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ABSTRACT

The development of economic prosperity for mankind as a whole as bestowed by the Almighty through His messengers particularly through His last Prophet (PBUH) is based on the principle that this world has been made to test the mankind. For this reason, the system has been established in such a way that all are dependent on one another for the sustenance of this worldly life. In this world even the greatest personalities are bound to turn for their needs to ones which are deemed to be the lowest of all lows in the society. Everybody here has a role to play and nobody can live in isolation that is without the support of others in the society. God has created every person with unique intellect, capability, taste and resources. It is because of this difference in human attributes that the society that comes into existence possess scholars and wise persons, authors and researchers, statesmen, politicians, reformers and rulers from whom the world is being enlightened by their wisdom, inventions and discoveries, social justice, self-consciousness and determination to turn the history on one hand and labourers, peasants, servants and sweepers on the other whose hard work and perspiration runs the heavy machines in factories, grows gold (food) from the soil, prepares the sweet and flavoury dishes in the kitchens, cleans houses and roads, build the skyscrapers and remove all the filth from our surroundings as soon as the day dawns over us.

God says in the Quran:

Is it they who apportion the mercy of your Lord? It is We who distribute among them their livelihood in the life of this world, and raise some of them above others in rank, so that they may make one another into service, and the mercy of your Lord is better than (the wealth) which they amass (43:32).

With this difference in human beings God, the Almighty is testing them to see whether they are able to create a just society and civilization or make the world a hell by their follies and unjust activities towards one another. And as a result of this get a debacle here in this world and also deserve a severe punishment in the world to come in the hereafter.

God says:

Every soul shall taste death; We test you with both good and evil (circumstances) as a trial. To Us you shall return (21:35).

God has send His messengers to guide mankind for this test in this world and has also provided them with a Divine Economic Law for the development and purification of their economic activities.