

### Para 6 to 7.25.

Finish Surah al-Nisa. Begin Surah al-Maidah, up to para 7.25.

#### Public talk of evil

﴿لَا يُحِبُّ اللَّهُ الْجَهْرَ بِالسُّوِّءِ مِنَ الْقَوْلِ إِلَّا مَنْ ظَلِمَ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ سَمِيعًا عَلِيمًا﴾ (148)

*Allah does not like public talk of evil except in the case of the one who is wronged. And Allah is all-Hearing, all-Knowing. [Qur'an 5:148]*

Allah dislikes swearing, defaming, or publicising the flaws and defects of someone else. This creates hatred and division within society. However, if someone is wronged, then he can raise his voice to receive his due right back and for others to become aware of the oppressor.

Allah consoles the one who has been wronged that even if no one listens to your cry, then certainly Allah is all-Hearing. Likewise, the oppressor is being warned that you may conceal your cruelties from the people, but Allah is fully Aware of all your activities.

#### Raising of Prophet 'Isa

Prophet 'Isa was not killed nor crucified rather someone similar to Prophet 'Isa was made to appear. Allah raised Prophet 'Isa to the heavens and Allah is Almighty, All-wise.

﴿وَقَوْلِهِمْ إِنَّا قَتَلْنَا الْمَسِيحَ عِيسَى ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَمَا قَتَلُوهُ وَمَا صَلَبُوهُ وَلَٰكِن شُبِّهَ لَهُمْ وَإِنَّ الَّذِينَ اخْتَلَفُوا فِيهِ لَفِي شَكٍّ مِّنْهُ مَا لَهُمْ بِهِ مِنْ عِلْمٍ إِلَّا اتِّبَاعَ الظَّنِّ وَمَا قَتَلُوهُ يَقِينًا﴾ (157)

*And their saying (the Jews): "We killed the Messiah 'Isa, the son of Maryam; who is Messenger of Allah." Whereas they did not kill him, and they did not crucify him, rather for them someone similar (to 'Isa) was made to appear. Verily those who differed about 'Isa are full of doubt about him. They have no certain knowledge of it, except the following of conjecture. And they most certainly did not kill him. [Qur'an 5:157]*

﴿بَل رَّفَعَهُ اللَّهُ إِلَيْهِ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ عَزِيزًا حَكِيمًا﴾ (158)

*Rather Allah raised him to Himself. And Allah is Almighty, all-Wise. [Qur'an 5:158]*

**Surah al-Maidah (Chapter 5: The Table Spread). Madinan. 120 Verses. Over 2 Paras.**

#### The Table Spread

Allah sent down a table spread answering the dua of Prophet 'Isa. The Christians became so happy and pleased that they made that day, a day of joy and happiness, like a festival.

قَالَ عِيسَى ابْنُ مَرْيَمَ اللَّهُمَّ رَبَّنَا أَنْزِلْ عَلَيْنَا مَائِدَةً مِنَ السَّمَاءِ تَكُونُ لَنَا عِيدًا لِأَوَّلِنَا  
وَعَاخِرِنَا وَعَايَةً مِنْكَ وَأَرْزُقْنَا وَأَنْتَ خَيْرُ الرَّازِقِينَ ﴿١١٤﴾

*‘Isa, the son of Maryam, said: “O Allah! O our Lord! Send down upon us a table spread (of food) from heaven, so that it becomes a day of rejoice for all of us, (i.e.) for the first of us and the last of us, and a sign from You. And provide for us (the sustenance of the table spread), and You are the Best of Providers.” [Qur’an 5:114]*

It is the practice of the pious to consider a day in which the mercy of Allah descends to take that day as an ‘Eid, and to rejoice and share happiness. Likewise, to consider the day in which the greatest mercy of Allah descended, the Prophet ﷺ, is also a commendable practice and righteous act. [*Khazain al-‘Irfan*]

### Perfection of Islam

الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتْمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيْتُ لَكُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا

*Today I have perfected your religion for you, and completed My favour upon you, and I have approved Islam as a religion for you. [Qur’an 5:3]*

This special statement is mentioned where Allah announces the completion and perfection of Islam.

A Jew heard Ibn ‘Abbas reciting this verse and said: “If this verse was revealed upon us, we would have made this day a day of Eid.” Ibn ‘Abbas responded: “This verse was revealed on the day of two Eid’s: Friday and the Day of Arafat.” [*Sunan al-Tirmidhi*] These two days are already days of ‘Eid.

### Habil & Qabil

*And recite unto them the account of Adam’s two sons with the truth, when they both offered a sacrifice each, and it was accepted from one of them, but it was not accepted from the other.*

*The latter said: “I will certainly kill you.” The former said: “Allah only accepts from the God-fearing people.” [Qur’an 5:27]*

Habil and Qabil were two sons of Prophet Adam. A sacrifice was made in order to resolve a dispute between them. The sacrifice which would be accepted would mean that party was upon the truth. The sacrifice of Habil was accepted. Qabil did not repent from his jealousy, and adopt God-fearingness, rather his jealousy increased and he killed his brother.

Other topics: Rulings of eating and drinking, Hajj and ‘umrah, wudu and tayammum, killing one person is like killing the whole of humanity and saving one life like saving whole of humanity, marriage to the people of the Book and eating their meat, the unlawfulness of alcohol and eating swine (with logical and scientific evidences), seeking an intermediary (*wasilah*), and the prescribed legal penalty for theft.

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