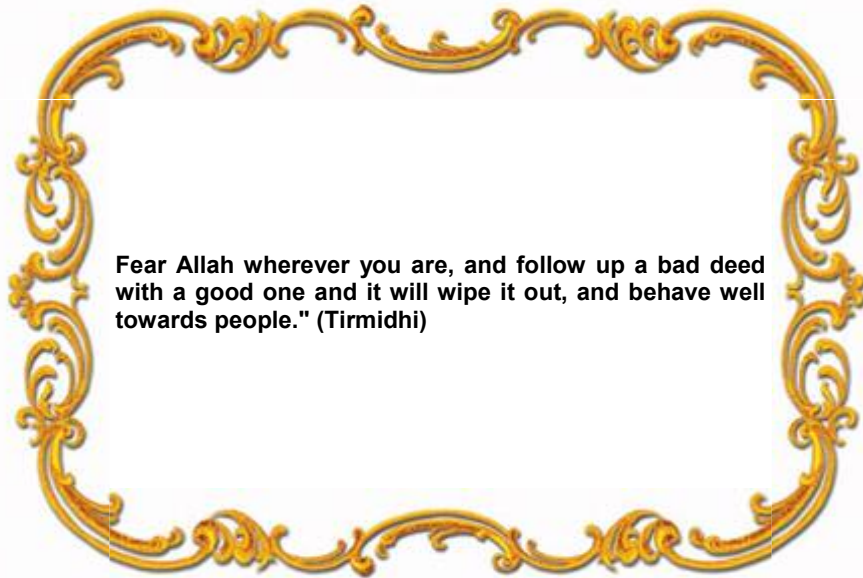


The 12th Day

THE AYAT AND THE HADITH OF THE DAY



... It may be that you hate something when it is good for you and it may be that you love something when it is bad for you. God knows and you do not know. (Surat al-Baqara: 216)



Fear Allah wherever you are, and follow up a bad deed with a good one and it will wipe it out, and behave well towards people." (Tirmidhi)

THE SUBMISSION OF PEOPLE OF FAITH TO DESTINY

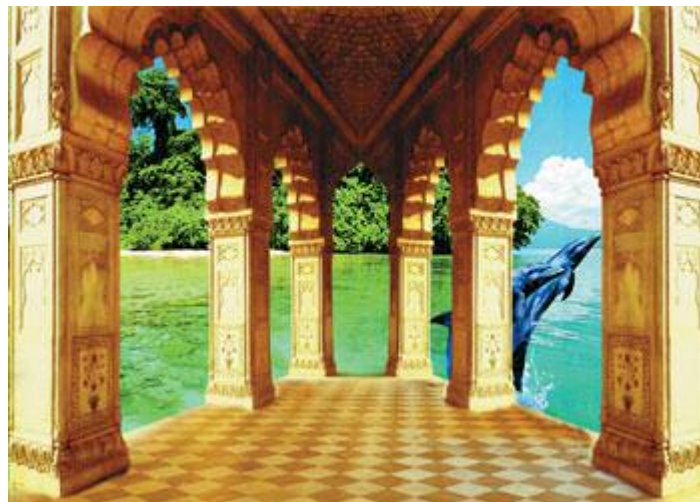
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H A R U N Y A H Y A

"Say: 'Nothing can happen to us except what Allah has ordained for us. He is Our Master. It is in Allah that the believers should put their trust.'" (Surat at-Tawba, 51)

As it is stated in the verse **"Indeed, all things We created with predestination."** (Surat al-Qamar, 49), Allah has created every thing, living or non-living, with its own destiny. This destiny that Allah ordained is invariable; any good or evil that is preordained can in no way be prevented or diverted by anyone. The people of perfected faith are those who are aware that "nothing can happen to them except what Allah has ordained for them."

This fact is, in actuality, a source of infinite comfort. Each event on earth, whether important or insignificant, is planned, in all its details, by an infinite intelligence. Therefore, each one of them develops in a controlled way, to bring the best of benefits to believers.



Aware that Allah creates each event to the advantage of the religion and for the benefit of the believers' lives in the hereafter, the people of perfected faith live in sincere submission to Allah's eternal wisdom and the destiny He has preordained. As the verse, **"... Allah will not let the disbelievers triumph over the believers"** (Surat an-Nisa', 141) makes clear, all events culminate in a way which is, in all cases, in favour of believers. **"... Allah will certainly help those who help Him,"** (Surat al-Hajj, 40) for Allah is the friend and protector of believers.

The people of perfected faith who take Allah as their Protector and put their trust in Him never despair of Allah's help. Especially in the case of a seemingly disadvantageous situation, they never swerve from this stance, aware that there is goodness in whatever happens.

