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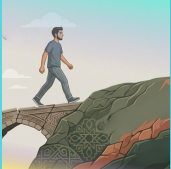
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A periodical dedicated to the thinkers, the seekers, and the change-makers of the Muslim youth.

In a world that is moving faster than ever, young Muslims often find themselves at a crossroads between their faith and the modern world. At *The Young Believers*, our mission is to show that you don't have to choose between the two.

And we noticed something challenging: Most of the "advice" out there for Muslim youth is either too kiddish or academic ones unsuitable for youngsters. There was no middle ground. So, we built one. We provided this space where timeless Islamic wisdom meets the realities of Gen Z and Gen Alpha life.

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The Yaqeen That Allah Is With Me!



We live in fear of what-ifs but often forget the connection so strong nothing could shake us. Yes, that's Yaqeen (certainty) that the Creator of the entire universe has your back. There's no fear, no sorrow, no failure for a person who has Yaqeen that Allah swt is his Rabb!

The "VVIPs"

If your uncle were the most powerful person in your locality, or maybe you're best friends with a world-famous business mogul, wouldn't you walk a little differently? You aren't worried about small-time bullies because you know who's in your corner.

If this small matter can bring peace to your heart, then imagine having certainty that Allah swt is your helper and is with you wherever you go.

The Qur'an tells us that for those who say, **"My Lord is Allah,"** and stay firm, angels descend on them saying: **"Don't be scared. Don't be sad. Celebrate, because Paradise is yours."**

When you realize that Allah swt is your Wali (your Best Friend, Protector, and Supporter), the scary things in life start to look like hiccups.

Nothing happens without His permission.

Not a single leaf falls, and not a single DM is sent without Him knowing.

He isn't a "blind force;" He is the Omnipotent and Omnipresent.

So, the one who is certain that Allah swt is his Wali, will there be any dread for him?

Do You Live in Fear?

We get stressed because we think people have power over us. We think, "If my boss/teacher/coach hates me, my life is over." This mindset is a subtle form of shirk (assigning power to others).

People fear others because they think someone can harm them, ruin their work, stop their success, or cause loss. Out of this fear, they compromise with their deen, flatter others, and even humiliate themselves.

Why? Because they believe people hold benefit or harm in their hands.

The moment you think someone besides Allah swt has the power to benefit or harm you, you've fallen into minor shirk!

When you understand that humans are only "means" and Allah swt is the "source," you stop pleasing people and start focusing on the One who controls your life.

The Two Legendary Moments of Yaqeen

Musa (AS) at the Red Sea: Trapped between the sea and Pharaoh's army, the Banu Israel panicked and said, "We are finished!" Musa (AS) didn't flinch. He said: "Kalla! My Lord is with me. He will show me a way."

Hajar (AS) in the desert: Left alone with her son (Ismael AS), she asked Ibrahim (AS) if Allah swt commanded this. When he confirmed, she said: "Then Allah swt will take care of us."

This is Yaqeen, certainty even when you see no way forward.

The Essential Path

لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ means *There is no power and no might except with Allah.*

Let this settle in your heart: there is no real Doer except Allah swt.

Fire burns because Allah swt allows it.

Water quenches because Allah swt wills it.

Food satisfies because Allah swt permits it.

Money doesn't give security, Allah swt does.

When you stop relying on "stuff" (money, grades, popularity) and rely on Allah swt, you become unstoppable.

You become Wali of Allah swt. And whoever has Yaqeen becomes His Wali.

A Question for You: What is one thing you're stressed about right now that would feel 10x smaller if you truly believed Allah swt was handling it for you?



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Climbing up the Ladder of Yaqeen in 3 Steps!

In an era of infinite data and zero chill, we try to logic our way through everything, acting like if it's not on a spreadsheet or backed by a peer-reviewed study, it doesn't exist.

Even when we have all the facts and science is 'mathing,' a lot of us still feel that internal void. That "science-only" mindset often leaves us feeling anxious and disconnected.

Everything happening around us feels uncertain, changing faster like a viral trend; what we crave most is something certain, something that we base our purpose and objectives on, something that gives our hearts some peace.

In the Quran, Allah swt says: **"And in the earth are signs for those who are certain"** (51:20).

This tells us that the people of certainty are the ones who benefit from the signs and proofs.

Life Isn't What's on Your Feed

There is more to your world than atoms and screens.

Like in a video game, you see the graphics on the surface, but there's an entire source code running underneath that makes the game meaningful.

In faith, we call this *the ghayb* (the unseen). You experience it every single day through inner sense or conviction.

- **You don't demand a formula** to know the difference between being kind and toxic.
- **You don't need a lab** to explain why a sunset hits differently (beauty vs ugly).
- **You can't find the source code of "truth"** under a microscope, yet your gut constantly searches for what is legit versus what is cap (truth vs falsehood).

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These aren't things you calculate; they are things you feel and believe.

Turning "Mundane" into "Purpose"

These deep truths don't come from logical equations. They come through the gateway of Iman and Yaqeen.

Searching for a "why" is hard-wired into your brain. You aren't "extra" for wondering what the point of life is, you're programmed to do it.

When you actually find that purpose, your entire perspective flips:

- **School isn't a desk;** it's a place to grow.
- **Helping someone isn't a chore;** it's a spiritual win.

