

Then Allah (ﷻ) tells us the wisdom behind the prohibition on Muslims, male or female, marrying those who differ from them in religion: ﴿They invite unto the fire﴾ that is, by their words, deeds and attitude, so mixing with them poses a danger, not in worldly terms, but in terms of eternal doom. What we learn from this verse is that it is not allowed to mix with polytheists and innovators, because if it is not permissible to marry them – even though doing so may serve many interests – then it is more appropriate to say that mixing with them in a regular manner is not allowed, especially in cases where the polytheist or innovator is in a higher position than the Muslim, such as if the Muslim is his servant and so on.

The words ﴿and do not give your daughters in marriage to polytheists﴾ also indicate that the presence of the woman's *wali* (guardian) in marriage is essential.

﴿and Allah invites unto paradise and unto forgiveness﴾ that is, He calls His slaves to attain paradise and forgiveness, one of the effects of which is to ward off punishment. That is achieved by calling people to the means of attaining that, such as righteous deeds, sincere repentance and beneficial knowledge.

﴿and He explains His revelations﴾ that is, His rulings and the wisdom behind them ﴿to humankind that they may bear them in mind﴾. That is so that they may remember that which they forget and learn that which they did not know, and to pay attention to that which they have been neglecting.



﴿وَسَتَلُونَاكَ عَنِ الْمَحِيضِ ۖ قُلْ هُوَ أَذَىٰ فَأَعْرِضُوا ۚ أَلَيْسَ فِي الْمَحِيضِ ۖ وَلَا  
تَقْرُبُوهُنَّ حَتَّىٰ يَطْهَرْنَ ۚ فَإِذَا تَطَهَّرْنَ فَأْتُوهُنَّ مِنْ حَيْثُ أَمَرَكُمُ اللَّهُ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُتَوَّابِينَ  
وَيُحِبُّ الْمُتَطَهِّرِينَ ﴿٣٣﴾ نِسَاءُكُمْ حَرَّتُمْ لَكُمْ فَأَتُوا حُرَّتَكُمْ أَنَّىٰ شِئْتُمْ وَقَدِمُوا لِأَنفُسِكُمْ