



# MISCONCEPTION ABOUT ISLAM

**I remind myself and implore the**

**audience to have *taqwa* of Allah**

***Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala* by fulfilling**

**all of His Commandments and**

**avoiding all of His prohibitions.**

Indeed, the best ones in the  
Sight of Allah *Subhaanahu*

*Wata 'aala* are those with *taqwa*.

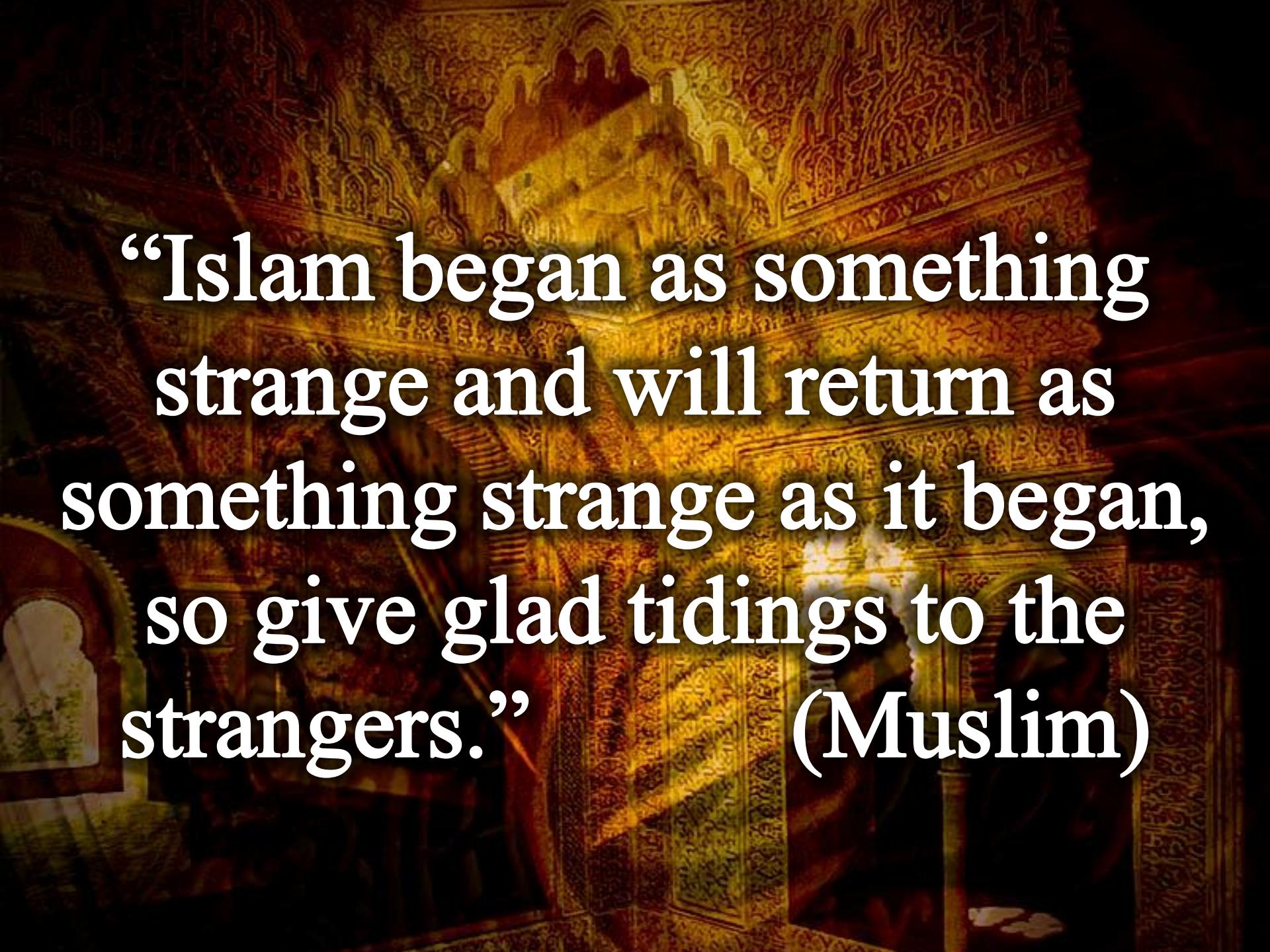
This is because the status of  
*taqwa* is an indicator of our  
relationship with Allah

*Subhaanahu Wata 'aala.*

Stay *istiqaamah* (steadfast) in carrying out His Commands and the teachings of Rasulullaah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam*. By obeying Allah and His Messenger, we will *insha Allah*, attain His Love and Protection from calamities, and success in this world and the Hereafter.

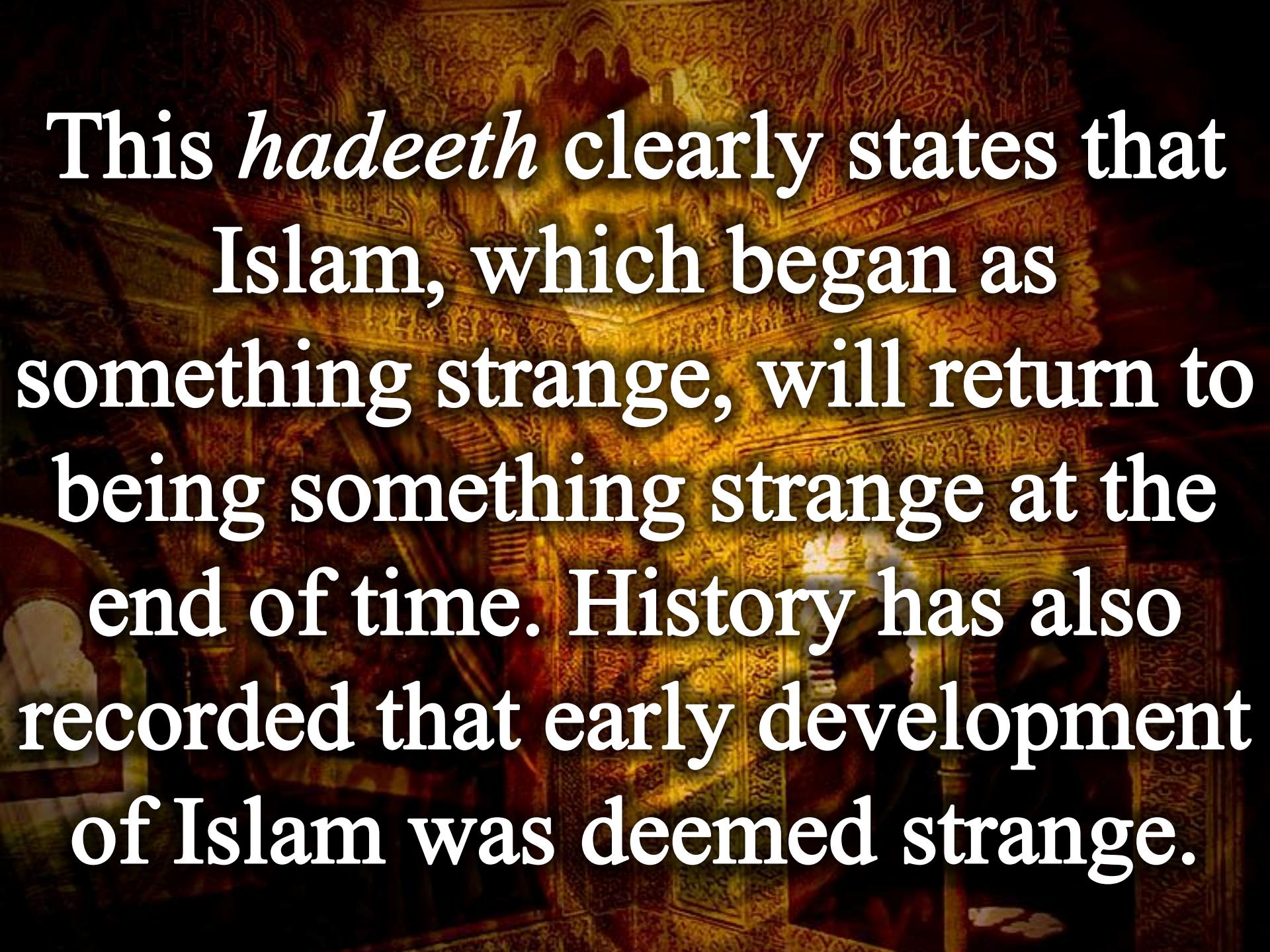


Let us contemplate on the  
*hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah  
*radiyAllaahu ‘anh* that the  
Messenger *sallAllaahu ‘alayhi  
wasallam* said:



“Islam began as something strange and will return as something strange as it began, so give glad tidings to the strangers.”