The boring stuff becomes meaningful when you see the bigger picture.

By understanding your purpose, you stop "existing" and start transforming everyday grind into something sacred.

This is what made the companions of the Prophet (SAW) different.

When Abu Bakr RA covered his head while relieving himself because he felt shy that Allah swt was watching him.

When Ali's RA hands shook while making wudhu because he realized that he was going to stand before The Supreme.

When Ayesha RA perfumed her coins before giving them in charity because charity reaches Allah swt first before it touches the hands of the needy.

The Three Levels of "Yaqeen"

Yaqeen is not a simple on/off switch, but a leveling-up process for your soul.

The Qur'an breaks this down into three stages to describe how we'll experience reality in the afterlife:

- **Ilm-ul-Yaqeen (Knowledge of the truth):** *"No! If you only knew with knowledge of certainty."* [The Qur'an 102:5]
- **Ain-ul-Yaqeen (Seeing the truth):** *"Then you will surely see it with the eye of certainty."* [The Qur'an 102:7]
- **Haqq-ul-Yaqeen (Living the truth):** *"And indeed, it is the truth of certainty."* [The Qur'an 69:51]

A great scholar, Ibn al-Qayyim RA, explains Yaqeen:

"It is a journey with three distinct levels like a person who tells you that he has honey with him. At this stage you have no doubt in his testimony. Then you actually see the honey and this increases your yaqeen, and finally you taste the honey. The first is Ilm-ul-Yaqeen, the second is Ain-ul-Yaqeen and the third is Haqq-ul-Yaqeen.

Faith isn't static. It's a journey of reading and learning the facts first, then you begin to see the signs around you, and eventually, you reach a point where you feel that deep, unshakable peace in your heart.

It's a transition from "I know this" to "I am certain about this."



Beyond the 'Game Over'... Yaqeen in the Afterlife

If you knew your every move was being recorded for a final reel that determined your forever, would you live any differently than you do right now?

Abu Firas reported: The Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "Ask me about whatever you wish."

A man called out, "O Messenger of Allah, **what is Islam?**" The Prophet pbuh said, "**To perform prayer and give charity.**" The man said, "**What is faith?**" The Prophet pbuh said, "**sincerity.**"

The man said, "**What is conviction?**"

The Prophet pbuh said, "**Certainty in the truth of the Resurrection.**"

Source: Shu'ab al-Imān lil-Bayhaqī 6442

Think about it: In a world where we are constantly chasing the next trend, the next level in a game, or the perfect post, it is easy to feel like "now" is all there is.

But what if there is a much bigger Level 2 waiting after the game ends?

In Islam, the concept of Resurrection is not a boring old-school theory, it is the real mission that changes how you play the game today.

Believing that we will be brought back to life is not just about the future; it is about how you show up today. It pushes you to:

- **Find the Creator's Signature:** Look at the world around you, from the way a seed grows to how the stars align. These are not accidents; they are signs of a Creator with the power to create, delete, and reboot life itself.
- **Check Your "Worldly" Battery:** We often treat life like it is permanent, but it is more like a temporary trial version. Understanding this helps you focus on what actually lasts.
- **Play for the Leaderboard:** Every choice you make is being recorded. Knowing there is a Day of Judgment is not about fear; it is about accountability. It is the motivation to be the best version of yourself when no one is watching.
- **The "Fair Play" Guarantee:** Ever feel like life is unfair? Like people get away with being evil? Resurrection promises ultimate justice. No good deed goes unnoticed, and no wrong goes unaddressed. All accounts get settled.

In Islam, Yaqeen in the afterlife signifies a deep, unwavering certainty and conviction in one's faith. It is more than knowing something is true in your head; **it is a deep, unshakable belief in your heart that changes how you actually live.** It is the opposite of doubt and hesitancy.

A person with Yaqeen has absolute trust and confidence in Allah swt and His promises.

The Yaqeen in the afterlife acts like a North Star in those dark times.

It tells us that death is not the "Game Over" screen, it is only a transition. It offers hope that we will be reunited with the people we miss and that every bit of pain has a purpose in the bigger picture.

