

Remedy for Muslim Ummah in the present situation of atrocities, oppression and genocide of Muslims throughout the world.

The whole Muslim world is under duress and fear. Human life is under constant threat of fear and violence and Muslims all over the world are facing severe danger and worst conditions. This Muslims condition is not only in Muslim minority countries but also in Muslim majority countries where their rulers are so called Muslims. Peace and tranquility has been snatched away from Muslims all over the world and they are facing persecution and oppression everywhere. Muslims are mentally disturbed that what they should do in these conditions and situations, where they should go and where they find the solutions for these problems. In every country ethnic cleansing, religious and language discrimination is rampant and increasing day by day. Muslims are subjected to tsunami of hatred. In this situation overwhelming majority of Muslims are looking towards either political parties, political leaders and sometimes thinks that if all Muslims are united on one platform, then they can fight these problems and can have a bright future. It is most unfortunate that to cure these issues, we are looking everywhere and hoping against hope for help from anywhere either from Muslims or non Muslims countries and their leader, but forgets to ward off these man inflicted calamities by returning to Quran and teachings of our beloved prophet (SAW). We are not using two greatest source Allah has given us (The Quran and Sunnah, the teachings of our beloved Prophet) to try to find solutions to these problems.

Let's stop all these artificial cures and start curing our problem thru Quran and Sunnah. First thing to be remember and should be absolutely clear in our minds that whatever is happening in the world, it is with Allah's permission, will and full knowledge. Every Muslim must have faith that whatever good or bad is happening to him/her or to Muslim ummah is happening with Allah's permission and His Wisdom. To believe in destiny (Qadar) either good or bad is part of our faith and without this our faith is incomplete. Prophet (SAW) said in Hadith by Tirmidi "Nobody is Momin until he faithfully believes in destiny either good or bad and firmly believe that whatever reaches him cannot be stopped and whatever he didn't get, he would have never got it. This Hadith corresponds to Quranic aya (Surah Yunus, aya 107) "If Allah afflicts you with a calamity, none can remove it but He; If He intends to bestow a favor upon you, none can withhold His bounty. He bestows it upon whomsoever of His servants He pleases, He is the forgiving, the Merciful.

After understanding this reality that whatever is happening in this world is happening with the permission of Allah, lets now dig into Quran and Ahadith to find out what the Rabb of universe and His last Messenger has said about the reasons of difficulties and calamities come to humans and what remedies should be taken to alleviate these sufferings. From this point of

view, if we study Quran, we see a very clear and unambiguous Aya which is Aya 30 of Surah "Shoora" which says "Whatever affliction befalls you, is the result of what your own hand have done, even though for many of your misdeeds He grants forgiveness. You cannot escape from Allah in the earth and there is no protector or helper for you besides Allah.

From this Aya, it is very clear that any calamity comes to humans is because of his bad deeds. The same concept is described in a different way in Aya 41 of Surah Rum. Allah says "Corruption has appeared in the land and the sea in consequences of man's own misdeeds. Through such evil, Allah makes people taste a part of that which they have done, so that they turn back from the evil. If we ponder above these two Ayats, it is evident that all our difficulties, problems lies in our deeds (AAMAL). Our bad and evil deeds are responsible for this situation and the only lasting solution to come out of it is to amend our ways. Unless and until we do not correct our ways not only as individuals but also collectively as an ummah according to Islamic teaching of Quran and Sunnah and do not build our society on these principles, then we do not have a right to complain about these difficulties and hardships.

Is it not true that in our societies, Islam is an stranger? We have completely taken it out from our way of life. Just coming two times a year for Eid prayers or Jummah prayer is Islam and then we are free from other prayers, Are we free to spend our lives as we want, spend what and whatever we want, earn livelihood whatever way as we want? Islam has given complete guidance to every facet of our lives. Following Allah's and His Messenger's commandments gives success not only in this life but also hereafter. But unfortunately we are separating Islam from every facet of our lives and even we are not fulfilling the obligation of Islamic 5 pillars.

The first and foremost important pillar of Islam and our faith is Salah, How many %age of people pray 5 times a day, How many people pay Zakat regularly? Is everyone fasting during the month of Ramadan? And same can be asked about Hajj. Now also look how many Muslims feels the pain of our Muslim brothers who are going through difficulties and are subjected to persecution, torture and genocide. How many people are performing the commandments of Allah to "Order good deeds and stop evil from the society".

Solution for this current situation of Muslim Ummah

What is solution and remedy for this situation, what is the cure. What Rabb ul Alameen and His Messenger has advised us to deal with these situations. To find out when we study and ponder Quran and Sunnah, then some Ayats from Quran and some Ahadiths comes to mind. Let's go through these first.

