

He is the one and only true Judge. He judges between His Creatures with His Justice and fairness, and He is the One who makes the final decision on all matters.

Reflection: None of us can be a judge, or have the ability to judge truly. We are all flawed human beings. We have incomplete vision- we can't see everything. We have limited perceptions – we can only understand those things we have had explained to us, or that we have experienced, and we are limited to that. We can only take account of that which is apparent- we have no knowledge of the hidden realities of others' intentions or the battles they fought to get to where they are. How can we judge when we don't have all the information, and this is what makes Allah the best of Judges- He is Al-Aleem, the All-Knowing, Al-Hakeem The most Wise, Al-Baseer The all-Seeing, the All-Hearing, and Al-Khaaliq The Creator who knows the true nature and capacity or capability of every person, to be able to judge them fairly. Leaving Judgment to Al-Hakam, and following His Rulings and legislations requires us to have patience, to hold back our nafs from acting in the moment, of retaliating out of anger or vengeance. "And follow what is revealed to you, and be patient until Allah passes His judgment. For He is the Best of Judges." (Quran 10:109)

AFFIRMATIONS

I rely on His Perfect Justice and seek Justice from Him before any others.

I am deeply grateful to Allah, Al-Hakam for...

When I call upon Allaah by His Greatest Name, I do so with (eg love/awe/humility/reverence)...

because He is the One Who...

AYAT

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Living with this Name:

Trust in Al-Hakam at all times, and don't fall into despair. Take comfort in the fact that even if people are unjust, you will get your justice from Al-Hakam!

-Do good because the justice-system of Al-Hakam rewards like no other: “Whoever brings a good deed shall have ten times the like thereof to his credit, and whoever brings an evil deed shall have only the recompense of the like thereof, and they will not be wronged.” [Quran, 6:160].

- Take the Quran and sunnah as the ultimate judge of what is good and what is bad.

- Ask Al-Hakam for protection and guidance-Ask Allah Al-Hakam to protect you from injustice at the hands of others and ask Him to make you just toward others. Ask: how would we like Allah (swt) to judge us?

In moments of uncertainty about a decision, ask Allah Al-Hakam to judge and decide for us, especially when we are uncertain of what is most pleasing to Him.

Be humble – know that any judgment you make about a thing or a person could be wrong and incomplete. Outside of what Allah has told us, we have no certainty about the reality of anything or person.

Stand up for justice- we will all stand before Allah to be asked about what we did and standing up as much as we can, is what we will be questioned about. We leave the outcome to Allah.

ACTION POINTS

What does your heart call to, where does your attention wander to, that you will now put second, because you are willing to affirm that there is no one you love more than Allah, nothing you would sacrifice more for than Allah, there is no one who deserves your attention more than Allaah?

DAILY DU'A

«اللَّهُمَّ رَبَّ جِبْرِيلَ وَمِيكَائِيلَ وَإِسْرَافِيلَ، فَاطِرَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ، عَالِمَ الْغَيْبِ وَالشَّهَادَةِ، أَنْتَ تَحْكُمُ بَيْنَ عِبَادِكَ فِيمَا كَانُوا فِيهِ يَخْتَلِفُونَ، اهْدِنِي لِمَا اخْتَلَفَ فِيهِ مِنَ الْحَقِّ بِإِذْنِكَ، إِنَّكَ تُهْدِي مَنْ تُشَاءُ إِلَى صِرَاطٍ مُسْتَقِيمٍ»

“O Allah, Lord of Jibril, Mika'il and Israfil, Creator of the heavens and the earth, Knower of the unseen and the seen, You will judge between Your servants concerning that wherein they differ. Guide me with regard to that wherein there is dispute concerning the truth by Your leave, for You guide whomsoever You will to the straight path.”

(Sahih Muslim)

ACTION POINTS

What actions do you do when you are aligned with this truth? What thoughts and beliefs do you hold onto? What more can you do to align your actions with this truth?

What thoughts or feelings take you away from living in line with knowing Who Al-Hakam is?

When distractions emerge, how can you remain centred on Al-Hakam and acknowledge Him in moments of both gratitude and need?

PERSONAL DUAS

What dua will you ask Allah for, using His name Al-Hakam?

WHERE IN YOUR LIFE CAN YOU LIVE WITH THIS NAME MORE?

Where in your life have you made or are you making judgments about something or someone, where adding an element of more humility will create more openings and space?

Where in your life do you feel called to exercise more patience, knowing that Allah is Hakam?