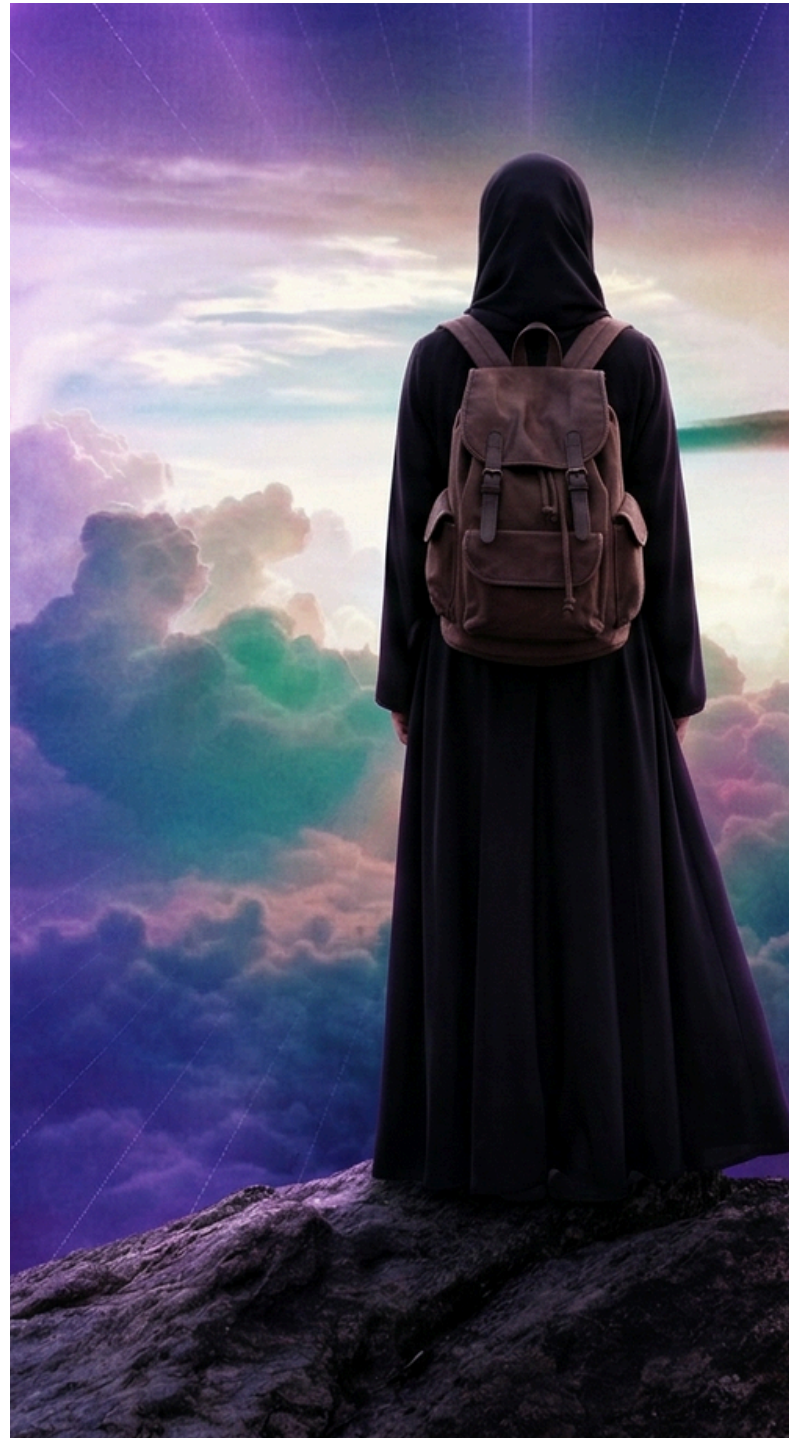
As stated by Abdullah ibn Mas'ud, may Allah swt be pleased with him, "Patience is half of faith and conviction is faith in its entirety."

Yaqeen removes doubt, leading a believer to act with total reliance on Allah swt, thereby fulfilling the definition of Imaan.

The Bottom Line: Whether you're dealing with school stress, friendship drama, or just wondering "What's the point?"; the message of Resurrection is your reminder. You started from dust, you are here for a reason, and you are destined for eternity.

Next time you are about to lose your cool or do something you know is "mid," ask yourself, "Is this something I want to see on my highlight reel on the Judgment Day?"

What is one small habit you can change today knowing that even an 'atom's weight' of good counts toward your final score?



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Your "Maybe" Can't Mess with Your "I Know!"

You're mid-salah and suddenly your brain throws a curveball, "Wait... was that my third rak'ah or my fourth?"

You freeze. Your mind starts spiraling, but you clearly remember praying three rak'ahs and not four. That tiny voice of doubt can drive you crazy.

In Islamic law, there are "grand maxims" that tell that voice to be quiet. It's called Yaqeen (certainty).

One of the grand maxims is, **Certainty is not overruled by doubt.**
اليقين لا يزول بالشك

Imam As-Suyooti mentioned this rule in *Al-Ashbaah wan-Nathaa-ir* and stated examples about it, whereupon he said the following:

"Rule: Certainty is not overruled by doubt. The evidence for it is the saying of the Prophet SAW,

