

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Surat QURAI'SH (106)

سورة قريش

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The main concept:

When Prophet Ibrahim, completed the building of the house of worship "the Ka'ba" and had purified it, he turned to Allah with the following prayer "Lord make this a city of peace

and sustain its inhabitants with the fruits "

" رَبِّ اجْعَلْ لِي قَرْيَةً سَلَامَةً فِيهَا وَارزُقني منها الرزاق " (Surat(2) Al Baqara (136) سورة البقرة)

So Allah answered Ibrahim's supplication and made that House, "one of peace". He made it free from all human authority. He granted security and peace to anyone seeking shelter in that house, while fear was all around it. Even when the people transgressed, ascribed Divinity to beings other than Allah, and worshipped idols, there was peace and security, for Allah had designed a purpose for this sacred House.

It is the security of the House (Kabba) that out of Allah's mercy, guaranteed, peace and security in the business of those, who lived near it and were its custodians.

The House (Kabba) created for the Quraysh a distinct and exclusive position and opened up to them extensive means of sustenance in peace, security and contentment. The Quraysh became accustomed to these two trips of the winter and summer, which were soon established among their traditional habits.

This is the specific grace of which Allah reminds the Quraysh, as while ^{their} other lands ^{is} dry, ^{but} ~~and~~ It is Allah's mercy for them to have 2 trips in winter and summer, which are the source of ^{trade} their flourishing business and good life. Also Allah secured them from fear whether in their hearts or

homes as they are living close to Allah's house, or in their trips and journeys. Their security is the result of their being the custodians of the House.

Allah reminded them of these graces in order that they may be ashamed of their submission to other beings, while He is the Lord of the House.

Allah says to them in effect "For this tradition of Quraish, namely their trips of winter and summer, let them submit to the Lord of this House, Who guaranteed their security and so encouraged them to take such beneficial trips.

Poor as their land is infertile, and living in an insecure surroundings, their life would have been one of fear if not Allah granted them security and sustenance so that they may realize His favours and worship none but

Him

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