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COMMENTARY OF SURAH AL-QALAM (c.68) PART SEVEN

THEME: Keeping away from people of bad character - 2

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Verses 8 to 16

10 Negative
Traits

We must
keep away
from people
who have
them...

Must ensure
that we also
do not have
these traits...

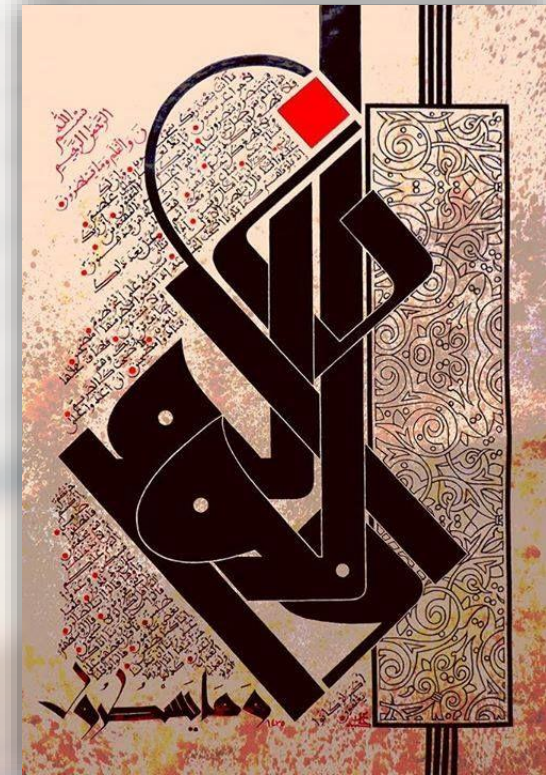
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هَمَّازٌ مَّشَاءٌ بِنَمِيمٍ ۝ مَنَّاعٌ لِلْخَيْرِ مُعْتَدٍ أَثِيمٌ ۝ عُتْلٌ بَعْدَ ذَٰلِكَ زَنِيمٌ

“A defamer, circulating slander (in all directions), Who hinders the doing of good, transgressor of all bounds (of sense or decency), one addicted to sinning; Gluttonous, and after all of this is also disreputable.”



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1. People who like to defame and slander others [هَمَّازٍ مَشَّاءٍ بِنَمِيمٍ]

- The word 'هَمَّازٍ' means 'back-biting' and 'picking the faults of people' ['superlative form' of the verb].
- The phrase - 'مَشَّاءٍ بِنَمِيمٍ' - refers to a person engages in "tale bearing" ['superlative form' of the verb].

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2. Utterly evil people who possess the worst traits [مَنَّاعٍ لِلْخَيْرِ مُعْتَدٍ أَثِيمٍ]

- Hinders others from doing good actions (مَنَّاعٍ لِلْخَيْرِ);
- Transgressor of all bounds of sense or decency (مُعْتَدٍ);
- Addicted to sinning (أَثِيمٍ).

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3. Greedy and People of Disrepute [عُتْلٍ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ زَنِيمٍ]

1. The word 'عُتْلٍ' means a gluttonous person who hoard everything for his own use and tries to prevent others from such things.
 1. It also refers to an ill-natured, revengeful, violent person or one who has no shame and has the worst morals and etiquette.
2. The word 'زَنِيمٍ' means a person who has no family lineage or allied to a group of people, while he is actually not from them.

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- Through this unprecedented description of the detractors from Islam, Allah wishes to make clear how the opponents of Islam, the Quran, and the Prophet are people who are:
 - Liars, despicable, fault-picking, tale-bearers, people who transgress the boundaries, and people who have no root or lineage!

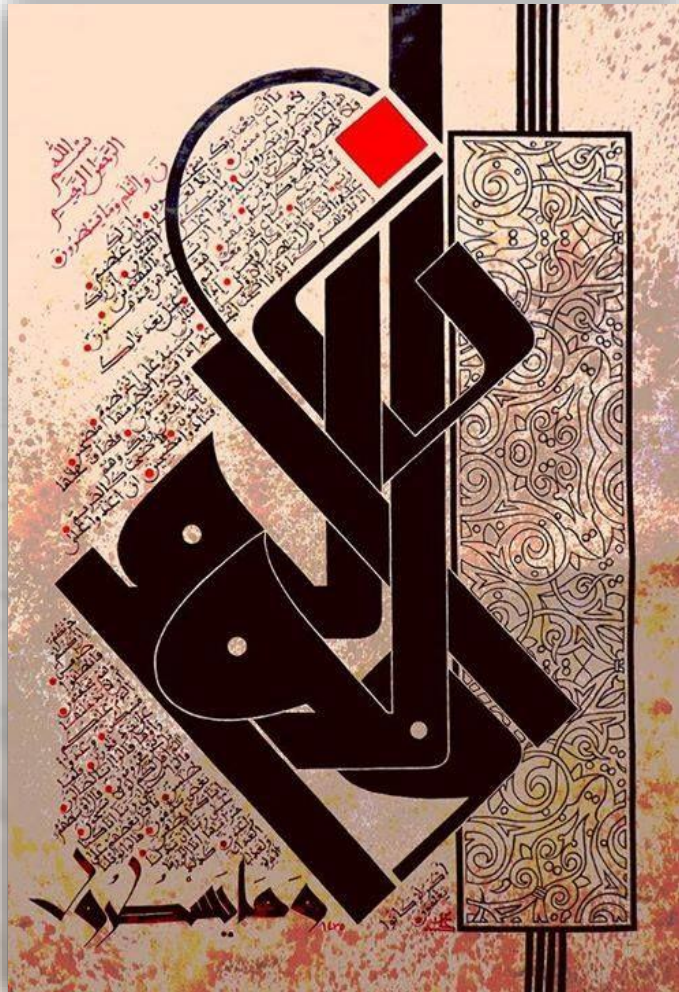
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Point to Reflect Upon:

1. When it comes to those who are seeking to corrupt, we need to be aware of them and their plots and expose such individuals to the community/society.



End of Part Seven