- 1) Surah Tahreem Aya 8 "O believer! Turn to Allah in sincere repentance, it may well be that your Rabb will remove from you your sins
- 2) Surah Anaam, Aya 43 "Why did they not call Allah in humility when the sufferings overtook them? But their heart hardened and Shaitan made their sinful acts seems fair to them
- 3) Surah Infaal, Aya 33 "Nor does Allah punish people while they are asking His forgiveness"

- 4) Surah Zumar Aya 54/55 “Turn in repentance to your Rabb and submit to Him before there comes to you the scourge (Azab ILAHI) , There shall be none to help you. Follow the best way that is revealed to you by your Rabb before scourge comes to you all of a sudden while you do not perceive it.

After these Quranic Ayas, lets read the following Ahadiths.

- 1) Only Dua can remove suffering and Qadr (Destiny) by Tirmidi
- 2) Hazrat Abu Darda narrated, Prophet (SAW) said that ALLAH (SWT) Say “I am Allah, none is worthy of worship then me, I am the king of all Kings, I am the Lord of kings, Worldly Kings (Rulers) heart are in my hand, when my slaves follow my commandments, then I turn the hearts of the king/rulers to be merciful and kind to their people and when my slaves disobey me, then I turn the hearts of the Rulers to become tyrant and oppressor towards their people and they subject to their people worst king of atrocities and torture. Therefore instead of cursing your leaders/Rulers turn back to me, repent, remember me and humbly ask for forgiveness so that I can save you from your rulers atrocities and oppression.

From the above Quranic Ayats and Ahadiths, two thing become very clear, that Rabb of the universe is the Rabb of all and He has total control of everything and whatever happens in this world, , He is not fully aware of it, but happens with His permission, will and wisdom. He is the King of all the Kings, He control the hearts of the rulers and turns their hearts either to Mercy and love or to tyranny and oppression depending how the people of that Ruler obey or disobey Allah’s commandments.

Second thing we find is the only remedy to alleviate our sufferings and oppression is to do abundant Istaghfar and sincere repentance. We should cry with humility and ask for His Mercy thru His remembrance and Duas. Dua is the weapon of all unarmed peoples, it can change destiny. It is Allah’s promise that when people are engage in Istighfar, Allah will not give his general Wrath (Azab) to the population. So in this current situation while Muslim ummah is facing distress and oppression, we have to do the following.

- 1) Avoid sins and disobeying Allah.
- 2) Follow Allah’s commandments in every aspect of our individual and collective lives.
- 3) Avoids the sins which are prevailing in the society due to which we are facing these oppressions and difficulties.
- 4) Do Duas with Rabb ul Alameen, without His decree nothing can happen and our enemy can never succeed in their nefarious design and neither we can do any harm to our enemies.
- 5) Extensive sincere Istighfar and repentance with Allah to save us from extreme difficult situations. Instead of looking root cause of the situation from this world’s perspective, look at the source where these decisions are made in the

heavens and only Allah is the one who can change situation and make it turn around in our favor.

- 6) Obligatory and abundant NAFIL prayers should be performed. In a Hadith it is mentioned that when Prophet (SAW) finds himself in any difficulty, he always turned to salah immediately. Even if prophet used to see a strong wind blowing and threatening skies, he immediately turn to salah and ask humbly Allah for forgiveness, so that this strong wind may not turn into Allah's wrath (AZAB). Allah says in Surah BAQARA, Aya 153, "O You believe, get help from patience and salah". But unfortunately current era Muslims has totally forgotten this advice even in these worst conditions.
- 7) Giving Sadaqa is also a remedy to avoid calamities. Sadaqa delays difficulties and calamities either for individuals or communities. Prophet (SAW) said "For sure sadaqat stops calamities" Muslims should follow this advice especially in trying conditions. Not only they give obligatory charity (ZAKAT) but also voluntary charity (SADAQAT). Help the poor, destitute, widows, orphans generously.
- 8) Scholars and pious people have said to save from difficulties, recite Ayat Karima Abundantly as Allah saved Hazrat Yunus (as) from worst condition as one can imagine.
Surah Ambiya, Aya 87 "There is no deity (ILLAH) except you, exalted are you , free from any imperfection, indeed i have been the wrong doers. With this dua with sincerity and humility, Allah's Mercy comes and difficulty vanishes.
- 9) Another dua to be recited abundantly is (Allah is sufficient for me), the famous dua of Hazrat Ibraheem, when he was been thrown in the fire.
- 10) Special attention should be given to Haqooq ul Ibad (Peoples right), If you have done wronged to somebody (financially or otherwise) try to mend it ASAP.