثُمَّ مِنْ مُّضْغَةٍ مُّخَلَّقَةٍ وَعَجَبٍ
مُّخَلَّقَةٍ لَّنُبَيِّنَ لَكُمْ وَنُقَرُّ فِي الْأَرْحَامِ مَا نَشَاءُ إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى ثُمَّ نُخْرِجُكُمْ طِفْلًا ثُمَّ لِتَبْلُغُوا أَشُدَّكُمْ وَمِنْكُمْ مَّنْ يُتَوَقَّىٰ
وَمِنْكُمْ مَّنْ يَرُدُّ إِلَىٰ أَرْدَلِ الْعُمُرِ لِكَيْلَا يَعْلَمَ مِنْ بَعْدِ عِلْمٍ شَيْئًا وَتَرَى الْأَرْضَ هَامِدَةً فَإِذَا أَنْزَلْنَا عَلَيْهَا الْمَاءَ اهْتَزَّتْ

وَرَبَّتْ وَأَنْبَتَتْ مِنْ كُلِّ رَوْحٍ بِهِيْجٍ
ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الْحَقُّ وَأَنَّهُ يُحْيِي الْمَوْتَىٰ وَأَنَّهُ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ
وَأَنَّ السَّاعَةَ آتِيَةٌ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهَا وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ يَبْعَثُ مَنْ فِي الْقُبُورِ

O mankind! If you are in doubt about the Resurrection, then verily! We have created you (i.e. Adam) from dust, then from a Nutfah (mixed drops of male and female sexual discharge i.e. offspring of Adam), then from a clot (a piece of thick coagulated blood) then from a little lump of flesh, some formed and some unformed (miscarriage), that We may make (it) clear to you (i.e. to show you Our Power and Ability to do what We will). And We cause whom We will to remain in the wombs for an appointed term, then We bring you out as infants, then (give you growth) that you may reach your age of full strength. And among you there is he who dies (young), and among you there is he who is brought back to the miserable old age, so that he knows nothing after having known. And you see the earth barren, but when We send down water (rain) on it, it is stirred (to life), it swells and puts forth every lovely kind (of growth). That is because Allah, He is the Truth, and it is He Who gives life to the dead, and it is He Who is Able to do all things. And surely, the Hour is coming, there is no doubt about it, and certainly, Allah will resurrect those who are in the graves. [Surah Al-Hajj. Verses 5-7]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

أَيَحْسَبُ الْإِنْسَانُ أَنْ يُتْرَكَ سُدًى
أَلَمْ يَكُنْ نُطْفَةً مِنْ مَنِيٍّ يُُمْتَى
ثُمَّ كَانَ عَلَقَةً فَخَلَقَ فَسَوَّى
فَجَعَلَ مِنْهُ الذَّكَرَ وَالْأُنثَى
أَلَيْسَ ذَٰلِكَ بِقَدِيرٍ عَلَىٰ أَنْ يُحْيِيَ الْمَوْتَىٰ

Does the human being think that he will be left Suda [neglected without being punished or rewarded for the obligatory duties enjoined by his Lord (Allah) on him]? Was he not a Nutfah (mixed male and female discharge of semen) poured forth? Then he became an 'Alaqa (a clot); then (Allah) shaped and fashioned (him) in due proportion. And made him in two sexes, male and female. Is not He (Allah Who does that), Able to give life to the dead? (Yes! He is Able to do all things). [Surah Al-Qiyaamah. Verses 36-40]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

فَلْيَنْظُرِ الْإِنْسَانُ مِمَّ خُلِقَ
خُلِقَ مِنْ مَّاءٍ دَافِقٍ
يَخْرُجُ مِنْ بَيْنِ الصُّلْبِ وَالتَّرَائِبِ

إِنَّهُ وَعَلَى رَجْعِهِ لَفَادِرٌ

So let man see from what he is created! He is created from a water gushing forth- proceeding from between the back-bone and the ribs. Verily, (Allah) is Able to bring him back (to life)! [Surah At-Taariq. Verses 5-8]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

نَحْنُ خَلَقْنَاكُمْ فَلَوْلَا تُصَدِّقُونَ

أَفَرَأَيْتُمْ مَا تُمْنُونَ

ءَأَنْتُمْ تَخْلُقُونَهُ ؕ أَمْ نَحْنُ الْخَالِقُونَ

نَحْنُ قَدَرْنَا بَيْنَكُمْ الْمَوْتَ وَمَا نَحْنُ بِمَسْبُوقِينَ

عَلَىٰ أَنْ تُبَدَّلَ أَمْثَلَكُمْ وَنُنشِئَكُمْ فِي مَا لَا تَعْلَمُونَ

وَلَقَدْ عَلِمْتُمُ النَّشْأَةَ الْأُولَىٰ فَلَوْلَا تَذَكَّرُونَ

We created you, then why do you believe not? Then tell Me (about) the human semen that you emit. Is it you who create it (i.e. make this semen into a perfect human being), or are We the Creator? We have decreed death to you all, and We are not unable, to transfigure you and create you in (forms) that you know not. And indeed, you have already known the first form of creation (i.e. the creation of Adam), why then do you not remember or take heed? [Surah Al-Waaqi'ah. Verses 57-62]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

