

***Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuhu***

All praise is due to Allah; we praise Him and seek His Help. Whosoever Allah guides, there is none to misguide him, and whomsoever Allah misguides, then none can guide him aright. I bear witness that there is no deity worthy of worship except Allah Alone, without a partner, and I bear witness that Muhammad (peace and blessing be upon him), is His slave and Messenger.

The best of speech is the Book of Allah and the best guidance is that of Muhammad (peace and blessing be upon him). The worst affairs in the religion are the newly invented matters, which constitute bid'ah (innovation); and every innovation is a form of misguidance.

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The inspiration for Targheeb comes from its root word "raghaba" in Arabic. This word appears in its different forms in the Qur'aan, such as in the following verse:

وَأَنذَرْتَهُمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ نَّارَهُمْ سَاءَ لِمَن يَكْفُرُ

"And to your Lord direct [your] longing. " (94:8)

Some have translated it to be "love", as is inferred from the verse in which Allah describes how Prophet Yahya and his family were:

وَأَنذَرْتَهُمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ نَّارَهُمْ سَاءَ لِمَن يَكْفُرُ  
وَأَنذَرْتَهُمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ نَّارَهُمْ سَاءَ لِمَن يَكْفُرُ

"Indeed, they used to hasten to do good deeds and supplicate Us in hope and fear, and they were to Us humbly submissive. " ( 21:90)

Others have traced its literal meaning to closeness. Targheeb may also imply giving directions, convincing someone, promoting something or bringing others closer to an objective, etc.

Hence, verses in the Quran that motivate people to perform good deeds with the promise of rewards in the Hereafter are termed verses of Targheeb, i.e., encouragement (to attain Paradise).

While reflection on such meanings of Targheeb was the driving force behind the naming of this site after it, setting up was inspired by the many Hadeeth mentioning the virtues of gaining and sharing knowledge.

The Companion `Abdullah bin `Amr bin Al-`Aas, may Allah be pleased with him, reported the Prophet (peace and blessing be upon him) to have said, "Convey from me, even if it be only a single verse (of the Quran)."

While this Hadeeth is quite concise, it is very comprehensive. Not only does it stress the importance of acquiring knowledge of the Quran and Hadeeth and imparting it to others, it proves that the amount of knowledge one has barely factored in the situation. No matter whether one has more or less knowledge, he must communicate it to others. There is no justification to presume that preaching or inviting to the Message of Allah is the duty of religious scholars and those who are well-versed in the sphere. In fact, it is the responsibility of every Muslim, and as in the Hadeeth, the obligation of imparting one's knowledge of even one injunction of Allah

remains.

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