

Al-Furqan (The Criterion) [25:29]

لَقَدْ أَضَلَّنِي عَنِ الذِّكْرِ بَعْدَ إِذْ جَاءَنِي وَكَانَ الشَّيْطَانُ لِلْإِنْسَانِ خَذُولًا



He did lead me astray from the Message (of Allah. after it had come to me! Ah! the Evil One is but a traitor to man!

MUHAMMAD HUSAIN TABA TABAI (AR)

He indeed let me stray from the Reminder (this Qur'an) after it had come to me. And Satan is ever a deserter to man in the hour of need.

In the verse the word “Zikr” is the message that the apostles had brought, the heavenly books or scrolls; so here it will mean the Qur'an. The words, “Satan is ever a deserter to man in the hour of need” may be a remorse expressed on the fate of the disbelievers. The words “Khazula” is the refusal to the help.

Satan first tempts them and then readies them by making false promises about helping them so they forget God. He realizes the deception when he faces death because all the connections with this world are severed just as they will be severed on the Judgment Day. God says, in Verse 16 of Surah Hashar, “(Their allies deceived them) like Satan when says to the man, “Disbelieve in Allah” but when he disbelieves, Satan says, “I am free of you”

In Verse 22 of Surah Ibrahim God says, “And Satan will say when the matter has been decided, “Verily, Allah promised you a promise of Truth. And I too promised you but I betrayed you”

In the same verse Satan continues, “I deny your former act of associating me as a partner of God.” All the three quotations refer to those that follow Evil and Satan and their ultimate helplessness after being betrayed by Iblis.

MIR AHMED ALI (AR)

Verse 28

Do not make friends with any one who openly or secretly has opposed the commands of Allah and the Holy Prophet. The thoroughly purified Ahl ul Bayt are alone the best medium to reach the nearness of the absolute pure. Be their friends and followers. A warning has been given in these verses not to choose or accept any one, other than the thoroughly purified, as the guide-leader (Imam), particularly those who on account of their spiritual impurity openly defied the commands of Allah and the Holy Prophet regarding the wilayah and imamah of Ali ibn abi Talib and the Imams in his progeny through Bibi Fatimah Zahra.

Please refer to hadith al thaqalayn under "Essentials: For the readers of the Holy Quran"; commentary of al Ma-idah : 5 and 67; Ali Imran : 61; Ahzab : 33.

The impurity of evil in the opponents of the Ahl ul Bayt always betrays people in time of need.