

Al-Hajj (22:3)

وَمِنَ النَّاسِ مَن يُجَادِلُ فِي آلِهَةٍ بَغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ وَيَتَّبِعُ كُلَّ شَيْطَانٍ مَّرِيدٍ



And yet among men there are such as dispute about Allah, without knowledge, and follow every evil one obstinate in rebellion!

MUHAMMAD HUSAIN TABA TABAI (AR)

And among mankind is he who disputes about Allah without knowledge, following every rebellious Satan.

The evil character of the people of Egypt has been described in these verses. They either denied the Truth or were doubtful about it. These verses describe their conditions and their waywardness. The believers have been described as those who are guided in this world and will benefit the graces in the hereafter.

God says that they are evil bent upon fighting the Truth and are totally devoid of well being. The word “Mujadila” means to argue against God without having any knowledge and to insist on ignorance.

God says, “Follows every rebellious Satan”, and this depicts their evil belief, and then it says that the man talks without having any knowledge about God, and insists upon his ignorance. He is full of evil ideas and practices them. Satan misleads mankind towards evil, so man takes to him, and obeys all that Satan suggests.

The word “ Al Kalima” means that man prescribes no limits when he obeys Satan . this is the same as in verse 146 of Surah A’raf that says, “ but if they see the way of error , they will adopt that way. That is because they have rejected our signs and were heedless to them.”

MIR AHMED ALI (AR)

The devils among the spirits and the devils among men belong to the same category.

This verse refers to those who dispute about Allah without knowledge, and to those who blindly follow those who have rebelled against Allah and His laws. On account of ignorance they identify themselves with their false leaders and defend their wicked and evil conduct and false claims. Those who have harassed and persecuted the prophets of Allah and the holy chosen Imams are in fact the devils among men. They always deserted the Holy Prophet in the hours of trial, engineered schemes to prevent his true message and declarations from reaching

the people and taking the course of history, deprived his daughter, Bibi Fatimah, of her rights and privileges, oppressed and killed the Imams of his Ahl ul Bayt, and persecuted the true followers of the Holy Prophet and his Ahl ul Bayt.

Aqa Mahdi Puya says:

This verse refers to those who dispute about Allah, His attributes, His actions, His laws and His authority on the basis of conjecture and follow every rogue and ruffian who has rebelled against Allah.

AYATULLAH KAMAL FAQIH IMANI AND SEVERAL SCHOLARS

Since, in the former verse, there was an illustration of the general fear of people which will occur at the time of the earthquake of the Resurrection, this verse speaks about the circumstances of some unaware group of people who are neglectful of such a great event, the Resurrection. The verse in this regard says: “*And among people there are such as dispute about Allah without knowledge, ...*”

Sometimes there are some people who dispute against the principle of monotheism, the Oneness of the Truth, and about the subject of polytheism, and sometimes they dispute about the Power of Allah in giving life to the dead and making them alive again for the Resurrection. In any case, they have no proof for their sayings.

Then, the verse adds that such people, who follow no logic and knowledge, obey every rebellious and disobedient Satan.

It says:

“*... and follow every rebellious Satan.*”

They follow not only one Satan, but also they follow all Satans whether they are human or jinn, each of which have a different plan, program, plot, and device by itself.