



Tafseer – Week 5

Who are **السابقون**?

- The Prophet SAW: Those who when are given their rights, they accept (not ask for more). They help whoever asks for help. They deal with people as they deal with themselves.
- Qataadah: Those who accepted Islam early in the time of the Prophet SAW
- Ibn Seereen: Those who prayed towards both Qiblahs
- Mujaahid: Those who were first to make sacrifice
- Ali RA: Those who hasten to Salah
- Sa'eed bin Jubair: Those who do tawbah and do good deeds
- Shumayt bin 'Ajlaan: Those who started doing good deeds from a young age

Verse 24

جَزَاءَ بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ

"A reward for what they used to do."

- This is what the sabiqoon will get.
- They will be recompensed for every good action they did, and they will get much better than they deserved.

Verse 25

لَا يَسْمَعُونَ فِيهَا لَغْوًا وَلَا تَأْتِيهَا

"No Laghw (vain talk) will they hear therein, nor any sinful speech"

- Laghw is any action which has no meaning or use.
- Ta'theem is any useless action which is sinful.
- We will never receive any bad news and our time will all be used wisely.

Verse 26

إِلَّا قِيلًا سَلَامًا سَلَامًا

"But only the saying of: Salam!, Salam! (greetings with peace)"

- "Salaam" comes twice because when someone says Salaam, someone else says it back.
- This greeting could also be from Allah SWT, who is As-Salaam. He SWT greets us with His greetings in Jannah.

Verse 27

وَأَصْحَابُ الْيَمِينِ مَا أَصْحَابُ الْيَمِينِ

“And those on the Right Hand, - Who will be those on the Right Hand?”

- They are the ones who do good and bad.
- They may have spent a lot of their life doing sins but they always repent.

Verse 28

فِي سِدْرٍ مَّخْضُودٍ

“(They will be) among thornless lote-trees,”

- "Sidr" is mentioned 4 times in the Qur'an.
- The Prophet SAW used it for its various health and medical benefits.
- There will be nothing negative in Jannah, not even thorns.
- The Prophet SAW said that Allah SWT replaced each thorn with a fruit which has 70 colors, none of which resemble each other.

Verse 29

وَوَطْلَحٍ مَّنضُودٍ

“Among Talh (banana-trees) with fruits piled one above another,”

- The different trees are mentioned to show the variety of trees in Jannah.
- The companions would look towards the usefulness of trees which is also a reason that different trees are mentioned.

Verse 30

وَوَظِلٍّ مَّمْدُودٍ

“In shade long-extended,”

- Shade is a form of comfort from heat.
- When this verse was revealed, the people were living in severe heat. Therefore, this was very intriguing for them.
- The Prophet SAW told us that anyone who says “Subhanallah” once, Allah plants a tree for them in Jannah which will be so large that they can not get to the end of its shade.

Verse 31

وَمَاءٍ مَّسْكُوبٍ

“By water flowing constantly,”

Verse 32

وَفَاكِهَةٍ كَثِيرَةٍ

“And fruit in plenty”

Verse 33

لَا مَقْطُوعَةَ وَلَا مَمْنُوعَةَ

“Whose season is not limited, and their supply will not be cut off”

- There will be no limit to how many you can eat.
- There will be no worry about your health being harmed from having too many.

Verse 34

وَفُرُشٍ مَّرْفُوعَةٍ

“And on couches or thrones, raised high.”

Verse 35

إِنَّا أَنْشَأْنَاهُنَّ إِنشَاءً

“Verily, We have created them (maidens) of special creation.”

- There will be no health or age related issues.
- Everything will always stay the way it was when you first got married.
- Every time you look at your spouse he/she will be more beautiful.

Verse 36

فَجَعَلْنَاهُنَّ أَبْكَارًا

“And made them virgins.”

Verse 37

عُرْبًا أَتْرَابًا

“Loving, equal in age”

- “Atraab” also refers to an equal level of intellect and maturity.
- Everyone will be young.

Verse 38

لِأَصْحَابِ الْيَمِينِ

“For those on the Right Hand”

Verse 39

ثَلَاثَةٌ مِّنَ الْأُولَىٰ

“A multitude of those will be from the first generation”

Verse 40

وَأَثَلَةٌ مِّنَ الْآخِرِينَ

“And a multitude of those will be from the later times”

- The Prophet SAW said that the people of Jannah will be lined up in 120 rows. 80 rows will be of his SAW Ummah.
- The Prophet SAW narrated that Allah SWT has promised that 70,000 people will enter Jannah without any reckoning. Since the companions were 120,000, they were worried. He SAW then said that every person will bring another 70,000, which would make it close to 5 billion people. This indicates that there will be many people going to Paradise.