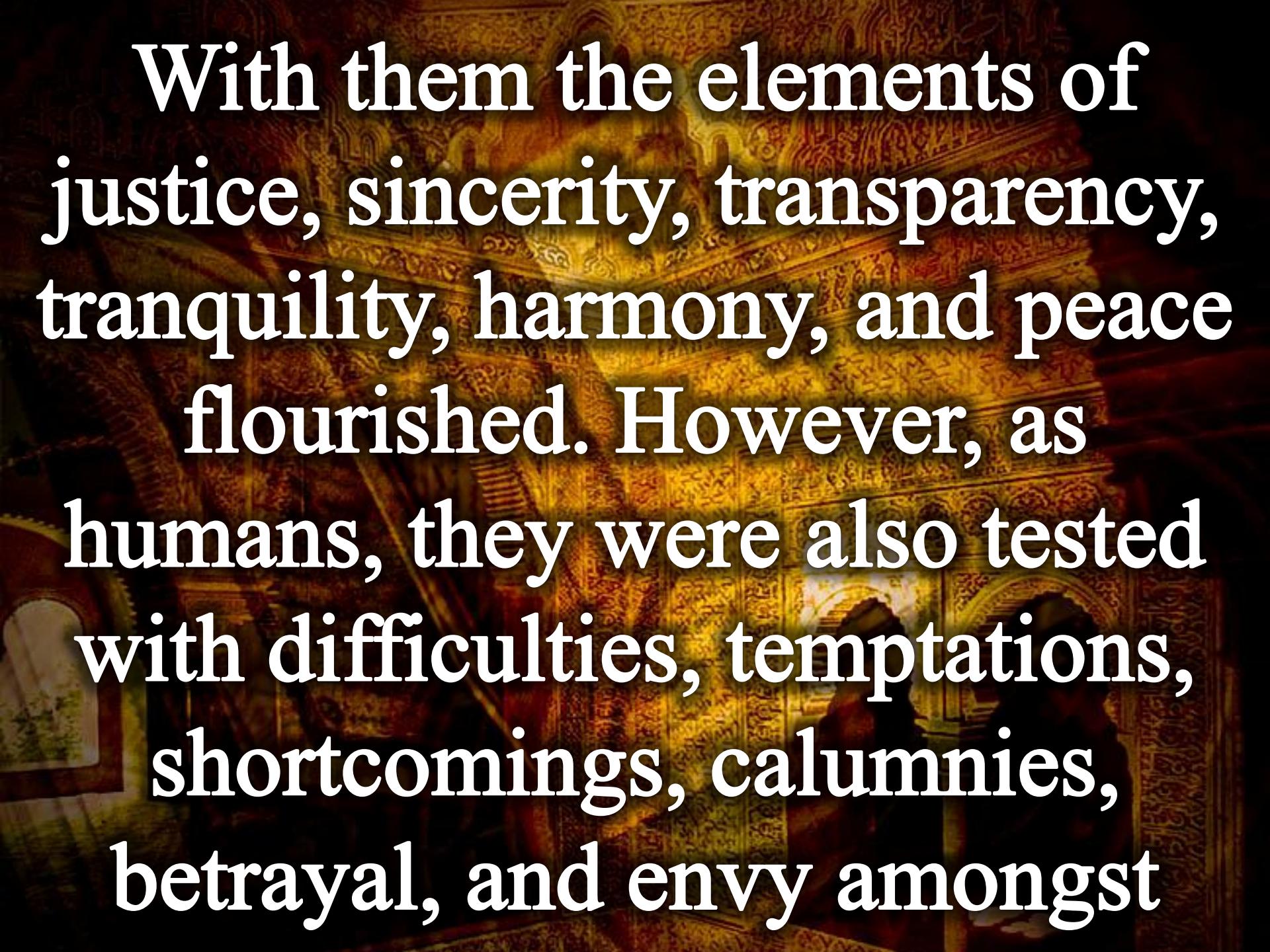
(Muslim)



This *hadeeth* clearly states that Islam, which began as something strange, will return to being something strange at the end of time. History has also recorded that early development of Islam was deemed strange.

Faced with difficulties, Islam was always opposed for a long period. However, by the Will of Allah, it was all overcame as Islam spread far and wide in becoming a strong global force

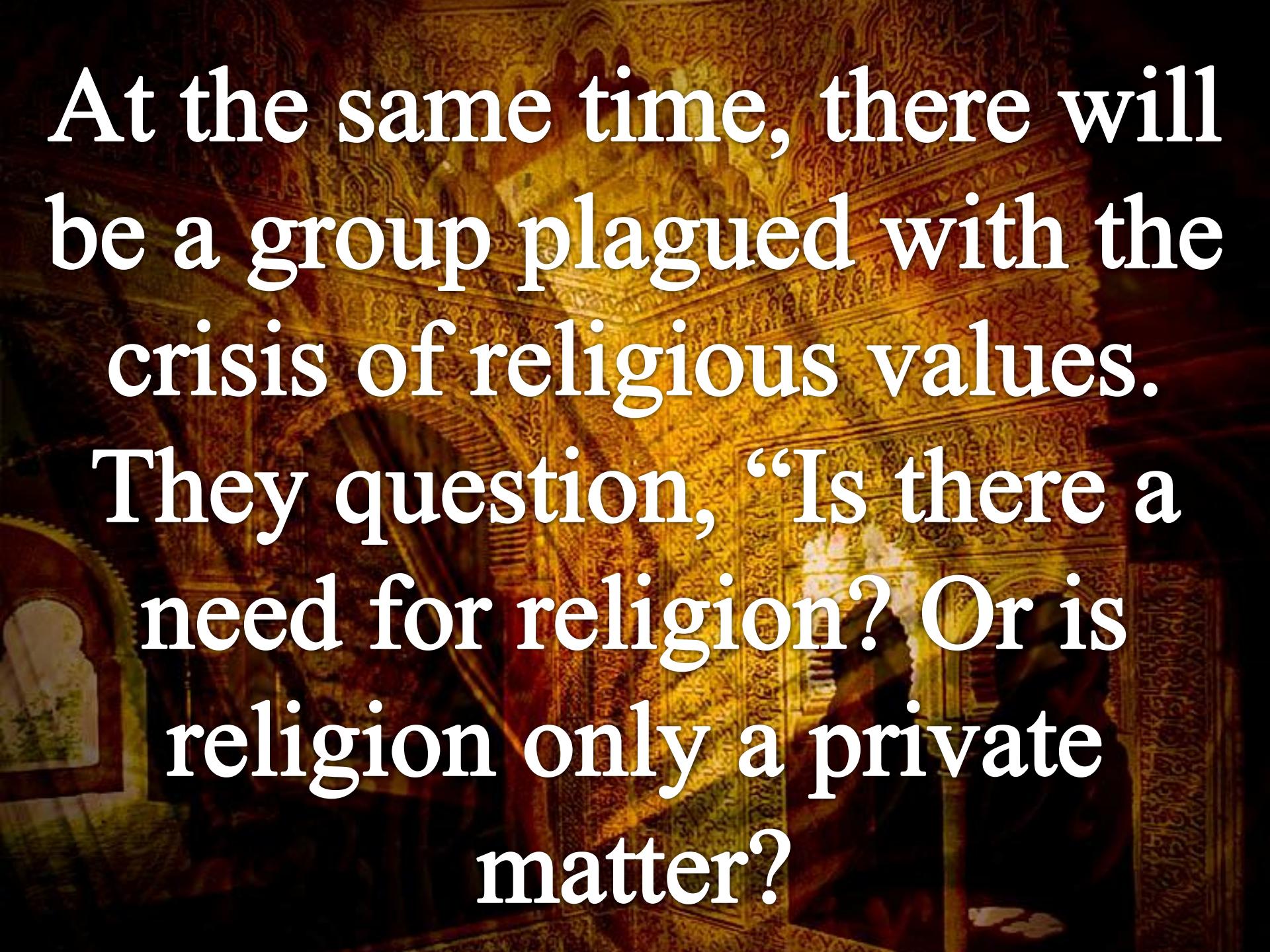
during its peak due to the blessed effort, diligence, and *yaqeen* (certainty) of the *du‘aat* (Muslim preachers). The Islamic legacy has produced individuals with high moral character, excellent personality, and caliber.



With them the elements of justice, sincerity, transparency, tranquility, harmony, and peace flourished. However, as humans, they were also tested with difficulties, temptations, shortcomings, calumnies, betrayal, and envy amongst

each other that led to the fall of the Muslim *ummah* and its civilization until today.

Even then, Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala* will always give rise to a group of noble individuals that are in constant *istiqaamah* in raising the *ummah* according

