

SURATULKAAFIROON (109)

The *Suratulkaafiroon* succeeds the *Suratulkauthar* as the logic of the thematic sequence. The third verse of the preceding surah pronounces doom on the Messenger's enemies __ the leaders of the Makkan polytheists __ who had so utterly repudiated the Messenger and the *Quraan* that there was no hope left that they would, ever, abandon polytheism and embrace Islam. When the Messenger was so fully disappointed in them, he had, as a logical corollary, to leave them to their fate and emigrate to Medina. Hence, the leaders of Makkan polytheists have been addressed in the Surah as disbelievers, declaring Allah and His Messenger's intent to have no compromise with them on principles. Such is the message of the first verse. The Surah amplifies the intent in the second verse contrary to polytheists' wish "if you yield (to them), they should, also, yield to you" according to the ninth verse of the *Suratulqalam*. However they may persecute the Messenger and his companions, there will be no yielding, no softening, and no compromise on the principle of submitting to Allah and rendering Him exclusive obedience. The third verse states their obstinacy in sticking to their deities irrationally. The fourth verse, consequently, declares the Messenger's intent not to yield to them. The fourth verse, besides, refers to their worship of deities in the past as the second verse refers to their worship in the present. Conversely, the first part of the second verse refers to the Messenger's future conduct while the fourth verse reflects his rejection from the past to the present. The fifth verse is, literally, the repetition of the third verse. But contextually it means that in the past, also, they had not been serving whom the Messenger had been serving as he does in the present. Hence, there is nothing in common between the Messenger and the disbelievers. The sixth verse, therefore, closes the door to any compromise between the two. Hence, a state of conflict and tension. Hence, his emigration to Medina. On the part of Allah, it is the final warning to the *Quraysh*.

SURATULKAAFIROON

In the name of ALLAH, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

1. Say, "O you disbelievers!
2. I will not worship (the idols) which you worship.
3. Neither you are going to serve (Allah) Whom I serve (render exclusive obedience to).
4. Nor I am going to worship (the idols) which you have been worshipping.
5. Nor you are going to serve Whom I have been serving.
6. For you, your *deen* (way of life) and for me, my *Deen*" (The Islamic way of life).

سُورَةُ الْكَافِرُونَ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

قُلْ يَتَّيِبُهَا الْكَافِرُونَ ﴿١﴾

لَا أَعْبُدُ مَا تَعْبُدُونَ ﴿٢﴾

وَلَا أَنْتُمْ عَابِدُونَ مَا أَعْبُدُ ﴿٣﴾

وَلَا أَنَا عَابِدٌ مَّا عَبَدْتُمْ ﴿٤﴾

وَلَا أَنْتُمْ عَابِدُونَ مَا أَعْبُدُ ﴿٥﴾

لَكُمْ دِينُكُمْ وَلِيَ دِينِ ﴿٦﴾