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Allah Knows everything

All praise is due to Allah Who sent down the Qur'an with which He guided us to the straight path. I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah, having no partners, and Muhammad is His servant and Messenger.

O servants of Allah! Allah says in the Our'an in Surah al-Bagarah and Surah al-Hajj:

"...fear Allah and know that Allah is Knowing of all things." (S.2 V.231)

"Do you not know that Allah knows what is in the heaven and earth? ..." (S.22 V.70)

So how glorified is the One whose expansiveness of knowledge encompasses the heavens and the earth and whatsoever is in between. The Angels glorified Allah as Allah says in the Qur'an in Surah al-Baqarah:

"They (Angels) said, 'Exalted are You; we have no knowledge except what You have taught us. Indeed, it is You who is the Knowing, the Wise." (S.2 V.32)

So, glory be to the One from whom nothing of His creation is hidden, and who knows the secrets and even more hidden matters of all things. Allah says in the Qur'an in Surah al-An'am:

"And with Him are the keys of the unseen; none knows them except Him. And He knows what is on the land and in the sea. Not a leaf falls but that He knows it. And no grain is there within the darkness of the earth and no moist or dry [thing] but that it is [written] in a clear record." (S.6 V.59)

So, Allah has knowledge of whatever has happened and whatever will happen.

Allah says in the Qur'an in Surah Taha:

"Allah knows what is [presently] before them and what will be after them, but they do not encompass it in knowledge." $(S.20 \ V.110)$

Indicative of the knowledge of God is His name the All-Knowing. In more than two hundred places in the Holy Qur'an this name is mentioned, and when the believer recites this name in the relevant verses, he senses the immensity of the knowledge of Allah. Such believers are certain that Allah is aware of them, and that His knowledge is encompassing of them, that He is seeing them, and hearing them. The Prophet SAW was asked by the Angel Gabriel: "What is Ihsan?" The Prophet SAW responded by saying: "Ihsan is to worship Allah as if you were to see Him, and if you are unable to see Him then (know with certainty that) Allah sees you." [Bukhari and Muslim] So, the believer is one who monitors himself, being present and being aware of Allah's presence. One of the righteous people once said: Take a pledge to uphold three things in yourself: When you act then remember that Allah is looking at you, when you are silent then remember that Allah's knowledge encompasses it, and when you speak then know that Allah's Hearing is aware of it. The believer is one who is certain and aware that Allah is knowing of his state, witnessing his deeds, hence the believers fulfil their duties with this awareness.

May the peace and the blessings of Allah be upon prophet Muhammad SAW, his family and all of his Companions. May Allah be pleased with the Rightly Guided Caliphs: Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman and Ali, and all those who will follow them in righteousness until the Day of Judgment.

- O Allah! Bless us with Baraka in all of our affairs and make us blessed wheresoever we be.
- O Allah! Accept our prayers and all our ibada and also all our good deeds for the sake of Your pleasure.
- O Allah! Accept all our good deeds and forgive our sins.
- O Allah! Give rizg in abundance to all Muslims in Japan
- O Allah! Grant safety and security to everyone here in Japan as well as all over the world. Aamin ya Rabbil Aalamin





