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#### In the name of Allah the Most Merciful the Most Beneficial

### The Introduction

All praise is due to Allah Lord of the worlds, and peace and blessings upon our prophet Muhammad, and upon His family and companions, collectively.

#### And Thereafter:

Magic is from the destruction of the religion, and is from the mattock to the demolition of society and the division of the family, and to the distancing some of the people from their Lord, and not being pleased in what He has written for them or to other than them, and the penetration of envy into their breasts upon others; they sought refuge in someone who will manipulate their objectives under their false claims, however to who will corrupt their creed from the magicians, soothsayers and fortune-tellers.

And this book I titled it: ((Magic; its Dangers – and seeking protection from it, – and how to remove it)), within it is a caution to the Muslims from the dangers of magic and the soothsayer and their frequenters, and a warning to those who corrupt their creed and strive to magic and other than it, and within it their is consolation to the oppressed who is affected with magic, and the method to the removal of magic <sup>1</sup> and its nullification.

I ask Allah that He makes it beneficial, and that He removes from the Muslims the evils of the magicians and the swindling magician, and to make the plot of their enemies in front of them.

May Allah confer His peace and blessings upon our prophet Muhammad, and upon his family and his companions, collectively.

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<sup>1</sup> Magic has sometimes been written with a uppercase 'm' and in other places with a lowercase 'm'?

## Magic

### **Defining Magic**

Magic linguistically: is applied to that which its reason is unknown.

As for terminologically: The types of magic varies, and its paths are different; and there is not a definition that is collective.

Mohamed Al-Ameen Al-Shanqeedi may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((Know that magic, in terminology, cannot be limited by a specific boundary or encompassing definition that restricts its various types, due to the abundance of different types falling under it. There is no common measure that unifies them and serves as a restriction for others. Hence, the expressions of scholars regarding its limits have differed visibly)).

And Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy on him said: ((Magic is: mounted from the influences from the evil souls, and the appliance of natural powers from it)).

And it is possible that magic is identified through: the gateways from effervescence, the hanging of objects, the tying of knots and actions that the magician performs after his disbelief in Allah, he gets closer by these actions to Shaydan; so these actions affect the one inflicted with magic by the permission of Allah.

### The History of Magic

There has not passed a nation from the nations except that Allah has sent to them a prophet to call them to the worship of Allah Alone Majestic and High, and He forbids them from polytheism, Glorified and Exalted is He said:

And there was no nation but that there had passed within it a warner. (Fatir:24)

And every nation to whom a messenger is sent, his people mock him, and they throw him with magic, indicating the recognition of all nations with magic since their existence and spread on Earth, and throughout history and their expansion on earth upon the passing of eras, and upon the succession of generations upon the centuries, Exalted is He said:

Similarly, there came not to those before them any messenger except that they said, A magician or a madman (Adh-Dhariyat:52)

Ibn Hajar may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((And magic was present during the time of Nuh; if Allah had informed about the people of Nuh that they claimed: he is a magician)), and he said ((the story of Harut and Marut was from before the time of Nuh peace be upon him, according to what had been mentioned Ibn Ishaaq and other than him)).

And the appearance of magic had spread in nations and decreased in others; for in the time of Musa peace be upon him magic and magicians

became popularized, they faced Musa with their magic, Ibn Khuldoon may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((And magic was in Babylon and Egypt – during the time of the mission of Musa peace be upon him – deceitful markets)).

### Is Magic Reality or Imaginary?

Magic has a true and real existence, for it can cause a separation between spouses – by the permission of Allah –, as Exalted is He said:

And they learn from them that by which they cause separation between a man and his wife (Al-Baqarah:102)

And it has influence in pain of the body and destroying it by sickness or death, and it may influence on the well-being of the inflicted by magic, all of that – by the permission of Allah-, the narrator may Allah have mercy on him said: ((Magic is a reality, and the one inflicted by magic may die, or his character and his custom may change, even if he does not initiate him)).

And Al-Nawwaii may Allah have mercy on him: ((The authentic view is that magic has a reality, as we have presented it. This is the consensus of the majority, and it is the opinion of the scholars in general. This is evidenced by the well-known authentic sources of the Ouran and Sunnah)).

And Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy on him said: ((And verily it has been proven by His word:

And from the evil of the blowers in knots (Al-Falaq:4)

And the narration of Aisha that is mentioned about the influence of magic, and that is reality.

### The Dangers of Magic

The most expensive of what the Muslim possesses in this life is his religion, and the man of reason is the one who guards his religion and he does not accept any action which may slander, decrease, or soil his creed.

And magic and the pursuit to sorcerers for the act of magic is a great danger to the creed; because the request of the act of magic from the magician is from the nullifiers of Islam, Sheikh Muhammad ibn Abdul Wahhab said: The seventh - that is, the seventh nullifier of Islam - is magic, and from it is; separation and attraction, so whoever performs it, or is satisfied by it, has disbelieved; and the proof is His word, Exalted is He:

But they do not teach anyone unless they say, "We are a trial, so do not disbelieve (Al-Baqara:102).

For the magician and the pursuit to him for magic; the ruling of both is equal.

And whoever performs magic he has indeed committed polytheism, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((And whoever casts magic; verily he has committed polytheism)) reported by Al-Nissaii, Al-Sheik Abdulrahman Ibn Hassan may Allah have mercy on him said: ((This is a narration stating that the magician is a polytheist)).

And it is forbidden in all religions of the prophets, Exalted is He said:

And the magician will not succeed wherever he is (Taha:69)

The Prophet (\*\*) said: ((Avoid the seven destructive things, It was asked: What are they, O Messenger of Allah? He replied: Associating anyone or anything with Allah in worship; magic, to kill a soul which Allah has forbidden except for a just cause, consuming usury, consuming the property of an orphan, fleeing from the battlefield, and slandering chaste, unaware and believing women)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.

And magic gathers the destruction in religion, from the calling for aid from the *jinn* and the Shaydan, and hanging amulets and necklaces, and clinging the heart to the fear of other than Allah, and the rejection of the reliance of Allah, and corrupting the livelihood of the people and their benefits, and the violation of the text of jurisprudence in that regard, Exalted is He said:

And cause not corruption upon the earth after its reformation. And invoke Him in fear and aspiration. Indeed, the mercy of Allah is near to the doers of good (Al-A'raf:56).

### The Magician

### The Magician Sold his Religion

Verily the magician sold his religion, and his soul to the Shaydan, for the Shaydan is not pleased with less than to worship him, Exalted is He said:

But they certainly knew that whoever purchased it would not have in the Hereafter any share (Al-Baqarah 102)

And the magician is unable to cast his magic except through exiting from this religion – either by the slaughter to the jinn or the reliance upon them, or insulting the words of Allah or other than that from the destructive sins -, Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((They write the words of Allah with impurities – they may change the words of Allah Majestic and High is He, either the letters of The *Fatiha*, or the letters of

Say, "He is Allah, [who is] One. (Al-Ikhlas:1)

or either other than it -, either blood or either other than it, or either other than impurities, or they write other than it from that which pleases the Shaydan or they speak by that)).

And who sells his soul to the Shaydan he has abandoned the best of characters and praiseworthy actions, and he becomes blurred in vision, rushing to evil, avoiding from righteousness, opposing to the religion mocking it, wrathful towards his family, vindictive of his society, and he may commit in the way of pleasing his evil soul and his defiled desires foolishly and acts of polytheism.

Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy on him said about them: ((The

last of their matter: doubt in the Most Merciful, and the worshipping of the *Tagut* and the Shayadeen, and committing acts of cheating, and corruption on the earth, and few of them who receive their objective which does not increase them from Allah except distance, and most of them are deprived and sinful, he desires disbelief defiance and disobedience, and he only attains the spreading of lies and he wishes for transgression, listeners <sup>2</sup>to falsehood, devourers of what is unlawful, upon them is the humiliation of the inventors of falsehood)).

