Lesson 6

Level 3

Allah: Al-Qarib & Al-Mujib





Thinking Starter

Does Allah know if you ask Him something in your mind?

Sometimes you may wonder: Who is Allah? What is He like? Allah tells us who He is by describing Himself to us with His Beautiful and Most Perfect Names (ٱلْأَسْمَاءُ الْخُسْنَى). Two of these special Names are al-Qarib and al-Mujib.



Allah Is al-Qarib

Allah is al-Qarib: The Ever Near. Allah is very close to us. Allah tells us in the Qur'an that He is closer to us than our jugular veins. Put your fingers on your jugular vein.

Allah knows us better than we know ourselves. Allah knows what we are thinking. Allah knows our deepest secrets.







Which human being do you feel the closest to? Why do you feel close to them?

When you feel close to someone, you feel comfort and you feel loved. Allah is Near to us: He takes care of us and is so Kind to us. This should make us feel very happy.



If you ever feel lonely, remember that you have Allah who is al-Qarib.





Task 1

Are the following sentences true or false?

- 1 Sometimes people close to you leave you and go away. But not Allah. He is always there.

 And He always answers those who ask Him.
- 2 Allah does not know our deepest secrets.
- 3 When you call out to Allah and ask him, you don't have to shout. Allah is Near us and can hear us.
- 4 Allah can only pay attention to one person.

 If a lot of people ask Allah for something, He cannot hear them all.

True False

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Allah Is al-Mujib

Allah سبحانه وتعالى says in the Qur'an:





"Indeed my Lord is Ever Near and Responds to prayers." (11:61)

Allah is al-Mujib: The Responder. He responds to our prayers. This means that He answers our du'as. Allah helps us when we need Him. Sometimes, we make a du'a in our mind and before we've even asked it with our tongues, Allah gives it to us!



How many times do you think you could ask your sibling/best friend for a favour before they would get tired of you?

If we keep asking a person for something, again and again, they might become angry with us. Allah, on the other hand, LOVES it when we ask Him for things. The more we ask Him, the happier He becomes with us. Human beings can get sick and tired of each other, but Allah is always there for us, ready to give us even more and more.





How can I worship Allah with His Names al-Qarib and al-Mujib?

Always talk to Allah and make du'a.





Task 2

Write what you want to ask Allah. Pour out all of your feelings to Him.
What will you ask Allah for? What things could you ask Him for that
will help you become even more close to Him?

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our Servant,			

IT'S STORY TIME!

The Power of Dua

For many years, Zakariyya عليه السلام and his wife yearned to have children. Time went on, and they both became old. Zakariyya's hair became grey. His bones became weak and creaky.



Zakariyya had a special niece called Maryam. She used to live in al-Masjid al-Aqsa, and Zakariyya عليه السلام was in charge of looking after her. When he would go to see her, he would see something really strange: Maryam would have summer fruits in her room, even though it was winter. And then in the summer, she would have a supply of winter fruits!

"How on earth do you get all of this?" Zakariyya asked his niece one day. There was no way she could have bought these. Maryam عليها السلام replied, "It is from Allah!"

Zakariyya عليه السلام was stunned. He realised that if Allah could give Maryam fruits that were not in season, He could certainly give him a child. So, he turned to Allah and desperately begged him for a son. Allah accepted his du'a and granted him a beautiful and incredible child: Prophet Yahya عليه السلام.





Task 3

Write down 2 lessons that you can learn from the above story.







I Act On What I Learn

I will always make du'a to Allah as He is al-Qarib and al-Mujib.



Progress Check





1. What does al-Qarib mean?



3. How can you worship Allah with His names al-Qarib & al-Mujib?