

Our'an Lesson-8a: Enter the Town (Al-Baqarah: 58-59)



Lesson Outcomes

- Allah increases those who do good.
- Bani Israel ordered to enter a city, but with two conditions.
- Bani Israel did not follow the order as it was given to them, so they got punishment.

Keywords: ادْخُلُوا، الْقَرْيَةَ، الْبَابَ، سُجَّدًا، حِطَّةً، الْمُحْسِنِينَ

Recitation and Explanation

وَإِذْ قُلْنَا ادْخُلُوا هَذِهِ الْقَرْيَةَ فَكُلُوا مِنْهَا حَيْثُ شِئْتُمْ

you will wherever from it and eat city this Enter And when We said:

رَغَدًا وَّادْخُلُوا الْبَابَ سُجَّدًا وَقُولُوا حِطَّةً

“Hittah”, and say, prostrating the gate and enter in abundance

نَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ خَطِيئَتَكُمْ^ط وَسَنَزِيدُ الْمُحْسِنِينَ⁵⁸

the doers of good. and We will increase your sins We will forgive for you

فَبَدَّلَ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا قَوْلًا غَيْرَ الَّذِي قِيلَ لَهُمْ فَأَنْزَلْنَا

so We sent down to a word other than that which had been said to them But those who wronged changed

عَلَى الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا رِجْزًا مِّنَ السَّمَاءِ بِمَا كَانُوا يَفْسُقُونَ⁵⁹

because they were defiantly disobeying. from the sky a punishment wronged those who upon

- Allah asked Bani Israel to enter a city for their enjoyment of food and drink but with two conditions: (1) To enter humbly, prostrating Allah. And (2) To ask forgiveness.
- حِطَّةً: It means to put something down. Here it says: O Allah! Put down our sins; remove them from us; relieve us from our sins!
- Allah not only forgives those who ask His forgiveness, but He increases the reward of those who try to excel in their worship, in their duties, or their dealings with other people. He grows them in goodness too.
- Although Bani Israel were given clear guidelines to enter the town, they entered the town with their backs, and they changed the word. So, Allah punished those wrongdoers quickly in this world itself. They did precisely the opposite of what was expected out of them.

Hadith: The Prophet ﷺ said: "He who does an act which is not in agreement with our affair (i.e. Religion), will have it rejected." (Muslim: 40)

Tadabbur & Tadhakkur

- **Imagine & Feel:** Imagine how disrespectful were Bani Israel towards Allah and his Prophets! After getting so many chances, they did not change themselves. On the other hand, feel the mercy of Allah that He provided them so many opportunities to repentance.
- **Dua:** Help me obey You in all my sayings and actions and Help me to be among مُحْسِنِينَ.
- **Evaluate:** Keep thinking of doing better than what you did in the past in your prayers, recitation, studies, relationships, and in every field!
- **Plan:** I will try to be a Mohsin, i.e., do my worship and dealings in the best way.

Nouns and Verbs: Below are some of the nouns and the verbs from the Ayaat of this lesson.

Verbs: Practice the six keys of verbs mentioned below with TPI								
Meaning	Name of action	اسم مفعول	اسم فاعل	فعل امر	فعل مضارع	فعل ماضٍ	Root	Code
To enter	دُخُولٌ	مَدْخُولٌ	دَاخِلٌ	ادْخُلْ	يَدْخُلُ	دَخَلَ	د خ ل	ن
To eat	أَكْلٌ	مَأْكُولٌ	اِكِلٌ	كُلْ	يَأْكُلُ	أَكَلَ	أ ك ل	ن
To abundance	رَغَدٌ	-	رَغْدٌ	ارْغُدْ	يَرْغُدُ	رَغَدَ	ر غ د	ك
To forgive	مَغْفِرَةٌ	مَغْفُورٌ	غَافِرٌ	اغْفِرْ	يَغْفِرُ	غَفَرَ	غ ف ر	ض
To do wrong	ظَلَمٌ	مَظْلُومٌ	ظَالِمٌ	اطْلِمْ	يَظْلِمُ	ظَلَمَ	ظ ل م	ض
To disobey	فِسْقٌ	-	فَاسِقٌ	افْسُقْ	يَفْسُقُ	فَسَقَ	ف س ق	ن
To say	قَوْلٌ	مَقُولٌ	قَائِلٌ	قُلْ	يَقُولُ	قَالَ	ق و ل	قا
To will	مَشِيئَةٌ	مَشِيءٌ	شَاءٌ	شَأْ	يَشَاءُ	شَاءَ	ش ي أ	خا
To increase	زِيَادَةٌ	مَزِيدٌ	زَائِدٌ	زِدْ	يَزِيدُ	زَادَ	ز ي د	زا
To be	كَوْنٌ	-	كَائِنٌ	كُنْ	يَكُونُ	كَانَ	ك و ن	قا
To	تَبَدُّلٌ	مُبَدَّلٌ	مُبَدِّلٌ	بَدِّلْ	يُبَدِّلُ	بَدَّلَ	ب د ل	عد*
To do good	إِحْسَانٌ	مُحْسِنٌ	مُحْسِنٌ	أَحْسِنْ	يُحْسِنُ	أَحْسَنَ	ح س ن	أس*
To send	إِنزَالٌ	مُنزَلٌ	مُنزِلٌ	أَنْزِلْ	يُنزِلُ	أَنْزَلَ	ن ز ل	أس*

Nouns		
Meaning	Plural	Singular
City	قُرَى	قَرْيَةٌ
Gate	أَبْوَابٌ	بَابٌ
The one who prostrate	سُجَّدٌ	سَاجِدٌ
Sin	خَطَايَا	خَطِيئَةٌ

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. What were they two conditions set for Bani Israel to enter the city?
2. For whom Allah increases in their rewards?
3. As per this lesson, what was the reason that Allah punished Bani Israel?

Family Project

Plan on how to reduce the disobedience to Allah around us and increase the good deeds in our homes, neighbors and relatives and friends.