And Allah created Adam from clay, and he created jinn from fire, Exalted is He said: (Al-Hijr 26-27),

And Allah has favored the descendants of Adam over the jinn, Exalted is He said:

And We have certainly honored the children of Adam and carried them on the land and sea and provided for them of the good things and preferred them over much of what We have created, with [definite] preference. (Al-Isra 70).

And the magician refuses except that he humiliates himself to who is beneath him, Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy on him said: ((And he – meaning the jinn – know that mankind are more honorable than them and greater in rank, but if man is submissive to them and seeks refuge in them;

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he is in rank of the greater among the people but if they submit themselves to the most debased from them so that they can accomplish for him his need)).

### Why Does Shaydan Serve the Magician?

The Shaydan is the enemy of man, he sits in wait for him on Allah's straight path, and he comes to them from all directions and ways, his concern is that man worships the creation other than Allah

By Your might, I will surely mislead them all \* Except, among them, Your chosen servants (Sad:82-83)

And magic does not come to the completion for the magician except through the worship of the Shaydan, and the exit from the religion of Islam,

But they do not teach anyone unless they say We are a trial, so do not disbelieve (Al-Baqara:102)

Then when the slave leaves the religion, for verily the Shaydan propelled him to Hell-Fire, and this is his intention in the allurement of the descendants of Adam, Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy on him said: ((His purpose: is to have man worship a Shaydan from the Shayadeen, and that he fasts before him and to pray and to be offer before him the offerings, until he receives in that a gain from the worldly life, his corruption is greater than his prerogative, and his sin is greater than his benefit)).

And the Shaydan serves the magician to abuse the servants of Allah and to differentiate between them and between their spouses and their wealth, and corrupting their livelihood and to harm them, and searching for the division and the dissension, Exalted is He said:

And they learn from them that by which they cause separation between a man and his wife (Al-Baqara:102)

And he serves him to divert the slaves away from the Lord of the worlds, and so they will rely on other than Him from the Shayadeen and their worshippers; from the magicians, soothsayer, and fortune-tellers.

### The Plot of the Magicians

The Magicians are the servants of the Shayadeen, and the Shaydan seek from their worshippers who have fallen into their polytheism: to lead astray the servants of Allah, verily the magician may command his pursuer to slaughter other than Allah.

And he may command him to hang polytheistic amulets on his body, or under his pillow when he sleeps, thus the magician makes his pursuer fall into polytheism, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((Whoever hangs an amulet; he has committed polytheism)) Reported by Ahmed, and this is from their plot, so the servant falls into polytheism.

And from the plots of the magicians that they deceive whomever comes to them with knowledge of what occurs to him from sickness and disease, for they inform him with sickness that no person is devoid from, thus they say to him – for example - : your head is in pain at times, or you complain from your back during sometimes, or sadness and worry comes to you occasionally, or you will fall into a problem and you will depart from it, or you will receive a matter that will make you content, and so on from these expressions and general phrases which occurs to every man, and his intention behind that: is to ensnare those who come to them; in order to have authority over him.

And from their plots: is that they write on their magical papers verses from the Quran; to deceive people and make them believe that they do not seek assistance from the jinn, rather they seek assistance from Allah; in order to trick the gullible from the people with that.

### The Signs of the Magicians

Every magician has ways that he takes for himself, so that he may trick the common folk from the people, and from the signs that commonly appear on many of the magicians are what follows:

- 1.He asks whom came to him about His name, and his mother's name, and his age, and this is the most prominent sign of the magician; because he deals with Shayadeen.
- 2. That he requests remains from that which his magic needs; such as under garments, or a strand of hair or a piece of nail.
- 3.To request a picture of whom he wants to cast magic upon; so do not give any one from the servants or other than them from your pictures; for verily they may take it for the act of magic for you.

And this is from the wisdom of forbidding photography, and from the fruits of committing to the ordinance from not taking pictures, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((Allah curses the one who produces representatives of living things)) Reported by Bukhari, do not leave with you any picture of you or of your wife, or of your children that isn't necessary; so that you do not fall into the warnings of photography, the prophet peace abcs blessings He upon him says: ((Every producer of the representation of living things is in Hell-Fire)) Reported by Bukhari ands Muslim; so that you are distracted from the evils of the magicians and the sinful liars.

- 4.Using fumes and frankincense, and placing it in the brazier; because it attracts to them the Shayadeen so that they may perform their actions.
  - 5. Working during nights; and this is predominantly the time of their

work, Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy on him said: ((The dominion of magic and the extent of its influence is only during the night, not during the day, for magic in the night to them is the powerful magic in influence)), and if the work of magic is not during the night; the magician resorts to His work in a dark place.

- 6.Using words that are not understood from mutters and diacritics for the lips- from which is difficult upon the listener to comprehend it.
- 7. Combining verses from the Quran and prophetic narrations with muttering during the time of treatment; to deceive the people that he is not from the magicians, and rather he only uses the Quran.
  - 8. That he requests an animal in a particular description.
- 9.Using the books of magicians, and that which has symbols and occult tables, and at times He places it at his side if he trusts the sick person.
- 10.Writing talisman, or symbols, or disconnected letters, or numbers, or squares, circles, and occult tables.
- 11. Giving the person a head covering which is in the form of a triangle or square wrapped in leather or a piece of metal or copper, and there is placed inside of it polytheistic evocations, numbers and letters, and the magician may command him to hang it on his neck or on his shoulder, or to place it under his pillow, and he urges him not to neglect it, and scares him by sickness or other than it if he leaves it.
- 12. Giving the sick person papers that have talisman and fumes; he burns it and censes himself with it.
  - 13. Giving the sick person papers written on them are talisman with

disconnected letters, and within it are sigil symbols and numbers, he orders him to dip them in water, then to drink its water, or he commands him to wash himself with it.

So these are some signs of the magicians, and these signs are also shared with soothsayers, fortune-tellers and swindling magician, so if any of these signs appear from any of them; than fear for yourself from the corruption of your creed, and be upon a distance from them, for indeed whoever leaves something for sake of Allah, Allah will compensate something better.

### Women and the Magician

The one with abundant intellect keeps himself away from going to deceivers, and among women, there are those who are quick to be distressed over fate and destiny if their desired wish is not fulfilled for she strives to pursue it even if it is not in the approval of Allah; so she sought refuge in a magician who will trick her and will be alone with her, and he may violate her honor and will command her to return to him another time, so that he may fulfill her goals, and he may cast magic upon her so that she returns to him, so that he may take her wealth and violate her honor.

Al-Qurdubi may Allah have mercy upon him: ((And who they mostly engage with from the people: Women, especially during their menstruation)), and the majority of the fuel of Hell-fire is women, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((I was shown the Hell-Fire and that the majority of its dwellers were women)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.

Thus it is upon women that they fear Allah, for the fear of Allah is the bringer of happiness and delight, Exalted is He said:

And whoever fears Allah He will make for him a way out And will provide for him from where he does not expect (Al-Talaq:2-3)

And it is upon them to be pleased with predetermination, and they should not sell their religion with desires and wishes to the magicians and the sinful liars, and if they desire to achieve a matter, they should seek refuge in Allah through supplication and to persistent to Him Exalted is He in the request; he is the Bringer of benefit and the Repeller of affliction,

Exalted is He said:

And if Allah should touch you with adversity, there is no remover of it except Him; and if He intends for you good, then there is no repeller of His bounty (Surah Yunis:107)

### The Oppression of the Magician

The magician with his magic commits various forms of transgression and oppression; for how many from mankind were lured by the magician into polytheism when he commanded him to slaughter to other than Allah, and to hang an amulet, or to believe news from the unseen that no one knows except Allah.

And some of the magicians commit immorality, especially to women who came to them.

And the magician has corrupted many happy homes; for how many did they split between the spouses in love and in harmony, and has deviated a number of children by the separation of their parents, and they taste the bitterness of life because of him?!

How much worry did the magician bring to the people?! For how many healthy beings did he cause to be sick, and how many happy families had their unification broken?! And how many in poverty carry debts and hardship seeking well-being taken away because of an aggressing magician?!

