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# Part One

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## Chapter One

# The Definition of Death and Life in Quranic Verses

Creation of Death and Life

« الَّذِي خَلَقَ الْمَوْتَ وَالْحَيَاةَ ...! » (ملك / ٢)

***" Allah is the One Who created death and Life...!"***

*(Holy Quran, Malek:2.)*

It reveals from the teachings of Holy Quran that, **Death** does not mean **Non-Existence**, but it means a **Transference**, and it is a **Being** that is **Created** as **Life**.

The word "**life**" applies to something that it has a **quality**, for the sake of having such **state** it enjoys **Consciousness** and **Will**.

The word "**Death**" means not having that **state**. There is, of course, something that comes out of the teachings of Quran, it takes another meaning, namely, the same **Being**, having the intelligence and will, makes a **Transfer** from one **stage of life** to **other stages**. The Holy Quran names this **Transmission only**, the **Death**, though it has not **lost its consciousness and will**.

( Almizan: V. 19, P. 585.)



The Purpose of the Creation  
of the Death and Life

« الَّذِي خَلَقَ الْمَوْتَ وَالْحَيَاةَ لِيَبْلُوَكُمْ أَيُّكُمْ أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْغَفُورُ! » (ملك/٢)

***" Allah is the One Who created death and Life that He may try which of you is best in deed:***

***and He is the Exalted in Might, Oft-Forgiving ...!"***

*(Holy Quran, Malek:2.)*

**"... He may try which of you is best in deed!"**

This Verse represents the Purpose of the Creation of Death and Life: That is, the Almighty God created you so that you first be a Living Creature, and then Die. This kind of Creation is a Pre-Creation and Test. This is only to test you to distinguish your Bad from Good. To find out that which one you act better than the other. It turns out that this test and this distinction is for another purpose, for the reward and punishment that mankind will face with.

The above Verse also refers to the fact that the Essential Purpose of the Creation was to Reward a good retribution to Creatures, because in this Verse there is no mention of sinful and punishable acts, only the Good Deed was mentioned and said the creation of life and death is to distinguish which one's act is better.

Therefore, **the Owners of the Good Deeds are the Main Purpose of Creation**, but others are created for the sake of them.

The Quality which is attributed to the existence of everything, and is present in most of the individuals, is the Ultimate Goal of the existence of

that creature. It was the same **Quality** that was the **Purpose of its Creator** of having created it! Same as the vegetative life of a tree, which is often ends to the fruit of that tree. So, such a **Fruit**, which is the product of that tree, is the **Purpose and Ultimate End of its Life**. It turns out that the **Purpose of the Creation of that Tree was that Fruit**.

Thus, **the Good and Righteous Deed, is the Purpose of Human Creation!** It is also clear that the Good and Righteous Deed, if desirable, is not desirable for itself, but is desirable for its **help** in achieving **another** Creature to its Purpose.

What is essentially desirable is a **Virtuous Life** that is not mixed with any defects, and is not subject to cancellation and effect, therefore, the above Verse is in the meaning of the following Verse which states:

***" Every soul shall have a taste of death: and We test you by evil and by good by way of trial. To Us must ye return!" (Anbia:35)***

( Almizan: V. 19, P. 585.)

Predestination of Death and its Philosophy

« نَحْنُ قَدَرْنَا بَيْنَكُمْ الْمَوْتَ وَ مَا نَحْنُ بِمَسْبُوقِينَ! » ( واقعه / ٦٠ )

***" We have predetermined death for you.***

***Nothing can stop Us!"***

*(Holy Quran, Vaghie:60.)*

When God bestows Creation on Mankind, He grants him a limited Creation. From the first moment of human's development until the last

minute of his worldly life, and all the qualities that he possesses or releases during this period, all are of the requirements of this Limitation, which one of them is the Death. Therefore, the Human Death, like his Life, is by a Pre-destination of God, not that God was unable to create human forever.

*" From bringing another Nation in your place  
and creating you Again in the form of those  
you do not Know!" ( Vaghie:61.)*

He says: Our **Creation** is based on **Transformation of Kinds**, that is to say, a class to Die, and clear off the place for another class. Also, after you die, we give you **Another Creation** beyond this unstable worldly creation. Thus, **Death** means moving from one home to another, from this creation to a **Better Creation**, not nonexistence or annihilation!

( Almizan: V. 19, P. 230.)

The Translation is to be continued !