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### QUR'AN

﴿ وَأَيُّوبَ إِذْ نَادَىٰ رَبَّهُ أَنِّي مَسَّنِيَ الضُّرُّ وَأَنْتَ أَرْحَمُ  
الرَّحِيمِينَ ﴾

[21:83] And Ayub, when he cried to his Lord, (saying): Harm has afflicted me, and Thou art the most Merciful of the merciful.

﴿ فَاسْتَجَبْنَا لَهُ، وَكَشَفْنَا مَا بِهِ مِنْ ضُرِّهِ، وَآتَيْنَاهُ أَهْلَهُ  
وَمِثْلَهُمْ مَعَهُمْ رَحْمَةً مِنَّا وَذِكْرًا لِّلْعَبِيدِ ﴾

[21:84] Therefore We responded to him and took off what harm he had, and We gave him his family and the like of them with them: a mercy from Us and a reminder to the worshippers.

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وَأذْكَرْ عَبْدَنَا أَيُّوبَ إِذْ نَادَىٰ رَبَّهُ أَنِّي مَسَّنِيَ الشَّيْطَانُ بِنُصْبٍ

وَعَذَابٍ ٤١

[38:41] And remember Our servant Ayub, when he called upon his Lord: The Shaitan has afflicted me with toil and torment.

أَرْكُضْ بِرِجْلِكَ هَذَا مَغْتَسِلٌ بَارِدٌ وَشَرَابٌ ٤٢

[38:42] Urge with your foot; here is a cool washing-place and a drink.

وَوَهَبْنَا لَهُ أَهْلَهُ وَمِثْلَهُم مَّعَهُمْ رَحْمَةً مِنَّا وَذِكْرًا لِأُولَىٰ

الْأَلْبَابِ ٤٣

[38:43] And We gave him his family and the like of them with them, as a mercy from Us, and as a reminder to those possessed of understanding.

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وَأَخَذَ بِيَدِكَ ضِعْفًا فَاصْرِبْ بِهِ، وَلَا تَحْنُثْ إِنََّّا وَجَدْنَاهُ صَابِرًا نِعْمَ

الْعَبْدُ إِنَّهُ أَوَّابٌ ﴿٤٤﴾

[38:44] And take in your hand a green branch and strike her (your wife) with it and do not break your oath; surely We found him patient; most excellent the servant! Surely he was frequent in returning (to Allah).

## JOB 1 NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION (NIV) PROLOGUE

1 In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil. 2 He had seven sons and three daughters, 3 and he owned seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen and five hundred donkeys, and had a large number of servants. He was the greatest man among all the people of the East.

4 His sons used to hold feasts in their homes on their birthdays, and they would invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. 5 When a period of feasting had run its course, Job would make arrangements for them to be purified. Early in the morning he would sacrifice a burnt offering for each of them, thinking, "Perhaps my children have sinned and cursed God in their hearts." This was Job's regular custom.

6 One day the angels[a] came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan[b] also came with them. 7 The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it."

8 Then the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil."

9 "Does Job fear God for nothing?" Satan replied. 10 "Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has? You have blessed the work of his hands, so that his flocks and herds are spread throughout the land. 11 But now stretch out your hand and strike everything he has, and he will surely curse you to your face."

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12 The Lord said to Satan, “Very well, then, everything he has is in your power, but on the man himself do not lay a finger.”

Then Satan went out from the presence of the Lord.

13 One day when Job’s sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the oldest brother’s house, 14 a messenger came to Job and said, “The oxen were plowing and the donkeys were grazing nearby, 15 and the Sabeans attacked and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!”

16 While he was still speaking, another messenger came and said, “The fire of God fell from the heavens and burned up the sheep and the servants, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!”

17 While he was still speaking, another messenger came and said, “The Chaldeans formed three raiding parties and swept down on your camels and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!”

18 While he was still speaking, yet another messenger came and said, “Your sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the oldest brother’s house, 19 when suddenly a mighty wind swept in from the desert and struck the four corners of the house. It collapsed on them and they are dead, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!”

20 At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship 21 and said:

“Naked I came from my mother’s womb,  
and naked I will depart.[c]

The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away;  
may the name of the Lord be praised.”

22 In all this, Job did not sin by charging God with wrongdoing.

## JOB SPEAKS ANGRY WORDS TO GOD

3 After this Job opened his mouth and cursed the day he was born. 2 He said, 3 “Let the day be lost on which I was born, and the night which said, ‘A boy is born.’ 4 May that day be darkness. May God above not care for it. May light not shine on it. 5 Let darkness and a heavy shadow take it for their own. Let a cloud come upon it. Let the darkness of the day bring fear upon it. 6 As for that night, let darkness take hold of it. Let it not have joy among the days of the year. Let it not come into the number of months. 7 Yes, let that night be alone and empty. Let no sound of joy come into it. 8 Let those curse it who curse the day, who are able to wake up the Leviathan. 9 Let the early morning stars be made dark. Let it wait for light but have none. Do not let it see the light of day. 10 Because it did not keep my mother from giving birth to me, or hide trouble from my eyes.

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11 “Why did I not die at birth? Why did I not come from my mother and die? 12 Why did the knees receive me, or why the breasts, that I should have milk? 13 For now I would have lain down and been quiet. I would have slept then. I would have been at rest, 14 with kings and wise men of the earth who built cities for themselves that are now destroyed. 15 I would have been at rest with princes who had gold, who filled their houses with silver. 16 Why did I not die before I was born, hidden and put away, as babies that never see the light? 17 There the troubles of the sinful stop. There the tired are at rest. 18 Those in prison are at rest together. They do not hear the voice of the one who rules over their work. 19 The small and the great are there. And the servant is free from his owner.

20 “Why is light given to him who suffers? Why is life given to those who feel sad in their soul? 21 They wait for death, but there is none. They dig for it more than for hidden riches. 22 They are filled with much joy and are glad, when they find the grave. 23 Why is light given to a man whose way is hidden, and around whom God has built a wall? 24 For I cry inside myself in front of my food. My cries pour out like water. 25 What I was afraid of has come upon me. What filled me with fear has happened. 26 I am not at rest, and I am not quiet. I have no rest, but only trouble.”

Job 19:11

10He tears me down on every side until I am gone; He uproots my hope like a tree. 11His anger burns against me, and He counts me among His enemies. 12His troops advance together; they construct a ramp against me and encamp around my tent....

Job 13:24

Why do You hide Your face and consider me as Your enemy?

Job 16:9

His anger has torn me and hated me; He gnashes His teeth at me. My adversary pierces me with His eyes.

Job 33:10

Yet He finds occasions against me; He counts me as His enemy.

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## WAYS OF SEEKING CLOSENESS IN DUA

By invoking your situation

By invoking Allah's names

By invoking Allah's attributes

By invoking Allah's previous actions

By invoking your faith

By invoking your good deeds

By invoking your repentance