

As Allah stated that they did not accept what the Messengers brought, and the reason for that was their blind following (of their forefathers), it becomes clear from that that they were not receptive to the truth and did not respond to it; rather it is easy to conclude that they would never give up their stubborn ways. Allah tells us that people who respond in this manner when they are called to faith are like animals whom the herdsman calls, but they have no understanding of what the one who is calling them is saying; all they hear is the voice by which proof is established against them, but they do not understand it in any way that could benefit them. Hence they are deaf and cannot hear the truth with any understanding; they are blind and cannot see in such a way that they could learn and ponder; they are dumb and cannot say what is good for them.

The reason for all of that is that they have no sound reasoning; rather they are the most foolish and the most ignorant. Can any wise man who was called to right guidance, told to avoid evil deeds, warned against exposing himself to punishment and enjoined to do that which will lead to his well-being, success, salvation and bliss disobey the one who is sincerely advising him, turn away from what his Lord enjoined upon him, throw himself willingly into the fire, follow falsehood and turn away from truth? Such a one does not possess an iota of common sense, and he is deceitful and shrewd; rather he is the most foolish of fools.



﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا كُلُوا مِن طَيِّبَاتِ مَا رَزَقْنَاكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لِلّٰهِ إِن كُنتُمْ إِيَّاهُ تَعْبُدُونَ ﴿١٧٢﴾ إِنَّمَا حَرَّمَ عَلَيْكُمُ الْمَيْتَةَ وَالدَّمَ وَلَحْمَ الْخِنْزِيرِ وَمَا أُهْلَ بِهِ لِغَيْرِ اللَّهِ فَمَنِ اضْطُرَّ غَيْرَ بَاغٍ وَلَا عَادٍ فَلَا إِثْمَ عَلَيْهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ غَفُورٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿١٧٣﴾﴾

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