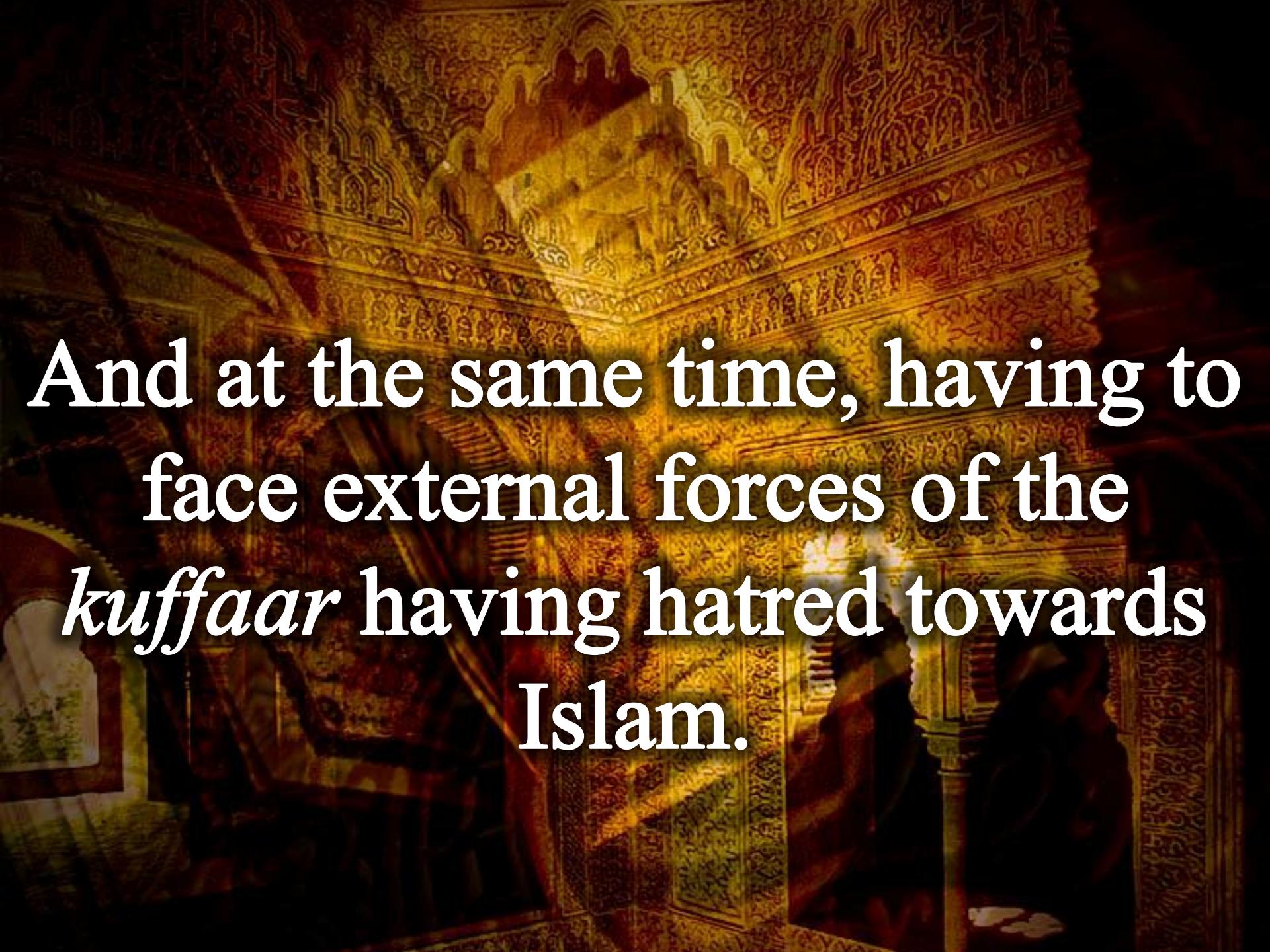


At the same time, there will be a group plagued with the crisis of religious values.

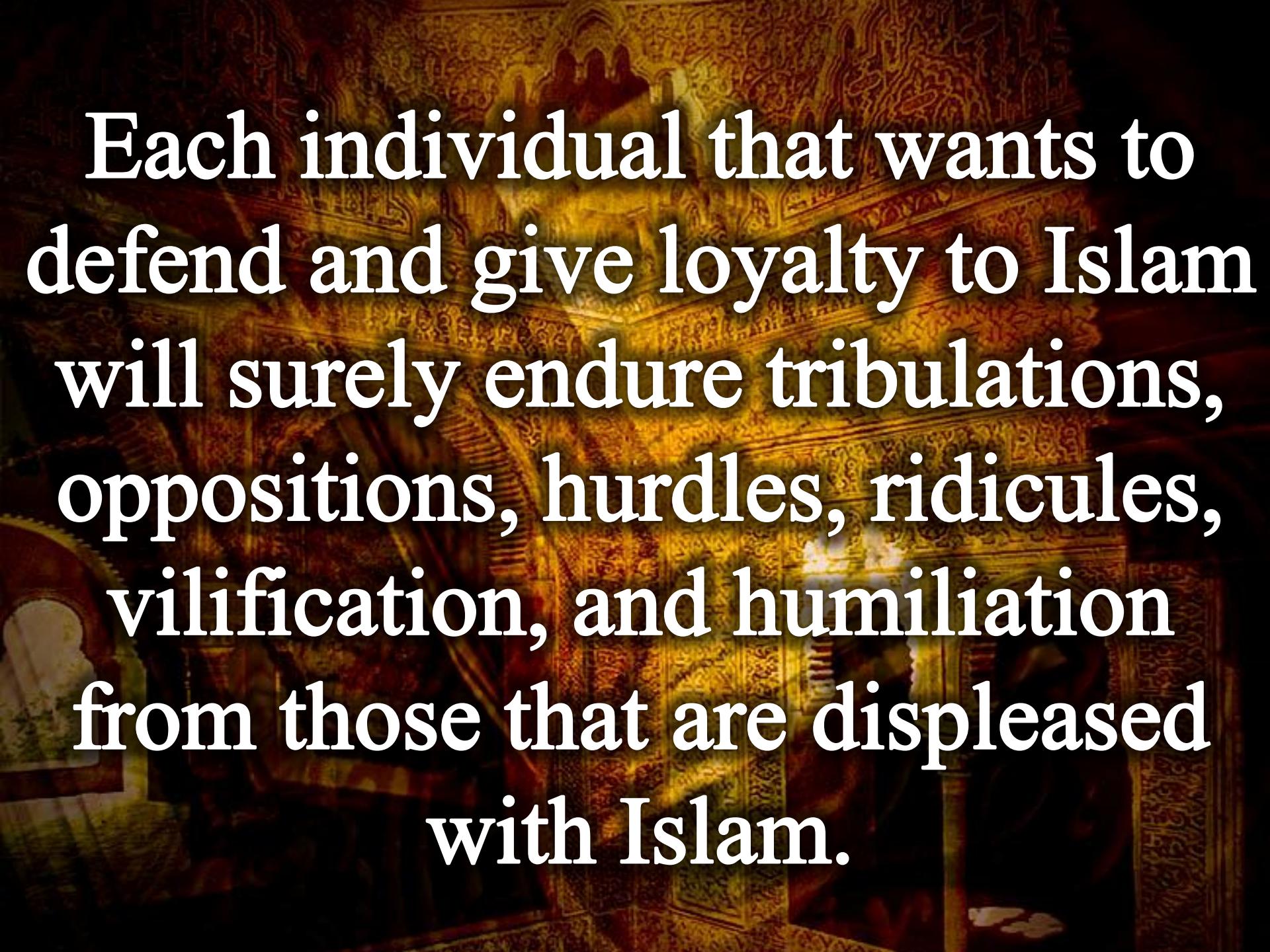
They question, “Is there a need for religion? Or is religion only a private matter?

Does this mean that anyone can choose whether to follow a religion, or become an atheist, or embrace all religions because they are all equal, for there are many paths to paradise!"

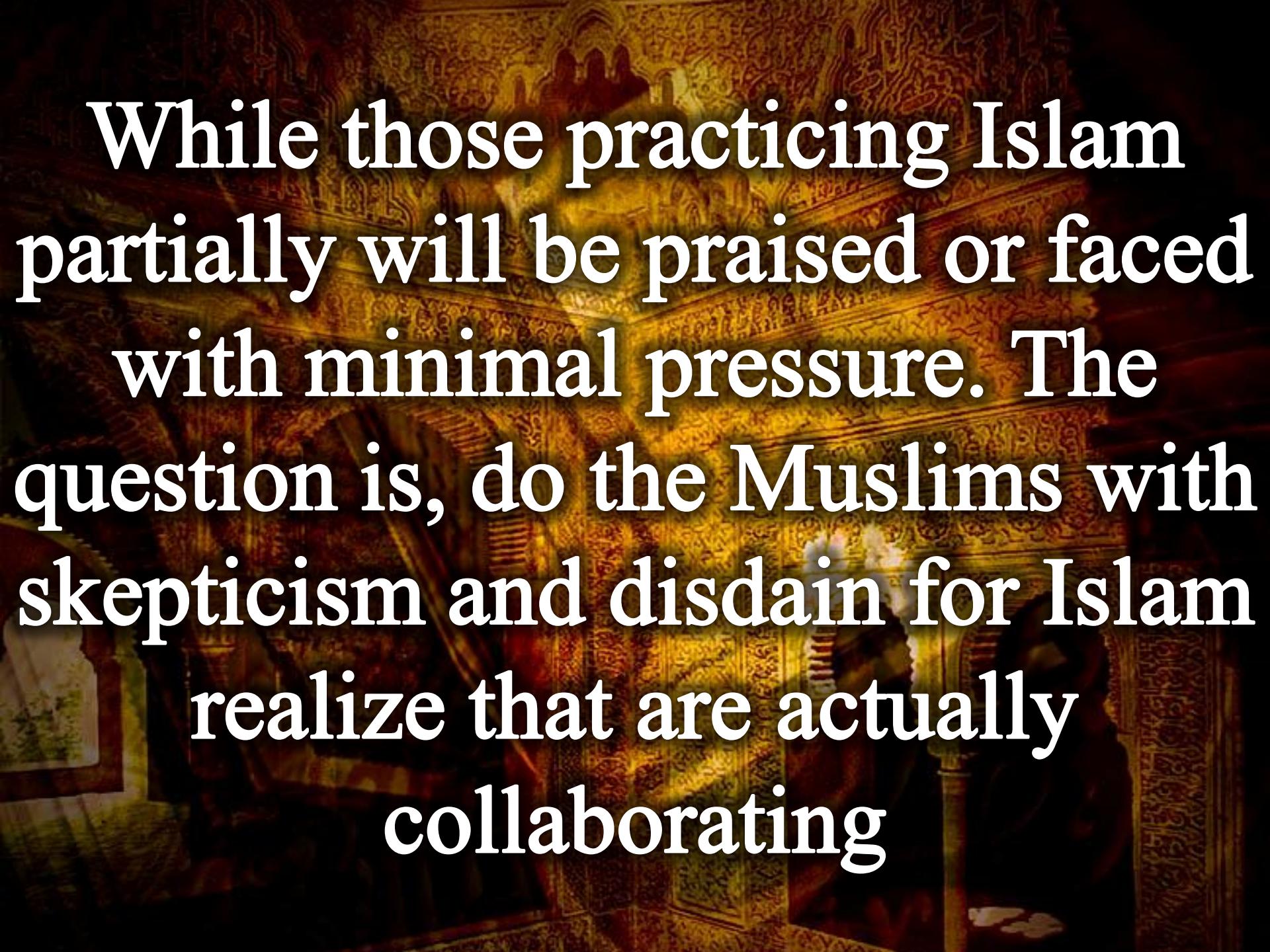
In this dilemma, those advocating for the return of Islam to its Golden Age are challenged with Muslims that are skeptical, in denial, opposing, belittling, and degrading other Muslims.