وَهُوَ الَّذِي يُرْسِلُ الرِّيحَ بُشْرًا بَيْنَ يَدَيْ رَحْمَتِهِ ؕ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا أَقْلَبْتَ سَحَابًا ثِقَالًا سُقْنَاهُ لِبَلَدٍ مَّيِّتٍ فَأَنْزَلْنَا بِهِ الْمَاءَ فَأَخْرَجْنَا بِهِ ؕ مِنْ كُلِّ الثَّمَرَاتِ كَذَٰلِكَ نُخْرِجُ الْمَوْتَىٰ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ

And it is He Who sends the winds as heralds of glad tidings, going before His Mercy (rain). Till when they have carried a heavy-laden cloud, We drive it to a land that is dead, then We cause water (rain) to descend thereon. Then We produce every kind of fruit therewith. Similarly, We shall raise up the dead, so that you may remember or take heed. [Surah Al-A'raaf. Verse 57]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

أَوَلَمْ يَرَ الْإِنْسَانُ أَنَّا خَلَقْنَاهُ مِنْ نُطْقَةٍ فَإِذَا هُوَ خَصِيمٌ مُّبِينٌ

وَضَرَبَ لَنَا مَثَلًا وَنَسِيَ خَلْقَهُ ؕ قَالَ مَنْ يُحْيِي الْعِظْمَ وَهِيَ رَمِيمٌ

قُلْ يُحْيِيهَا الَّذِي أَنْشَأَهَا أَوَّلَ مَرَّةٍ ؕ وَهُوَ بِكُلِّ خَلْقٍ عَلِيمٌ

Does not the human being see that We have created him from Nutfah (mixed male and female discharge semen drops). Yet behold! He (stands forth) as an open opponent. And he puts forth

for Us a parable, and forgets his own creation. He says: “Who will give life to these bones when they have rotted away and became dust?” Say: (O Muhammad) “He will give life to them Who created them for the first time! And He is the All-Knower of every creation!” [Surah Yaa Seen. Verses 77-79]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

كَيْفَ تَكْفُرُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَكُنْتُمْ أَمْوَاتًا فَأَحْيَاكُمْ ثُمَّ يُمِيتُكُمْ ثُمَّ يُحْيِيكُمْ ثُمَّ إِلَيْهِ تُرْجَعُونَ

How can you disbelieve in Allah? Seeing that you were dead and He gave you life. Then He will give you death, then again will bring you to life (on the Day of Resurrection) and then unto Him you will return. [Surah Al-Baqarah. Verse 28]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

أَوْ كَالَّذِي مَرَّ عَلَى قَرْيَةٍ وَهِيَ خَاوِيَةٌ عَلَى عُرُوشِهَا قَالَ أَنَّىٰ هٰذَا إِلَهِ اللَّهِ بَعْدَ مَوْتِهَا فَأَمَاتَهُ اللَّهُ مِائَةَ عَامٍ ثُمَّ بَعَثَهُ ۖ قَالَ كَمْ لَبِثْتَ قَالَ لَبِثْتُ يَوْمًا أَوْ بَعْضَ يَوْمٍ قَالَ بَل لَّبِثْتَ مِائَةَ عَامٍ فَانظُرْ إِلَىٰ طَعَامِكَ وَشَرَابِكَ لَمْ يَتَسَنَّهْ وَانظُرْ إِلَىٰ حِمَارِكَ وَلِنَجْعَلَكَ آيَةً لِلنَّاسِ وَانظُرْ إِلَىٰ الْعِظَامِ كَيْفَ نُنشِئُهَا ثُمَّ نَكْسُوهَا لَحْمًا فَلَمَّا تَبَيَّنَ لَهُ ۖ قَالَ أَعْلَمُ أَنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Or like the one who passed by a town and it had tumbled over its roofs. He said: “Oh! How will Allah ever bring it to life after its death?” So Allah caused him to die for a hundred years, then raised him up (again). He said: “How long did you remain (dead)?” He (the man) said: “(Perhaps) I remained (dead) a day or part of a day”. He said: “Nay, you have remained (dead) for a hundred years, look at your food and your drink, they show no change; and look at your donkey! And thus We have made of you a sign for the people. Look at the bones, how We bring them together and clothe them with flesh”. When this was clearly shown to him, he said, “I know (now) that Allah is Able to do all things.” [Surah Al-Baqarah. Verse 259]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