And how many others did a magician oppress from the consumption of their wealth in falsehood; by his alleged treatment or his claim to the unseen knowledge?!

Indeed, the magician is malicious towards society, and he does not accept any decision except to corrupt it, thus he is not content with the happy livelihood of others, nor is he happy with the wealth of the rich, and not with the elevation of the honorable ones.

Verily the magician is outrightly harmful to the society, there is no

goodness in him in any way, he does the society see from the magician exerting any goodness or any benefit to the people in poverty, or sponsoring orphans, or taking care of widows?! Rather his actions are only meant to cause harm to the society and placing their individuals in polytheism, legitimizing misfortunes, afflictions, worries, and debts upon them.

### The Reality of the Magician

The magician is the most evil of the people in soul, their nature us the worst among them, the most debased in action, and the oppressive in heart, Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((The magician does not perform except with the evil souls suiting for those spirits)) and he also said: ((The darkened hearts is the strength of the Shaydeen and their homes and their refuge)).

The magician is the greatest fool among people, and the smallest in mind, and the most corrupted in mind, he prefers the immediate over the afterlife; so that he can fulfill illusionary ambitions in life, and he prefers the actions that he knows destines to Hell-Fire, Ibn Al-Qayyim said: ((Rarely does a magician ensue without a type of worship to the Shayadeen and being close to him; either by slaughtering in is name, or through slaughter he intends for him; so it becomes a slaughter to other than Allah, and other than that from the ways of polytheism and association)).

The magician is close to the Shaydan, similar to him in the affliction towards the creation, Al-Awlassi may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((The Shayadeen do not cooperate except with the evil people who are similar to them in evil and impurities in speech and belief)).

The magician is described with the most despicable of traits attributed to humans; lying, he lies to who comes to him with fabricated news; as prophet Muhammad peace and blessings be upon him said: ((For they add lies to it a hundred lies)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.

The magician raises himself above others by the description of arrogance; and that is the description that has expelled Iblees from Paradise, Exalted is He said:

Except Iblees he was arrogant and became among the disbelievers (Sad:74)

The magician is proud and he turns his cheek in contempt towards people, and he is the most humble creation to the Shaydan and the most scared of him, Exalted is He said:

And there were men from mankind who sought refuge in men from the jinn, so they increased them in burden (Al-Jinn:6)

For whoever becomes humble to the devil; his right is to be humiliated and to be debased in return.

### **Does the Magician Live Happily?**

The magician lives in wretchedness in this life, unconnected from the happiness of life and missing the sweetness of religion, he hates listening to the Quran and he is scared from the call to prayer, Exalted is He said:

And whoever turns away from My remembrance - indeed, he will have a depressed life, and We will gather him on the Day of Resurrection blind (TaHa:124)

The magician spends his time far from the people he does not deal with them nor does he connect with them except when it is asked from him to perform magic and to follow affliction to the people, and Sheik Al-Islam said may Allah have mercy on him describes the state of the magician with his saying: ((clothing for impurities, cohabiting with dogs, he shelters in the bathrooms, garbage, graveyards, and the dumps, his odor is evil, he does not purify himself in the purification according to the religious law, nor does he clean himself)).

The magician is miserable in life; he does not sleep in the night delighted, nor does he awaken in the morning in satisfaction; rather he lives his nights with fumes and devilish citations, and the polytheistic mutterings in dark places, then he sleeps in the day depressed.

This is the condition of the rebellious magician.

And your Lord is not ever unjust to [His] servants. (fusilat:46)

Exalted is He said:

And as for those who disbelieved, I will punish them with a severe punishment in this world and the Hereafter, and they will have no helpers (Al-Imran: 56)

And every action the magician preforms returns and his state of mind is upon it and upon who asked from him the magic, Exalted is He said:

But the evil plot does not encompass except its own people (Fatir:43)

And the magician – wherever he turns his face –written upon it is misery and loss, Exalted is He said:

And the magician will not succeed wherever he is (TaHa:69),

Al-Gurdabi may Allah have mercy on him said: ((meaning: he does not attain nor is he saved wherever he is from the earth)).

And the actions of the magician, all of it, will be made worthless to Allah; for his disbelief in Allah, Exalted is He said:

And it was already revealed to you and to those before you that if you should associate with Allah, your work would surely become worthless (Al-Zummar:65).

And what can be requested from who comes to him and he is promised with Hell-Fire?! And who desires in fulfilling his cunningness from him and he is the most despicable creation of Allah?!

### What does the Magician Benefit from the Magic?

The magician commits magic seeking an illusionary rank substituting it with deficiency in his soul; so that the Shaydan can insult him, Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((You will find those who enter in magic and supplicate to the stars and exalt it, they address it, and they prostrate to it, verily the request from one of them is wealth and leadership, thus he disbelieves and associates with Allah; for the sake of what he imagines in obtaining leadership and wealth, and he does not find except that which harms him and does not benefit him, as indicated by inductive reasoning from the conditions of the world)).

And the magician casts magic and falls into polytheism; hoping in wealth, when Pharoah asked the magicians to confront Musa peace be upon him with magic they requested from him wealth, Allah said informing about the magicians that they said:

Is there indeed for us a reward if we are the predominant? (Shu'ura:41),

Pharoah promised them wealth, and he promised them – also – that he will bring them closer to him because magicians love wealth and appearance.

And the magician performs magic; with knowledge that he becomes a slave to Shaydan, and the Shaydan has harmed him plenty and corrupted against him many beneficial interests; he goes striving for harm to other than him, Sheik Al-Islam said: ((And the Shaydan himself is wicked; if the

one who has determination, divisions, and the magical spiritual books, and such as, comes close to him with what they love of disbelief and polytheism; that became like the bribery and the inducement to them; so they some accomplish some of his purposes; just as one gives another money, so that he can kill for him who he needs to be killed, or he aids him in an immortality, or he may obtain with him an immortality)).

### The Recompense of the Magician

Due to the massive danger of magicians upon the individuals and societies their ruling came in cutting their necks; so that the society may be rescued from their evils; Bijalah son of Abduh may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((Omar Al-Khaddab may Allah be pleased with him had written to his workers: kill every male and female magician)) Reported by Bayhagi in the *Sunan Al-Kubrah*, it has been authentically reported from Hafsa may Allah be pleased with her: ((That she had commanded the execution of a slave girl of hers that casted magic on her, thus she was executed)) Reported by Malik in *Al-Mowda*.

And this is the recompense of those who disbelieve in Allah and harm the servants of Allah in the worldly life, and in regards to the recompense in the afterlife; it is as Exalted is He said:

But they certainly knew that whoever purchased it would not have in the Hereafter any share (Al-Baqarah 102);

Meaning: there isn't for him in the afterlife any portion of good or any share, rather his refuge is Hell-Fire.

# The Pursuit to the Magician

### The Pursuer of Magic is an Associate to the Magician in Sin

Who pursues a magician for an act of magic for him; he has sold his religion for his worldly life, and he has exposed himself to the wrath of Allah by committing a nullification from the nullifications of Islam; and it is the satisfaction in magic, Sheik Mohamed son of AbdulWahab may Allah have mercy on him said: For whoever commits it – meaning: magic – or is satisfied by it; he has disbelieved)).

The pursuer to magicians to harm other than him; has reached the pinnacle of envy; when he has envied others due to a favor that Allah had delivered to him, and he has corrupted his hereafter by following his desire, and not being pleased with what Allah has destined and decreed.

The pursuer to the magician is committing a sinful error; within it is: disobedience to the Creator, and oppression to the creation.

Verily the pursuer to the harm of others does not fulfill what he seeks; for Allah raises the degree of the oppressed upon the oppressor, and the one affected with magic may fulfill what he hopes, Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((His hatred – meaning: the envier – for the favor of Allah upon his servant is sickness; for verily that favor may return to the envied and greater than it, and he may find the equivalent of that favor for the equivalent of the envied)).

Take heed O Oppressor, so your magic returns upon you, and Allah may give authority over you who will harm you with magic or other than it.

