

Qur'an Lesson-13b: Evil transaction of Kufr (Al-Baqarah: 90)

Lesson Outcomes

- Bani Israel sold themselves to disbelief.
- Out of grudge, they rejected the Prophet ﷺ and Guidance.
- Humiliating punishment awaits them.

Recitation and Explanation

بِمَا	يَكْفُرُوا	أَنْ	أَنْفُسَهُمْ	اشْتَرَوْا بِهِ	بِئْسَمَا
in what	they disbelieve	that ¹	themselves,	(for) which they have sold	Evil (is) that
عَلَى	مِنْ فَضْلِهِ	يُنزِلَ اللَّهُ	أَنْ	بَغِيًّا	أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ
on	of His Grace	Allah sends down	that ²	grudging	Allah has revealed,
مَنْ	يَشَاءُ	مِنْ	عِبَادِهِ	فَبَاءُوا بِغَضَبِ	
whom	He wills	from	His servants.	So they have drawn (on themselves) wrath	
عَلَى	غَضَبٍ	وَاللَّكْفِيرِينَ	عَذَابٍ	مُّهِينٌ	
upon	wrath.	And for the disbelievers	(is) a punishment	humiliating.	

• In the past, as we have read, they have disobeyed their own Prophet Musa AS, and killed some prophets that were sent to them, and they attempted to kill 'Isa (Jesus) AS but he was raised to the heavens before they could reach him. Later, they also attempted to kill Muhammad ﷺ through magic and poison. Because of their constant disobedience and disbelief that they deserved and acquired multiplied anger. Their transgression and arrogance resulted in their disgrace and humiliation in this world and the Hereafter.

- ¹ The value of a human is very high in the sight of Allah, and to sell it for disbelief in Allah is very shameful. Such have lost doubly: this world and in the hereafter.
- ² They rejected the Messenger of Allah because they had feelings of jealousy, grudge, malice and rebellion. And all this just because the Prophet ﷺ was not from Bani Israel.
- It was as if they expected Allah to consult them regarding whom to appoint the messenger. They followed their desires instead of Allah's commands.
- ³ Allah does not need any consultation from anyone. He is wise and He bestows His grace upon whom He wills.
- ⁴ They drew Allah's wrath on themselves because of their kufr and arrogance.

5 Allah will crush their arrogance by not just punishment but by a humiliating punishment. This punishment is because of their Kufr (وَالْكَافِرِينَ).

Hadith: Allah's Messenger ﷺ said, "Do not hate one another, and do not be jealous of one another, and do not desert each other, and O, Allah's worshipers! Be brothers. (Bukhari: 6065)

Imagine & Feel: Imagine the losing deal made by the disbelievers. Feel their huge regret on the Judgement Day, when they realize their wrong choice.

Think & Ponder:

- Why the grudge? They were more concerned about their importance than guidance.

Du'a: O Allah! Save me from any hatred in my heart against any of Your commands. Save me from prejudice.

Evaluate: How do I feel when someone corrects me and gives me feedback? Do I reject it or accept it? Do I focus on **who** is talking or **what** he is talking?

Plan: I will always remember the wisdom and power of Allah and His rewards and humiliating punishments if I feel any grudge or ego in my heart against any of His commands.

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								Nouns			
Meaning	Name of action	اسم مفعول	اسم فاعل	فعل امر	فعل مضارع	فعل ماض	Root	Code	Meaning	Plural	Singular
to be angry with	غَضِبَ	مَغْضُوبٌ	غَاضِبٌ	اِغْضَبْ	يَغْضَبُ	غَضِبَ	غ ض ب	سد	self, soul	أَنْفُسٌ	نَفْسٌ
to will	شَاءَ	مَشِيءٌ	شَاءٌ	شَاءَ	يَشَاءُ	شَاءَ	ش ي أ	خا	grace	أَفْضَالٌ	فَضْلٌ
to reveal	أَنْزَلَ	مُنْزَلٌ	مُنْزِلٌ	أَنْزِلْ	يُنْزِلُ	أَنْزَلَ	ن ز ل	أسد ⁺			
to send down	نَزَلَ	مُنْزَلٌ	مُنْزِلٌ	نَزِلْ	يُنْزِلُ	نَزَلَ	ن ز ل	علا ⁺			
to humiliate	أَهَانَ	مُهَانٌ	مُهِينٌ	أَهِنْ	يُهِينُ	أَهَانَ	ه و ن	أسد ⁺			

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. Why did the Bani Israel sell themselves to the disbelieve?
2. What was the grudge they had?
3. Why did Allah mention humiliating punishment?

Class Project:

Describe ten situations where people get angry due to some grudge. What is the loss and how to rectify the situation?