And at the same time, having to face external forces of the *kuffaar* having hatred towards Islam.



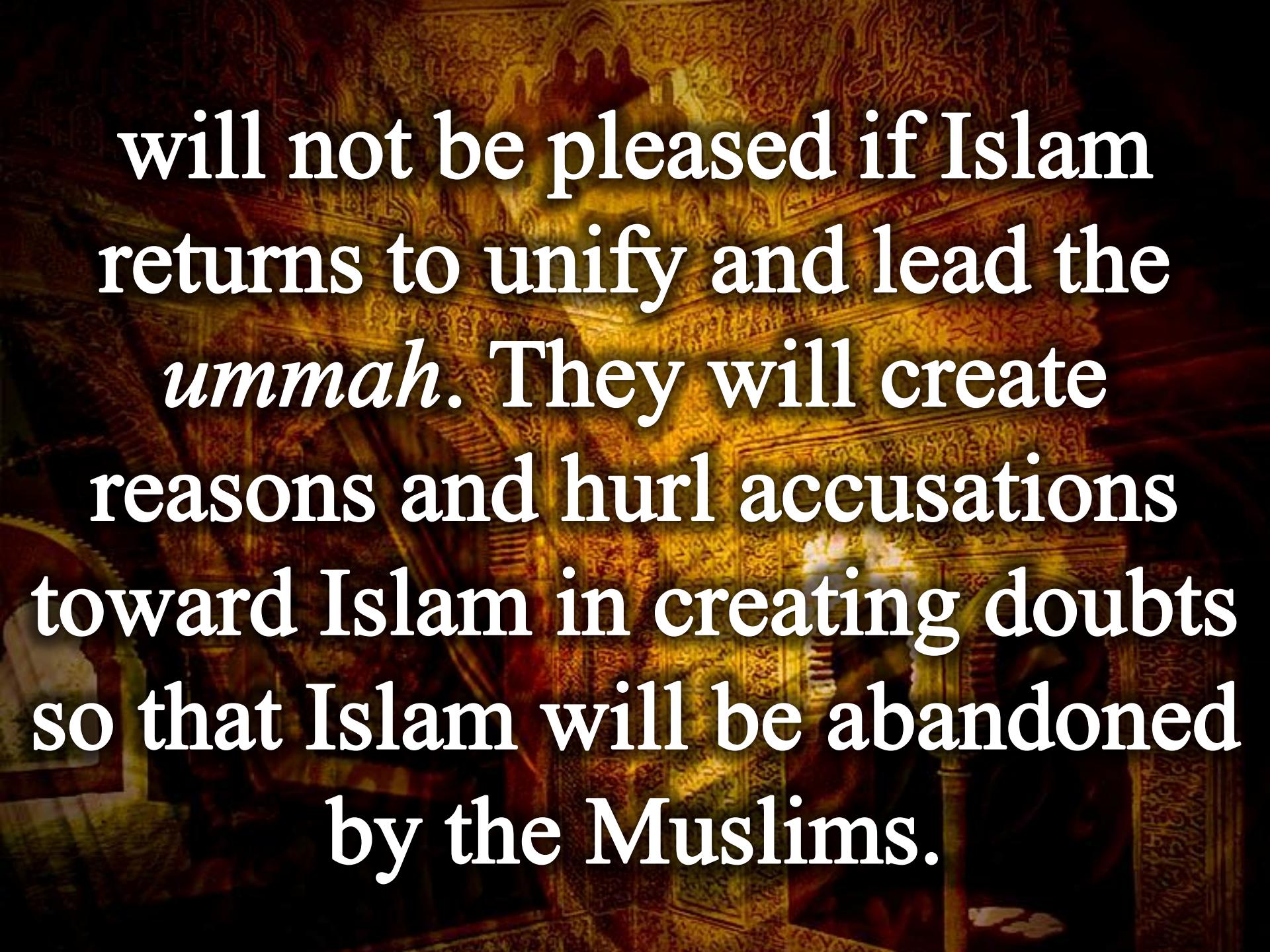
Each individual that wants to defend and give loyalty to Islam will surely endure tribulations, oppositions, hurdles, ridicules, vilification, and humiliation from those that are displeased with Islam.

A photograph of a person wearing a dark, patterned robe and a white skullcap, standing in a mosque. The background shows intricate gold and red wall decorations and a large arched opening. The lighting is warm and dramatic.

While those practicing Islam partially will be praised or faced with minimal pressure. The question is, do the Muslims with skepticism and disdain for Islam realize that are actually collaborating

with the Jews, Christians and other  
*kuffaars*, as Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* mentions in al-Qur'an:  
“And never will the Jews and the Christians approve of you until you follow their religion...”  
(al-Baqarah 2:120)

Therefore, regardless of our political affiliation and social status, let us truly contemplate on the meaning of the verse above which clearly states that the *kuffaar* in general, especially the Jews and Christians,



will not be pleased if Islam returns to unify and lead the *ummah*. They will create reasons and hurl accusations toward Islam in creating doubts so that Islam will be abandoned by the Muslims.

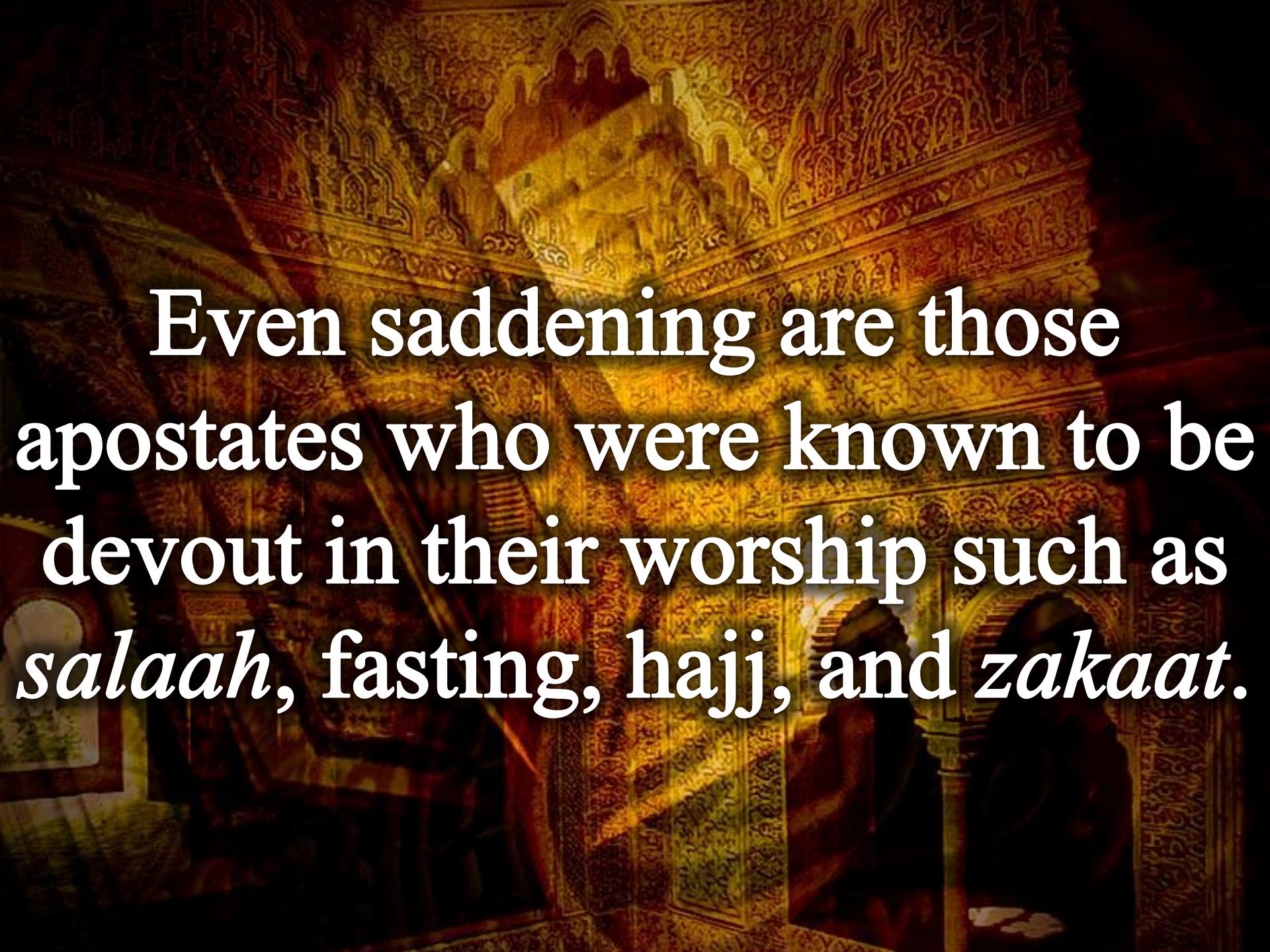
They will hatefully propagate,  
“Does a religion that allows the  
separation of status between  
men and women, mandates  
stoning, cutting of the hand and  
lashing, have any relevance in  
this modern age?”

