

**Sura Al-Qaria**

**The Calamity**

**Ibn Kathir**

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Today's topic is Tafsir of Surah Al- Qaria. There are 11 verses in the surah. It was revealed in Makkah.

Surah 101 Al-Qaria, Ayat: 1-11

الْقَارِعَةُ ﴿١﴾ مَا الْقَارِعَةُ ﴿٢﴾ وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا الْقَارِعَةُ ﴿٣﴾  
 يَوْمَ يَكُونُ النَّاسُ كَالْفَرَاشِ الْمَبْثُوثِ ﴿٤﴾  
 وَتَكُونُ الْجِبَالُ كَالْعِهْنِ الْمَنْفُوشِ ﴿٥﴾  
 فَأَمَّا مَنْ ثَقُلَتْ مَوَازِينُهُ ﴿٦﴾ فَهُوَ فِي عِيشَةٍ رَاضِيَةٍ ﴿٧﴾

وَأَمَّا مَنْ خَفَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ ﴿٨﴾ فَأُمُّهُ هَاوِيَةٌ ﴿٩﴾ ط  
 وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا هِيَ ﴿١٠﴾ نَارٌ حَامِيَةٌ ﴿١١﴾ ع

1. Al-Qari'ah
2. What is Al Qari'ah?
3. And what will make you know what Al Qari'ah is?
4. It is a day where on mankind will be like moths scattered about.
5. And the mountains will be like wool, carded.
6. Then as for him whose balance will be heavy .
7. He will have a pleasant life.
8. But as for him whose balance will be light.
9. His mother will be Hawiyah.
10. And what will make you know what it is.
11. A fire Hamiyah.

Al Qari'ah is one of the names of judgement like Al-Haqqah , At-Tammah, As Sakhkhah, Al-Ghashiyah and other names.

Then Allah intensifies concern and fright for it by saying “ And what will make you know what Al-Qariah is?” Then he explains this by saying , “It is a day whereon mankind will be like moths scattered about” meaning in their scattering , their dividing, their coming and their going, all due to being bewildered at what is happening to them, they will be like scattered moths. This is like Allah’s statement “ As if they were locusts spread about” (54:7)

Allah said, “And the mountains will be like wool carded” meaning they will become like carded wool that has begun to wear out [fade away] and be torn apart. Mujahid, Ikrimah, Said bin Jubeyr, Al Hasan, Qatadah, Ata Al khurasani, Ad Dahhak and As-Suddi have all said “like wool, (Ihn)” “Woolen”

Then Allah informs about the results received by those who performed the deeds and the honor and disgrace they will experience based upon their deeds.

He says, “Then as for him whose balance will be heavy” meaning His good deeds are more than bad deeds “He will live a pleasant life” meaning paradise.

“But as for him whose balance will be light” meaning his bad deeds are more than good deeds. Then Allah says,

“His mother will be Hawiyah” It has been said that thus means he will be falling and tumbling head first into the fire of Hell, and the expression “his mother “ has been used to refer to his brain (as it is the mother of his head)

A statement similar to this has been reported from Ibn Abbas, Ikrimah, Abu Salih, and Qatadah said, “He will fall into the Hell fire on his head” Abu salih made a similar statement when he said , “They will fall into the fire on their heads”

It has also been said that it means his mother that he will return to and end up with in the Hell fire will be Hawiyah, which is one of the names of Hellfire.

Ibn Jarir said, “Al-Hawiyah is only called his mother because he will have no other abode except for it” Ibn zayd said “Al-Hawiyah is the fire and it will be his mother and his abode to which he will return and where he will be settled. The he recited “ Their abode will be the fire.(3:151)

Ibn Abi Hatim said that it has been narrated from Qatadah that he said, “It is the fire, and it is their abode”.

Thus Allah says in explaining the meaning of Al-Hawiyah, “And what will make you know what it is?” Allah’s statement “A fire Hawiyah, meaning extreme heat . It is a heat that is accompanied by strong flame and fire.

It is narrated by Abu Hurayrah that prophet(p b u h) said, that the fire of a children of Adam that you all kindle is one part of the seventy parts Of the fire of Hell.

They(the companions) said “O the Messenger of Allah Isn’t it sufficient?” He replied it is more than it by sixty nine times”

This has been recorded by Al bukhari and Muslim. In some of the wordings he stated “It is more than it by sixty nine times , each of them is like the heat of it.”

It has been narrated in a Hadith that Imam Ahmad recorded from Abu Hurayrah that prophet (p b u h) said

“Verily the person who will receive the lightest torment of the people of the Hellfire will be a man who will have two sandals that will that will cause to boil his brain.”

It has been confirmed by two shahis that the prophet(p b u h) said,

The Hellfire complained to its Lord and said, “O Lord, some parts of me devour other parts of me”. So He (Allah) permitted it to take two breaths: One breath is the winter and one breath is the summer. Thus the most severe cold that you experience in the winter is from its cold, and the most severe heat that you experience in the summer is from its heat.”

In the two shahis it is recorded that he said ,

“when the heat becomes intense pray the prayer when it cools down, for indeed the intense heat is from the breath of Hell.

Dear brothers and sisters , let us pray to Allah Sub hanahu wa Taala

“O Allah, the Entirely Merciful, and the Especially Merciful please forgive our sins and wrongdoings of the past. We promise not to repeat the bad deeds. We also promise from now onwards we will follow the holy Quran and Sahih Hadith in our lives. We seek your help so that we can lead sinfree lives and do ibadah and good deeds in this world. Please don't throw us in the fire of Jahannam on the day of Judgement and grant for us Jannat.”

Ameen.

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