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DID YOU KNOW?



The chapter starts with destruction for those who cheat on business because they wanted to profit. Ends with a rhetorical question - "Have not those who covered up the truth now given what they deserve?" The profit gained by cheating in the world results in destructive loss in the hereafter.

BENEFITS OF RECITATION



- Recite on child who cries a lot
- Safety from Jahannam
- No accounting
- Safekeeping

SECTION 1 AYAAT 1 - 6

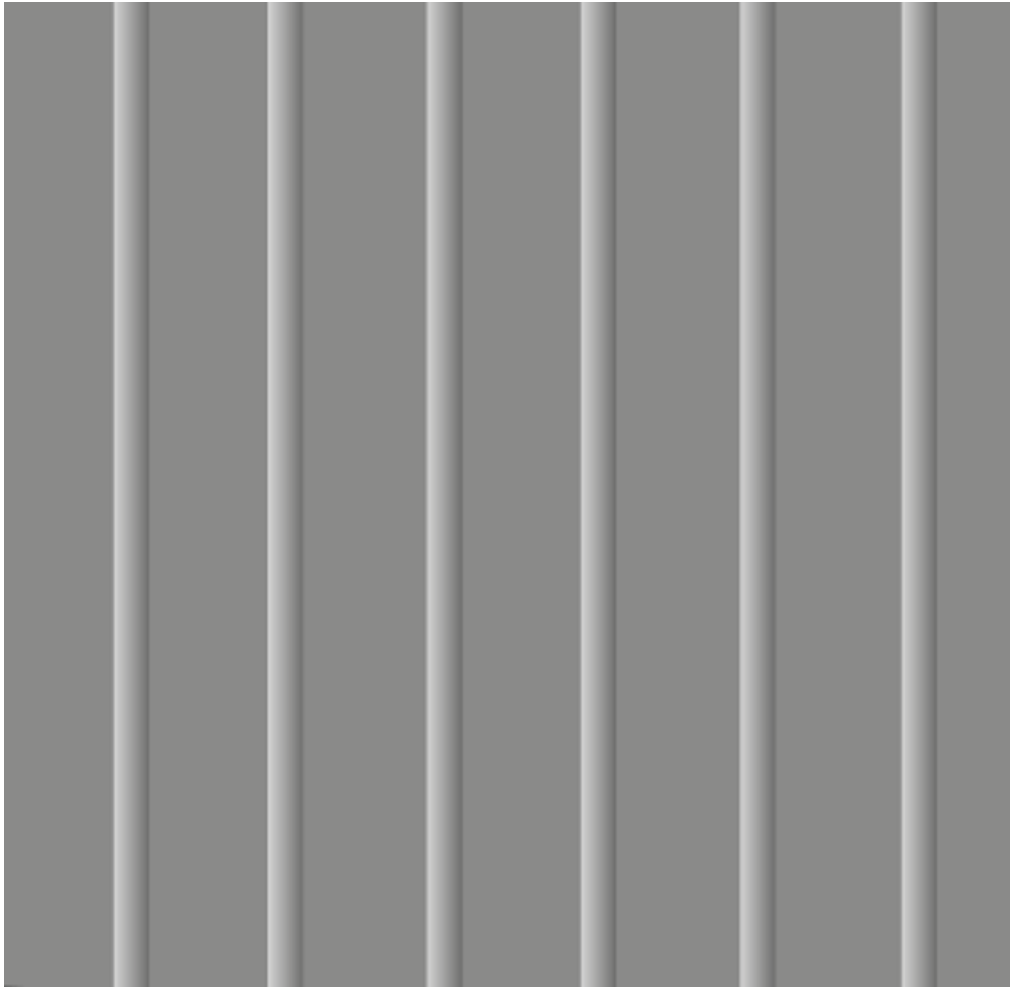


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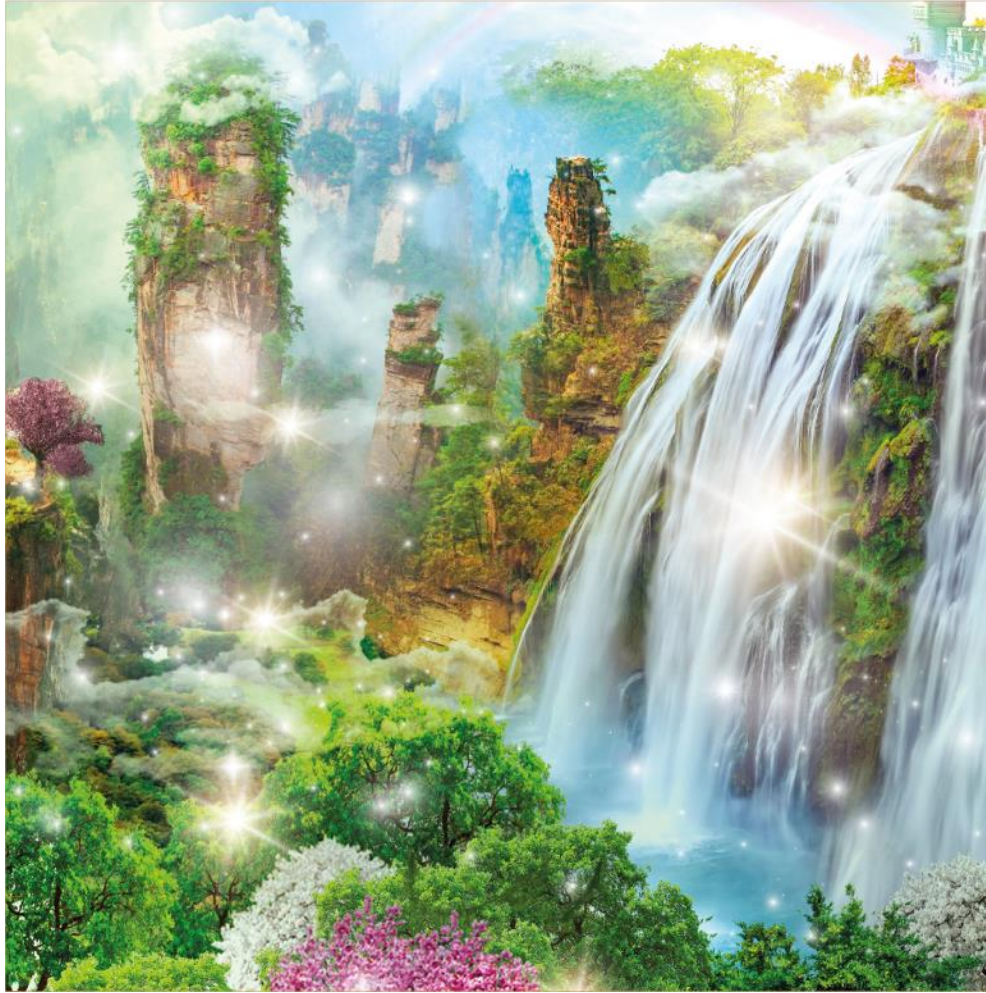
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SECTION 1

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allah, the Most Merciful, the Most Compassionate.

