

delicious provision that came to her without any effort on her part, he began to hope for a child himself. Hence Allah (ﷻ) says:



﴿هَٰذَاكَ دَعَا زَكَرِيَّا رَبَّهُ ۖ قَالَ رَبِّ هَبْ لِي مِنْ لَدُنْكَ ذُرِّيَّةً طَيِّبَةً ۖ إِنَّكَ سَمِيعُ الدُّعَاءِ ۝٣٨﴾ فَدَٰثَرَهُ الْمَلٰٓئِكَةُ وَهُوَ قَائِمٌ يُصَلِّي فِي الْمِحْرَابِ أَنَّ اللَّهَ يُبَشِّرُكَ بَصَدِيقًا يُكَلِّمُكَ مِنَ اللَّهِ وَسَيِّدًا وَحَصُورًا وَنَبِيًّا مِنَ الصَّٰلِحِينَ ﴿٣٩﴾ قَالَ رَبِّ أَنَّى يَكُونُ لِي غُلَامٌ وَقَدْ بَلَغَنِيَ الْكِبَرُ وَامْرَأَتِي عَاقِرٌ ۖ قَالَ كَذَٰلِكَ ۖ قَالَ اللَّهُ يَفْعَلُ مَا يَشَاءُ ﴿٤٠﴾ قَالَ رَبِّ اجْعَلْ لِّي ءَايَةً ۖ قَالَ ءَايَتُكَ ۖ أَلَّا تُكَلِّمَ النَّاسَ ثَلَاثَةَ أَيَّامٍ إِلَّا رَمْرَمًا ۖ وَادْكُرْ رَبَّكَ كَثِيرًا وَسَبِّحْ بِالْعَشِيِّ وَالْإِبْكَرِ ﴿٤١﴾﴾ (سورة آل عمران: ٣٨-٤١)

- 3:38. Thereupon Zakariyā prayed to his Lord, saying: O my Lord! Grant unto me by Your grace righteous offspring, for You are the One Who hears every prayer.
- 3:39. While he was standing in prayer in the chamber, the angels called unto him: Allah gives you glad tidings of Yaḥyā, who will believe in a word from Allah. He will be a leader and abstinent [from women], a Prophet from among the righteous.
- 3:40. He said: O my Lord, how can I have a son, when old age has overtaken me, and my wife is barren? He said: Thus Allah does whatever He wills.
- 3:41. He said: O my Lord! Give me a sign. He said: Your sign will be that you will not speak to people for three days except through gestures. So remember your Lord often, and glorify Him in the evening and in the morning.

Zakariyā (ﷺ) called upon his Lord, asking Him to bless him with righteous offspring, that is offspring who would be good in behaviour and attitude and well mannered, so that the blessings, both