The reality is that Islam will always be opposed. This is the *sunnah* of Islam. Thus, it is no surprise for the anti-Islam groups to promote and conduct activities that only leads to heedlessness, negligence, and corruption of the *imaan*

and ‘*aqeedah* of the Muslims.

They will resort to any means of interfering, restricting, smearing, threats, and unrest in causing the Muslims to be confused, deviated, corrupted, doubtful, and unconvinced with the ability of Islam in providing

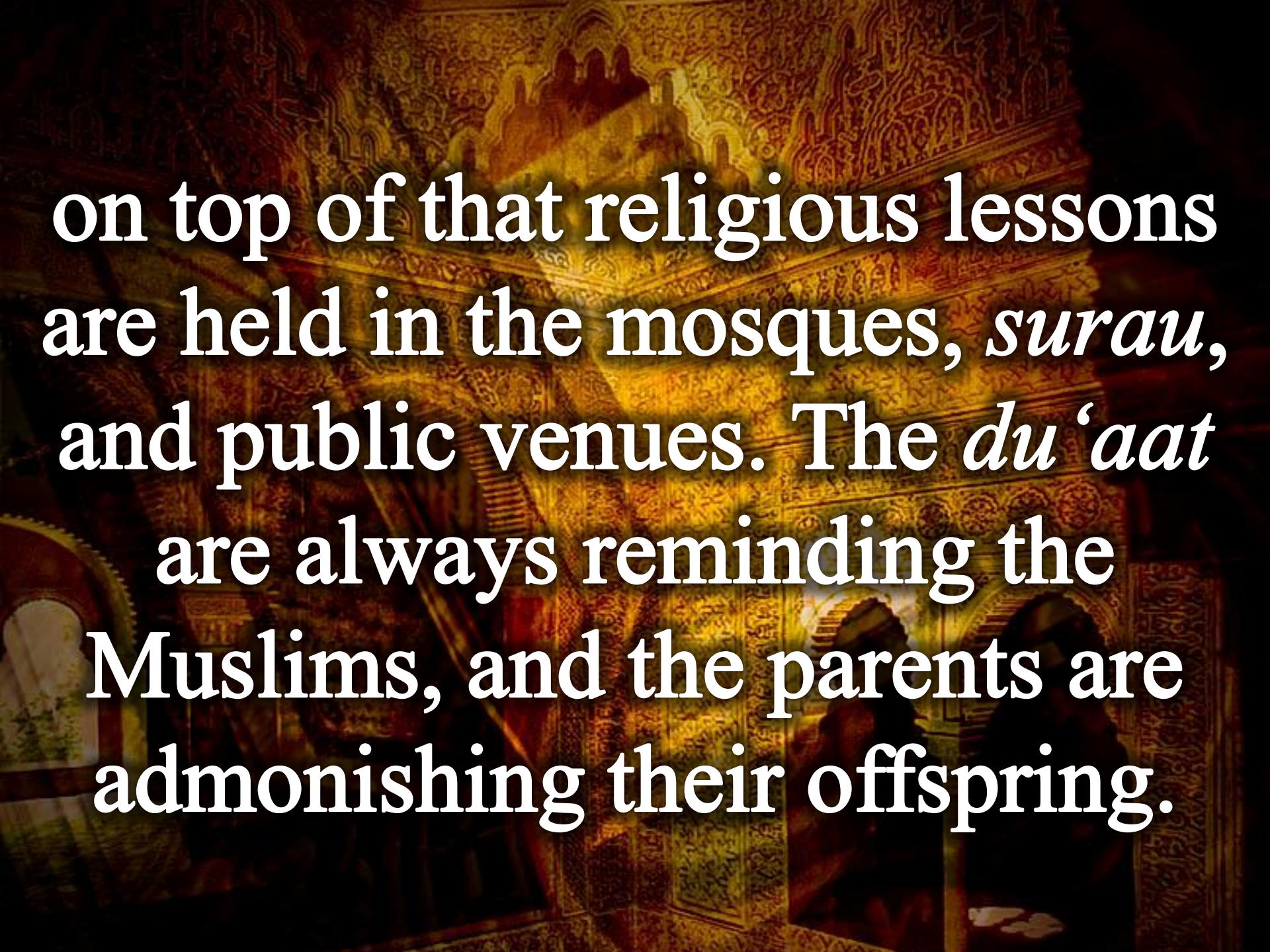
cure to problems in human lives. As a result of their hard effort, they had been successful in taking some Muslims outside the fold of Islam. These apostates regard Islam as being disconnected in the matters of worldly affairs.



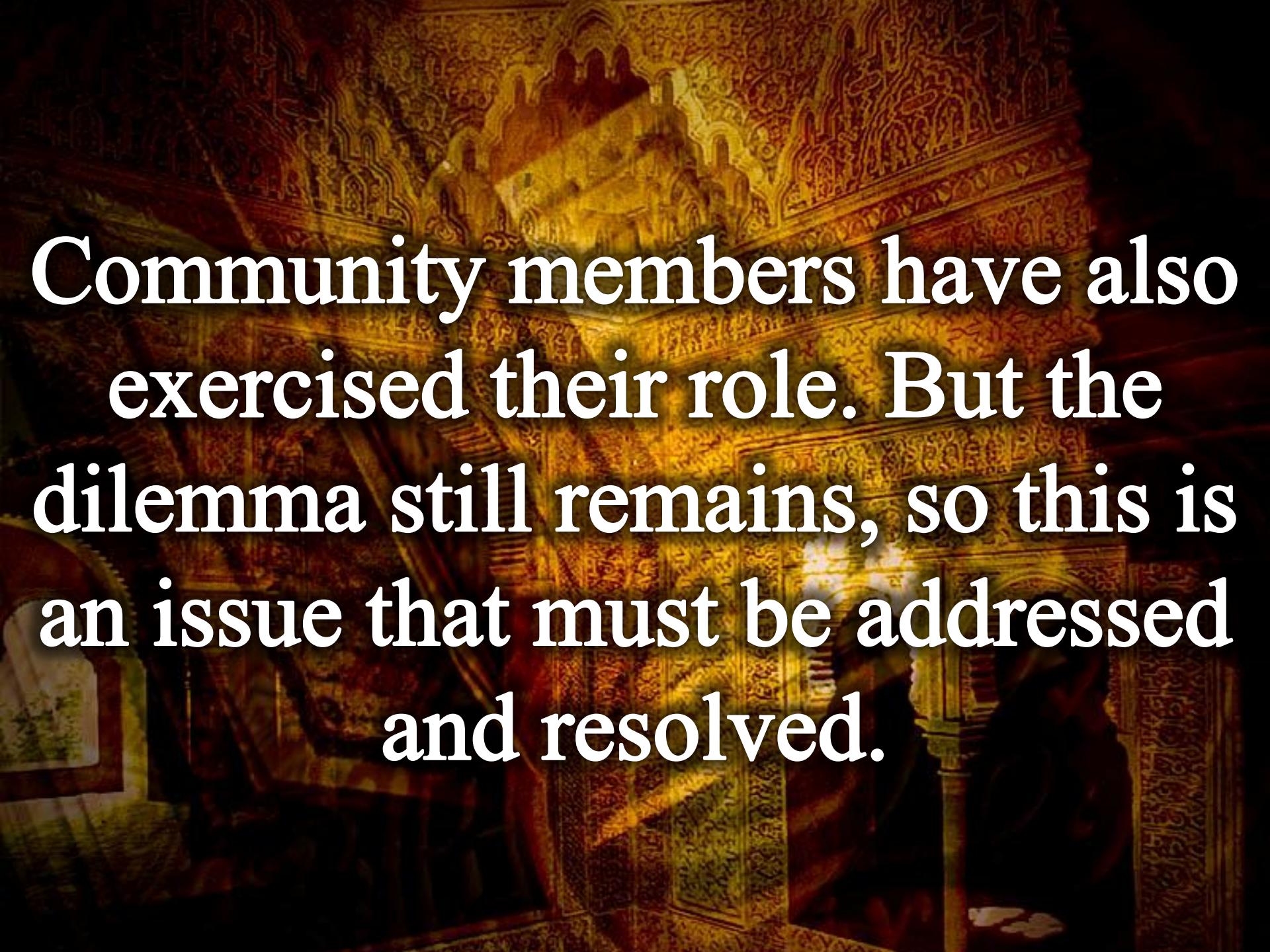
Even saddening are those apostates who were known to be devout in their worship such as *salaah*, fasting, hajj, and *zakaat*.

They will quote from al-Qur'an  
and *hadeeth* of Rasulullah  
*sallAllaahu 'alayhi wasallam* to  
establish their point, but omits  
the *Sharee'ah* in matters of  
politics, economics, social  
affairs, and others.

Did not majority of the Muslim *ummah* learn about Islam at a young age? Since the kindergarten to primary school, high school, and higher learning institutions;



on top of that religious lessons are held in the mosques, *surau*, and public venues. The *du'aat* are always reminding the Muslims, and the parents are admonishing their offspring.

