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The Fifteenth Aspect: Excusing themselves from following what Allah had given them, claiming that they do not understand it, like His Statement: "They said: Our hearts are incapable of understanding." [2:88]. And: "O Shu'ayb! We do not understand much of what you are saying!" [11:91] So Allah exposed them as liars and clarified that it was because of a seal upon their hearts, a seal that was the result of their own disbelief.

The Sixteenth Aspect: Replacing what had come to them from Allah with books of magic. Allah mentions this in His Statement: "A group of those given Scripture cast the Book of Allah behind their backs, as if they had no knowledge. Instead, they followed that [magic] which the devils recited during the reign of Sulaymaan (Solomon)." [2:101-102]

The Seventeenth Aspect: Attributing their own falsehood to the Prophets, like [what is referred to in] His Statement: "Yet Sulaymaan (Solomon) did not disbelieve," [2:102] and His Statement: "Ibraaheem (Abraham) was not a Jew, nor was he a Christian." [3:67]

The Eighteenth Aspect: Contradictory ascriptions, as they would ascribe to Ibraaheem (Abraham), along with their blatant lack of following him.

The Nineteenth Aspect: Reviling righteous people based on the actions of some of those who ascribed to them, like how the Jews reviled 'Eesaa (Jesus), and how both the Jews and Christians reviled Muhammad, may Allah raise his rank and grant him peace.

The Twentieth Aspect: Their belief that tricks of magicians and similar charlatans were miraculous signs of righteousness, attributing that [idea] to the Prophets, like how they attributed it to Sulaymaan (Solomon), may Allah grant him peace.

The Twenty-First Aspect: They would whistle and clap as worship.

The Twenty-Second Aspect: They took their religion as frivolity and amusement.

The Twenty-Third Aspect: They were deluded by this worldly life, as they presumed that [receiving] Allah's provisions was proof of His approval [of them and their actions], like their statement: "We have more wealth and children, and we are not going to be punished." [34:35]

The Twenty-Fourth Aspect: Refusal to embrace the Truth because the weak and meager had already preceded them to it, out of arrogance and disdain. Allah, the Most High, sent down: "Do not dismiss those who call upon their Lord..." [6:52]

The Twenty-Fifth Aspect: Citing as a proof of something's falsehood that the

weak and meager preceded them to it, like [what is found in] His Statement: "Had it been something good, they would not have preceded us to it." [46:11]

The Twenty-Sixth Aspect: Changing the Book of Allah, after having understood it, whilst they had knowledge.

The Twenty-Seventh Aspect: Concocting false scripture and attributing it to Allah, like His Statement: "Woe to those who write the book with their own hands and then say: This is from Allah." [2:79]

The Twenty-Eighth Aspect: Refusal to accept anything of the Truth which it is not found with their group, like His Statement: "They said: We only believe in what was sent down to us." [2:91]

The Twenty-Ninth Aspect: Even with that [the previous aspect], they would not really act upon what their group believed anyway, as Allah, the Most High, noted in His Statement: "Say: Why then have you killed the Prophets of Allah before, if you are indeed believers?" [2:91]

The Thirtieth Aspect, which is from the amazing signs of Allah: After abandoning Allah's Order for unity, they would fall into the differing that Allah forbade them from, each group rejoicing with what they had.

The Thirty-First Aspect, which is also from the most amazing of signs: Their unmatched animosity for the very religion

they ascribed to, along with their love of the religion of the disbelievers who despise them and their Prophet. They would love such people with unparalleled love, as they did when the Prophet, may Allah raise his rank and grant him peace, came to them with the Religion of Moosaa (Moses), peace be upon him. They preferred to follow books of magic instead, which was actually from the religion of Pharaoh's people!

The Thirty-Second Aspect: Their disbelief in the Truth when it was found with those they did not admire, as Allah, the Most High, says: "The Jews said that the Christians were not upon anything, while the Christians said that the Jews were not upon anything." [2:113]

The Thirty-Third Aspect: Rejecting what they had previously acknowledged to be part of their own religion, like what they did regarding Hajj to the House, as Allah, the Most High, says: "Who would be inclined against the Religion of Ibraaheem (Abraham) other than one who makes a fool of himself?" [2:130]

The Thirty-Fourth Aspect: Every religious sect would claim that it was the saved one, so Allah exposed them as liars with His Statement: "Bring forth your proof if you are indeed truthful." [2:111] Then, He clarified the correct way with His Statement: "Nay! He who submits his face

unto Allah, being a person of sincere worship..." [2:112]

The Thirty-Fifth Aspect: Worshipping with uncovered private parts, as found in His Statement: "When they would commit an obscenity, they would say: We found our fathers doing this, and Allah has ordered us to do it." [7:28]

The Thirty-Sixth Aspect: Forbidding permissible things as an act of religiosity, whilst also engaging in polytheistic worship.

The Thirty-Seventh Aspect: Taking their priests and monks as lords beside Allah, as an act of religiosity.

The Thirty-Eighth Aspect: Deviating with regards to the Divine Attributes [of Allah], as He, the Most High, says: "However, you presumed that Allah does not know much of what you do!" [41:22]

The Thirty-Ninth Aspect: Deviating with regards to the Names [of Allah], like His Statement: "And they disbelieve in ar-Rahmaan (the Most Gracious)." [13:30]

The Fortieth Aspect: Absolute denial [of the existence of Allah], similar to the belief of Pharaoh's people.

