

THE JINN RACE

WITH THE NAME OF ALLAH, MOST GRACIOUS, MOST MERCIFUL.

Our Rabb had created the jinn race before he had created the human race.

We read in Sura al-Hijr (ch. 15): verse 27:-

“And the jinn race, we had created before, from the fire of a scorching wind.”

Jinns had been created from a fire free of smoke.

We read in Sura Rahman (ch. 55): verse 15:-

“And He created jinns from a fire free of smoke:”

Jinns are not evil by nature. Like us, they have freedom of will, i.e., they can choose between good and evil, and will be rewarded or punished in the hereafter.

The jinn race had received messengers to guide them.

We read in Sura An'am (ch. 6): verse 130:-

O you assembly of jinns and mankind! Came there not unto you messengers from amongst you, setting forth unto you my signs, ...”

However, Iblis (Shaitan) and his disbelieving followers are continuously tempting us to stray from the right path. Remember, Iblis had taken it upon himself to mislead humanity.

We read in Sura al-Hijr (ch. 15): verse 39:-

“(Iblis) said : ‘O my Rabb ! Because you have put me in the wrong, i will make (wrong) fair-seeming to them on earth, and i will put them all in the wrong,---”

However, Shaitan only has the power to mislead those who allow themselves to be misguided.

Jinns even tried to interfere in the lives of the prophets and messengers, but these great servants of Allah (S.W.T.) remained firm.

We read in Sura al-Hajj (ch. 22): verse 52:-

“Never did we send a Rasool or a Nabie before you, but when he framed a desire, Shaitan threw some (vanity) into his desire : but Allah will cancel anything (vain) that Shaitan throws in, ...”

Jinns were made subservient to Nabie Sulaiman (A.S.), for we read in Sura Saba (ch. 34): verse 12:-

“...and there were jinns that worked in front of him by the leave of his Rabb, and if any of them turned aside from our command, we made him taste of the penalty of the blazing fire.”

Worksheet

1) In your own words, how can we keep Shaitan from influencing us?

2) What happens when we withdraw ourselves from the remembrance of Allah (S.W.T.)?