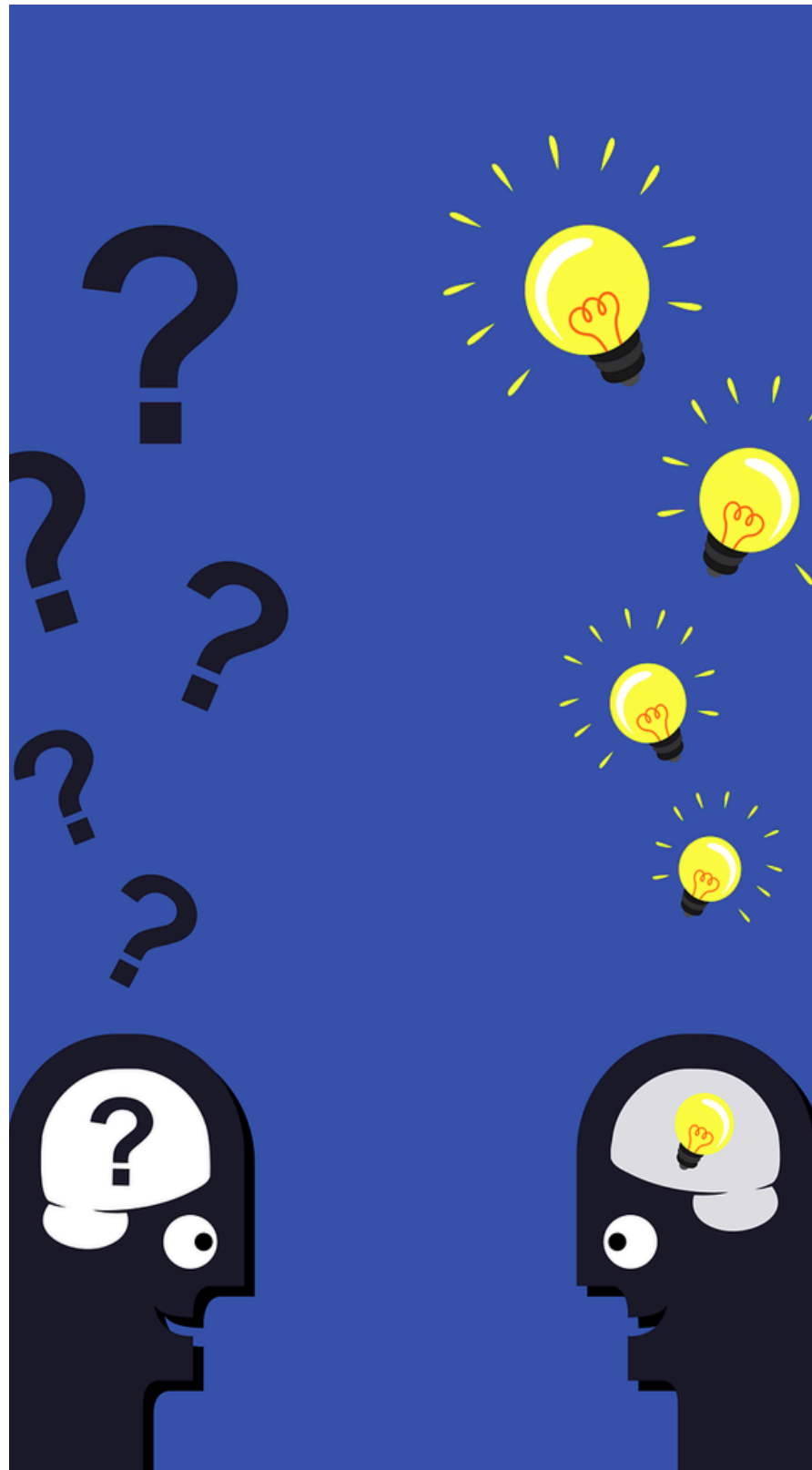
"If one of you feels disturbance in his stomach and doubts whether he has released some wind or not, then he should not leave the mosque unless he hears its sound or smells (its) odor." [Muslim]

"When anyone of you is in doubt about his prayer and does not know how many he has prayed, three or four (rak'ahs), then he should cast aside his doubt and base his prayer on what he is sure of." [Muslim]

Basically, if you know something happened, a 'maybe' or a 'what if' isn't enough to change the facts.

What Counts as "Yaqeen?"

Yaqeen means you have enough knowledge to be confident.





If you're sure enough to act on it without hesitation, you've reached certainty.

Doubt (Shakk), on the other hand, is that 50/50 split. It's when you're standing there thinking, "It's just as likely that I did it as it is that I didn't."

Don't Second-Guess

The rule is simple: Once you are certain about a situation, that situation stays 'true' until you have proof (not a feeling) that it changed.

- **The Wudu Dilemma:** You know for a fact you did wudu at 4:00 PM. At 5:00 PM, you think, "Wait, did I break my wudu?" If you aren't sure, the wudu still counts. You don't have to redo the wudu, it is

- because your 'certainty' of doing it is stronger than your 'doubt' of breaking it.
- **The Case of Fasting:** If you're eating suhoor and you're like, "Is that the sun?" but it's still dark-ish, you can keep eating until you reach certainty that the sun has risen.

Important Distinction: This rule only works if you are certain in the first place. **Certainty is not lifted by doubt; certainty is only lifted by another certainty.**

Real-World Things

This isn't limited to wudu and prayer only; it's about how the whole world stays organized.

Innocent Until Proven Guilty:

Everyone is presumed innocent.

- You can't say, "I think he stole my phone," and expect him to be punished. Your **doubt** about his honesty doesn't overrule the **certainty** of his basic innocence. You need receipts!
- **Shopping & Defects:** If you buy a pair of sneakers and try to return them saying they're broken, but the store says they were fine when they sold them, the "certainty" is that the shoes were good. You (the buyer) have to prove they were faulty.

The Takeaway

This maxim is a fundamental principle for deriving rules to keep the affairs running smoothly. It teaches us to rely on facts and evidences rather than "maybe" or "I feel so."

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Why 'We Believe' in a World Full of Doubts

We question everything. Growing up, it is normal to have questions about faith too. You might think, "Why are we even talking about whether Allah swt exists? We are Muslims; isn't that just a given?" Actually, no.

Allah swt says in Surah Fussilat, ayah 53:

"We will show them Our signs in the horizons and within themselves until it becomes crystal clear to them that this is the truth."