The world is a setting in which Allah puts human beings to the test. The majority of the people display submission to Allah and feel grateful to Him when they receive some form of goodness or blessing, thinking that it is bestowed upon them by Him. But when it comes to an unfavourable event that is not going their way, they

suddenly lose their submissive attitude. They display mistrust and ungratefulness that may at times be as serious as rebelling against Allah.

The people of perfected faith, however, have grasped the secret revealed by the verse, "... **We put you to the test with both good and evil. And you will be returned to Us.**" (Surat al-Anbiya', 35) Never forgetting that any event that seems favourable or unfavourable is specially created to test their faith, they are never lacking in the submission they display to the will of Allah and their trust in their Creator never lessens. They know that any seemingly unfavourable event befalling them may, in actuality, produce very good results when the next life is considered, since Allah creates every event with many hidden purposes that man fails to see.

An event might seem to be unfolding unfavourably; but never forget that it may well be a trial of one's submission to Allah. This event may turn out to be a great blessing at some time. People failing to put their trust in Allah initially forget this fact and thus suffer great loss. Those, on the other hand, having perfected faith, and displaying a good attitude, both gain the pleasure of Allah and ultimately enjoy the beneficial consequences of so doing.

The Qur'an provides us with some excerpts from the lives of those prophets, who became role models for all humanity in the perfected faith they displayed. One of these concerns the seemingly hopeless situation of the Prophet Musa (as), who led his people out of Egypt to escape the Pharaoh's oppression. As they reached the shore, Pharaoh and his army were almost upon them. This difficult situation, which in no way inspired the faintest hope of salvation, became a means by which those who sought goodness in destiny under all circumstances and the ones who doubted were set apart from each other. In the Qur'an, Allah relates this event as follows:

So they pursued them towards the east. And when the two hosts came into sight of one another, Musa's companions said, "We will surely be overtaken!" He said, "Never! My Lord is with me and He will guide me." So We bade Musa strike the sea with his staff, and it split in two, each part like a towering cliff. In between We made the others follow up. We rescued Musa and all those who were with him. Then We drowned the rest. There is certainly a Sign in that, yet most of them do not believe. (Surat ash-Shu'ara', 60-67)

As the verses also inform us, some of the Prophet Musa (as)'s people quailed and thought, "We will surely be overtaken." The Prophet Musa (as), however, did not despair for a moment. He remembered that Allah's help was at hand. Following this trial, Allah miraculously divided the waters of the sea, leaving a dry path in the middle, and guided them to the other shore. Meanwhile, the waters suddenly began to close in on the Pharaoh and his soldiers, who blindly set foot on the same path, and they all drowned. Once the submission of believers became obvious, Allah turned a bad situation into a great blessing. In times of difficulty, the Prophet Muhammad (saas) put his trust in Allah and called upon his companions to be submissive to Him. People faith take the Prophet (saas)'s good conduct as their example. Never swerving from this standard of moral perfection, they meet every difficulty they face with the words:

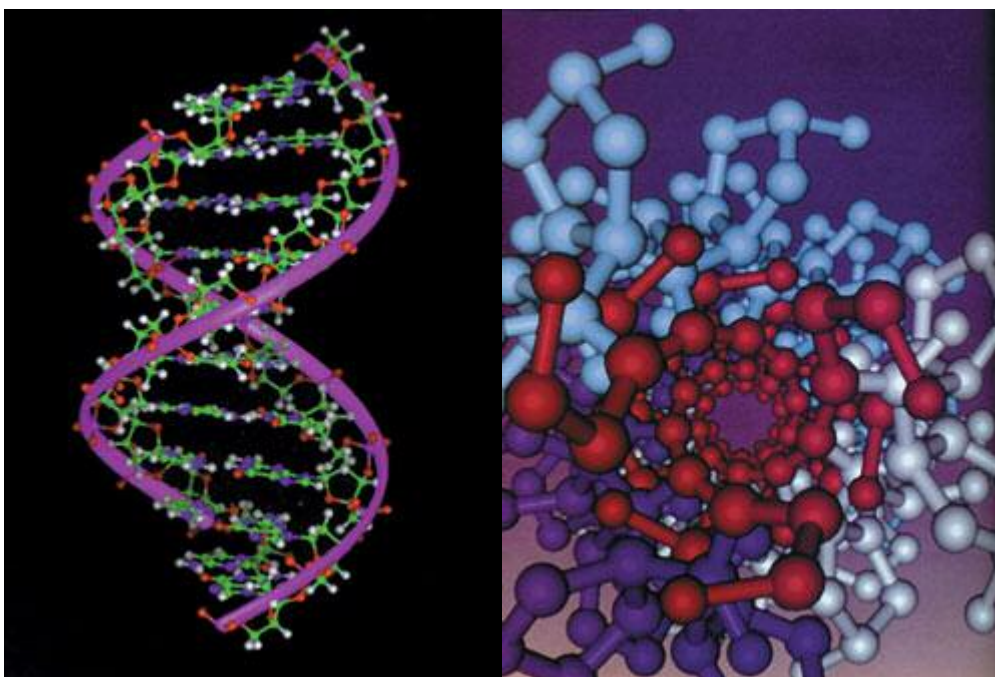
... "Allah is enough for me. All those who truly trust put their trust in Him." (Surat az-Zumar, 38)

(For further reading see, ["Perfected Faith"](#) by Harun Yahya.)

