Sayings of Imam Husain (A.S.) to Illuminate Your Mind

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- Wisdom never attains perfection except by following the truth (obeying the commandments .1 of God).
- 2. One who loves you prevents you from all evils, while your enemy persuades you to commit wrong and evil.
- 3. Act in this world like a person who knows that he will definitely be rewarded for good deeds and punished for sin and crimes.
 - 4. One who annoys God to please people, God leaves him to the people.
- 5. Some people worship God coveting his rewards. This is worship of merchants Some people worship God, fearing His punishments. This is worship of slaves. Some people worship God, thanking His blessings. This is worship of the free superior persons.
- 6. a) They asked Imam Husain (A.S): What is poverty? He replied1.Avarice 2.Despair b) They asked: What is richness? He replied: To be happy with what suffices you and to have few desires.
 - 7. One who accepts your gift has really helped you in attaining generosity.
- 8. One who removes troubles from a believer, God expels troubles from him in this world and in the Hereafter.
- 9. Do not seek help from any person except one who is religious, or generous or of noble descent (parentage)
- 10. One who is generous may attain greatness and he who is a miser becomes miserable and contemptible.
- 11. The most generous person is one who helps the despondent, who does not expect any help from others.
- 12. Compete for virtuous deeds and hasten to seize opportunities for good deeds by the forelock.
 - 13. The most forgiving person is one who forgives in spite of his ability to punish. (or avenge)

 14. a) If you hear some one backbiting people, try to be unfamiliar to him.
- b) Don't speak about your brother (in faith) behind his back except what you like to be spoken about you behind your back.
- 15. a) Salaam has seventy virtues, sixty nine of which are for the one who is first to greet, whereas only one award for the one who replies. (to your salaam)

- b) Do not allow anyone to enter or to speak to you if he does not greet you or wish you salaam (i.e. good health from God)
 - c) A miser behaves miserly even in greeting 'salam' to others
- 16. O God bless me with awe for Your Majestic Dignity, as if I am beholding You, and bless me with excellence through piety, and may Your decree benefit me and Your destiny gladden me, so that, I don't wish to hasten that which is delayed by You, and don't wish to delay that which You wish to be hastened by me.
- 17. What has he obtained who lost You O God? And what has he lost who found You? One who is satisfied with anyone other than- You, O God, has in reality dispossessed himself of everything?
- 18. People are slave of this world and their religion is just like saliva or taste on the tongue. They revolve around religion as long as their materialistic needs are well provided; but when they face difficulties, tests & trials, very few people prove to be steadfast.
- 19. A person asked Imam Husain (A.S)the meaning of 'Samad' He replied: The Aayaat after in the Surah-e-Towheed explain its meaning ,i.e., nothing emerges from God , (صـــمد) Samad nor God has emerged from anything and nothing is like unto Him; (i.e. ,nothing in the universe can match God, Who is beyond all needs.)
- 20. O God when were You Hidden, that You need proof for Your existence? When were You that by reflection over your creations one may find access to You? Blind are (البعيــــد) Distant those eyes which don't perceive You O God! despite Your attention & care for them (Eyes can never see God, but God is visible for our hearts and mind.)

Note: God is nearer to us than our own self.

21. O the One, Whom no one knows How He (God) is except He Himself.

O the One, Whom no one knows What He (God) is except He Himself.

O the One, Whom no one understands except He (God) Himself.

Note: God has infinite attributes & infinite knowledge, None of His creations, not even His messengers, Imams and angels can comprehend God but little. Man's limited knowledge can never understand God, the Ingenious Creator of the entire Universe Who will destroy the entire universe, and create another greater universe after the Doomsday.

22. God initiated commanding the good and forbidding the evil as a compulsory duty for us, as He knows that if these two duties are well performed and established, then all other divine duties whether difficult or easy, shall be well established as well; and this commandment and forbiddance shall invite people to Islam, and secure the rights of the wronged people as well as arouse opposition against tyrants & transgressors.

- 23. a) I don't see death except as a blessing and life with tyrants is but a severe torture. Note: Hazrate Qasim(A.S) son of Imam Hasan(A.S)when asked about death said: Death is sweeter than honey for me."
- b) Don't you see that right & truth is followed no more, and no one abstains from evil? Under such conditions a faithful believer has the right to hasten towards Allah (so that his soul may rest in peace)

Note: Hazrate Ali Akbar(A.S) son of Imam Husain (A.S) was the first to lay down his life from the members of the family .He told Imam Husain(A.S): "When we are on the right there is no fear from death.