SECTION 1 AYA 1

وَيْلٌ لِّلْمُطَفِّفِينَ

Woe to the defrauders,

SECTION 1 AYA 2

الَّذِينَ إِذَا أَكْتَالُوا عَلَى النَّاسِ يَسْتَوْفُونَ

Who, when they take the measure (of their dues) from men take it fully,

SECTION 1 AYA 3

وَإِذَا كَالُوهُمْ أَوْ وَزَنُوهُمْ يُخْسِرُونَ

But when they measure out to others or weigh out for them, they are deficient

SECTION 1 AYA 4

أَلَا يَظُنُّ أُولَئِكَ أَنَّهُمْ مَبْعُوثُونَ

Do not these think that they shall be raised again

SECTION 1 AYA 5

لِيَوْمٍ عَظِيمٍ

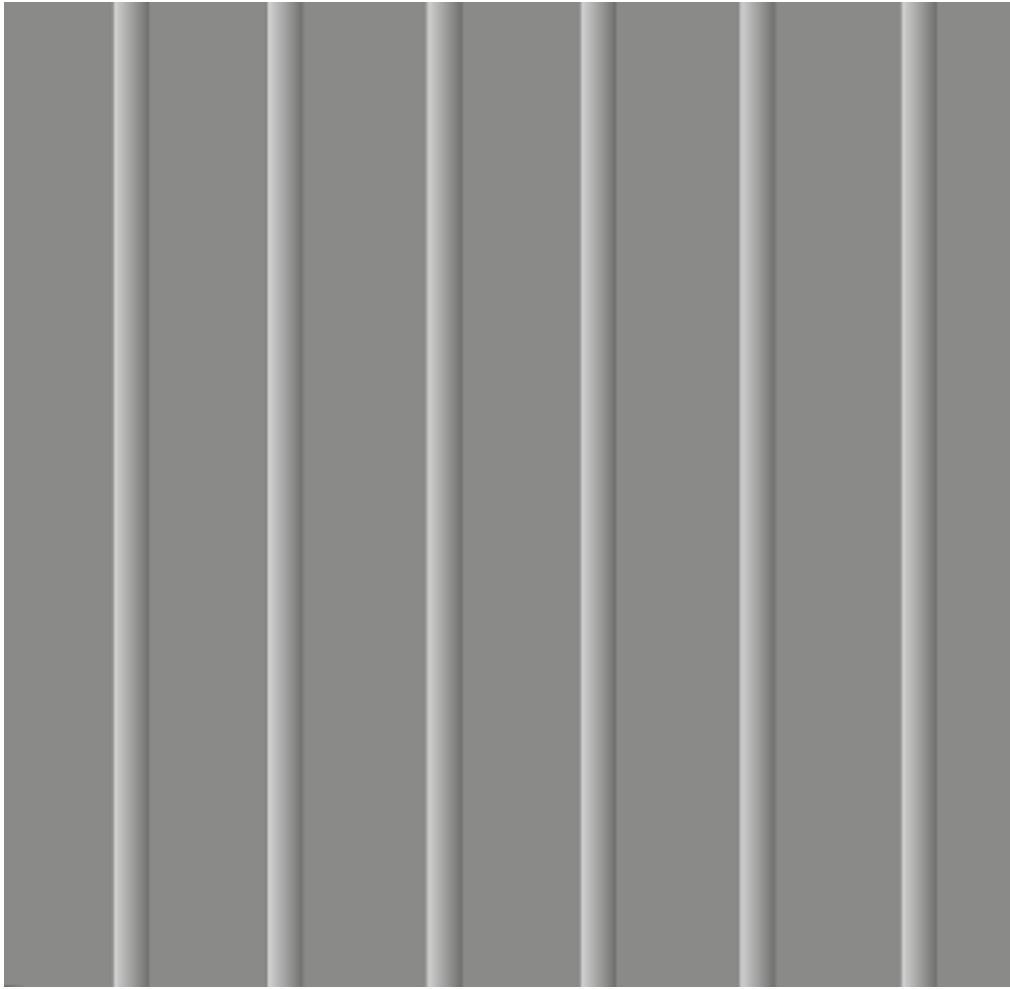
For a mighty day,

SECTION 1 AYA 6

يَوْمَ يَقُومُ النَّاسُ لِرَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

The day on which men shall stand before the Lord of the worlds?

SECTION 2 AYAAT 7 - 17



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SECTION 2 AYA 7

كَلَّا إِنَّ كِتَابَ الْفُجَّارِ لَفِي سِجِّينٍ

Nay! most surely the record of the wicked is in the Sijjin.



SECTION 2 AYA 8

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا سِجِّينُ

And what will make you know what the Sijjin is?

SECTION 2 AYA 9

كِتَابٌ مَّرْقُومٌ

It is a written book.

SECTION 2 AYA 10

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلْمُكَذِّبِينَ

Woe on that day to the rejecters,

SECTION 2 AYA 11

الَّذِينَ يُكَذِّبُونَ بِيَوْمِ الدِّينِ

Who give the lie to the day of judgment.

