



Qur'an Lesson-9c: Saturday violation

(Al-Baqarah: 65-66)

Lesson Outcomes

- Bani Israel were asked to dedicate Saturday for worship and not to do any worldly activity on it.
- They twisted Allah's order, so Allah made them into monkeys.
- People should take lessons from the punishment given to other people.

Keywords: اعْتَدُوا، السَّبْتِ، قِرْدَةً، خُسِيِّنَ، نَكَالًا، مَرْعِظَةً

Recitation and Explanation

وَلَقَدْ عَلِمْتُمْ الَّذِينَ اعْتَدُوا مِنْكُمْ فِي السَّبْتِ

In the matter of Sabbath.	transgressed among you	about those who	And you had already known
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فَقُلْنَا لَهُمْ كُونُوا قِرْدَةً خُسِيِّنَ ⁶⁵ فَجَعَلْنَاهَا

And We made it	despised.	apes,	Be	So We said to them:
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نَكَالًا لِّمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهَا وَمَا خَلَفَهَا وَمَوْعِظَةً لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ ⁶⁶

who fear Allah.	and a lesson for those	and those who succeeded [them]	for those who were present	a deterrent punishment
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- Bani Israel were asked not to do any worldly activities on Saturday and dedicate it for worship. Some people came up with tricks to violate it.
- For example, some fishermen placed their nets in the water on Friday and collected the fishes on Sunday! Seemingly, they did not do any fishing on Saturday. But in fact, they violated it, and they did not stop it despite being warned.
- As a result, Allah made them monkeys. They twisted the law, so Allah punished them into monkeys. They died after living a life of humiliation.
- To realize the severity and to take lessons, close your eyes for 10 seconds, and look at those 'monkeys' and feel their punishment. Take lessons from their conditions.
- Such a punishment will scare others from sinning.
- Only those who disobeyed at that time were transformed into monkeys and not all monkeys that you see around are punished, people.

Tadabbur & Tadhakkur

- **Imagine & Feel:** Feel the severity of twisting Allah's orders and Imagine those to whom Allah made monkeys due to their sinful activity.
- **Dua:** O Allah! Help me remember the punishment so that I stay away from sins.
- **Evaluate:** Do we quit wrongdoings when we realize its result?
- **Plan:** I will make a list of at least five punishments given to different people in the history and remember it. (The best and most authentic book of history is the Qur'an).

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 know	عَلِمَ	مَعْلُومٌ	عَالِمٌ	إِعْلَمْ	يَعْلَمُ	عَلِمَ	س ل م
To despise	خَسَأَ	-	خَاسِئٌ	إِخْسَأْ	يَخْسَأُ	خَسَأَ	ف س أ
To make	جَعَلَ	مَجْعُولٌ	جَاعِلٌ	اجْعَلْ	يَجْعَلُ	جَعَلَ	ج ع ل
To say	قَوْلٌ	مَقُولٌ	قَائِلٌ	قُلْ	يَقُولُ	قَالَ	ق و ل
To become	كَوَّنَ	-	كَائِنٌ	كُنْ	يَكُونُ	كَانَ	ك و ن
To advise	وَعِظَ	مَوْعُوظٌ	وَاعِظٌ	عِظْ	يَعِظُ	وَعِظَ	و ع ظ

Nouns		
Meaning	Plural	Singular
Despised	خَاسِئُونَ، خَاسِئِينَ	خَاسِئٌ
Lesson	مَوَاعِظٌ	مَوْعِظَةٌ

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. What Bani Israel were asked to do on Saturday and what they did?
2. Why Allah made them monkeys?
3. What is the purpose of punishment?