- 24. And you people are in great calamity and the enemy has prevailed over you by occupying the position of the learned experts. I wish you could comprehend that , because all affairs & commandments of God should be in the hands of the God- fearing learned experts, who are trusted by God for declaring all that is religiously permitted & prohibited. You are deprived of this position, and that position was seized from you by your enemy because you were differing regarding the truth &because of your differences over the holy prophet's traditions in spite of clear and convincing proof.
- 25. If you were patient in troubles and had acted with endurance and sacrifice for assisting the cause of God's Own Divine Self, you would have had the authority for implementing commandments of God in your own hands, you would have issued orders and all affairs would have been referred to you, but you have entrusted authority to the tyrants in your own domain, and you have submitted the divine affairs of God into the hands of your enemy, who acts with mistrust and suspicion and follows his own carnal desires & temptations .Your fleeing from martyrdom and eternal blissful life in paradise , and your attachment and fondness for this temporal life has made your enemies dominant over your affairs.
- 26. O people! the messenger of God has said: "A person who sees a tyrant Ruler has legalized what God has prohibited, and has broken His covenant and contradicts the ways and traditions of God's Messenger, and commits sin and oppresses God's true servants and yet that person does not oppose the tyrant Ruler by speech or action, then God punishes this person in the same manner as the tyrant Ruler
- 27. I wage the imposed holy war (in defense) not because of my self-conceit and pride, nor to incite corruption or oppression but for betterment of Muslims, the followers of my grandfather Mohammad, may peace & blessings of God be upon him & his descendants. I aim at commanding virtues, and prohibiting vices and I love to follow the traditions and conduct of my grandfather Mohammad (S.A) and my father Ali ibne Abi Taleb (A.S).

Note: Imam Hussain (A.S) aimed at bringing about a thought-provoking revolution against the tyrant Rulers. He had solemnly promised to his grandfather Mohammad (S, A) that he would lay down his life and sacrifice every thing to save true Islam. He awakened the people of his time and displayed the way how to make Godly Right victorious over Evil Might and exhibited how to combat to avoid contempt of allegiance to evil satanic Usurpers. Imam Husain (A.S) brought about a political & cultural revolution to last up to the time of emergence of Imam Mahdi (A.F) and Jesus Christ (A.S) for establishing universal kingdom of God on earth based on teachings of God through all His divine messengers (A.S) especially the last of His messenger Mohammad (S.A) through whom God pointed out deviations in the previous heavenly religions.

Justice of Imam Ali (A.S) may be judged from his statement:" If the entire world is given to me to pluck away a particle of oat from the mouth of an ant, I shall not commit this injustice". However, there were intrigues and plots against the first Imam Ali (A.S) as well as other divinely appointed Imams to deprive them from establishing the true Islam of God, similar to the previous heavenly religions which were deviated and split into sects by satanic forces. A true Jew and a true Christian is one, who truly follows the original Old and New Testaments specially the prophecy therein regarding the last messenger of God. Whereupon Jews, who had settled in Mecca & Madina awaiting to welcome the last messenger, embraced Islam when they identified Mohammad (S.A) as the promised messenger (excepting those Jews who wanted to hold their posts as Jewish religious guides).

So Imam Husain (A.S) wanted muslims to follow the true Islam of God like his father Ali (A.S) and grandfather Mohammad (S.A) who were the models for all true Muslims (with no deviations). Imam Husain (A.S) was himself a divine model for those who would free themselves from the bondage of the Khannas' which includes both the jinn & the mankind.

28. When Umme Salamah (ummol momineen) narrated to Imam Husain (A.S) that the holy Messenger (S.A) has said: "My beloved grandson Husain will be martyred at Karbala in Iraq," Imam Husain(A.S) told her "O mother! By God! I know this matter, I am aware of all things, I know even the spot of my martyrdom. I willingly act in accordance with my God's

Note: a) Except God no one is All Knowing but God informs about future events when asked by his divine guides. God can even change the entire future whenever He likes. The Imams (A.S) know that whatever God has decided is best for them.

commandment" (with my own freewill.)

How laughable it is to blame God for predestination of all sins & crimes which a person does by his own decision! Certainly God knows whatever a person will do by his own choice but God is not responsible for any sins & crimes committed by criminals by their own freewill. God never compels a person to commit sins & crimes although He has knowledge of every thing in advance .Hence a person is justly rewarded ten times for his Good deeds & punished for all his sins. Eternal Heaven is the reward for Imam Hussain (A.S) and all His divine guides and for their loving followers and, Eternal Hell is just & reasonable punishment for Yazid (L.A) &all satanic tyrants as well as their followers.