And there is no hand except that the Hand of Allah is above it and there is no oppressor except that he is tested with an oppressor Exalted is he said:

The evil plot does not encompass except its own people (Fatir:43)

Ibn Katheer may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((meaning: and it will not return the misfortune except upon them themselves without others...., and Mohamed son of Ka'ab Al-Qudrabi may Allah have mercy upon him: Whoever does three things is not saved until he disembarks from it: whoever cunningly plots, transgresses, or breaks his word, and its affirmation is in the book of Allah)).

And the supplications of the one inflicted with magic is treatment in the night and day, and Allah promises in answering the supplication of the oppressed, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him: ((Three supplications are answered there being no doubt in them: The supplication of the oppressed, the supplication of the traveler, and the supplication of the father for his child)) Reported by Tirmithi.

Whoever schemes against the creation is more powerless to plot against the Creator, Exalted is He said:

Allah is swifter in strategy (Younis:21)

And the oppressed innocents are the most important to defend, Exalted is He said:

Indeed, Allah defends those who have believed. Indeed, Allah does not like everyone treacherous and ungrateful (Al-Hajj:38)

And the outcome of oppression disastrous, the oppressor is promised

with great punishment, Exalted is He said:

And whoever commits injustice among you We will make him taste a great punishment. (Al-Furqan:19)

Verily the pursuer of magicians is the prey of the Shaydan in the exiting of the religion, he forgot that the worldly life is short, and that he will lay in a dark grave alone, and that he will stand before Him, a fair Judge who will take from him to the one inflicted with magic a recompense which has caused his affliction from magic.

So declare your repentance O pursuer to the magician, and untie the knot of magic from who you have inflicted with magic before you the circle turns against you.

# Seeking Protection from Magic

#### The Protection from Magic Before it Occurs

Allah created man and He has made for him enemies, and He has legislated means to be used as protection from the harms of evils, and from that:

1. The reliance upon Allah, for the believer must attach his heart to his Lord and entrusts all his affairs to Allah, and he should know that never shall he be struck with affliction except what Allah has decreed, as the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((And know that if the nation were to gather together to benefit you with anything, they would not benefit you except with what Allah had already prescribed for you. And if they were to gather together to harm you with anything, they would not harm you except with what Allah had already prescribed against you. The pens have been lifted and the pages have dried)) Reported by Tirmithii.

And not every magician affects the targeted with magic, for how many magicians tied the knot of magic and did not affect the targeted in magic?! And when was there a way for the Shaydeen in corrupting the universe?! Exalted is He said:

But they do not harm anyone through it except by permission of Allah (Al-Baqara:102)

2. Increasing the remembrance of Allah Exalted is He – from reciting the Quran, and repentance, and exaltation, and the remaining types of remembrance -; for it is the secure fortress – by the permission of Allah –

from the evils, and every time the people distance themselves from Allah and their refuge to Him, and the facing towards Him; their calamity becomes greater, and their trials increase, and he found demons from mankind and jinn who are accessible.

Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((So, when the heart is filled with Allah, immersed in His remembrance, and guided by His directives, supplications, invocations, and seeking refuge, with no deviation or inconsistency, his heart and tongue are aligned. This is one of the greatest means to prevent being affected by magic and one of the greatest remedies after being afflicted)).

Please note that this translation may not capture the full depth and nuances of the original Arabic text.3. Distancing from sins; specifically listening to music; for it is the greatest reasons from attracting the Shayadeen to the homes and to the souls, and the recital of the Quran and the remembrance of Allah sends them away.

- 4. The maintenance with care of the Fajr prayer in congregation with the Muslims in the Mosques, The prophet Muhammad peace and blessings be upon him said: ((**He who offers the dawn prayers will come under the protection of Allah**)) Reported by Muslim, and whoever is in the protection of Allah; the Shaydan has no means against him.
- 5. Reciting Surah Al-Baqarah in the home, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((Recite the chapter Baqarah, for in taking it is a cause of blessings and abandoning it produces regret, and the magicians can not confront it)) Reported by Muslim, and he said ((Verily Shaydan runs away from the home in which Chapter Baqarah is recited)) Reported by Muslim.

6. The maintenance with care of the recitation of the verses of refuge during the morning and night, and the prophet peace and blessings be upon him has certainly instructed Ugbah Amir may Allah be pleased with them both, and he said to him: ((Use them when seeking refuge in Allah, for no seeker of refuge can seek refuge to anything in comparison with them for their purpose)) Reported by Abu Dawood.

Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((The need of the servant in seeking refuge in Allah is by these two chapters is greater than his need to his soul, food, drinks, and clothing)).

- 7. Increasing from the seeking of refuge in the Perfect Words of Allah from the evil of what He has created, during the night and morning, and in the entrance of any house in building, or the desert, or in the air, or the sea -, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((If anyone alights somewhere then says: I seek refuge in the Perfect Words of Allah from the evil of what He has created; nothing will harm him until he departs from that place of alighting)) Reported by Muslim.
- 8. Reciting the last two verses from Chapter Baqarah in the beginning of the night, and they are:

﴿ اَمَنَ ٱلرَّسُولُ بِمَا أُنْزِلَ إِلَيْهِ مِن رَّبِهِ وَٱلْمُؤْمِنُونَ كُلُّ ءَامَنَ بِٱللَّهِ وَمَلَتَهِ وَكُثُبِهِ وَكُثُبِهِ وَكُثُبِهِ وَرُسُلِهِ وَلَا تُفَرِقُ بَيْنَ أَحَدِ مِّن رُّسُلِهِ وَقَالُواْ سَمِعْنَا وَأَطَعْنَا عَفْرَانَكَ رَبَّنَا وَإِلَيْكَ ٱلْمَصِيرُ \* لَا يُكَلِّفُ ٱللَّهُ نَفْسًا إِلَّا وُسْعَهَا لَهَا مَا كُسَبَتْ وَعَلَيْهَا مَا ٱكْتَسَبَتُ رَبَّنَا لَا تُوَاخِذُنَا إِن نَسِينَا أَقُ يُكِلِّفُ ٱللَّهُ نَفْسًا إِلَّا وُسْعَهَا لَهَا مَا كُسَبَتْ وَعَلَيْهَا مَا ٱكْتَسَبَتُ رَبِّنَا لَا تُوَاخِذُنَا إِن نَسِينَا أَقُ لَكُلِفُ ٱللَّهُ وَلَا تُحْمِلُنَا وَلَا تُحُمِّلْنَا مَا لَا طَاقَةَ لَنَا بِهِ وَاعْفُ عَنَا وَاغْفِرْ لَنَا وَٱرْحَمْنَا أَنْتَ مَوْلَدَنَا فَٱنصُرْنَا عَلَى ٱلْقَوْمِ ٱلْكَفِرِينَ ﴾ لَا طَاقَةَ لَنَا بِهِ وَاعْفُ عَنَا وَاغْفِرْ لَنَا وَٱرْحَمْنَا أَنْتَ مَوْلَدَنَا فَٱنصُرْنَا عَلَى ٱلْقَوْمِ ٱلْكَفِويِنَ ﴾

The Messenger has believed in what was revealed to him from

his Lord, and the believers. All of them have believed in Allah and His angels and His books and His messengers, We make no distinction between any of His messengers And they say, We hear and we obey. Your forgiveness, our Lord, and to You is the destination \* Allah does not charge a soul except its capacity. It will have what good it has gained, and it will bear what evil it has earned. Our Lord, do not impose blame upon us if we have forgotten or erred. Our Lord, and lay not upon us a burden like that which You laid upon those before us. Our Lord, and burden us not with that which we have no ability to bear. And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy upon us. You are our protector, so give us victory over the disbelieving people. (Al-Baqarah:285-286)

The prophet Muhammad peace and blessings be upon him said: ((**He** who reads the final two verses from the Chapter Baqarah during the night; they will suffice him)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.

