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## DEALING WITH THE UNREST AND ANARCHY

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Conditions are only from Allah Ta'aala and their solution is to return to Allah Ta'aala, to Dien, and to the Masaajid. There is no doubt that Dien and only Dien is the solution to ALL problems! Dien is not only the knowledge of Dien or the efforts of Dien or titles or outward appearances; Dien is to practise upon the Qur'aan and Sunnah, correctly.

In spite of all that is happening we must never forget the greater Ni'mats which we are enjoying and make Shukr for them. On Shukr, Allah Ta'aala will remove these problems and increase His favours!

“And when Allah Ta'aala declared, 'If you express gratitude, I shall certainly give you more, and if you are ungrateful, then My punishment is severe.' [Surah Ibraheem 14:7]

What is unfolding before us here in South Africa - of chaos, destruction, looting and burning – is really due to us turning away and becoming neglectful of our beautiful Dien of Islam. Whilst it is easy to blame the government and many others, we need to reflect over our own actions, because our actions invite different conditions from Allah Ta'aala. Good actions invite good conditions and bad actions invite bad conditions. ...What we are experiencing are the consequences of our disobedience to Allah Ta'aala.

Notwithstanding the unrest, turmoil and violence, it is never too late to turn to Allah Ta'aala – who is in Control of all affairs.

We should take lesson from the people of Hazrat Yunus (Alaihis Salaam): When Hazrat Yunus (Alaihis Salaam) left his people in anger, after warning them of the punishment of Allah Ta'aala, they observed the sky change colour and perceived a tremendous punishment descending upon them from Allah Ta'aala. They immediately

turned to Allah Ta'aala, cried, sincerely repented, sought Allah Ta'aala's Protection and made Dua for the return of their Nabi. Their cries and pleas found acceptance in the heavens.

Allah Ta'aala accepted their repentance and Dua, and removed the impending punishment. They became Believers in Allah Ta'aala and secured His Forgiveness. Allah Ta'aala mentions:

“If only there had been a community (of all those that were destroyed of old) that believed and profited by its belief as did the people of Yunus! When they believed We drew off from them the torment of disgrace in the life of the world and gave them comfort for a while...” [Surah Yunus 10:98]

Allah Ta'aala also informs us of the Dua of Hazrat Yunus ('Alaihis Salaam), through which he was delivered from the belly of a large fish, to safety – and which is a means of delivering us from our difficulties as well:

Allah Ta'aala promises to save and rescue all Believers, in distress and suffering, who turn to Him in repentance.

“...Then, he called (Us) in depths of darkness saying, "There is no god but You. Pure are You. Indeed, I was among the wrongdoers". So We responded to him and rescued him from the distress. And this is how We rescue the Believers.” [Surah Ambiyaa 21 : 87 / 88]

### **The Need of the Hour**

1.) Sincere Taubah and Istighfaar.

The starting point is to realise and acknowledge that we are the cause of these problems. Our sins, and particularly the immodesty and immorality, draw Divine retribution. This is what we are seeing. We need to thus give up all sins.

2.) To have an earnest intention and make a genuine effort to correct our lives, our Salaah and all our Dienie matters, including Qadha Salaah, unpaid Zakaat, inheritance matters not settled, etc. and live our lives according to the Sunnah of Nabi Sallallaahu 'alayhi wasallam.

3.) Abundance, Abundance!!! of Durood Sharief.

4.) Reciting the three Quls (Surah Al-Ikhlaas, Surah Al-Falaq and Surah An-Naas) with Bismillaah each time, after Fajr and Maghrib. A MUST, MUST!!!

- 5.) For the menfolk to make I'tikaaf in the Masaajid, by rotation, and to keep the Masaajid alive with A'maal-e-Masjid: Salaah, Tilaawat of Qur'aan Sharief, Zikrullah, Dua, etc. - 24 hours.
- 6.) Ladies to also keep themselves busy with A'maal: fasting, Tilaawat of Qur'aan Sharief, Zikrullah, Duas, etc. - preferably individually.
- 7.) Give Sadaqah frequently, even if it be in small amounts.
- 8.) At least once a day, recite the following:
  - Durood-e-Tunjeena,
  - 500 x Laa haula wa Laa quwwata illaa billah, (The 500 can be shared as well)
  - Durood e Tunjeena
  - Make Dua
- 9.) Recite Surah Kahaf daily or at least the first and last 10 Aayaat and on Jumu'ah the whole Surah. When it's the protection against the fitnaas of dajjal, it will definitely be protection from these fitnaas as well.
- 10.) Khidmat and support to one another; helping to protect our Imaan, Islam, Masaajid, Madaaris, lives and property in all forms.
- 11.) Making all the required efforts, place one's full trust solely in Allah Ta'aala, turn to Him in all sincerity and honesty. Only He can change conditions. But we must change our lives and return to His Obedience.
- 12.) We should not panic. Understand that all conditions are only from Allah Ta'aala and Allah Ta'aala alone is in control of everything even now.
- 13.) On such occasions, anger, hatred and cursing comes to the fore. A person can become filled with it. However, the ideal is to make Dua of Hidayat for the people at this moment. This will move the mercy of Allah Ta'aala. Remember the occasion of Taif when Nabi Sallallaahu alaihi wasallam made Dua for those who oppressed him. The Imaan of one person is so valuable!

May Allah Ta'ala have mercy upon us and forgive us. May Allah Ta'aala protect and give Barakah in our Imaan, Islam, lives, businesses, property and all related, permissible matters and affairs! Aameen

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