Looking at the proofs upgrades your faith from "I believe because my parents told me" to "I believe because it's the truth."

When Ibrahim (AS) asked Allah swt, "O my Lord, show me how You bring the dead back to life." Allah swt replied, **"Do you not believe?"** Ibrahim AS said, **"Of course I believe. But I ask so that my heart may be reassured."**

So, faith is not weakened by seeking understanding. Reflecting on signs strengthens Yaqeen and brings us closer to Allah swt.

Many today are leaving Islam across countries like the US, UK, Germany, Arab nations, Turkey, and Iran. Data suggests, there are more people leaving Islam than embracing it! (Courtesy: Yaqeen Institute and PEW Research Center)

To understand why, we need to see how the world got here.

How the World Lost Its Religion

Let's jump back to the 16th century when pretty much the entire world believed in God. So, what happened? Why is everyone so secular now?

Europe had a massive split in the church. Regular people couldn't read scripture, and scientific discoveries were suppressed. When people finally accessed religious texts, they found contradictions because their scripture was corrupted. Many abandoned religion completely.

Since they took God out of their lives, they filled the void with business, art, and material success.



Why does this matter to us? Because this is the society we live in. We go to school and work with people who aren't religious. We're surrounded by cultures that have completely removed God from the picture. When you swim in that water every day, it influences you.

That's why we must know why we believe.

How Do We Know Allah swt Exists?

Muslim scholars explained this clearly:

1. The Rule of Cause & Effect: If you find a cup of coffee on your desk, you don't think, "Wow, nothingness just magically spawned a caramel frappuccino!" You wonder who put it there. Similarly, the universe popping into existence didn't come from nothing. Something incredibly powerful hit the "start" button.

2. The Design & Its Purpose: If someone said, "The sun melted sand into silicon chips, struck some ore to make metal and circuits, and the wind swirled it all together to turn it into a gaming console," you would go crazy! Why? Because complex design proves: A powerful maker. An intelligent designer. A clear purpose.

The universe, from galaxies to snowflakes, points to an intelligent Creator who designed everything intentionally.

It's Not the Eyes That Are Blind...

We're too distracted to notice.

Once Prophet Muhammad pbuh was found crying. When asked why, he recited:

إِنَّ فِي خَلْقِ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ
وَأَخْتِلَافِ اللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ
لَآيَاتٍ لِّأُولِي الْأَلْبَابِ

Indeed, in the creation of the heavens and the earth and the alternation of the day and night there are signs for people of reason

(The Holy Qur'an 3:190)

He cried because he felt Allah swt's greatness. And we ignore these signs. We stay glued to screens, forgetting that Allah swt keeps our hearts beating every second.

Your Homework: Look at the sky, a leaf, or an insect.

Ask yourself: How can I be ungrateful to the One who designed all of this and still listens to my smallest dua?

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The Boy and The King



How does it feel getting stuck between two different worlds, and one of them isn't real? A version of you that hangs out with your friends versus the version your parents see! Or maybe "you" online versus "you" in real life.

There is a story in the Qur'an about a young boy who lived a double life until he recognized Haqq and ended up changing the world.

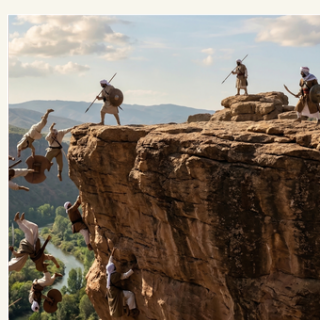
Magic vs. Truth

There was a tyrant king who used magic to keep people in line. He had a sorcerer (an evil advisor) who became old and blind and needed an apprentice. So, they handpicked a bright teenage boy to learn the trade and eventually take over.

The boy started going to the sorcerer for his daily apprenticeship.

One day, on his way to the sorcerer, he saw a hidden place preaching the true religion of 'Isa AS. The boy got intrigued. Suddenly, he started living a double life:

- **With the Sorcerer:** He studied dark arts all day.
- **With the Priest:** And on his way to



The king ordered his soldiers to throw the boy off a mountain cliff. The soldiers took the boy to a mountain peak to throw him off. The boy prayed to Allah swt; the mountain shook, and only the soldiers fell. The boy walked back safely to the palace.



The second time, the king ordered his men to take the boy out on a boat to drown him in the sea. The boy again prayed to Allah swt; suddenly the boat flipped, and all the soldiers drowned. The boy was safe, and he swam back to the palace.

and fro from the sorcerer, he sneaked time to sit with the priest to learn Tawhid.

Embracing the Truth

One day, a massive beast blocked the city's main road, terrifying everyone.

The boy realized this was his moment to find out which path was real. He picked up a stone and prayed: **"O Allah, if the priest's way is the truth, let this stone kill the beast."**

He threw it. Boom. The beast went down instantly.

When he told the priest, the priest gave him a wise insight: "You've reached a high level now, which means you're going to be tested." His Yaqeen would now be put to the test.

The Miracle

The boy started healing people by praying to Allah swt. He even healed the king's blind advisor. When the king found out, he went nuclear. He tortured the boy to find out who was teaching him this "new" religion.