A photograph of a person standing in a grand, ornate hall. The walls and ceiling are covered in intricate gold and red decorations, possibly tilework or painted stucco, featuring geometric patterns and stylized floral motifs. The lighting is warm, creating a rich, golden glow. A person's silhouette is visible on the right side of the frame.

Community members have also  
exercised their role. But the  
dilemma still remains, so this is  
an issue that must be addressed  
and resolved.

Those having distorted understanding of Islam regard religion as being restricted to only worship rituals. Thus they justify that religion must be separated from worldly affairs. These are the same ones that condone gambling and

intoxicants as permissible when they are licensed; that bribery is *haraam*, but it is permissible to accept it if given without being asked. Furthermore, all kind of festivities and parties are allowed even if they contain elements that go against Islam.

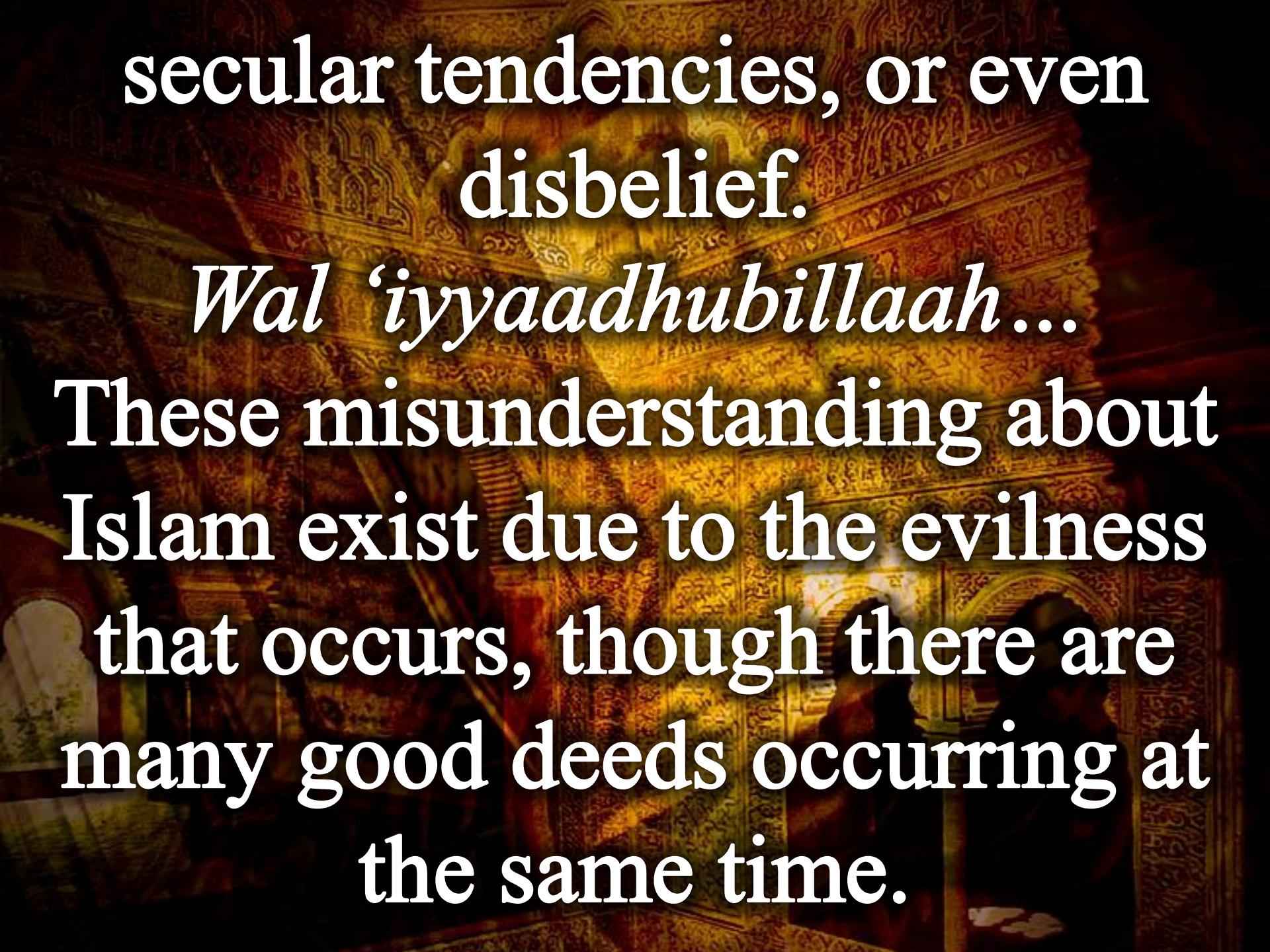
All customs are a go even if they contain *khurafaat*

(religious deviance) and idolatry that corrupts the ‘*aqeedah*. How is it that all these still prevail today? Is it that the educational system, information, and its

transmission all these while have been ineffective, erroneous, flawed, or short of reaching its goals? Or that the message of Islam was insufficiently conveyed without emphasizing it as a complete way of life?

Why are there still among  
Muslims those having more  
confidence and *yaaqeen* in a  
man-made guidance rather than  
the ultimate guidance revealed  
from Allah *Subhaanahu  
Wata'aala* which was conveyed  
by His Messenger *sallAllaahu*

*'alayhi wasallam?* But at the same time, they will acknowledge the completeness of the teachings from Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*. This is what is meant by the misconceptions about Islam, its confusion, deviation,

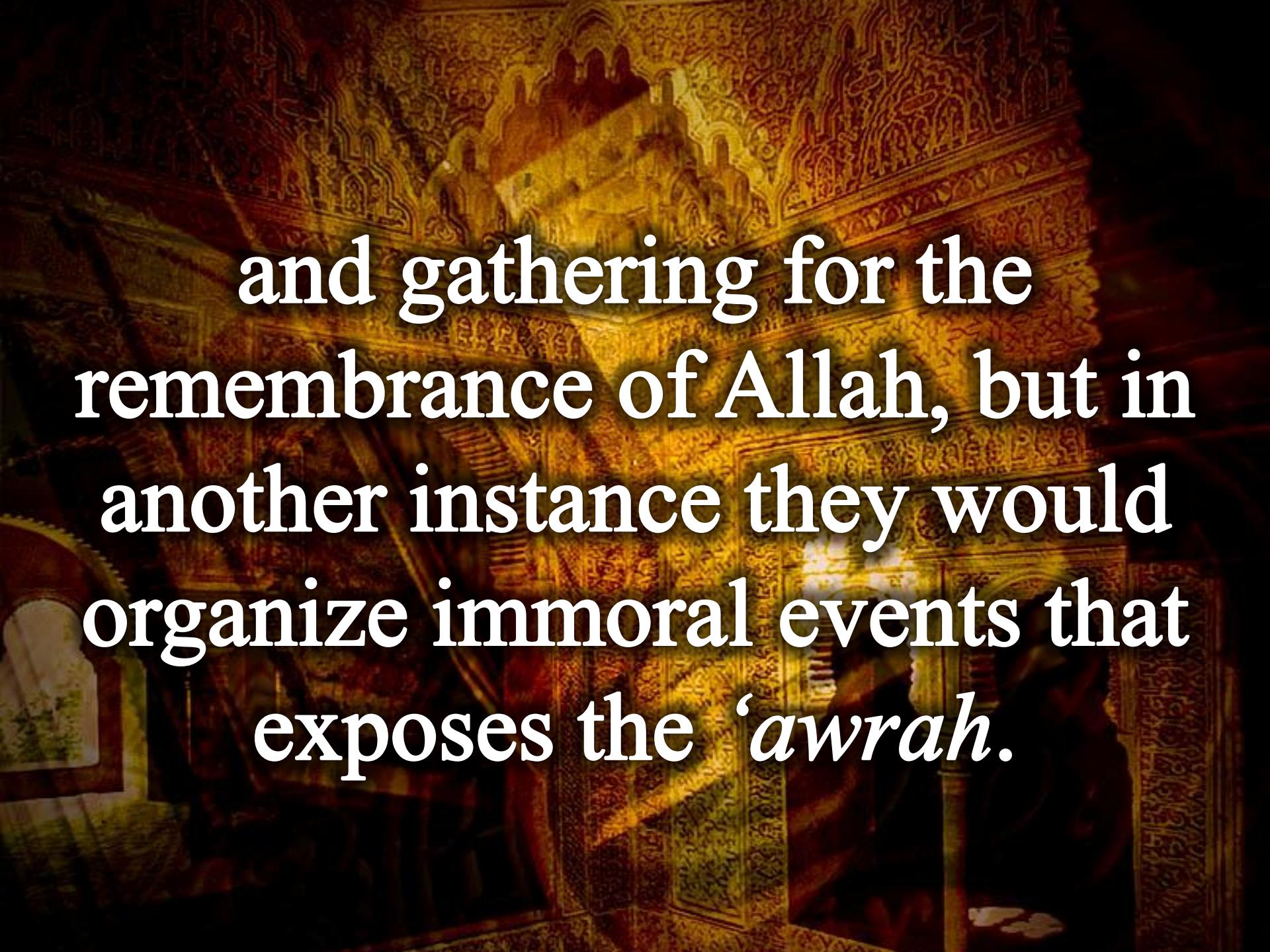


secular tendencies, or even  
disbelief.