SECTION 2 AYA 12

وَمَا يُكَذِّبُ بِهِ إِلَّا كُلُّ مُعْتَدٍ أَثِيمٍ

And none gives the lie to it but every exceeeder of limits, sinful one



SECTION 2 AYA 13

إِذَا تُتْلَىٰ عَلَيْهِ آيَاتُنَا قَالَ أَسَاطِيرُ الْأَوَّلِينَ

When Our communications are recited to him, he says: Stories of those of yore.

SECTION 2 AYA 14

كَلَّا بَلْ رَأَوْسٌ ^{صَلِّ} عَلَى قُلُوبِهِمْ مَا كَانُوا يَكْسِبُونَ

Nay! rather, what they used to do has become like rust . upon their hearts.

SECTION 2 AYA 15

كَلَّا إِنَّهُمْ عَنْ رَبِّهِمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ لَمَحْجُوبُونَ

Nay! most surely they shall on that day be debarred from their Lord.

SECTION 2 AYA 16

ثُمَّ إِنَّهُمْ لَصَالُو الْجَحِيمِ

Then most surely they shall enter the burning fire.

SECTION 2 AYA 17

ثُمَّ يُقَالُ هَذَا الَّذِي كُنْتُمْ بِهِ تُكَذِّبُونَ

Then shall it be said: This is what you gave the lie to.

SECTION 3 AYAAT 18 - 28



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SECTION 3 AYA 18

كَلَّا إِنَّ كِتَابَ الْأَبْرَارِ لَفِي عَلِيِّينَ

Nay! Most surely the record of the righteous shall be in the Iliyin.

SECTION 3 AYA 19

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا عَلِيُّونَ

And what will make you know what the highest Iliyin is?

SECTION 3 AYA 20

كِتَابٌ مَّرْقُومٌ

It is a written book,

SECTION 3 AYA 21

يَشْهَدُهُ الْمُقَرَّبُونَ

Those who are drawn near (to Allah) shall witness it.

SECTION 3 AYA 22

إِنَّ الْأَبْرَارَ لَفِي نَعِيمٍ

Most surely the righteous shall be in bliss,

SECTION 3 AYA 23

عَلَى الْأَرْئِافِ يَنْظُرُونَ

On thrones, they shall gaze;

SECTION 3 AYA 24

تَعْرِفُ فِي وُجُوهِهِمْ نَضْرَةَ النَّعِيمِ

You will recognise in their faces the brightness of bliss.

SECTION 3 AYA 25

يُسْقَوْنَ مِنْ رَاحِيْقٍ لَخْتُوْمٍ

They are made to quaff of a pure drink that is sealed (to others).

SECTION 3 AYA 26

خِتَامُهُ مِسْكٌ^ج وَفِي ذَلِكَ فَلْيَتَنَافَسِ الْمُتَنَافِسُونَ

The sealing of it is (with) musk; and for that let the aspirers aspire.

SECTION 3 AYA 27

وَمِزَاجُهُ مِنْ تَسْنِيمٍ

And the admixture of it is a water of Tasnim,

SECTION 3 AYA 28

عَيْنًا يَشْرَبُ بِهَا الْمُقَرَّبُونَ

A fountain from which drink they who are drawn near (to Allah).

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SECTION 4 AYA 29

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ أَجْرَمُوا كَانُوا مِنَ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا يَضْحَكُونَ

Surely they who are guilty used to laugh at those who believe.

SECTION 4 AYA 30

وَإِذَا مَرُّوا بِهِمْ يَتَغَامَرُونَ

And when they passed by them, they winked at one another.

SECTION 4 AYA 31

وَإِذَا انْقَلَبُوا إِلَىٰ أَهْلِهِمْ انْقَلَبُوا فَكِهِينَ

And when they returned to their own followers they returned exulting.



SECTION 4 AYA 32

وَإِذَا رَأَوْهُمْ قَالُوا إِنَّ هَؤُلَاءِ لَضَالُّونَ

And when they saw them, they said: Most surely these are in error;

SECTION 4 AYA 33

وَمَا أُرْسِلُوا عَلَيْهِمْ حَافِظِينَ

And they were not sent to be keepers over them.