- 9. Reciting the Ayah Al-Kursi before sleeping, the prophet peace and blessings be upon said: ((**He who reads it when he embarks upon his bed; for verily Allah sends a guardian who will not leave him, and the Shaydan will not come close to him until morning**)) Reported by Bukhari.
- 10. Consuming seven dates from Ajwa Al-Madinah in the morning and the ajwa date: is a type of date from among the dates of Madinah -, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((**He who eats for breakfast seven dates of Ajwa; there will not harm him on that day poison, or magic**)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.
- 11. The maintenance with care of the mentioned remembrance of the morning and evening; and from that:

a. The recitation of the Ayah Al-Kursi:

Allah there is no deity except Him, the Ever Living the Self-Sustaining. Neither drowsiness overtakes Him nor sleep. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. Who is it that can intercede with Him except by His permission? He knows what is before them and what will be after them, and they encompass not a thing of His knowledge except for what He wills. His Kursi extends over the heavens and the earth, and their preservation tires Him not. And He is the Most High, the Most Great. (Al-Baqarah:255)

b. The recitation of the two seeking of refuge chapters and they are:

Say, I seek refuge in the Lord of daybreak \* From the evil of that which He created \* And from the evil of darkness when it settles \* And from the evil of the blowers in knots \* And from the evil of an envier when he envies (Al-Falaq:1-5)

Say, I seek refuge in the Lord of mankind \* The Sovereign of mankind\* The God of mankind \* From the evil of the retreating whisperer \* Who whispers into the breasts of mankind \* From among the jinn and

#### mankind (Al-Nas:1-6)

- c. Saying: ((In the name of Allah, Who with His name nothing can cause harm in the earth nor in the heavens, and He is the all-Hearing, the All-Knowing)) three times, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((He who recites: In the name of Allah, Who with His name nothing can cause harm in the earth nor in the heavens, and He is the all-Hearing, the All-Knowing three times ; will not be overtaken by any calamity until he wakens in the morning, and he who recites when he wakens in the morning three times -; he will not be overtaken by any calamity until he sleeps)) Reported by Abu Dawood.
- d. Saying: ((I seek refuge in the Perfect Words of Allah from the evil of what He has created)) Reported by Abu Huraira may Allah be pleased with him that he said: ((A man came to the prophet peace and blessings be upon him and said: O prophet of Allah, I have suffered from a scorpion which stung me last night! He replied: Rather if you had said I seek refuge in the Perfect Words of Allah from the evil of what He has created, it would not have harmed you)) Reported by Muslim.
- e. Saying: ((I seek refuge in the Perfect Words of Allah which neither the upright, nor the corrupt, may overcome from the evil of what He created, of what He made, and of what He scattered, from the evil of what descends from the heavens, and of what rises up to them, from the evil of what He scattered in the earth, and of what emerges from it, from the evil trials of night and day, and from the evil of every night visitor, except the night visitor who comes with good. O Merciful One)) Reported by Ahmed.
  - f. The saying: ((Allah is sufficient for me. There is none worthy of

worship but Him. I have placed my trust in Him, He is Lord of the Majestic Throne)) – seven times -, Reported by Abu Al-Dara' may Allah be pleased with him, that he said: ((If anyone says when he awakens or when he sleeps: Allah is sufficient for me. There is none worthy of worship but Him. I have placed my trust in Him, He is Lord of the Majestic Throne – seven times -, Allah will be sufficient for him against anything which grieves him, whether he is honest in reciting them or a liar)) Reported by Abu Dawood.

- g. Abu Bakr may Allah be pleased with him said: O Messenger of Allah, teach me something that I may say when I waken in the morning and when I sleep in the evening. He said: Say: O Allah, Knower of the unseen and the seen, Creator of the heavens and the earth Lord and Sovereign of all things, I bear witness that there is no god worthy of worship except You; I seek refuge in You from the evil of my own self and from the evil of Shaydan and the polytheism to which he calls to the people, he said: to say it morning and evening, and when he went to bed)) Reported by Al-Tirmithi.
- h. Saying: ((There is no god worthy of worship except Allah, alone, without any partner. The Kingdom and praise belong to Him and He has power over everything)), and the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((And he who says: There is no god worthy of worship except Allah, alone, without any partner. The Kingdom and praise belong to Him and He has power over everything one hundred times a day -; it is the same for him as freeing ten slaves, and one hundred good deeds are written for him and one hundred sins are erased from him, and it is a protection from Shaydan for that day until the evening when he sleeps, and no one will exceed him in doing more excellent good deeds except someone who has recited these words more often than that))

Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.

And the negligence of the mentioned remembrance of the morning and evening is from the greatest reasons of the overcoming of Shaydan upon the man, and from the reasons of affliction of the evil eye, Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((And the majority of the overcoming of the evil soul upon its owners – meaning: seizures – is due to the reason of the decrease in their religion, and the corruption of their hearts and their tongues from the reality of the remembrance and seeking refuge and fortification based off prophecy and faith)).

#### The Method of Reading the Mentioned Remembrance upon the Children and the Women

The remembrance of the morning and evening is supplication which fortifies from it the individual from the evils of man and jinn, and it is not a condition upon reading the mentioned remembrance to spit dryly, just as the presence of your child or your wife to be near you is not a condition when you are reciting the mentioned remembrance and the fortification for them; because the mentioned remembrance are supplications, for you are supplication to your Lord to protect them, and there is no condition in spitting dryly, or being in their presence.

And the manner in reading the mentioned remembrance upon your children, or your wife, or anyone from your relatives, or other than them, is from what follows:

#### To say:

- 1. I seek refuge for you in the Lord of daybreak, from the evil of that which He created, and from the evil of darkness when it settles, and from the evil of the blowers in knots, and from the evil of an envier when he envies.
- 2. I seek refuge for you in the Lord of mankind, the Sovereign of mankind, the God of mankind, from the evil of the retreating whisperer, who whispers into the breasts of mankind, from among the jinn and mankind.
  - 3. I seek refuge for both of you in the perfect words of Allah, from

every devil and every poisonous thing, and from the evil eye which influences; for verily the prophet peace and brains be upon him used to seek refuge by this supplication for Al-Hassan and Al-Hussein may Allah be pleased with them both, Reported by Al-Bukhari.

4. I seek refuge for you in the Perfect Words of Allah from the evil of what He has created – three times - and like this in the remaining of the supplications.

#### The Ones Who Are Impacted by Magic

He who is close to Allah is removed from the ills and the evils, and those near to their Lord are the ones who increase His remembrance in fortification preventing the evils of the Shaydeen from mankind and the jinn, Exalted is He said:

Indeed, over My servants there is for you no authority. And sufficient is your Lord as Disposer of affairs (Al-Isra:65),

and if the servant leaves the remembrance of Allah or his worship to his Protector decreases; it will be easier for the Shaydan to have possession over him.

And the impact of magic is upon the hollow hearts from the worship of Allah and His remembrance most of the time, Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((Mostly it impacts – meaning: magic – in women, children, the ignorant, the Bedouins, and who has decreased his portion from the religion, reliance, and Tawheed, and he who has no share from the divinely mentioned remembrance, supplications, and the prophetic seeking of refuge )).

Women are among those most affected by magic; due to their decreased worship and remembrance to Allah, and also the children; due to the negligence of the parents and the guardians reciting the mentioned remembrance upon them, and likewise the people of immorality, disobedience, and wrongdoing.

And from those who are mostly struck with magic or the evil eye: are those who fill their homes with musical instruments; because magic and the evil eye by their nature are evil, and whoever has distanced himself from the most merciful and became near to disobedience; the impact will be easier, unlike those who seek protection in Allah and have their hearts filled with His remembrance; indeed the Shaydan fears those whose in this state, Exalted is He has informed regarding Iblees:

He said, By Your might, I will surely mislead them all \* Except, among them, Your chosen servants (Sad:82-83)

# The Method of Removing Magic

#### In What Way is Magic Casted?

Magic is casted in a variety of different ways, and these are the methods that one follows:

- 1. Magic is casted through consuming food, when magic is casted upon the food, and it is consumed by the one targeted by magic and he does not know; so magic is afflicted upon him by the permission of Allah -, and it may not inflict by the permission of Allah.
- 2. Magic is casted through drinking; for the one targeted with magic has drank juice or tea or other than such.

