

SUMMER IMMERSION DEFEATING SHAYTAN



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SESSION 5

Magic

- Definition of سحر: anything that has a hidden cause with an apparent effect on someone
 - Not all sihr harms people, but all sihr is haram
- Sihr is also something that is read with an intention and knots are tied, and it affects the heart and body
- The existence of sihr is agreed upon by all major scholars
- No one is harmed or benefited except with the permission of Allah
- Surah Baqara, Ayah 102

سُلَيْمَنَّ وَمَا كَفَرَ سُلَيْمَنُ وَلَكِنَّ الشَّيَاطِينَ كَفَرُوا يُعَلِّمُونَ النَّاسَ السِّحْرَ وَمَا أُنْزِلَ
عَلَى الْمَلَائِكَةِ بِبَابِلَ هَرُوتَ وَمَرُوتَ

Never did Solomon disbelieve, rather the devils disbelieved. They taught magic to the people, along with what had been revealed to the two angels, Hârût and Mârût, in Babylon.

- One of the major effects of sihr is that it causes divorce
 - This ayah is evidence for sihr
- According to ahadith, sihr will be more prevalent during the end of times
- Surah Falaq and An-Nas have to do with magic
 - One of the wisdoms of them being at the end of the Quran is that they will be more needed at the end of times

- Prophet (SAW) said that whoever engages in magic becomes a disbeliever
- The Jews harmed the Muslims in Medina with sihr
 - The women of Medina couldn't have boys for some time until Abdullah ibn Zubayr was born
 - The Prophet (SAW) was also harmed - there is an account of this in Sahih Bukhari and Muslim
 - His ability to talk and keep track of things was affected
 - As he was lying down, Jibreel and Mikaeel discussed what happened to the Prophet (SAW)
 - Labidh ibn A'sam gave a woman hair from the Prophet (SAW)'s comb and she did the magic
 - They will continue to harm Muslims using sihr
- We need to read duas as protection and medication
 - Even the Prophet (SAW) was affected by magic, so it can still affect a person
- In the Islamic court, someone who does magic has a death penalty
- Prophet (SAW) didn't have the people who did magic on him killed

Jealousy

- حسد and غبطة are two words in Arabic that define jealousy
- Hasad is to desire something of virtue that someone has without wishing for them to lose it
 - This is still not good to have and affects the person who you have hasad of
 - Be grateful for what you have
 - It is not a desirable deed
- Ghibta is to desire something of virtue that someone has while wishing for them to lose it
 - This is haram

- Jealousy of two kinds of people are allowed:
 - Someone who is a hafidh and implements the Quran day and night
 - Someone who is wealthy and spends it in the path of Allah

The Evil Eye

- Ibn Hajar said: The evil eye is looking at someone with the eye of envy and a nature of hatred
- It doesn't need to be verbalized, the thought also has an effect
- This happened to the Prophet (SAW)
 - People would look at him with the eye of envy with the intention of harming him
- Evil eye is like throwing arrows
- Yaqub (AS) made sure his sons entered Egypt from different gates to avoid evil eye

وَقَالَ يَبْنَى لَا تَدْخُلُوا مِنْ بَابٍ وَاحِدٍ وَأَدْخُلُوا مِنْ أَبْوَابٍ مُتَفَرِّقَةٍ

He then instructed (them), "O my sons! Do not enter (the city) all through one gate, but through separate gates.

- Razi gives several reasons why evil eye is real
 - If you are sitting somewhere and someone is looking at you, you can sense it and you'll look back
 - Looking at something with the wrong intention leaves a negative impact, and looking at something with the right intention leaves a positive impact
 - Have positive feelings for people when you look at them
- The Prophet (SAW) said that if evil eye and qadr (destiny) had a race, the evil eye would win
- Prophet (SAW) read duas for protection from evil eye for Hasan and Husayn

Protection from Magic, Jealousy, and Evil Eye

- Read the duas that were given for protection
 - Quran: Ayatul Kursi, Surah Ikhlas, Surah Kafiroon, and Surah Falaq and Nas
 - Surah Kafiroon and Ikhlas reaffirm the cure that comes from Allah
 - One of the morning/evening adkhaar:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الَّذِي لَا يَضُرُّهُ شَيْءٌ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا فِي السَّمَاءِ وَهُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ

In the Name of Allah with Whose Name there is protection against every kind of harm in the earth or in the heaven, and He is the All-Hearing and All- Knowing

- To seek protection from Evil Eye:

أَعُوذُ بِكَلِمَاتِ اللَّهِ التَّامَّةِ مِنْ كُلِّ شَيْطَانٍ وَهَامَّةٍ، وَمِنْ كُلِّ غَيٍِّ لَآمَةٍ

I seek refuge in the perfect words of Allah from every devil and poisonous reptile, and from every envious evil eye

- Recite Surah Baqara
- The largest impact of these forces is on spirituality
- Don't show off
 - Hide the favors of Allah upon you
- Have good intentions for what you purchase and do