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*QADR - DIVINE DECREE*

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## Qadr - Divine Decree

Among the core beliefs of a Muslim is the concept of ‘Qadr’, also known as ‘Taqdeer’ and can be translated as destiny or divine decree. The Qur’an and Ahadith speak of Allah’s ultimate knowledge and pre-ordained plan for all creation, established 50 000 years before the universe was created. The belief entails that all events, both good and bad, occur by Allah's will. Belief in ‘Qadr’ does not provide an excuse for man to resolve to inaction or sin or abandon obligations.

### **The Perfection of Allah’s Knowledge and the Writing of Destiny**

1. Knowledge: Allah knows everything, past, present, future.

*“With Him are the keys of the unseen – no one knows them except Him. And He knows what is in the land and sea. Not even a leaf falls without His knowledge, nor a grain in the darkness of the earth or anything, green or dry, but it is in a perfect Record.”*

*(Surah Al-An'am 6:59)*

*“He knows whatever goes into the earth and whatever comes out of it, and whatever descends from the sky and whatever ascends into it. And He is the Most Merciful, All-Forgiving.”*

*(Surah Saba 34 – Verse 3)*

These verses emphasise that Knowledge of the Unseen and Absolute Power are two attributes of Allah, not shared by anyone.

2. Pre-recording: Everything is recorded in the Preserved Tablet - The belief that Allah recorded everything in a Tablet that He kept with Himself, called 'Al-Lawh Al-Mahfuz' (The Preserved Tablet).

*“Do you not know that Allah knows what is in the heaven and earth? Indeed, that is in a Record (Al-Lawh Al-Mahfuz). Indeed, that, for Allah, is easy.” (Qur’an 22:70)*

*“Not even the weight of a speck of dust, or less than that or greater, in the heavens or on the earth, but it is in a Clear Book.” (Surah Saba 34 - Verse 3)*

Nabi ﷺ said, “Allah recorded the measurement of all matters pertaining to creation fifty thousand years before He created the heavens and earth.” (Muslim)

3. Supreme Will: Nothing happens except by Allah’s permission - The belief that nothing, whether related to Allah’s actions or actions taken by His slaves, can occur without His permission.

*“And your Lord creates what He wills and chooses...” (Surah 28 - Verse 68)*

*“...And Allah does what He wills.” (Surah 14 - Verse 27)*

4. Supreme Creator: Allah created all actions and beings

*“Allah is the Creator of all things, and He is, over all things, Disposer of affairs.” (Surah 39 - Verse 62)*

“...He has created each thing and determined it with (precise) determination.”

(Surah 25 – Verse 2)

“While Allah created you and that which you do?”

(Surah 37 – Verse 96)

In one Hadith it appears, “If you spend gold to the extent of Mount Uhud in the path of Allah, Allah will not accept it from you unless you believe in Qadr and you know that whatever has befallen you could not have missed you and that whatever has missed you could not have befallen. If you die while holding a contrary belief to this, you will most assuredly enter the fire.”

(Ahmad, Abu Dawood, Ibn Majah)

Imam Abu Hanifa (Rahmatullah Alayhi) explained this thus, Allah Most High created all things from nothing. Allah Most High knew in pre-eternity all things prior to their being. It was He who apportioned all things and ordained them. There is in this world nothing, nor in the next, except through His will, knowledge, ordination, decree, and in accordance with His writing it in the Preserved Tablet. Yet His writing entails descriptions, not commands. Ordaining, decreeing, and willing are His attributes in pre-eternity without description. (*Al Fiqh Al Akbar*)

Thus every single thing that happened, is happening, or will happen has been pre-destined by Allah Ta'ala.

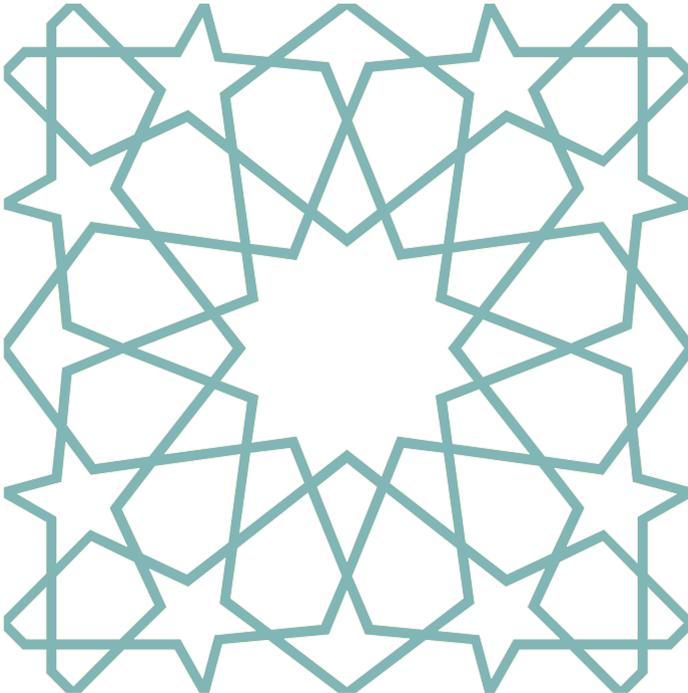
## Dua and Taqdeer

Nabi ﷺ said, “Nothing can change the Divine Decree except dua.” *(Tirmizi)*

The fact that the act of dua which can change Taqdeer is also pre-destined in itself, so it will not change what has already been written on the Tablet.

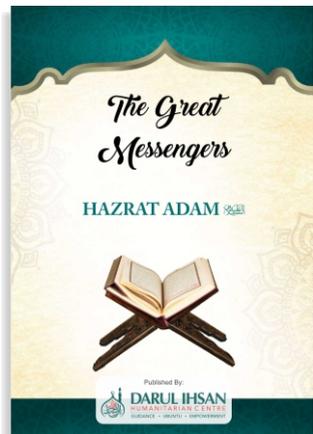
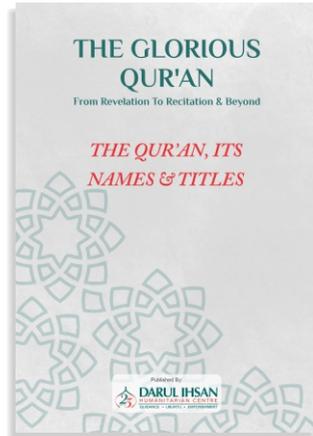
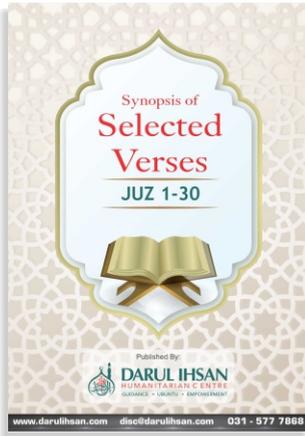
One should not ponder, overthink or delve too deeply into the matter of ‘Qadr’.

Nabi ﷺ said: “When destiny is discussed, restrain yourself from it.” *(Tabarani)*



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