



Spoonful of Joy

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قُوَّةُ الْإِيمَانِ

The Power of Faith

ما هو الإيمان ؟
what is faith?

التصديق بلا شك

affirmation without doubts

الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَلَمْ يَلْبِسُوا إِيمَانَهُمْ
بِظُلْمٍ أُولَئِكَ لَهُمُ الْأَمْنُ وَهُمْ
مُهْتَدُونَ

They who believe and do not mix their belief with injustice - those will have security, and they are [rightly] guided

سورة الأنعام

6:82

العمل بالأركان

fulfilling its pillars

أركان الإيمان

The pillars of faith are to believe :

- ◆ بالله → in Allah
- ◆ ملائكته → His angels
- ◆ كتبه → His books
- ◆ رسله → His prophets and messengers
- ◆ يوم الآخر → the day of judgement
- ◆ قدر خيره و شره → good and bad decree

Faith is in the heart, and shows with actions.

From this verse, we can derive various descriptions of the power of faith :

قُوَّةُ الْإِيمَانِ الْأَمْنِ مِنَ الْمَخَافِ

the power of faith is security from all fears

قُوَّةُ الْإِيمَانِ الْأَمْنِ مِنَ الْعَذَابِ

the power of faith is security from punishment

قُوَّةُ الْإِيمَانِ الْأَمْنِ مِنَ الشَّقَاءِ

the power of faith is security from misery

قوة الإيمان الهداية في الدنيا والآخرة

the power of faith is guidance in this world and the hereafter

The person with faith will not indulge in dunya, or be distracted by it. He will focus upon the purpose of creation, to worship Allah alone. All his decisions will be correct, by the strength given to him by Allah. In the last moment of life, this person will be guided to remain steadfast. In the grave, he will be guided to give the correct answers to the crucial questions of the grave. On the Day of Judgement, while on the bridge of Sirat, he will be guided to cross unscathed.

قُوَّةُ الْإِيمَانِ مَغْفِرَةُ الذُّنُوبِ

the power of faith is forgiveness of sins

An atom of faith is salvation.

قُوَّةُ الْإِيمَانِ الْجَنَّةِ

سَابِقُوا إِلَىٰ مَغْفِرَةٍ مِّن رَّبِّكُمْ وَجَنَّةٍ عَرْضُهَا كَعَرْضِ
السَّمَاءِ وَالْأَرْضِ أُعِدَّتْ لِلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا بِاللَّهِ وَرُسُلِهِ ذَٰلِكَ فَضْلُ
اللَّهِ يُؤْتِيهِ مَن يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ ذُو الْفَضْلِ الْعَظِيمِ

Race toward forgiveness from your Lord and a Garden whose width is like the width of the heavens and earth, prepared for those who believed in Allah and His messengers. That is the bounty of Allah which He gives to whom He wills, and Allah is the possessor of great bounty

57:21

وَبَشِّرِ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ أَنَّ لَهُمْ
جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِن تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ كُلَّمَا رُزِقُوا مِنْهَا
مِنْ ثَمَرَةٍ رُّزِقًا قَالُوا هَٰذَا الَّذِي رُزِقْنَا مِن قَبْلُ وَأَنُوتُوا
بِهِ مُتَشَابِهًا وَلَهُمْ فِيهَا أَزْوَاجٌ مُّطَهَّرَةٌ وَهُمْ فِيهَا
خَالِدُونَ

And give good tidings to those who believe and do righteous deeds that they will have gardens [in Paradise] beneath which rivers flow. Whenever they are provided with a provision of fruit therefrom, they will say, "This is what we were provided with before." And it is given to them in likeness. And they will have therein purified spouses, and they will abide therein eternally

2:25

The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said :

لَا تَدْخُلُونَ الْجَنَّةَ حَتَّى تُوْمِنُوا وَلَا تُؤْمِنُوا حَتَّى تَحَابُّوا . أَوْلَا أَدُلُّكُمْ عَلَى شَيْءٍ إِذَا فَعَلْتُمُوهُ تَحَابَبْتُمْ أَفْشُوا السَّلَامَ بَيْنَكُمْ

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You shall not enter Paradise so long as you do not affirm belief (in all those things which are the articles of faith) and you will not believe as long as you do not love one another. Should I not direct you to a thing which, if you do, will foster love amongst you: spread salaam amongst yourselves.

the power of faith is Paradise

Faith will push the person to do good deeds making him worthy of entering Jannah. Strong faith will make you pray, fast, all to the best of your ability. Worship without faith has no value.

قوة الإيمان الخلود في الجنة

the power of faith is eternity in Paradise

قوة الإيمان الدخول في الجنة

The power of faith is entry into Paradise. Faith is not constant; its level fluctuates.

كيف يزيد الإيمان؟

how does faith increase?

العلم النافع

by acquiring beneficial knowledge, about Allah, the Quran, hadith, etc.

التدبر

by pondering upon the verses of the Quran. Take one verse, repeat it, understand it, try to find out why the particular words are used. Interact with the Quran, don't hold yourself aloof, remember Allah is speaking to you.

التفكر

by reflecting upon the the signs of Allah. You can do so while in any situation. Associate all you can observe with the hereafter. For instance, when you see a beautiful flower, think how the flowers will be in Jannah.

العمل الصالح

by doing good deeds, with the intention of pleasing Allah, and to draw closer to Him.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ إِيمَانًا لَا يَرْتَدُّ وَنَعِيمًا لَا يَنْفَدُ وَمُرَافَقَةَ نَبِيِّكَ مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فِي أَعْلَى جَنَّةِ الْخُلْدِ

Oh Allah I ask you for firm faith that never reverts, and bliss that never ends, and the companionship of Your Prophet Mohammad صلى الله عليه وسلم at the highest level of eternal Paradise

The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه و سلم

said :

مَنْ مَاتَ وَهُوَ يَعْلَمُ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ دَخَلَ الْجَنَّةَ

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He who died knowing (fully well) that there is no god but Allah entered Paradise.