

## The Quest for Piety Beneficial Counsels on Ramadan

### Lesson Eight.

#### The Importance of Taqwa

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## What is Taqwa?

One. To carefully guard oneself and to avoid everything that harms one in the hereafter.

Two. This includes fulfilling obligations both inwardly and outwardly.

Three. Avoiding the prohibitions both inwardly and outwardly.

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## Virtues of Attaining Taqwa

وَمَنْ يَتَّقِ اللَّهَ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ مِنْ أَمْرِهِ يُسْرًا

“And whoever is mindful of Allah, He will make their matters easy for them.”

[Quran 65:4]

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### Virtues of Attaining Taqwa

وَمَنْ يَتَّقِ اللَّهَ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ مَخْرَجًا ۝

“And whoever is mindful of Allah,  
He will make a way out for them.”

[Quran 65:2]

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### Virtues of Attaining Taqwa

وَرَزَقَهُ مِنْ حَيْثُ لَا يَحْتَسِبُ وَمَنْ يَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ فَهُوَ حَسْبُهُ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ بَالِغُ أَمْرِهِ ۚ قَدْ جَعَلَ اللَّهُ لِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدَرًا ۝

“and provide for them from sources they could never  
imagine. And whoever puts their trust in Allah, then He  
'alone' is sufficient for them. Certainly Allah achieves His  
Will. Allah has already set a destiny for everything.”

[Quran 65:3]

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### Virtues of Attaining Taqwa

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن تَتَّقُوا اللَّهَ يَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ فُرْقَانًا وَيُكَفِّرْ عَنْكُمْ سَيِّئَاتِكُمْ وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ وَاللَّهُ ذُو الْفَضْلِ الْعَظِيمِ ۝

“O believers! If you are mindful of Allah, He will  
grant you a standard 'to distinguish between right  
and wrong', absolve you of your sins, and forgive  
you. And Allah is the Lord of infinite bounty.”

[Quran 8:29]