Here a question arises "When God knows the result of all test & trials of His messengers & Imams (A.S) why does he test or examine all mankind?" Well the purpose of test and trial by God, in spite of His knowledge of the result in advance, is to make people use their head and heart to follow the right path of God's messengers & Imams(A.S) and not to be blindly misquided by their satanic enemies into the fire of hell.

Note: b) Imam Hussain(A.S.) perpetuated True Islam by his martyrdom.

Note: c) All Imams (A.S) act according to God's Will as an obligatory duty with their own free will, & entrust the result to God. They follow Godly politics based on truth without hypocrisy. They look down at acquiring political power through deception & crafty worldly politics. The crafty despotic rulers and usurpers & their supporters shall be fuel for Hell in the Hereafter. Imams do not build the edifice of divine religion on sand. God's pristine religion is based on truth & righteousness and not on deceit and fraud. Good means justify a Good end i.e. universal kingdom of justice of God.

29. I have heard from my grandfather the messenger of God Mohammad(S.A)that "khilafat" (the rule over Muslim nation) is illegitimate (haraam) for descendants of Abu Sufyan (ie Moaviyah & Yazid), then how can the holy messenger's Ahlebayt (household) bow down in allegiance to them?

Note: a)God says in the holy Quran "and We did not make the dream which we showed in the(شجـره الملعـونه)you(Mohammad S.A)except as a test for the people and the cursed tree Quran .We frighten them (with punishment in the hereafter)but it does not increase except in their rebellion .(S17:A60).In the dream the holy messenger was shown that some persons like apes were climbing up &down his pulpit and turning the people back to their satanic beliefs .The cursed tree in Quran is Banu Ummayyah.(Moaviah,Yazid &his posterity) Ahle Bayte Mohammad (S.A) are Shajarahe Tayyebah

- b) After the death of Yazid, his son refused to become Khalifa as he considered all self made Khalifas as usurpers of Khilafat of Imams (A.S), who were appointed by God to establish Universal kingdom of divine Justice.
- c) If a robber steals your property (which is a crime) he does not become master of that

property, for You are the real owner of that property; and the robber is like an usurper who will definitely be punished here or in the Hereafter by God; God will seize government from usurpers for the sake of Imam Mahdi (A.S) when the respite for Satan (Iblis) is over. 30. Yazid (L.A) wrote to his uncle Utbah bin AbuSufyan, the governor of Madinah that when you receive this letter hasten your reply and send me the head of Husain ibne Ali. When Imam Husain (A.S) learnt this, he replied to Utbah "Indeed we belong to Allah and surely we shall return to Him (for blessings &rewards on the Day of Recompense). (S2:A156). When persons like Yazid dominate the Muslim nation, "Fatiha" should be recited for the Pristine Islam of Mohammad (S.A)".

("Fatiha" is recited by Muslims on the dead body of a believer i.e. (momin).

31. A nation, which buys goodwill of the created (people) at the cost of annoying the Creator, can never be happy and fortunate.

Note: when the rulers of different countries purify their souls & get prepared to obey Imam Mahdi (A.S) and Jesus (A.S) the golden age of divine justice for all the people of the world shall be realized.

ان الله لا يغير ما بقوم حتى يغير و ا ما بانفسهم(سوره رعد آيه 13)

Surely Allah does not change the condition of a people until they change the condition of their soul i.e. purify their Inner Self."(Ra'ad:13)

- 32. O People! You also take lesson from what God has advised His learned Sages. Allah has condemned the people of the Book when He said: "Why do not the Rabbis and expert scholars prohibit them from speaking of what is sinful?" (S5:A63) and God has said," The disbelievers among the progeny of Israel were cursed by the tongue of David &Jesus son of Mary; this was because they disobeyed (God) and used to transgress the limit (5:78)
- 33. A person came to Imam Husain (A.S) and told him ,"I am a sinner and I can not withhold myself from committing sins (disobedience to God) so please bless me with your admonition ." Imam Husain (A.S)advised him :"Do five things and commit whatever sin you like;1) Don't eat any food created by God & commit whatever sin you like .2) Get out of God's realm(universe) and commit whatever sin you like 3)Find a place where God cannot see you and commit whatever sin you like 4)When the Angel of Death (Ezraiel) comes to withdraw soul from your body make him flee from you and commit whatever sin you like .5)When Maalik(the angel) likes to cast you into the fire of hell, don't enter into hell and commit whatever sin you like ."
- 34. To argue with one who is unable to think reasonably is an indication of ones ignorance.(Never argue with imbeciles)
 - 35. A) I am slain by tears . No momin remembers me without shedding tears.