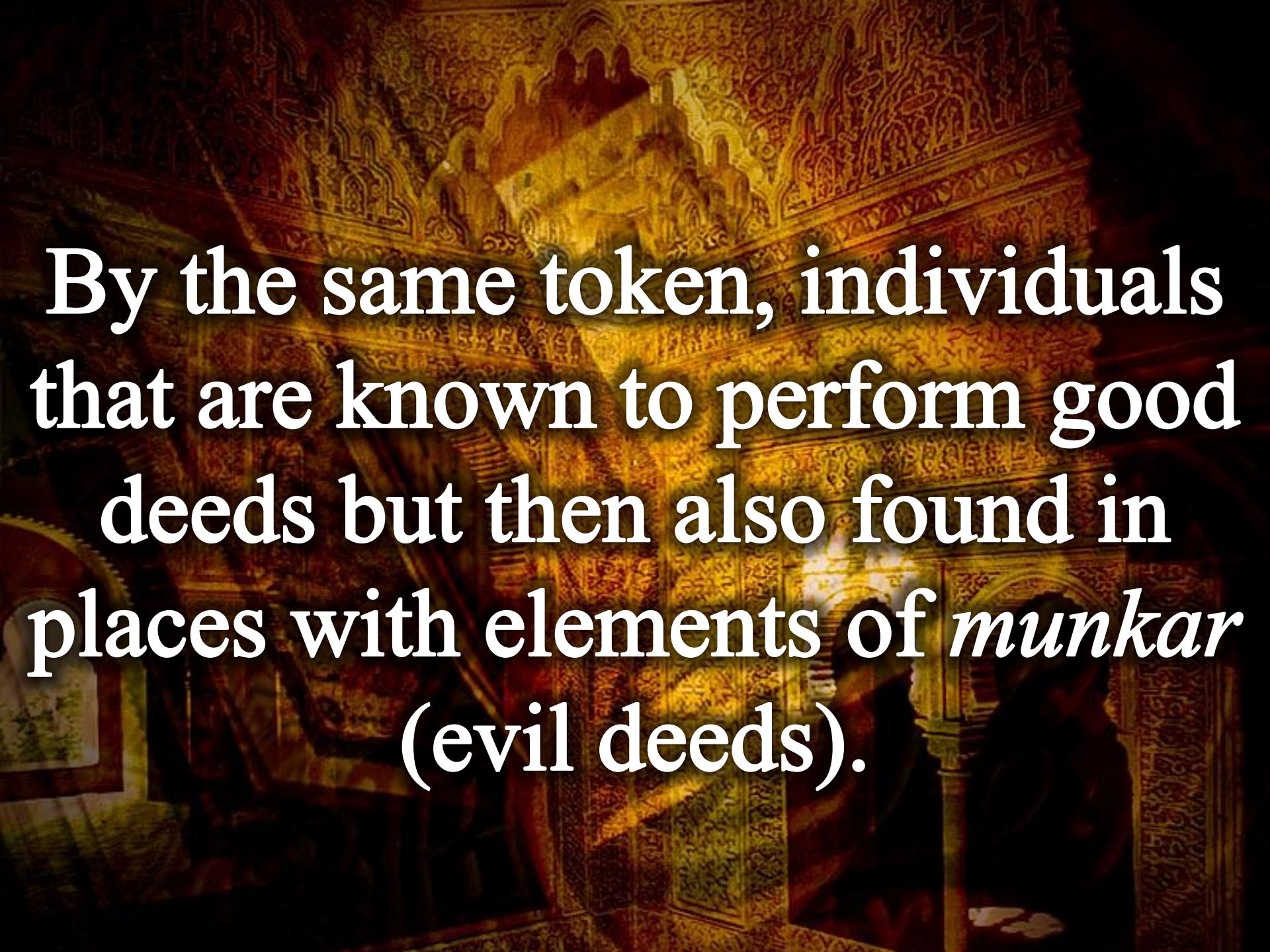
*Wal ‘iyyaadhubillaah...*

These misunderstandings about Islam exist due to the evilness that occurs, though there are many good deeds occurring at the same time.

Unfortunately, the good and evil are both committed by the very same people, the same organizers, and the same authority. In one instance they would organize *majaalis ‘ilm*, Qur'an lessons,



and gathering for the remembrance of Allah, but in another instance they would organize immoral events that exposes the ‘awrah.



By the same token, individuals that are known to perform good deeds but then also found in places with elements of *munkar* (evil deeds).

It is very disheartening to know  
that one would preach on the  
benefits and completeness of  
Islam and at the same time  
violates the Laws of Allah. They  
are bold in affirming the  
greatness and completeness of  
the *Sharee'ah*,

but at the same time allowing *ribaa*' due to *maslahah 'aamah* (greater good for the public). They will argue that how can one obtain a loan or capital for business venture without dealing with *ribaa*'.

Sadly, this is very misleading.

Furthermore, there are Muslims  
that are willing to state:

*“It is ok if we commit sin  
sometimes, or intentionally  
going against the Sharee‘ah  
once in a while because Allah  
understands our situation.”*

There are also those that boldly boast of the good deeds that they have committed, thus it is ok for them to go against the Laws of Allah and repenting afterwards because Allah is Most Forgiving.

*Astaghfirullaah!*

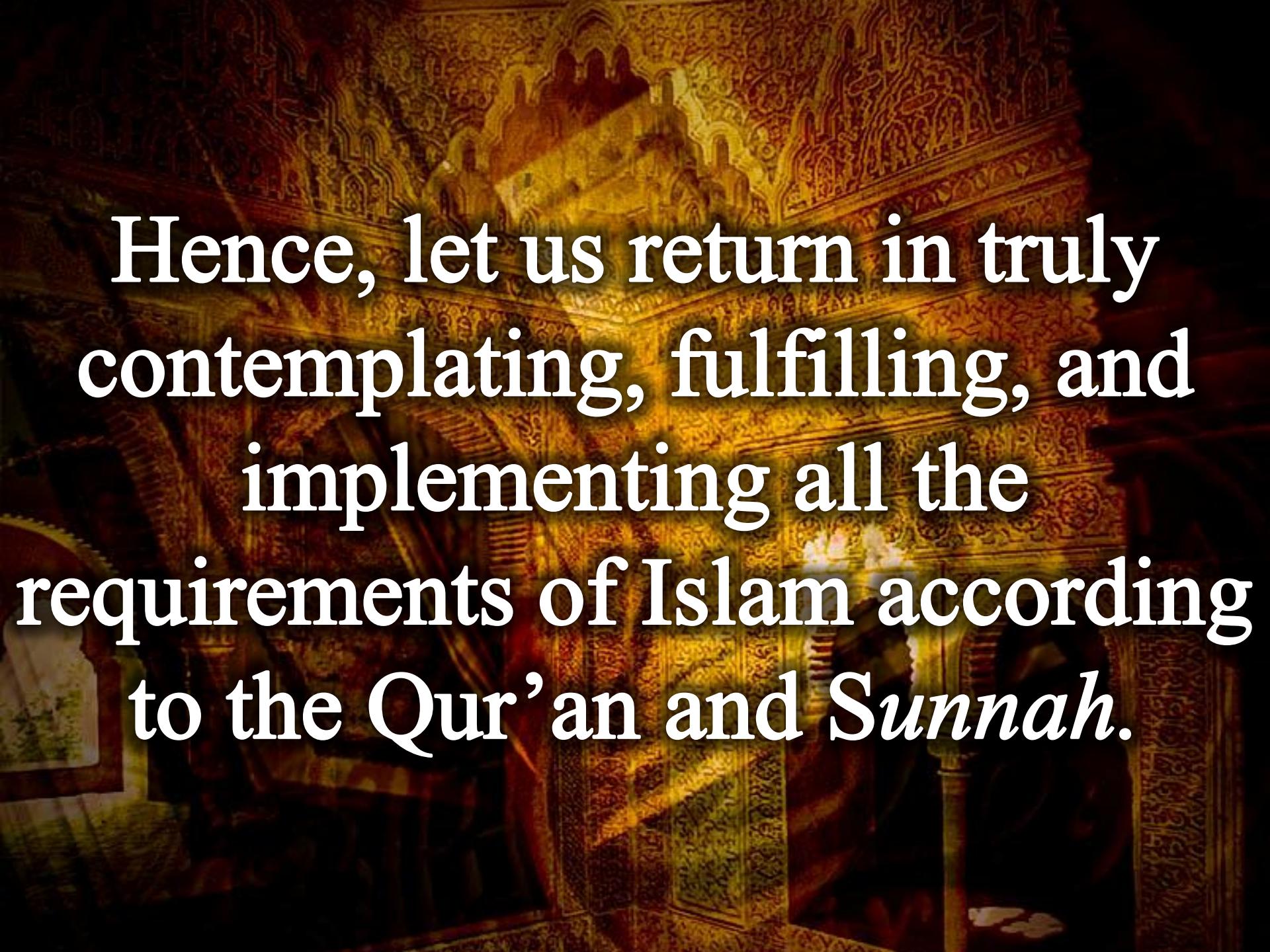
How heedless are these  
Muslims with those intentions  
and rationale while fully  
conscious, when Islam has to be  
fully grasped and embraced  
with proper practice including  
the external and internal  
aspects.