MINIATURE DATABASE: DNA

H A R U N Y A H Y A

DNA is the database of the human body. Take a look at people around you and try to think for a moment about what kinds of characteristics they have. In fact, the color of their eyes, their height, the color and type of their hair, their voice, and the color of their skin and all such data is recorded in their DNA. This database contains all kinds of information about the structure and needs of both the cell in which it exists and of all other cells in the body. Comparing the human body to a structure, we find a complete blueprint of the body, including each and every detail, not excluding the slightest, in the nucleus of every cell within DNA.



DNA is carefully protected in the nucleus in the center of a cell. When one remembers that the average diameter of a cell is one-hundredth of a millimeter, one can better grasp an understanding of how small a region is being discussed. This miraculous molecule is clear evidence for the perfection and splendor of Allah's artistry in creation.

The information contained in DNA not only determines physical characteristics but also controls thousands of different processes and systems in the cells and the body. Having either low or high blood pressure, for example, depends on the information contained in DNA.

Scientists have advanced different theories in order to emphasize the amount of information contained in the genetic structure of man. The information in DNA is so plentiful that if books containing this information were stacked one on top of each other, they would reach sky-high, all the way to 70 meters (230 feet). Scientists have also calculated how long it would take to type the gene map of a human and they concluded that a person typing 60 words per minute and working 8 hours a day would take fully a half-century to complete this momentous task. They also stated that approximately 200 telephone directories of 500 pages apiece could be filled with the information contained in DNA.



A chain made up of atoms lined up side by side, each having a diameter of one-millionth of a millimeter, has such an immense amount of information and memory that a living creature can use it to carry out all its life functions. This is evidence for creation. With the information He put into DNA, Allah once again presents His boundless power and the fact that He has no partner in creation. The boundlessness of Allah's knowledge is related in a verse with the following comparison:

Say: "If all the sea was ink to write down the Words of my Lord, it would run out long before the Words of my Lord ran out," even if We were to bring the same amount of ink again. (Surat al-Kahf: 109)

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COLLAPSE OF THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION DAY BY DAY

CREATION AND SCIENCE

H A R U N Y A H Y A

The theory of evolution is completely at odds with scientific discoveries. This theory, born of the primitive level of science in the nineteenth century, has been completely invalidated by successive scientific discoveries.

Those evolutionists who are blindly devoted to the theory look for a solution in demagoguery, since no scientific foundation is left to them. The most frequently resorted to of these is the clichéd slogan that "creation is a faith, so it cannot be considered part of science." The claim goes that evolution is a scientific theory, whereas creation is just a belief. However, this repetition of "evolution is science, creation is a belief" stems from a totally erroneous perspective. Those who keep repeating that are confusing science and materialist philosophy. They believe that science must remain within the borders of materialism, and that those who are not materialist have no right to make any statements at all. However, science itself completely rejects materialism.

Let us first briefly define materialism in order to examine the matter in more detail. Materialism is a philosophy that has existed since Ancient Greece and is based on the idea that matter is all that exists. According to materialist philosophy, matter has always existed and will continue to do so for all time. Nothing exists apart from matter. This is not a scientific claim, however, because it cannot be subjected to experiment and observation. It is simply a belief, a dogma.

However, this dogma became mixed up with science in the nineteenth century, and even came to be the basic foundation of science. Yet science is not compelled to accept materialism. Science studies nature and the universe, and produces results without being limited by any philosophical classification.



Like contemporary materialists, Democritus was deceived into thinking that matter had existed forever, and that nothing existed but matter.

In the face of this, some materialists frequently take refuge in a simple word game. They say, "Matter is the only subject of study for science, so it has to be materialist." Yes, science only studies matter, but "studying matter" is very different from "being a materialist." That is because when we study matter, we realise that matter contains knowledge and design so great that they could never have been produced by matter itself. We can understand that this knowledge and design are the result of an intelligence, even if we cannot see it directly.