The king tried to execute the boy twice:

1. **The Cliff:** Soldiers took him to a mountain peak to throw him off. The boy prayed, the mountain shook, and only the soldiers fell. The boy walked back to the palace.
2. **The Sea:** They took him out on a boat to drown him. He prayed again, the boat flipped, the soldiers drowned, and he swam back.

The Sacrifice

The boy knew the king wouldn't stop, but he also knew his mission was bigger than his own life. He told the King: *"You can only kill me if you gather the whole public, tie me to a tree, take an arrow from my quiver, and say: 'In the name of Allah, the Lord of this boy.'"*

The king, desperate to win, followed his instructions. He fired the arrow, and the boy instantly died.

But the King lost. By pronouncing those words publicly, the entire nation realized the king's "magic" was fake and Allah swt is the truth. They all converted to Islam on the spot.

The People of the Trench

Furious, the king dug massive trenches, filled them with fire, and told the people: "Either

give up your faith or jump in." Nobody budged. There's even a famous moment where a mother hesitated because she was holding her baby. The infant miraculously spoke, telling her: "Mom, stay patient, you are on the truth." They both jumped together.

Wait... How is that a Victory?

In Surah Al-Buruj, Allah swt calls this a "Great Victory." You might think, "How?"

All the Muslims died, and the king stayed in power."

- **The Wrong View:** They lost. They died. The king won.
- **The Real Win:** They kept their integrity, stayed loyal to the truth, and earned Jannah.

In life, winning isn't always about surviving; it's about holding onto the truth even if it costs us our lives!

Can you find one thing you believe in so strongly that you'd stand up for it even if everyone else was 'against' you?

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When Everyone Says You're Losing, But You Know You're Not!

Ever had that one friend who is so confident about something that they do not even blink when people tell them they are wrong? That is the energy we're talking about but on a spiritual level.

A Legendary Moment

A guy comes sprinting up to Abu Darda RA (a companion of the prophet) panicking and yelling, "Abu Darda! Your house burned down!" Most people would lose it, right? But Abu Darda (RA) didn't even move. He looked at the guy and said, "No, it didn't." The man insisted. He had seen the fire and how the whole neighbourhood was a wreck. Abu Darda (RA) stayed calm. He said that Allah swt would never let that happen because he had recited a specific prayer (dhikr) he learned from the Prophet pbuh. And whoever says those words in the morning is protected until evening.

When they finally went to check?

The entire street was scorched except for Abu Darda's house!

Yaqeen: The Signal in the Noise

This story is not about a house surviving a fire. It is about Yaqeen.

In a world where everything feels uncertain from grades, friendships, to the future, Yaqeen is having unflappable confidence in Allah swt's promises. It's the kind of confidence boost when you know that Allah swt's promises are an absolute truth.

It is the difference between knowing a fact and believing it so deeply that nothing can shake you.

- **The Receipts of Faith:** Think of your past experiences where things somehow worked or you felt a random sense of peace. Those are your 'souvenirs.' When life gets messy, look at those receipts.
- **The Social Media Filter:** Shaytan loves to slide into your DMs with doubt. He wants you to think Allah swt isn't listening or that your sins are too big. Yaqeen is the block button.
- **The Master Lens:** Having certainty does not

mean life is a breeze. It means when things go wrong, you don't spiral. You know there is a purpose, and you know Allah swt has got you. You have tawakkul (complete reliance) on Allah swt's plans.

How the Companions Lived Differently

The Sahaba weren't superheroes; they had unshakable resolve and conviction. Because of their bedrock **Yaqeen**:

- **They didn't stress over haters:** If someone was rude, they stayed calm because they knew Allah swt values patience more than a clapback.
- **They didn't give up:** They worked hard even when they could not see the results, knowing Allah swt records every single drop of sweat.
- **They kept asking:** They knew that no matter how many times they messed up, Allah swt's gate was always open for forgiveness.

The Game Plan

The Prophet pbuh used to make a beautiful dua, asking Allah for Yaqeen:

"O Allah! Grant us such fear of You as will come between us and acts of disobedience to You; such obedience to You as will bring us to Your Garden; and such certainty that the calamities of this world will be made easy for us by You." [Tirmidhi]

When you have got unwavering certainty that Allah swt's power outweighs any struggle, your perspective shifts completely. It is like turning down the volume on the world's chaos.

The heat is still there, but it does not have the power to burn you anymore. Suddenly, the 'fires' of life lose their heat because you are walking with the 'flameguard.' Those high-pressure moments feel like a test you have already been given the keys to pass.

Pick One Thing you're stressed about right now (a test, a conflict, a big decision). Tell Allah swt, "I don't know how this will work out, but I have certainty that You will handle it for me."

