

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَآمِنُوا بِرَسُولِهِ يُؤْتِكُمْ كِفْلَيْنِ مِنْ
رَحْمَتِهِ وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ نُورًا تَمْشُونَ بِهِ وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ

رَحِيمٌ ﴿٢٨﴾

Al-Hadid (Iron) 57:28

O You Who Believe!

- Fear Allah.
- And believe in His Messenger.
- And He will bestow on you a double portion of His Mercy.
- He will provide for you a Light by which you shall walk (straight in your path).
- And He will forgive you (your past).
- For Allah is Oft- Forgiving, Most Merciful.

Commentary

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God says, " O you who believe! Fear God and believe in His Messenger, He will give you two-fold of His mercy."

God says, " And He will give you a light by which you shall walk."

This refers to the light on the Day of Judgment that will guide the true believers.

It then says, " Their light will be ahead of them and on their sides."

This is stated without any proof. They will have a guiding light in this world also as supported by verse 122 of Surah Anam, " Is he who was dead, then we raised him to life and made for him a light whereby he walks among the people, like the one who is in utter darkness whence he cannot come forth?"

The proof given is this verse, " On that you will see that the light of the true believer men and women will be ahead and on their right." Then God fulfilled His promise by giving twofold through which they attain salvation. God says, " And he will pardon you. He is the most merciful most kind."

In the book Al Kafi it has been narrated on the authority of Abil Jarud who said, " I asked Imam Baqir " Indeed God has given the people of the book a great amount of welfare." The Imam asked, " And what is it?" I recited the verse. Then the Imam recited this verse,

O you who believe! Fear God and believe in His Messenger; He will give you two-fold of His mercy. He will appoint you a light wherein you shall walk.

This means the Imam that you follow.

Sai'd bin Jabeer is recorded in Majmaul Bayan to have said, "The Messenger sent Jafar to Najashi accompanied by seventy riders to invite him to Islam on behalf of the Messenger. He did so on reaching there and his invitation was accepted. And forty from among those who accepted Islam said to Najashi, " Permit us to go to the Messenger so that we may profess Islam in his hands."

On reaching Madina when they saw the poverty of the Muslim they took permission from the Messenger and said, " We have wealth and we find the Muslims in poverty. If you permit then we shall return and bring our wealth to be shared among the Muslims." The Messenger permitted them and then they came back as promised with their wealth and helped the Muslims. It was then that the verse. The Imam said, " You have been given what had been given to the people of the book."

When the people of the book who had not accepted Islam heard the words " So will you be rewarded two fold if you are forbearing" they came to the Muslims and said " O you Muslim people! There is two fold reward for those among us who now believe in your religion and those of us who believe in our book only there is a reward so how come you are better than us?"

It was then that God revealed the words,

O you who believe! [In Moses and Jesus] fear God and believe in His Messenger also.

God declared a two-fold reward and promised their forgiveness and then said,

So that the people of the scriptures may know.

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no commentary available for this verse