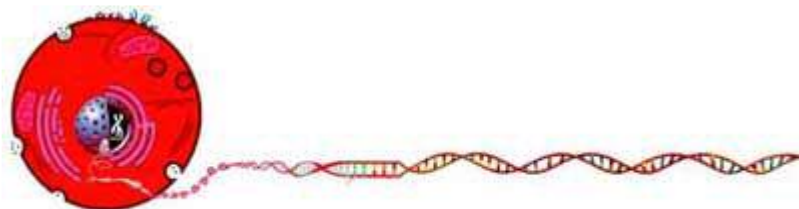
For instance, let us imagine a cave. We do not know if anyone has been in it before us. If, when we enter this cave, there is nothing in it but dust, earth, and stones, we can infer that there is nothing but randomly distributed matter there. However, if there are expertly produced pictures in stunning colours on the walls, we may assume that an intelligent entity has been there before us. We may not be able to see that entity directly, but we can infer its existence from what it produces.

Science studies nature in the same way as shown in that example. If all the design in nature could only be explained by material factors, then science could confirm materialism. However, modern science has revealed that there is design in nature that cannot be explained by material factors, and that all matter contains a design brought into being by a Creator.

For example, all experiments and observation prove that matter could not by itself have given rise to life, for which reason life must stem from a metaphysical creation. All evolutionist experiments in this direction have ended in failure. Life can never have been created from inanimate matter. Professor Fred Hoyle, an astronomer and mathematician who was knighted for his contributions to science, makes the following comment on the subject:

If there were a basic principle of matter which somehow drove organic systems toward life, its existence should easily be demonstrable in the laboratory. One could, for instance, take a swimming bath to represent the primordial soup. Fill it with any chemicals of a non-biological nature you please. Pump any gases over it, or through it, you please, and shine any kind of radiation on it that takes your fancy. Let the experiment proceed for a year and see how many of those 2,000 enzymes [proteins produced by living cells] have appeared in the bath. I will give the answer, and so save the time and trouble and expense of actually doing the experiment. You will find nothing at all, except possibly for a tarry sludge composed of amino acids and other simple organic chemicals. 1

Actually, materialism is in an even worse dilemma. Matter cannot even form life when combined with human knowledge and time, let alone form it by itself.



If matter were capable of giving rise to life on its own, as materialists claim, then it should be possible to synthesise life in laboratory conditions. However, not even one organelle in a cell can be reproduced in the laboratory, let alone a complete cell.

The truth that we have briefly glanced at is the truth that matter cannot form design and knowledge by itself. Yet the universe and the living things in it contain extraordinarily complex design and knowledge. That shows us that this design and knowledge in the universe and living things are the works of a Creator Who possesses infinite power and knowledge, Who existed before matter and rules it.

If we look carefully, this is an entirely scientific conclusion. It is not a "belief," but a truth acquired through observation of the universe and living things in it. That is why the evolutionists' claim that "Evolution is scientific, whereas creation is a belief that cannot enter the domain of science" is a superficial deception. It is true that in the nineteenth century materialism was confused with science, and that science was led off course by materialist dogma. However, subsequent developments in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries have completely overthrown that hoary old belief, and the truth of creation, that had been concealed by materialism, has finally emerged. As the banner headline "Science Finds God," used by the famous magazine *Newsweek* in its historic July 27, 1998, edition makes clear, behind all the materialist deception, science finds God, the Creator of the universe and all that is in it.



The cover of the July 27, 1998, "Science Finds God" edition of Newsweek.

(For further reading, see "[The collapse of the theory of evolution in 20 questions](#)" by Harun Yahya)

1) Fred Hoyle, The Intelligent Universe, Michael Joseph, London, 1983, p. 20-21.

SITE OF THE DAY



What is explained in this web site is an important truth, which has surprised many and changed their perspectives on life. This truth can be summarized as follows: "All events and objects that we encounter in real life-buildings, people, cities, cars, places-in fact, everything we see, hold, touch, smell, taste and hear-come into existence as visions and feelings in our brains".

We are taught to think that these images and feelings are caused by a solid world outside of our brains, where material things exist. However, in reality we never see real existing materials and we never touch real materials. In other words, every material entity which we believe exists in our lives, is, in fact, only a vision which is created in our brains.

This is not a philosophical speculation. It is an empirical fact that has been proven by modern science. Today, any scientist who is a specialist in medicine, biology, neurology or any other field related to brain research would say,

when asked how and where we see the world, that we see the whole world in the vision center located in our brains.

This fact has been scientifically proven in the twentieth century, and although it may seem surprising, it necessarily implies answers to two questions; "If our lives are visions created in our brains, then who is it that creates these visions? And who is it that sees these visions in our brains without having eyes and enjoys them, gets excited and happy?" You will find the answers to these two important questions in this site.

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