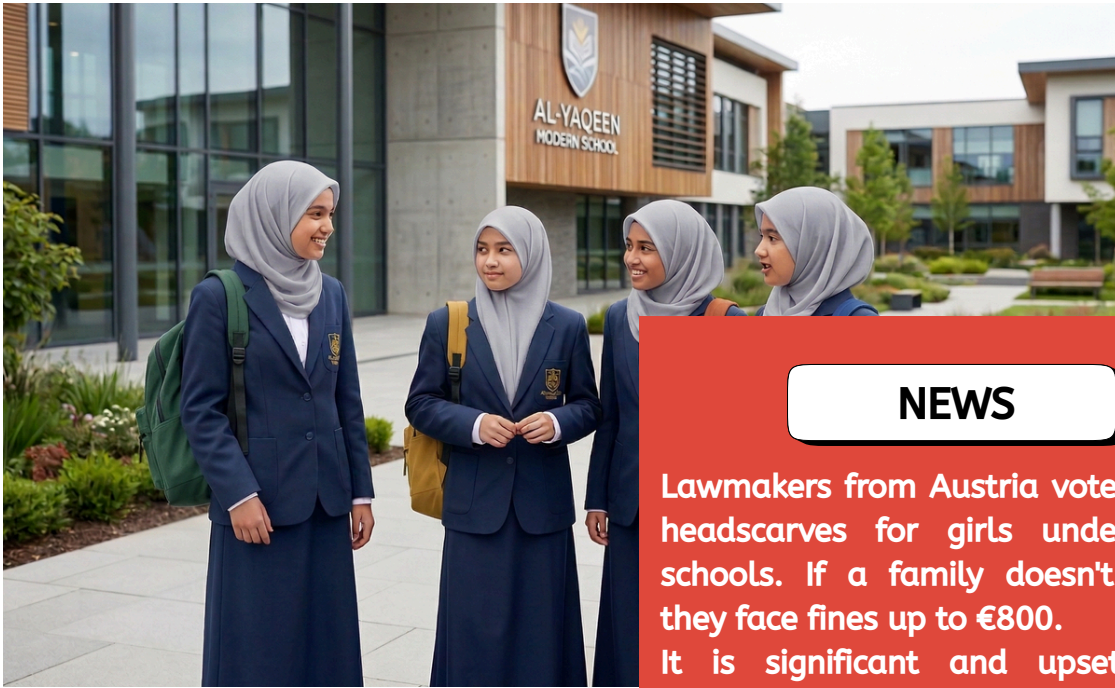
What's one "souvenir" (a time Allah swt helped you out) that you can hold onto the next time you feel doubtful?



In a world where everything feels uncertain from grades, friendships, to the future, Yaqeen is having unflappable confidence in Allah swt's promises. It's the kind of confidence boost when you know that Allah swt's promises are an absolute truth.

It's the difference between "knowing a fact" and "believing it" so deeply that nothing can shake you.

Muslim Girls: Your identity is not up for a vote!



NEWS

Lawmakers from Austria voted to ban headscarves for girls under 14 in schools. If a family doesn't comply, they face fines up to €800.

It is significant and upsetting for Muslims around the world, especially Austria, where a teacher told one of the students in hijab to "Go back to Afghanistan!" when she was passing through the corridor.

ANALYSIS

The headscarf is an act of worship rooted in the Qur'an (Surah An-Nur 24:31). It's a proud declaration of a girl's faith, and a symbol of her Muslim identity.

Why This Law Fails

- **It misrepresents the hijab.** Politicians claim it "sexualises" girls. The hijab is a spiritual statement of dignity. This law buys into the exact stereotype it claims to fight.
- **It kills religious freedom.** A girl who chooses hijab is being told her act of worship is unwelcome at school.
- **It makes you "other."** This law leaves kids "stigmatised and marginalised."
- **It is about control, not care.** Non-Muslim politicians are making decisions about Muslim girls' bodies without even listening to them.

What This Means for You

If you're a Muslim teen reading this, you might feel angry, sad, or just tired. Tired of being a debate. Tired of people who never picked up the Qur'an deciding what your faith means.

So here's what you need to hold onto: Your hijab is an act of worship between you and Allah swt. No parliament can touch that relationship. Don't let their fear become your shame! This isn't about you being "wrong." It's about them being scared of something they do not understand. Do not internalize their fear as your shame.

Austria's last ban was struck down as discriminatory. This one may fall too. So wear your scarf with pride. Learn your deen so well that no one can shake your confidence. And remember: Your identity is not up for a vote.

The Modern-day 'Ansars' of Sudan



NEWS

Amid Sudan's devastating humanitarian crisis, a nationwide volunteer network is delivering life-saving food and medical aid to millions. Their heroism comes at grave risk. Both the RSF and Sudan's military, blamed for up to 400,000 deaths since April 2023, actively target volunteers, forcing them into secrecy.

ANALYSIS

War. Famine. Displacement. It's the kind of news that feels heavy, hopeless.

A recent report by *The Guardian* highlights a

story about a group of young students, techies, and neighbors who have formed Emergency Response Rooms (ERRs). While the rest of the world pulled out, these volunteers ran "soup kitchens" with zero budget and performed surgeries in dark basements.

How do they do it? The "fuel" running these ERRs is **Yaqeen**.

It's believing in Allah swt with 100% conviction that His promises are real, even when the world around you is falling apart.

1. **The "Scarcity" Myth:** These volunteers often have no food or medicine left, yet they somehow manage to feed hundreds. From an outsider's perspective, the math doesn't add up. But for someone with Yaqeen, they aren't looking at their bank accounts; they're looking at AL-Razzaq (The Provider).

2. **The Modern-Day Ansar:** Remember the stories of Ansar (the Helpers) in Madinah who shared everything they had with the Muhajiroon? The ERRs are the modern version. These are Gen Z Sudanese who lost their universities and jobs, yet they dodge shelling daily to deliver bread. This is **Yaqeen** in action.

