

headlong to it, and leave you (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) standing [while delivering *Jumu'ah* religious talk (*Khutbah*)]. Say: "That which Allâh has is better than any amusement or merchandise! And Allâh is the Best of providers."

Sûrat Al-Munâfiqûn
(The Hypocrites)^[1] LXIII

*In the Name of Allâh,
the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.*

1. When the hypocrites come to you (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم), they say: "We bear witness that you are indeed the Messenger of Allâh." Allâh knows that you are indeed His Messenger, and Allâh bears witness that the hypocrites are liars indeed.

2. They have made their oaths a screen (for their hypocrisy). Thus they hinder (men) from the Path of Allâh. Verily, evil is what they used to do.

3. That is because they believed, and then disbelieved; therefore their hearts are sealed, so they understand not.

4. And when you look at them, their bodies please you; and when they speak, you listen to their words. They are as blocks of wood propped up. They think that every cry is against them. They are the enemies, so beware of them. May Allâh curse them! How are they denying (or deviating from) the Right Path?

5. And when it is said to them: "Come, so that the Messenger of Allâh (صلى الله عليه وسلم) may ask forgiveness from Allâh for you," they twist their heads, and you would see them turning away their faces in pride.^[2]

6. It is equal to them whether you (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) ask forgiveness or ask not forgiveness for them, Allâh will never forgive them. Verily, Allâh guides not the people who are the *Fâsiqîn* (the rebellious, the disobedient to Allâh).^[3]

7. They are the ones who say: "Spend not on those who are with Allâh's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم), until they desert him." And to Allâh belong the treasures of the heavens and the

^[1] (S.63) See "Hypocrisy" in Appendix 2 at the end of the Book.

^[2] (V.63:5) See the footnote of (V.22:9).

^[3] (V.63:6) See (V.4:138-145).

earth, but the hypocrites comprehend not.

8. They (hypocrites) say: “If we return to Al-Madinah, indeed the more honourable (‘Abdûllah bin Ubai bin Salûl, the chief of hypocrites at Al-Madinah) will expel therefrom the meaner (i.e. Allâh’s Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم).” But honour, power and glory belong to Allâh, and to His Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم), and to the believers, but the hypocrites know not.

9. O you who believe! Let not your properties or your children divert you from the remembrance of Allâh. And whosoever does that, then they are the losers.

10. And spend (in charity) of that with which We have provided you before death comes to one of you, and he says: “My Lord! If only You would give me respite for a little while (i.e. return to the worldly life), then I should give *Sadaqah* (i.e. *Zakât* of my wealth),^[1] and be among the righteous [i.e. perform *Hajj* (pilgrimage to Makkah) and other good deeds].

11. And Allâh grants respite to none when his appointed time (death) comes. And Allâh is Well-Acquainted with what you do.

Sûrat At-Taghâbun
(Mutual Loss and Gain) LXIV

***In the Name of Allâh,
the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.***

1. Whatsoever is in the heavens and whatsoever is on the earth glorifies Allâh. His is the dominion, and to Him belong all the praises and thanks, and He is Able to do all things.

^[1] (V.63:10) A) Narrated Abu Hurairah رضى الله عنه: The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said, “Everyday two angels come down from heaven and one of them says, ‘O Allâh! Compensate every person who spends in Your Cause,’ and the other (angel) says, ‘O Allâh! Destroy every miser.’” (*Sahîh Al-Bukhârî*, Vol. 2, *Hadîth* No. 522).

B) The performance of *Hajj* is an enjoined duty and its superiority, and the Statement of Allâh عز وجل: “*Hajj* (pilgrimage) to the House (*Ka’bah*), is a duty that mankind owes to Allâh, those who can afford the expenses (for one’s conveyance, provision and residence); and whoever disbelieves [i.e. denies *Hajj* (pilgrimage to Makkah), then he is a disbeliever of Allâh], then Allâh stands not in need of any of the ‘*Ālamîn* (mankind and jinn).” (V.3:97).

C) Islâm demolishes all the previous evil deeds and so do migration (for Allâh’s sake) and *Hajj* (pilgrimage to Makkah) [*Al-Lûlû’ wal-Marjân*, Vol. 1, Chapter 52, Page 205] (*Sahîh Muslim*, Vol. 1, Chapter 52, Page 78)

D) See the footnote of (V.3:180).