SECTION 4 AYA 34

فَالْيَوْمَ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنَ الْكُفَّارِ يَضْحَكُونَ

So today those who believe shall laugh at the unbelievers;

SECTION 4 AYA 35

عَلَى الْأَرْئِثِ يَنْظُرُونَ

On thrones, they will look.

SECTION 4 AYA 36

هَلْ تُؤْتُونَ الْكُفَّارَ مَا كَانُوا يَفْعَلُونَ

Surely the disbelievers are rewarded as they did.

NARRATIVE



The chapter takes its name from the first verse which refers to those who cheat. A Mutaffif is one who sneakily short changes others. More generally, it refers to those who demand that their rights be observed but are not willing to recognise the rights of others or those who see faults in others but not in themselves.

Beginning with the condemnation of those who cheat because they reject accountability and mock Divine signs, the chapter then provides a contrast of the fate of the rebellious and the rewards of the God conscious.

It concludes with a discussion on the fate of those who mocked the Prophet and his followers.



SELECTED AYAAT



83:4 Do not these think that they shall be raised again?

For the mighty day

83:5 The day on which men shall stand before the Lord of

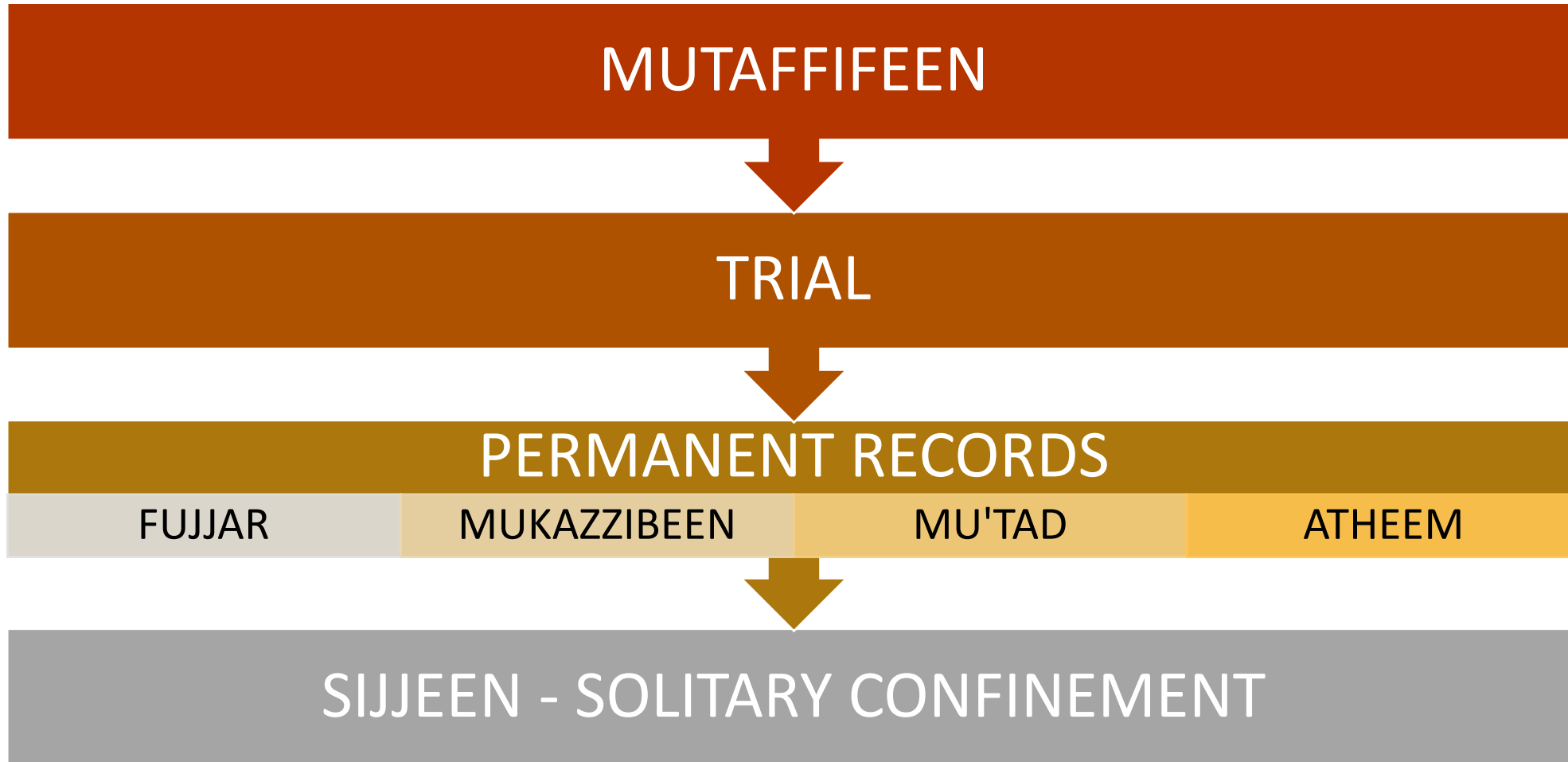
83:6 the worlds

Those who deny the Day of Judgement...

83:11 They will be given a sealed pure wine to drink

83:25

SUMMARY - CRIME



SUMMARY - QUALITIES OF A MUTAFFIFEEN

1. Denied Accountability

2. Called Divine Guidance mythology

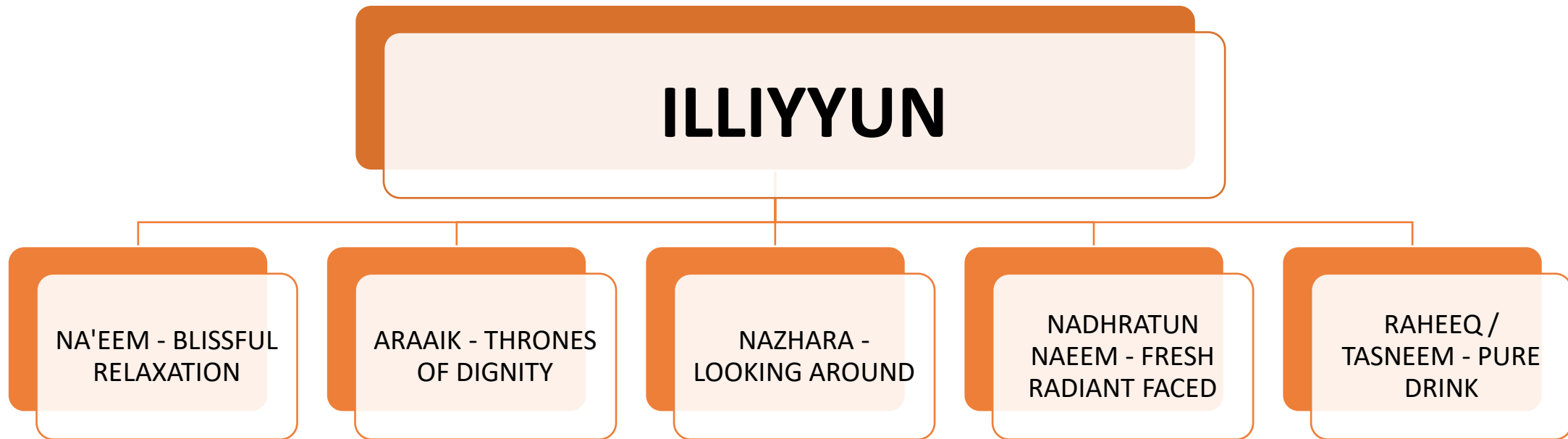
3. Earned rust on heart

4. Blocked themselves from Rabb

5. Threw themselves in the fire that they denied

SUMMARY - RIGHTEOUS

PERMANENT RECORD – ABRAR AND MUQARRABUN



SUMMARY – QUALITIES OF GUILTY ON QIYAMA

1. Made fun of those who believed

2. Wink and nudge

3. Boasted of mocking those who believed

4. Felt sorry for them

5. Belittled them - "Who are they to tell us"



SUMMARY – TABLES TURNED