Magic in food or drink is casted with a mucilaginous material which sticks to the abdominal lining; so that the magic stays within the stomach of the one inflicted with magic, and if the one targeted with magic does not address this type of magic through emesis; otherwise his stomach will be hurt.

- 3. Magic is casted through sprinkling, and that is through the placing of the magic on an area of the land, for if the targeted with magic sets foot on it will be inflicted by it by the permission of Allah -, and it may not inflict through the protection of Allah to the servant.
- 4. Magic is casted through writing; through talisman and magical sigil symbols without the need of any remnant from the one targeted with magic, and this is by the command of Allah -, its influence upon the inflicted with magic is weak; otherwise there must be remnants from the one targeted with magic.
- 5. Magic is casted through knots; and that is through the magician taking from the one targeted with magic a remnant such as hair or a piece

of clothing -, then a knot will be placed upon it by a stitcher, then he will spit dryly onto it from his evil soul.

And the prophet peace and blessings be upon him by the likes of this type in a comb and combings – meaning: the remains from the hair – then magic was placed on it, then the magic had been hidden in the dry spathe of the date palm, then it was thrown into the well, as it had been reported by *Sahih Bukhari* and *Muslim*.

# The Way to Know the Place of Casted Magic

The place where magic is casted is known by two ways through Islamic legislation:

- 1. Either the jinni who is guarding the magic pronounces in the body of the one inflicted with magic after reading Quran upon him, then he informs the place of magic; then it is removed.
- 2. Or either that Allah sends His favor upon the one inflicted with magic with a dream of its location in his dream; so that he knows it's place through the way of the dream.

#### Two Reasons for the Removal of Magic

1. The devote supplication to Allah to remove the magic, Aisha may Allah be pleased with her said: ((The messenger of Allah peace and blessings be upon him used to imagine that he had done a thing, even if face he didn't do it, until one morning – or; one night -, the messenger of Allah peace and blessings be upon him supplicated to Allah, then again he supplicated, and again he supplicated...)) Reported by Muslim and Bukhari; then Allah responded to his supplication.

Upon him is the state of the supplication: insistence, and the commitment in the manners of the supplication; such as facing the *qibla*, and observing the times of respondence like the final third of the night; for verily Allah says during that time: ((Who will call Me so that I may respond? And who will seek forgiveness from me so that I may forgive him?)) Reported by Muslim and Bukhari, and the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((Verily in the night there is an hour at which no Muslim asks Allah of any good relating to the wordly life or the hereafter, unless Allah gives it to him, and that is in every night)) Reported by Muslim.

2. Committing to seeking forgiveness, and increasing in it; for verily it is from the greatest reasons of relief from distresses, Exalted is He said

And said, Ask forgiveness of your Lord. Indeed, He is ever a Perpetual Forgiver \* He will send the sky upon you in showers \* And give

you increase in wealth and children and provide for you gardens and provide for you rivers (Nuh 10-12)

# Verses to Read Upon the Inflicted with Magic

Allah has made the great Quran a healing from illnesses, and every verse from the verses of Allah has healing, and there are verses that impact – by the permission of Allah – the one affected with magic, and from that is:

- 1.Surah Al-Fatiha which is the greatest chapter from the book of Allah, Reported by Bukhari.
- 2.Ayah Al-Kursi which is the greatest verse from the book of Allah, Reported by Muslim.

Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah be pleased with him said: ((And he was – meaning: Sheik Al-Islam – used to treat by the Kursi verse, and he used to command the one affected by seizures to increase the reading of it and whoever is treating him from it, and reading the two seeking refuge chapters)).

- 3. The end of the chapter Baqarah; ((**He who reads the two verses** from the end of chapter Baqarah in a night; it is sufficient for him)).
- 4. Verses of magic that is mentioned in Chapter A'araf, and it is the saying of Allah, Exalted is He:

And We inspired to Moses, Throw your staff, and at once it devoured what they were falsifying So the truth was established, and abolished was what they were doing And they were overcome right there and became debased (Al-A'araf:117-119)

5. The verses which are from Surah Yunus, and it is the saying of Allah, Exalted is He:

And Pharaoh said, Bring to me every learned magician \* So when the magicians came, Moses said to them, Throw down whatever you will throw \* And when they had thrown, Moses said, What you have brought is magic. Indeed, Allah will expose its worthlessness \* Indeed, Allah does not amend the work of corrupters \* And Allah will establish the truth by His words, even if the criminals dislike it (Yunis:79-82)

6. The verses which are from Chapter Taha, , and it is the saying of Allah, Exalted is He:

They said, "O Moses, either you throw or we will be the first to throw \* He said, "Rather, you throw." And suddenly their ropes and staffs seemed to him from their magic that they were moving \* And he sensed within himself apprehension, did Moses \* We [i.e., Allāh] said, "Fear not. Indeed, it is you who are superior \* And throw what is in your right hand; it will swallow up what they have crafted \* What they have crafted is but the trick of a magician, and the magician will not succeed wherever he is (Taha:65-69)

7.Reading from the two seeking of refuge, Aisha may Allah be pleased with her said: ((When the prophet peace and blessings be upon used

to complain he used to read upon himself by the seeking of refuge and spit dryly, when his pain increased I used to read upon him and wipe him with his hand; hoping for his blessing from it)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.

Ibn Katheer may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((The most beneficial use for the removal of magic: is what Allah has lowered upon his messenger peace and blessings be upon him in the removal of it; and they are the two seeking of refuge chapters, and in the narration: (There is no better seeking if refuge than the chapters seeking of refuge), and also reading the Kursi verse, for it sends away the devils)).

# Seeking Protection through Supplications and Refuge Seeking through Islamic Legislation

There are supplications and prophetic methods in seeking refuge for the seeking protection; and from such:

- 1. ((O Allah, the Lord of the people! Remove the trouble and heal the patient, for You are the Healer. No healing is of any avail but Yours; healing that will leave behind no ailment)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.
- 2. The seeking of protection that Jibreel peace be upon him had performed upon the prophet peace and blessings be upon him, and it is his narration: ((In the Name of Allah, I recite a prayer over you, from the evil of every person and evil eye. In the Name of Allah I recite a prayer over you, may Allah cure you)) Reported by Muslim.
- 3. The supplication that is said upon the ill, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((There is no Muslim servant who visits one who is ill other than at the time of death and he says seven times: I ask Allah the Magnificent, Lord of the Magnificent Throne to cure you, except when he will be cured)) Reported by Ahmed.

#### The Method in Removing Magic

Magic has many types, and for each type, there is a specific method to resolve it. The explanation of that is as follows

Firstly: If the magic has been consumed through eating or drinking; how to solve it is:

Through the removal from the stomach through the process of excretion or vomiting

#### How to solve it from the stomach as follows:

- 1. Present half a kilo from the Meccan senna.
- 2. Take the amount of two cups of water, place it in a kettle.
- 3. Take from the Meccan senna two handfuls and place it in the kettle.
- 4. Placing the kettle filled with senna leaves and water on the fire, leave it until it boils; for about three minutes.
  - 5. When you wake up during Fajr; drink two cold cups of it.
  - 6. After you drink two cups; walk for about fifteen minutes.
- 7. Do not eat if you drink from senna; for four hours; so that senna may produce its effect.
- 8. If you have drank from senna; for you will feel pain in the stomach, and this is a common matter; so that senna may produce its effect.
- 9. He who has drunk senna; for it requires the need to use the restroom so that the wastes may pass in the first day and second, even if he is not affected with magic.

- 10. If the pain in the stomach continues until the third day and fourth; for this is from the signs of the presence of magic within the stomach.
- 11. Continue upon the drinking of senna for seven days in the forementioned method.
- 12. If the pain continues in the stomach after a week; then drink senna for another week.
- 13. If the pain goes away and the constant need of excretion goes away; for this is a sign of the removal of magic by the permission of Allah.

