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## No one lives for eternity

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Allaah Ta'ala said:

وَمَا جَعَلْنَا لِبَشَرٍ مِّن قَبْلِكَ الْخُلْدَ أَفَإِن مَّن مَّتَّ فَهُمُ الْخَالِدُونَ

[And We granted not to any human being immortality before you (O Muhammad), then if you die, would they live forever?]<sup>1</sup>

Shaykh Abdulmuhsin said:

‘The Noble Aayah indicates that the passage of a human is to pass away, and that Allaah did not make it such that anyone could live for eternity before the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)<sup>2</sup>, so eternity is not for the Prophet or for anyone else to remain. But rather everyone is moving towards passing away as Allaah (تعالى)<sup>3</sup> said:

كُلُّ مَن عَلَيْهَا فَانٍ ۖ وَبِئْسَ وَجْهُ رَبِّكَ ذُو الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ

[Whatever is on it (the earth) will perish. And the Face of your Lord full of Majesty and Honour will abide forever.]<sup>4</sup>

Some of the people of knowledge said: ‘The Mushrikoon used to reject his (صلى الله عليه وسلم) Prophet hood, and they would say: ‘Muhammad is a poet we await for him some calamity after some time, and perhaps he will die just like such and such poet died from such and such tribe. So Allaah (تعالى) mentioned that indeed Prophets before you died, and Allaah has

<sup>1</sup> سورة الأنبياء – Soorah al-Anbeeyaa [21:34]

<sup>2</sup> (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu ‘alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him

<sup>3</sup> (تعالى) Ta’aala (He, The Most High)

<sup>4</sup> سورة الرحمن – Soorah ar-Rahmaan [55:26-27]

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power over His religion with victory and protection, this is how the Deen and Sharee'ah of the Prophet is protected.'

With this Aayah, it indicates that al-Khidr has indeed died, whether he was a Walee (friend of Allaah (عزوجل)<sup>5</sup>), or a Prophet, or Messenger, because he was a human being, and he was present at the time of Moosa (عليه السلام)<sup>6</sup>. And Allaah (عزوجل) had indeed said:

وَمَا جَعَلْنَا لِبَشَرٍ مِّن قَبْلِكَ الْخُلْدَ

[And We granted not to any human being immortality before you (O Muhammad)]<sup>7</sup>

[From 'Min Kanooz Qur'aan' by Shaykh Abdulmuhsin p.118]

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<sup>5</sup> (عزوجل) (Azza wa Jaal) Mighty and Majestic is He

<sup>6</sup> (عليه السلام) ('alaihi-salaam) Peace be upon him

<sup>7</sup> سورة الأنبياء – Soorah al-Anbeeyaa [21:34]