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Q: 327 ? Title: Who has the right to intercede before Allah Ta'ala?

Question

Who has the right to intercede before God in Islam, and for whom?

Answer

In the Name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

As-salamu 'alaykum wa-rahmatullahi wa-barakatuh.

All?h Ta?!? is deserving of All Praise and All Glory.? Power, Might, Ownership, and Control belong only to Him.? The mountains, the hills, the oceans, the rains, the sun, the moon, and every single creation are subjugated under his command.? Only what He Almighty wills occurs.? His sole intent is existence.? All?h Almighty declares in the Glorious Qur?n:

?His practice, when He intends to do something, is no more than He says, ?Be?, and it comes to be.? (Qur?n 36/82)

Because All?h Ta?!? has created this life as a test, He has given mankind a small portion of free will and choice.? However, very often man gets intoxicated in this free will, thinking he has complete choice, and claims himself to be unstoppable.? But he forgets the reality that it is the Grandeur of All?h that is governing even his limited free will.

Once the Day of Judgement will commence, this limited free choice that was allotted to man will be taken away.? The accountability of mankind?s deeds will take place.? On that Day, no one will have the **right** to intercede on behalf of another being.? However, only through the permission and consent of All?h Ta?!?, one will be able to intercede.? Almighty All?h says in the Qur?n:

?Who can intercede with Him without His permission?? (Qur?n 2/255)

In the narrations of Nabî Sallallahu Alaihi Wa Sallam, the various intercessors are mentioned. For example, it comes in a Hadîth that Surah Al-Mulk will intercede on behalf of its reciter until he is forgiven. [\[1\]](#)

With regards to the types of intercessions, Imam An-Nawawî has mentioned in his commentary of Sahîh Muslim, that there will be five: [\[2\]](#)

1. Before the reckoning, mankind will have to wait a long duration which will be very difficult and unbearable. Then Nabî Sallallahu Alaihi Wa Sallam will intercede on behalf of every single being, resulting in the commencement of his'ab (reckoning).
2. Through the intercession of Nabî Sallallahu Alaihi Wa Sallam, one large group will enter Jannah without reckoning.
3. Nabî Sallallahu Alaihi Wa Sallam and others to whom Allah will grant permission will intercede on behalf of those for whom entry into Jahannam (the fire) was binding.

4. Nabî Sallallahu Alaihi Wa Sallam, the angels, and other believers will intercede on behalf of those who will have entered into the fire. Through this intercession, they will be taken out and entered into Jannah.

5. The ranks and levels of the inhabitants of Jannah will be elevated.

And Allah Ta'ala Knows Best

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