And by this method the magic that has been casted through consuming or drinking is removed by the permission of Allah.

#### Secondly: if the magic is casted upon a paper; for how to solve it:

To dip this paper that the magic is written on in a vessel of water; until the remnants of writing has been removed, then after that disintegrate that paper and dispense of it even if remnants of the writing still appears, and the water is a recited upon it in order to seek protection.

Thirdly: if magic is casted through knots – meaning: in hair or knotted thread -; for how to solve it is:

To untie those thread, so if you analyze all of them, then cut the thread into parts, then throw it onto any place.

#### Fourthly: If the magic is casted through sprinkling on the earth; for how to solve it is as follows:

- 1. To take a cup filled with water, then to read upon it: Al-Fatiha, and the Kursi verse and the two chapters of seeking of refuge.
  - 2. To sprinkle that water upon the sprinkled place of magic,
- 3. Repeat this method three times, and by the permission of Allah the magic will be removed.

Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((It has been narrated about him – meaning: the prophet peace and blessings be upon him – regarding – meaning: in the treatment of magic –through two ways:

The first of them – and it is the more complete of them -: its removal and its nullification, just as it has been authentically reported from him peace and blessings be upon him that he asked his Lord Exalted is He for that, so He guided him...

And the second way: To emesis in the place where the harm of magic is connected.

### It is not Permissible to Remove Magic from a Magician

It is not permissible to remove magic by a magician, weather Its removal is by magic or without magic; for a number of reasons:

- 1. The arrival to the magician is not permissible ever, even if it is for other than the removal of magic, for how about if the arrival to him is for the reason to remove the magic?!
- 2. That the magician relies upon the Shayadeen for the removal of the magic, and this is disbelief.

Ibn Al-Qayyim may Allah be pleased with him said in the removal of magic by the forbidden method: ((The removal of magic is performed by casting magic similar to it, and that is from the actions of Shaydan, then the diffuser and the diffused become closer to shaydan to what he loves)).

3. The magician is pure evil, he does not release magic except through lying to the one affected with magic, or by the deception to take his money, and he may increasingly violate the honor of the one affected with magic.

# The One Affected with Magic

#### The One Affected with Magic is Oppressed

If the servant is sincere to his Lord; Allah Majestic and High is He may test him by making for him enemies from mankind and the shayadeen, Exalted is He said

And thus We have made for every prophet an enemy - devils from mankind and jinn, inspiring to one another decorative speech in delusion (Al-An'am:112)

And like that is the following of the prophets that have been through afflictions with what they have been afflicted with, and if Allah wills the elevation of a servant he puts him to trail, the prophet peace and blessings peace be upon him said: ((**He whom Allah intends good, He afflicts him with trials**)) Reported by Bukhari.

And do not be sad – O you who is inflicted with magic – of what has been inflicted upon you from the harm of magic; for the prophet of Allah peace and blessings be upon him has been inflicted with magic, and Allah trials his believing servant so that He may bring him closer to Him, Ibn Al-Al-Qayyim may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((He Exalted is He is by the one affected with illness from His mercy to him, and from goodness and to be nearer to him, due to the heart break from the illness; he is by the heartbroken)).

And do not be angry with what has been inflicted upon you, and do not panic from what Allah has written for you; for that may be the reason for your elevation, Exalted and Majestic is He said:

But perhaps you hate a thing and it is good for you; and perhaps you love a thing and it is bad for you (Al-Baqarah:216)

And if something from the oppurtuniites of this worldly life passes you; then know that with Allah is something better and more enduring for those who believe and upon their Lord they rely, Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((The oppressed the envied if he is patient and fears Allah; the well-being will be for him)).

So increase in saying:

Indeed we belong to Allah, and indeed to Him we will return (Al-Baqarah:156)

O Allah reward me in my calamity, and exchange for me better than it)), Um Salamah may Allah be pleased with her said: ((I heard the prophet of Allah peace and blessings be upon him say: If any Muslim who suffers some calamity says, what Allah has commanded him, We belong to Allah and to Him shall we return; O Allah, reward me for my affliction and exchange for me better than it, Allah will exchange for him better than it. When Abu Salama died she said: What Muslim is better than Abu Salama whose family was the first to emigrate to the Messenger of Allah peace and blessings be upon him. I then said the words, and Allah gave me the Messenger of Allah peace and blessings be upon him in exchange)) Reported by Muslim.

And the worry of the wordly life even if it tightly encircles upon the Muslim; for its wealth is led to cessation even if it is prolonged, then it will

be replaced with enduring pleasure in which the servant will forget within it all anguish removed from him, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((Messenger of Allah peace and blessings be upon him said, Among the inmates of Hell, a person who had led the most luxurious life in this world will be brought up on the Day of Resurrection and dipped in the Fire and will be asked: O son of Adam! Did you ever experience any comfort? Did you happen to get any luxury? He will reply: By Allah, no, my Lord. And then one of the people of Jannah who had experienced extreme misery in the life of this world will be dipped in Jannah. Then he will be asked: O son of Adam! Did you ever experience any misery? Did you ever encounter difficulty? He will say: "By Allah, no my Lord, I neither experienced misery nor passed through hardship)) Reported by Muslim.

And know with certainty that the wrongdoer who pursues the magicians, responsible for your affliction of magic will not slip away from Allah, indeed your Lord to him is in observation, Exalted is He said:

And never have We been of creation unaware (Al-Mu'minun:17)

And to progress – O you who is affected with magic – upon your Lord and you are oppressed is better for you than to come to Him and you are oppressed.

So take refuge in Allah and increase from seeking repentance and supplication; for the relief from Allah is near, and beware of despair of the relief from Allah, and do not halt in taking the means in removing the magic through supplication and the permitted medication, and do not give in to the evils and its people; for the plot of the shayadeen is weak, and Allah

is the protector of the believers, and the disbelievers have no protector for them, Exalted is He said:

That is because Allah is the protector of those who have believed and because the disbelievers have no protector (Muhammad:11)

And Allah exalted is He is attributed with Power and Might, and whatever action the oppressor executes; for Allah is above him and He gives respite until when He grasps him He does not let go, Exalted is He said:

And never think that Allah is unaware of what the wrongdoers do (Ibraheem:42)

### The Soothsayer

#### Who is the Soothsayer?

The soothsayer is: who claims that he knows what will happen in the future, so he claims – for example - : That he knows when so and so will die. And if so and so will live happily or not, and similar matters of the future.

And this soothsayer claims a thing that the angels and prophets do not know; because no one knows the knowledge of the unseen except Allah, Exalted is He said:

Say, None in the heavens and earth knows the unseen except Allah, and they do not perceive when they will be resurrected (Al-Naml:65)

And Majestic and High is He said about Himself:

Knower of the unseen and the witnessed, the Exalted in Might, the Wise (At-Taghabun:18)

And the horoscopes that they claim to know is a type from the types of sooth-saying.

#### The Reality of the Soothsayer

The prophet peace and blessings be upon him had informed about the reality of the soothsayers with concise great words when he was asked about them; he said: ((**They are nothing**)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.

Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((...Just as the astrologer, and the conjurer and the likes of them, for they have ignorance, misguidance, deceit, and cunning that can not be enumerated except by the Majestic One)).

For all the keys of the unseen are in the hands of the One the Prevailing, and the people know the lies of the soothsayers, and their lack of truth; but the weakness of faith and the overcoming of Shaydan leads them to the disobedience of Allah, Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy upon him said: ((The specific and the general have known through experience and reoccurrence: that the rulings that the astrologists rule by is that falsehood therein is multiplied many times over compared to the truth)).

#### The Tricks of the Soothsayer

For the soothsayer, the tricks are plenty, they take it to who visits them; so they may reveal to them that they know the unseen, and from their tricks:

If one comes to them asking about the matters of the future; they inform them of summarized matters that occur to every man, for they say to him – for example -: there will come to you a worrying concern then it will be removed, they take this trick; because they know that worrying is not prolonged in man; rather it is relieved from the mercy of Allah.