The Forty-First Aspect: Attributing deficiencies to Him, the Exalted One, like having a child, being needy, and fatigue, while they would exalt their own religious leaders above some of those things!

The Forty-Second Aspect: Ascribing partners to Allah in His Dominion and Authority, like the belief of the Zoroastrians...

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ASPECT 2

SPLITTING INTO RELIGIOUS FACTIONS

الثَّانِيَةُ: أَنَّهُمْ مُتَّفَرِّقُونَ فِي دِينِهِمْ، كَمَا قَالَ تَعَالَى: ﴿كُلُّ حِزْبٍ بِمَا لَدَيْهِمْ
فَرِحُونَ﴾ [الروم: ٣٢]، وَكَذَلِكَ فِي دُنْيَاهُمْ، وَيَرَوْنَ أَنَّ ذَلِكَ هُوَ الصَّوَابُ، فَأَتَى
بِالاجْتِمَاعِ فِي الدِّينِ بِقَوْلِهِ: ﴿سَرَعَ لَكُمْ مِنَ الدِّينِ مَا وَصَّى بِهِ نُوحًا وَالَّذِي أَوْحَيْنَا
إِلَيْكَ وَمَا وَصَّيْنَا بِهِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَمُوسَى وَعِيسَى أَنْ أَقِيمُوا الدِّينَ وَلَا تَتَفَرَّقُوا فِيهِ﴾
[الشورى: ١٣].

THE SECOND ASPECT: They were divided in their religion, as He, the Most High, says: "Each party would rejoice with what it had." [30:32] Likewise, in their worldly matters [they were also divided]. They considered this [division] to be correct. In contrast, He (Allah) sent them [orders of] religious solidarity, saying: "He has legislated for you in the Religion what He enjoined upon Nooh (Noah), that which He sent as revelation to you, and that which He enjoined upon Ibraaheem (Abraham), Moosaa (Moses), and 'Eesaa (Jesus): That you establish the Religion and do not be divided within it." [42:13]

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APPENDIX III

CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF ASPECTS 15-42

Answer the following multiple-choice questions about Aspects 15-42 from the book, *Aspects of the Days of Ignorance*.

- Shu'ayb's people claimed they could not understand his words. Allah clarified that:
 - it was because of Shu'ayb's shyness and they should be patient.
 - it was the result of a seal placed over their hearts.
 - Shu'ayb was forbidden from speaking for a period of three days.
 - they really did understand what he was saying.
- According to the author's 17th point, the people of *Jaahiliyyah* attributed false things to Prophets, like how they attributed _____ to Sulaymaan.
 - magic
 - being a Jew
 - atheism
 - lying
- According to the author's 20th point, the people of *Jaahiliyyah* considered illusionary magical tricks to be:
 - similar to the magic of Pharaoh
 - revelation
 - proof of prophethood
 - miracles of the righteous
- What two things did Allah blame the people of *Jaahiliyyah* for doing as worship at the Ka'bah in Makkah specifically?
 - dancing and singing
 - reciting poetry and engaging in trade
 - clapping and whistling
 - praying in the wrong direction and nakedness
- What error(s) did the people of *Jaahiliyyah* make in how they understood status and worldly prosperity?
 - They considered someone's low status to be a proof against his religion.
 - They would not embrace the Truth if the meager preceded them to it.
 - They considered their own prosperity to be a proof of their correctness.
 - all of the above

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APPENDIX XI

CHECK YOUR MEMORIZATION OF ASPECTS 68-113

Fill in the missing words and phrases from Aspects 68-113 of the Arabic text of the book, *Aspects of the Days of Ignorance*.

التَّاسِعَةَ وَالسِّتُونَ: الزِّيَادَةُ فِي الْعِبَادَةِ، كَفَعَلِهِمْ
 : نَقَصُهُمْ مِنْهَا،
 : تَزَكُّهُمْ الْوَاجِبُ
 الثَّانِيَةَ وَالسَّبْعُونَ: تَعَبَّدُهُمْ بِتَرْكِ

السَّابِعَةَ وَالسَّبْعُونَ: أَنْ أُيْمِنْتَهُمْ إِمَّا ، وَإِمَّا
 ، كَمَا فِي قَوْلِهِ: ﴿ _____ ﴾
 إِلَى قَوْلِهِ: ﴿ _____ ﴾ [البقرة: ٧٥-٧٨].

الخَامِسَةَ وَ _____ وَالثَّمَانُونَ: التَّبَرُّكُ بِأَنْوَاعِ الْمُعْظَمِينَ،
 وَفِيخَارٍ مَنْ كَانَتْ تَحْتَ يَدِهِ بِذَلِكَ، كَمَا قِيلَ لِبَنِي _____ : بَعَثَ
 مَكْرَمَةَ قُرَيْشٍ! فَقَالَ: _____ .

التَّاسِعَةَ وَالثَّمَانُونَ: الْإِسْتِسْقَاءُ بِالْأَنْوَاعِ.
 : عَلَى الْمَيِّتِ.

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