وَإِذْ قَالَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ رَبِّ أَرِنِي كَيْفَ تُحْيِي الْمَوْتَىٰ قَالَ أَوَلَمْ تُؤْمِنْ قَالَ بَلَىٰ وَلَٰكِن لِّيَطْمَئِنَّ قَلْبِي قَالَ فَخُذْ أَرْبَعَةً مِّنَ الطَّيْرِ فَصُرْهُنَّ إِلَيْكَ ثُمَّ اجْعَلْ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ جَبَلٍ مِّنْهُنَّ جُزْءًا ثُمَّ ادْعُهُنَّ يَأْتِينَكَ سَعْيًا وَاعْلَمْ أَنَّ اللَّهَ عَزِيزٌ حَكِيمٌ

And (remember) when Ibrahim (Abraham) said, “My Lord! Show me how You give life to the dead.” He (Allah) said: “Do you not believe?” He [Ibrahim (Abraham)] said: “Yes (I believe), but to be stronger in Faith.” He said: “Take four birds, then cause them to incline towards you (then slaughter them, cut them into pieces), and then put a portion of them on every hill, and call them, they will come to you in haste. And know that Allah is All-Mighty, All-Wise.” [Surah Al-Baqarah. Verse 260]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

وَقَالُوا آءِذَا كُنَّا عِظْمًا وَّرُفَاتًا آءِذَا نَا لَمَبْعُوثُونَ خَلْقًا جَدِيدًا

قُلْ كُونُوا حِجَارَةً أَوْ حَدِيدًا

أَوْ خَلْقًا مِّمَّا يَكْبُرُ فِي صُدُورِكُمْ فَسَيَقُولُونَ مَنْ يُعِيدُنَا قُلِ الَّذِي فَطَرَكُمْ أَوَّلَ مَرَّةٍ فَسَيُنْغِضُونَ إِلَيْكَ رُءُوسَهُمْ وَيَقُولُونَ مَتَى هُوَ قُلْ عَسَى أَنْ يَكُونَ قَرِيبًا

يَوْمَ يَدْعُوكُمْ فَتَسْتَجِيبُونَ بِحَمْدِهِ- وَتَظُنُّونَ إِن لَّبِئْتُمْ إِلَّا قَلِيلًا

And they say: "When we are bones and fragments (destroyed), should we really be resurrected (to be) a new creation?" Say (O Muhammad) "Be you stones or iron," "Or some created thing that is yet greater (or harder) in your breasts (thoughts to be resurrected, even then you shall be resurrected)" Then, they will say: "Who shall bring us back (to life)?" Say: "He Who created you first!" Then, they will shake their heads at you and say: "When will that be ?" Say: "Perhaps it is near!" On the Day when He will call you, and you will answer (His Call) with (words of) His Praise and Obedience, and you will think that you have stayed (in this world) but a little while! [Surah Al-Israa. Verses 49-52]

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

وَلَوْ تَرَىٰ إِذْ يَتَوَفَّى الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا الْمَلَائِكَةُ يَضْرِبُونَ وُجُوهَهُمْ وَأَدْبَارَهُمْ وَذُوقُوا عَذَابَ الْآخِرِيقِ

ذَٰلِكَ بِمَا قَدَّمْت أَيْدِيكُمْ وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ لَيْسَ بِظَلَمٍ لِّلْعَبِيدِ

And if you could see when the angels take away the souls of those who disbelieve (at death), they smite their faces and their backs, (saying): "Taste the punishment of the blazing Fire." "This is because of that which your hands had forwarded. And verily, Allah is not unjust to His slaves." [Surah Al-Anfaal. Verses 50-51]

The Bitter Fruits of The Legacy of Kufr and Sins After The Death of a Person

Allaah [The Exalted] said:

إِنَّا نَحْنُ نُحْيِي الْمَوْتَىٰ وَنَكْتُبُ مَا قَدَّمُوا وَآثَرَهُمْ وَكُلَّ شَيْءٍ أَحْصَيْنَاهُ فِي إِمَامٍ مُّبِينٍ

Verily, We give life to the dead, and We record that which they send before (them), and their traces, and that which they leave behind], and all things We have recorded with numbers (as a record) in a Clear Book. [Surah Yaaseen. Aayah 12]

This includes - as Imaam Al-Aloosee [may Allaah have mercy upon him] - "Sins, such as establishment of laws (legislation, rules, regulations etc) that are tantamount to oppression and transgression, or setting up principles amongst the people that are tantamount to evil and corruption, and the evil Funoon [i.e. corrupted professions, crafts, sciences etc] which they initiated and were revived after them by the corrupt people". (4)

