

AL-MAA'UN - SMALL ACT

PROFILE OF ONE WHO DENIES THE DIVINE WAY OF LIFE AND ACCOUNTABILITY



DENIAL OF 'DEEN' MANIFESTED IN APATHY TOWARDS HELPING OTHERS AND PRAY ONLY TO IMPRESS OTHERS

Deniers of DEEN (Divine way of life and belief in accountability) manifest 5 qualities -

Three in regard to humanity and Two with Divinity:

- 1. Reject those without a social standing
- 2. They do not motivate (encourage) in assisting (feeding) the needy
- 3. No spiritual connection in salaa (habit and empty ritual)
- 4. Only prays to be seen (in public)
- 5. Refuses the smallest act of kindness

Refuse even small acts of kindness Not giving importance to salaa



DENIERS OF DEEN

Obedience to



DEEN





107. Al-Maa'un ~ Small Act Of Kindness

7 Ayaat (Makki)

FOCUS

PROFILE OF ONE WHO DENIES THE DIVINE WAY OF LIFE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

DID YOU KNOW?

DEEN IS THE DIVINE WAY OF CONDUCT (LIFE) AND BELIEF IN ACCOUNTABILITY

THE CHAPTER EMPHASISES THE CONNECTION BETWEEN SALAA AND SERVING **HUMANITY**

SELECTED AYAAT

- 107:1 Have you seen the one who denies the Divine way of life (and a ccountability)?
- 107:2 He is the one who pushes aside the orphan.
- And does not urge others to feed the needy.
- 107:4-6 So woe to those who pray, those who are neglectful of their prayers, only praying to be seen.

NARRATIVE

THE CHAPTER TAKES ITS NAME FROM THE WORD MAA'UN IN THE LAST VERSE WHICH MEANS 'THE PLATE UPON WHICH FOOD IS SERVED' AND IN ITS BROADER SENSE ANY ACT OF KINDNESS, CHARITY OR ASSISTANCE.

A NARRATION STATES THAT ABU SUFYAN WAS IN THE HABIT OF SLAUGHTERING TWO CAMELS EVERY WEEK. ONE DAY AN ORPHAN CAME ASKING HIM FOR SOMETHING AND HE RESPONDED BY HITTING HIM WITH A STICK.

THE CHAPTER ADMONISHES THOSE WHO DO NOT THEMSELVES FEED THE NEEDY AND THOSE WHO ENCOURAGE OTHERS NOT TO EITHER.

IF THEY DO PRAY OR DO GOOD IT IS ONLY TO INCREASE THEIR REPUTATION.