As long as there exist Muslims  
with misconstrued  
understanding wanting to  
separate between religion and  
worldly affairs while idolizing  
un-Islamic ideologies  
originating from the West, East,  
or wherever

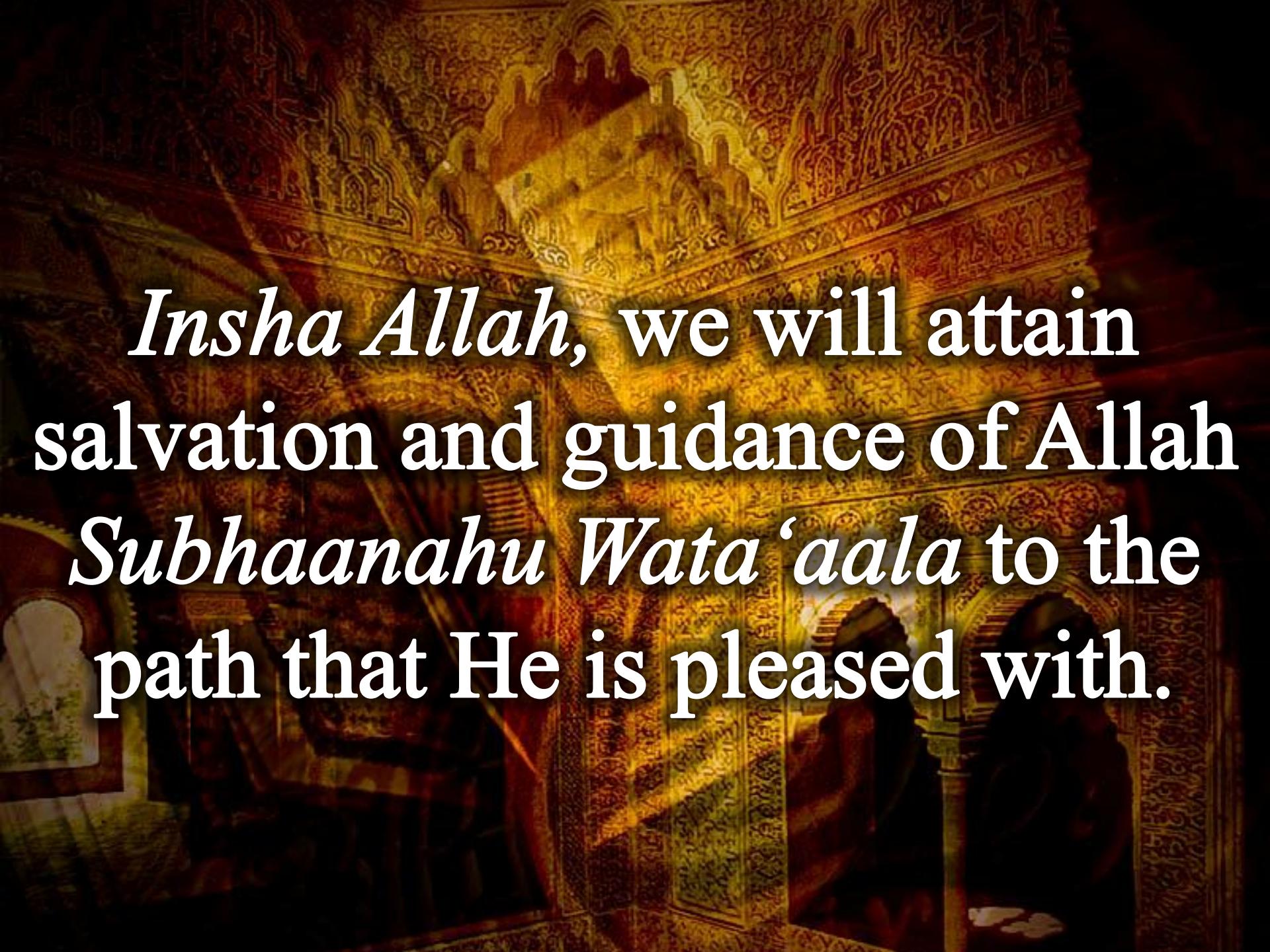
it may be, the Muslim *ummah* will continue to be challenged by these situations. Therefore, every misconception, confusion, ambiguity, and doubts regarding the complete understanding of Islam must be corrected and thoroughly clarified.

Every Muslim who loves the truth and envision for the fulfillment of the complete *Sharee'ah* must be willing to take up continuous *jihaad* in giving advice, correction, and opinion with full wisdom and intelligence.

We should emulate the personality of the Messenger *sallAllaahu 'alayhi wasallam* and his Companions in the practice and defense of the *Sharee'ah* of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala.



Hence, let us return in truly  
contemplating, fulfilling, and  
implementing all the  
requirements of Islam according  
to the Qur'an and Sunnah.



*Insha Allah*, we will attain  
salvation and guidance of Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala* to the  
path that He is pleased with.

“And whoever obeys Allah and the Messenger – those will be with the ones upon whom Allah has bestowed favor of the prophets, the steadfast affirmers of truth,

the martyrs and the righteous.  
And excellent are those as  
companions. That is the bounty  
from Allah, and sufficient is  
Allah as Knower.”

(an-Nisaa’ 4:69–70)

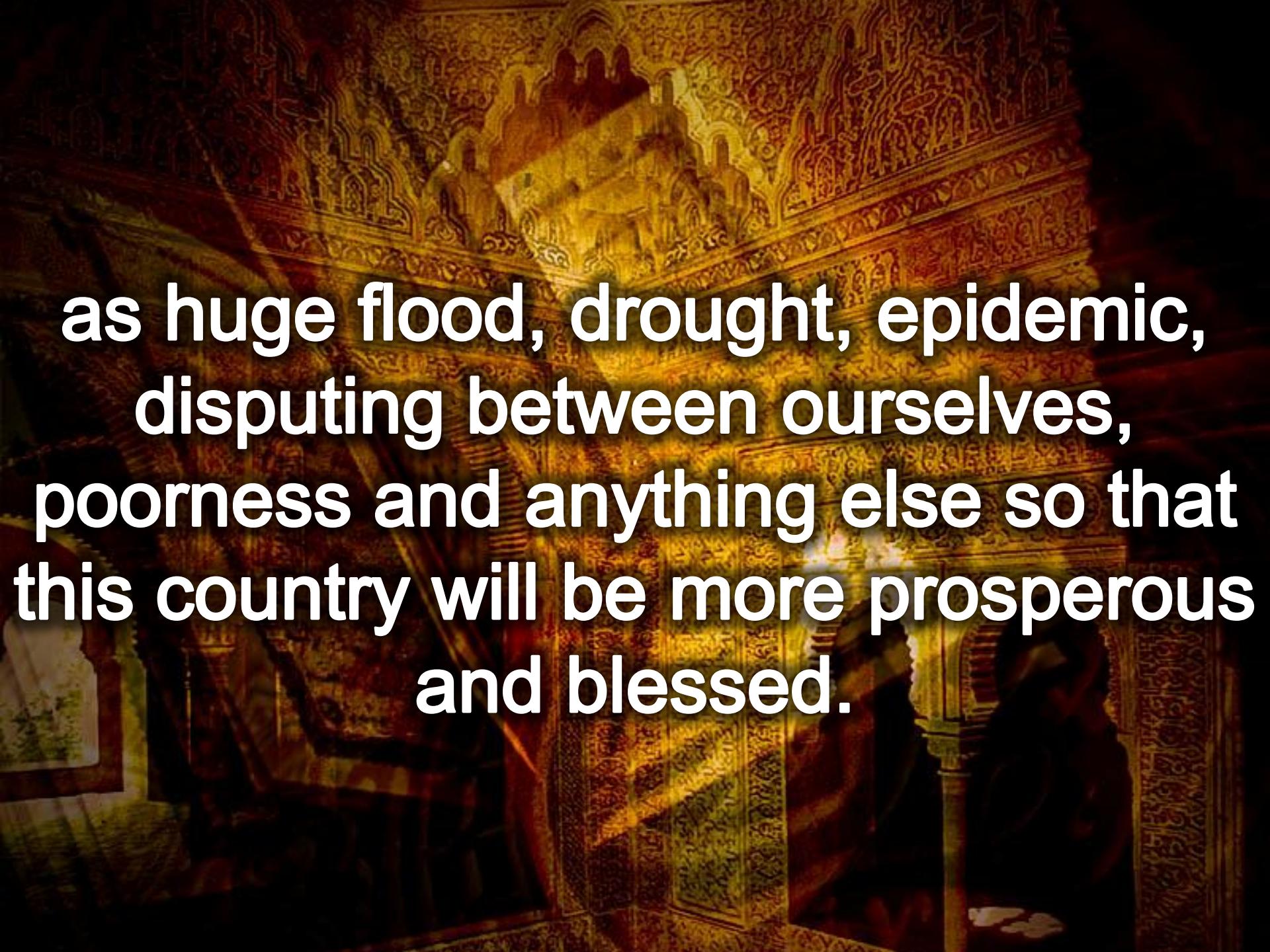
بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي  
وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْأَيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ  
مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاقُتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ  
قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ  
الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ  
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ  
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّجِيمُ

O Allah,

The most merciful god, we thank you for all the mercy and pleasure that you gave so that we can enhance and strengthen our Islamic country especially Selangor as a developed and peaceful country.

O Allah,

We beg you to increase our practice, brace up our unity, give us prosperous life, make us rich with good knowledge, flourish our soul with noble character, bring back our youngsters to the right path, save us from your biggest test such



as huge flood, drought, epidemic,  
disputing between ourselves,  
poorness and anything else so that  
this country will be more prosperous  
and blessed.



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