- B) Weeping with fear of God is deliverance from the fire of hell.
- Note: a) Weeping is Emotional Expression of love and grief .It is natural even though a person may pacify himself with the sorrowful incident as a test in life.
- b) One who weeps at Imam Husain's tragedy gets closely linked to him spiritually and his love leads him to give up sins with sincere repentance and a firm decision not to repeat sins after seeking forgiveness, thus he becomes purified by shedding tears. It is a major sin to give up hope in God's Mercy, an ocean of Forgiveness.
- c) For prevention of incessant crimes and sins it is necessary that Hope in God's forgiveness should balance or counterpoise Fear of God's punishment.
- d) Imam Mahdi (A.F) weeps morning & night at the tragedy of Imam Husain (A.S) God shall (.punish his enemies after the respite for Satan is over by Emergence of Imam Mahdi (A.F) (قل جاء آلحق و ذهق الباطل)
- Imam Husain (A.S) once cried for help in the imposed battle at Karbala. He said:" Is there .36 "?any person who would help me

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Note: a) If a few opponents had left Yazid's army to help Imam Husain(A.S.)it would have made no difference. Hurr the commander of Yazid's army did not choose to barter eternal heavenly life in paradise with this temporal worldly life, so he sacrificed his life for Imam Husain (A.S) by fighting against the army of Yazid.

Imam Husain (A.S) cried for help to give chance to his opponents to enter paradise but they were too materialistic to think like the wise, just & unbiased Hurr. God is proud of Husain(A.S), who sacrificed his life & everything to perpetuate the True Islam of God as revealed to His last & best messenger. The call of Imam Husain(A.S.) for help is for all times up to Doomsday. Whoever obeys God and joins Imam Husain(A.S.) by regarding him as a model and disobeys Satan is Imam's helper.

Allamah Iqbal considers Imam Husain (A.S) as the real meaning of Zebhe Azim because eventually a lamb was sent by God and sacrificed by the messengerAbraham (A.S) whereas .Husain(A.S.) was a Great Sacrifice Indeed

الله الله باي بسم الله پدر معني ذبح عظيم آمد پسر (شعر از علامه اقبال)

Beware of oppressing a person, who finds no one to revenge against you except God the .37

Mighty & the Majestic.

38. Imam Husain (A.S) has said: "You have a good example in me " i.e. Imam Husain is a good model for mankind to follow.

Note 1: a) The holy messenger (S.A) has said: Indeed Husain is the lamp for guidance (in the

. darkness of satanic misguidance) & the Ark for salvation from Hell

ان الحسين مصباح الهدى وسفينه النجات

b) The example of my Ahle-bayt is like Nooh's Ark, one who gets on it is saved &the one who deserts it is damned & drowned though with majority.

Note2: Those who were drowned were in Majority whereas the Minority were saved because they followed Nooh (A.S). Hence majority is not a Criterion of right & truth. Those who supported Nooh & Imam Husain (A.S) shall be eternally in paradise although in Minority & those who supported Yazid in the battle of Karbala and all those who think that Yazid was right and argue in favour of Yazid although in Majority will be shoved into Hell. like the deserters of Nooh (A.S) who were in Majority.

b) By God! I shall not reply in affirmative to their demand (for allegiance) until I meet Allah the Almighty steeped & dyed in my blood.

is a slogan of all good people who hail Liberty هيهـات منـا الذلـه Note: Imam Husain's statement and Freedom and don't tolerate tyranny from satanic rulers.

40. O God! You Yourself initiate all blessings prior to worshippers' invocation & You are the Magnanimous Bestower before the supplicants implore You. And You are the Munificent, Who borrows from us what You have Yourself given us bountifully. O my God! Call me with Your Mercy till I reach You & absorb me in Your Grace till I occupy my place with You.

Note a): "O The satisfied peaceful Soul return to your Lord pleased with His Goodwill. So enter (among My (beloved) servants and enter My paradise. (Surahe Fajr: 27, 28, 29

يا ايتهاالنفس المطمئنه ارجعي الى ربك راضيه مرضيه فادخلي في عبادي وادخلي جنتي

The above Aayaat are in reference to Imam Husain (A.S).

b) Imam Husain(A.S) told Hazrate Zainab (S.A):"My dear Sister, do not let Satan defeat your Patience. All inhabitants of the earth and heavens taste death, but God the Almighty, Who created all creations with His Creative Power, is ever alive. He shall one day resurrect &revive all the dead people (for the Day of Recompense) just as He created them in the beginning out of nothing.

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