Repentance:

Even though Mr Dawkins has spent his adult life in Kufr Akbar and concocting principles for it, however the door of repentance is still open before the soul reaches the throat. Allaah [The Exalted] said:

فَلْيَعْبَادِي الَّذِينَ اسْرِفُوا عَلٰٓى اَنْفُسِهِمْ لَا تَقْنَطُوا مِنْ رَحْمَةِ اللّٰهِ اِنَّ اللّٰهَ يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ جَمِيعًا اِنَّهٗ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ
 وَاُنۢبِئُوۡا اِلَىٰ رَبِّكُمْ وَاَسۡلِمُوۡا لَهٗ ۖ مِنْ قَبۡلِ اَنْ يَّاتِيَكُمُ الْعَذَابُ ثُمَّ لَا تُنصَرُوۡنَ
 وَاَتَّبِعُوۡا اَحۡسَنَ مَا اُنۡزِلَ اِلَيْكُم مِّنۡ رَّبِّكُمْ مِّنۡ قَبۡلِ اَنْ يَّاتِيَكُمُ الْعَذَابُ بَغۡتَةً وَّاَنْتُمْ لَا تَشْعُرُوۡنَ
 اَنْ تَقُوۡلَ نَفۡسُ يٰحَسْرَتَىٰ عَلٰٓى مَا فَرَّطْتُ فِيۡ جَنۡبِ اللّٰهِ وَاِنۡ كُنْتُ لَمِنَ السَّخِرِيۡنَ
 اَوْ تَقُوۡلَ لَوۡ اَنَّ اللّٰهَ هَدٰنِيۡ لَكُنْتُ مِنَ الْمُتَّقِيۡنَ
 اَوْ تَقُوۡلَ حِيۡنَ تَرٰى الْعَذَابَ لَوۡ اَنَّ لِيۡ كَرۡهًا فَاَكُوۡنَ مِنَ الْمُحۡسِنِيۡنَ
 بَلٰٓى قَدۡ جَاۤءَتَكَ ءَايٰتِيۡ فَكَذَّبْتَ بِهَا وَاَسۡتَكۡبَرْتَ وَاَكُنْتَ مِنَ الْكٰفِرِيۡنَ
 وَيَوْمَ الْقِيٰمَةِ تَرٰى الَّذِيۡنَ كَذَّبُوۡا عَلٰٓى اللّٰهِ وُجُوۡهُهُمۡ مُّسَوِّدَةٌ اَلَيْسَ فِيۡ جَهَنَّمَ مَثۡوٰى لِّلۡمُتَكَبِّرِيۡنَ
 وَيُنۢجِيۡ اللّٰهُ الَّذِيۡنَ اتَّقَوْا بِمَقَارَتِهِمۡ لَا يَمَسُّهُمُ السُّوۡءُ وَلَا هُمْ يَحۡزَنُوۡنَ

Say: "O (My slaves) who have transgressed against themselves (by committing evil deeds and sins)! Despair not of the Mercy of Allah, verily Allah forgives all sins (of one who repents). Truly, He is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful. And turn in repentance and in obedience with true Faith (Islamic Monotheism) to your Lord and submit to Him, (in Islam), before the torment comes upon you, then you will not be helped. And follow the best of that which is sent down to you from your Lord (i.e. this Qur'an, do what it orders you to do and keep away from what it forbids), before the torment comes on you suddenly while you perceive not!" Lest a person should say: "Alas, my grief that I was undutiful to Allah (i.e. I have not done what Allah has ordered me to do), and I was indeed among those who mocked [at the truth! i.e. La ilaha ill-Allah (none has the right to be worshipped but Allah), the Qur'an, and Muhammad and at the faithful believers, etc.]" Or (lest) he should say: "If only Allah had guided me, I should indeed have been among the pious". Or (lest) he should say when he sees the torment: "If only I had another chance (to return to the world) then I should indeed be among the good-doers". Yes! Verily, there came to you My Ayat (proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.) and you denied them, and were proud and were among the disbelievers. And on the Day of Resurrection you will see those who lied against Allah (i.e. attributed to Him sons, partners, etc.) their faces will be black. Is there not in Hell an abode for the arrogant ones? And Allah will deliver those who are the Muttaqun (pious – see V.2:2) to their places of success (Paradise). Evil shall touch them not, nor shall they grieve. [Surah Az-Zumar. Verses 53-61]

We ask Allaah to keep up firm upon Islam until we depart from this world. We ask Allaah to have mercy on our parents and guide Mr Dawkins before his departure from this worldly life Aameen, otherwise he will be from the losers.

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