

Daily Reflection

Tarawih Night 12

Surah Ibrāhīm

Surah Ibrāhīm is a Makkan chapter named after Prophet Ibrahim (peace be upon him), particularly because of his profound supplications mentioned within it. It focuses on the foundations of faith: revelation, gratitude, accountability, and tawhid.

.1The Qur'an: Light from Darkness

The surah opens:

{الر كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ إِلَيْكَ لِتُخْرِجَ النَّاسَ مِنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ}

Its mission is to bring humanity from multiple layers of darkness into one clear light.

Scholars note: “darkness” appears in plural, many paths of misguidance, while “light” is singular, one path of truth.

.2Gratitude Brings Increase

Allah declares:

{الَّذِينَ شَكَرْتُمْ لَأَزِيدَنَّكُمْ}

Gratitude is not mere speech; it is belief, praise, and obedience.

The opposite is shown in:

{الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لَأُزِيدَنَّكُمْ سَخَاتٍ}

Rejecting blessings leads to loss.

.3The Pattern of Prophetic Struggle

Messengers were rejected, yet remained firm:

{إِنْ نَحْنُ إِلَّا بَشَرٌ مِثْلُكُمْ}

Humanity does not contradict
prophethood.

Allah gives respite, but justice is inevitable.

.4The Scene of Blame on the Day of Judgment

One of the most powerful passages is when Shayṭān says:

{إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَعَدَكُمْ وَعَدَ الْحَقِّ}
{فَلَا تَلُومُونِي وَلُومُوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ}

A warning against blindly following corrupt leadership. Accountability is personal.

.5The Parable of the Good Word

{كَلِمَةً طَيِّبَةً كَشَجَرَةٍ طَيِّبَةٍ}

Faith is like a deeply rooted tree stable, fruitful.

The evil word, however, has no roots and no permanence.

.6The Supplication of Ibrāhīm

Among the most moving verses:

{رَبِّ اجْعَلْ هَذَا الْبَلَدَ آمِنًا}
{رَبِّ اجْنُبْنِي وَبَنِيَّ أَنْ نَعْبُدَ الْأَصْنَامَ}

The greatest fear of the righteous is not poverty, but losing tawḥīd.

The surah concludes:

{هُدًى بَلَاغٌ لِلنَّاسِ}

A universal message and final reminder.

Final Reflection

Surah Ibrāhīm teaches:

- Revelation is light.
- Gratitude
- preserves blessing.
- Falsehood fades.
- Responsibility is individual.
- And the greatest prayer is steadfastness upon faith

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