3. **Facing Fear:** The volunteers are working under "constant fire." But Yaqeen changes your relationship with fear. When you believe your life and death are in Allah swt's hands, the 'fear' loses its significance.

You might not be in a war zone, but we all deal with 'scarcity' mindset or fear of the future.

The volunteers in Sudan teach us that Yaqeen is a choice. They have nothing, yet they are giving everything. Why? Because they are certain of one thing: Allah is enough.

In Surah Hijr, ayah 99, Allah swt says

"Worship your Lord until there comes to you the certainty (Yaqeen)."



“Were the cover to be removed, I would not increase in certainty.”

~ Ali RA

This statement is in the context of explaining the highest station of Yaqeen, noting that "when certainty prevails in the heart and establishes itself therein, the unseen becomes as if seen."

This is the classical scholarly entry point for understanding the statement.

The "cover" (ghita') refers to the veil that exists between this world and the unseen realities (ghayb) like the Afterlife, Paradise, Hell, the Angels, the Throne of Allah, and all that is hidden from the human sight.

The Qur'an itself references this veil: ***"You were certainly in heedlessness of this; now We have removed from you your cover, so your sight today is sharp."*** (Surah Qaf, 50:22)

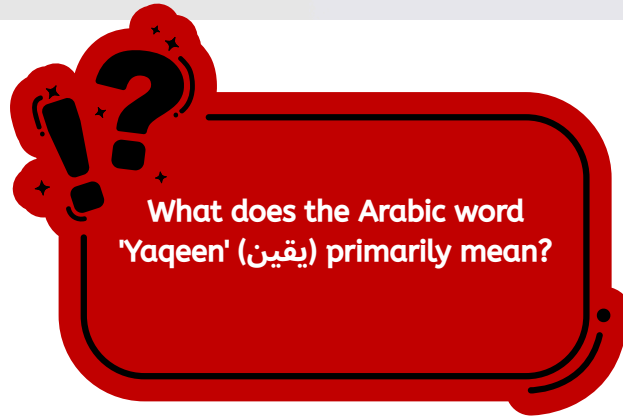
This verse is addressed to the human being at the moment of death, when the cover is lifted and the metaphysical becomes fully visible.

So, Ali RA is essentially declaring that even 'before that moment' while still in this world, his certainty is so complete that lifting the veil would add nothing to what he already knows. Ali's RA statement is the very peak of hierarchy; his 'ilm al-yaqeen has reached such completeness that it equals 'ayn al-yaqeen. The "seeing" adds nothing, because the knowing is already total.

Ali's RA declaration is therefore not merely a personal spiritual report, it is a model for every believer. His words stand as one of the most powerful testaments in Islamic history to the nature of absolute Yaqeen. It represents a heart so saturated with the knowledge of Allah swt, so shaped by the Qur'an and the company of the Prophet pbuh, and so attuned to the signs within creations that the barrier between the seen and unseen had effectively dissolved, not because he saw what is hidden, but because he knew it with certainty.



QUIZ OF THE MONTH



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وَمَنْ يَتَّقِ اللَّهَ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ مَخْرَجًا

And whoever is mindful of Allah, He will make a way out for them,

وَيَرْزُقُهُ مِنْ حَيْثُ لَا يَحْتَسِبُ وَمَنْ يَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ فَهُوَ حَسْبُهُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ بَلِغٌ أَمْرِهِ قَدْ جَعَلَ اللَّهُ لِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدْرًا

and provide for them from sources they could never imagine. And whoever puts their trust in Allah, then He 'alone' is sufficient for them. Certainly Allah achieves His Will. Allah has already set a destiny for everything. (65:2-3)

In the aforementioned ayaat, Allah Subhanahu wa Ta'ala clearly tells those who have taqwa (piety/fear of Allah) that He will make a way out for them from every hardship, every trial, every problem in life. The matter being talked about in this part of the surah is about Talaq (divorce), which is not really the best part of life. Even here He says "And whoever is mindful of Allah, He will make a way out for them." For any Muslim, the doors are never closed. You didn't get a job. You are in debt. You are bankrupt. You see that all doors have been closed. "And whoever is mindful of Allah, He will make a way out for them." A nonfailing promise. A few years later, you find yourself in the CEO position of a company and making billions.

Yaqeen is that belief, that certainty, that "مَا وَدَّعَكَ رَبُّكَ وَمَا قَلَىٰ" - **Your Lord has not abandoned you, nor has He become hateful of you**. Your lord is with you no matter what. No matter whatever you did, or whatever happened with you, the doors of His mercy are not closed.

Allah said in the Quran "**Mankind is created from hastiness.**" Allah did not say "right away" and His promise will come only when He wishes and no amount of effort by the heavens and the earth and whoever is in them can change the time of that decree. Many humans today are like "I believe in His promise, but it is taking too long." In no way am I saying that "it cannot come right away" but if Allah delayed it, then even though to us it is counterintuitive, maybe it has some Hikmah (wisdom) behind it. Maybe you would have (please bear with me on this extremely counterintuitive thought) regretted it if you got what you wanted earlier.

And Allah swt Himself says,

وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ وَأَنْتُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ **And Allah knows while you do not**

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And indeed, this 'Quran' is the absolute truth

Quran 69:51

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