Or they say to him: You will receive provision in the future; because they know that Allah has undertaken the provision of wealth of every creation.

Or they say to him: Soon you will hear news that will make you happy in your life; because they know in the essence of life is: happiness sadness, worry and relief.

And similar general matters that are propagated to those who are unaware of their true intentions.

#### The Lies of the Soothsayer

The prophet peace and blessings be upon him has informed that the soothsayer lies in one piece of information a hundred lies, just as the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((Until the last of them will convey it to the magician or the soothsayer. ...whereupon he adds to that word a hundred lies)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.

And if you have a companion who lies in the piece of information even five lies, then you should abandon him and avoid his company; because he has taken your mind lightly with the abundant lies he gives to you, so what about the soothsayer who lies a hundred lies and not just five lies?! Is it not more deserving to separate and avoid him and to be distances from his actions?!

#### The Proof of their Lies

If the soothsayer knows the unseen as he claims; he would have prevented the evils falling upon him, and if he knew the unseen; he would have known the time of his death and would have repented from his disbelief to his Lord before his soul is removed; so that is not eternally in Hell-Fire.

And if the jinn are the ones that claim that they are the ones who provide them in knowledge in the unseen and they did not know of the death of Sulaiman peace be upon him except after a creature of the earth ate from his staff; so how will he know that?! Exalted is He said:

And when We decreed for him death, nothing indicated to them his death except a creature of the earth eating his staff. But when he fell, it became clear to the jinn that if they had known the unseen, they would not have remained in humiliating punishment (Saba:14)

### The Confession of a Soothsayer in front of Sheik Al-Islam

No matter how excessive a liar is with his lies; his matter will be exposed even if it is after a while. The prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((**Truth is tranquility but falsehood is doubt**)) Reported by Tirmithi.

And the soothsayer claims to share with Allah in His knowledge of the unseen, and the messenger of Allah peace and blessings be upon him has informed whoever claims something that he does not possess; then Allah will immediately expose him, the prophet peace and blessings be upon him said: ((The one who boasts of receiving of what he has not been given is like he who puts on two garments of falsehood)) Reported by Bukhari and Muslim.

And there has been a soothsayer who confessed during the time of Sheik Al-Islam Ibn Taymiyyah with his lies to the people, Sheik Al-Islam may Allah have mercy upon him: ((This is the state of the madman, even when I spoke to them in Damascus and their leaders were present with me, and I made clear to them the corruption of their actions by logical reasoning which they admit to its soundness, a leader from among them said to me: by Allah we lie a hundred lies; when we are truthful with one word)).

If the soothsayer used to confess not to one lie but rather excessively lying and the continuation upon it; so why the visits to them, and the man does not find in them except the invention of untruth, conjectures, and claiming they associate with Allah in that?!

#### The Ruling of Vising to a Soothsayer

The soothsayer invents about Allah untruth claiming association with the Lord Majestic and High is He in the knowledge of the unseen: so the severe warning came upon him, and the evidence of that is as follows:

- 1. Whoever visits a soothsayer and believes him then he has disbelieved, and from among that is palm reading and similar to it, the prophet Muhammad peace and blessings be upon him said: ((Whoever visits a soothsayer or fortune-teller, and believes in what he says; for verily he has disbelieved in what has been revealed to Muhammad peace and blessings be upon him)) Reported by Al-Hakam.
- 2. And whoever visits a soothsayer solely for relief and not for the question that is forbidden, not permissible, Ma'wiyyah son of Al-Hakam Al-Sulami may Allah be pleased with him: ((O Messenger of Allah, we were recently in a state of ignorance, then Allah has brought Islam, and from among us are some men who consult soothsayers, he said: **Do not go to them**)) Reported by Muslim.

### **Fortune-Tellers**

#### Who is the Fortune-Teller?

The fortune-teller is: who claims to know that the matters that are covered from the sights, claims – for example -: the knowledge of what is behind the wall, and what so and so is doing – for example – in this instance and he is in another country..., and like this.

#### **The Ruling of Visiting Fortune Tellers**

A severe warning came against him for disbelief, to who pursues to the fortune teller; and the proof of that is what follows:

- 1. Whoever visits a fortune-teller and believes him has certainly disbelieved, the messenger of Allah peace and blessings be upon him has certainly said: ((Whoever visits a soothsayer or fortune-teller, and believes in what he says; for verily he has disbelieved in what has been revealed to Muhammad peace and blessings be upon him)) Reported by Al-Hakam.
- 2. Whoever visits a fortune-teller just for the sake of asking a question and does not believe him; his prayer will not be accepted from him for fourty nights, ((Whoever visits a fortune-teller and asks him about anything, his prayers will not be accepted for forty nights)) Reported by Muslim.

The Astrologist, the Performer of Abacomancy, the Performer of Psephomancy, Palmists, and the Performer of Asseography

## Who are the Astrologist, the Performer of Abacomancy, the performer of Psephomancy, Palmists, and the Performer of Tasseography?

**The astrologist:** is who takes the accounts of stars as an access to his forbidden objective.

The performer of abacomancy: is whowrites on the ground sand; claiming knowledge of the unseen.

**the performer of psephomancy:** is who throws pebbles on other pebbles and rolls it; claiming to know the knowledge of the unseen from that.

Palmists, and the performer of tasseography: is who mutter upon the palms of man and cups with pronunciations that are not understood; claiming to know the knowledge of the future, and they are liars in regard to that.

For the astrologist and the performer of abacomancy, the performer of psephomancy, and the palmists; is a soothsayer or fortune-teller, and sometimes the swindling magician performs these actions imitating the soothsayer and the fortune-teller, claiming that he is a soothsayer or a fortune-teller; so that he may eat the wealth of people in falsehood.

# The Swindling Magician

#### Who is the Swindling Magician?

**The swindling magician:** is the one who claims that he is a magician or fortune-teller, and he is a liar in that regard.

His intention: is to take the wealth of the people by lying to them, that he casts magic, or treats by magic, or knows the future, and it is not like that, neither does he perform well in that action, rather he imitates their actions, and he mimics their actions.

And it is not permissible to visit the swindling magician; he is a lying man.

#### The Difference between the Magician, Soothsayer, Fortune-Teller, and the Swindling Magician

**The magician:** performs magic; it has an impact – by the permission of Allah - the one affected with magic.

As for the soothsayer: claims the knowledge of what will occur in the future; as if informing that so and so will die after two months...and such as that.

The fortune-teller: claims the knowledge in the unknown matters of reality from the sights and not the matters of the future; as if informing that so and so – right now – is in his car and he is in another country, and he does not claim to know the matters of the future.

As for the swindling magician: is a liar and does not know magic or fortune-telling and neither soothsaying, rather he only claims that he know them; so that he may eat from the wealth of the people in falsehood, and his actions are popularized upon the foolish from the people.

## An Invitation to Repentance

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He who approaches the soothsayers, or knocked on the doors of the magicians, and his soul has enticed him to the harm of others; he must relinquish upon those sins which corrupt the religion, and he must regret what he has committed from destructive sins, and never return to those disgraceful miserable actions, and to lift the harm by removing the magic upon who he has affected, and to approach Allah by a sincere repentance with great guilt, and to increase from the repentance and seeking of forgiveness, and the voluntary acts of worship, and the righteous actions, Exalted is He said:

But indeed, I am the Perpetual Forgiver of whoever repents and believes and does righteousness and then continues in guidance (Taha: 82)

And when the magicians of Pharaoh repented and they believed in their Lord; Allah accepted their repentance and He raised their ranks, and they were from the followers of Musa peace be upon him.

So proceed in the ways of those who repent, and beware from the ways of the miserable; from the magicians and the swindling magicians.

We ask Allah to protect the Muslims from the acts of the corrupt magicians, and to relieve the distress upon the inflicted with magic, and to exchange for them goodness greater than their calamity.

May Allah confer His peace and blessings upon our prophet Muhammad, and upon his family and his companions, collectively.

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