Chapter Eighteen

Realize that the Shehu arranged these verses in sequence and would explain in the language of those who were present. He would say to them: “Whoever obeys the commands of Allah and avoid His prohibitions will enter Paradise. Allah ta’ala says:

"I will not forsake the reward of those who were excellent in deeds. For these will be Gardens of Ease under which rivers flow. There they will be given bracelets of gold and will wear green robes of silk brocade and gold embroidery. They will recline upon thrones therein. The best of Rewards and excellent the resting place."

Allah ta’ala says:

"These will have a known provision of fruits and they will be honored in Gardens of Delight upon couches facing one another. There will be passed among them a cup from a bright gushing spring which will be delicious to the drinkers and which does not cause headaches nor will they be made unbalanced from it. With them will be women of modest gaze and lovely eyes as if they were hidden pears."

Allah ta’ala says:

"Those who believe in My signs and have surrendered in Islam will enter into Paradise, you and your wives to be made gratified. There will be brought to them trays of gold and cups. Therein will be what all souls desire and whatever eyes find sweet. You will be in it forever. This is the Paradise which you have inherited based upon what you used to do, for you in it will abundant fruits which you will consume.”
Allah ta’ala says:

"Verily those who fear Allah will be in safe places in Gardens and springs. They will be dressed in silk and silk embroidery, facing one another. Even so, and I will marry them to large eyed maidens. They will request every sought of fruit in safety. They will taste death except the first death, for He has saved them from the doom of Hell. This is a bounty from your Lord and this is the Supreme Bounty."

Allah ta’ala says:

"Verily those who fear Allah will be in Gardens and ease enjoying the fruits of what their Lord will give them and their Lord will save them from the punishment of Hell. Therefore, eat and drink as a reward for what you used to do. Reclining upon arranged couches and I will marry them to large eyed maidens. And those who believe and their descendants who followed them in belief, they will meet with their descendants there, and I will not deprive them of anything of their deeds. Every person is a pledge for that which he has earned. I will provide for them fruits and meats which they desire. They will pass between themselves cups which has no vanity or sin. There circulates among them youth who are like guarded pearls. Each of them will encounter one another questioning. They will say: ‘We used to be anxious among our people. Then Allah favored us and saved us from the torment of the breath of the Fire. We used to supplicate Him for He is the Benevolent and the Merciful.’"
Allah ta'ala says:

"...Which of the favors of your Lord can you two deny? Blessed be the name of your Lord, the Mighty and Glorious."
Allah Ta’ala says:

"The foremost are the foremost. These are those who are brought near. In Gardens of Ease. A multitude of those of old and a few of those of later time, on lined couches, reclining therein face to face. There wait on them immortal youths with bowls, containers and cups from a pure spring. From which neither headaches nor derangement occur, and fruits that they prefer and flesh of fowls that they desire. And large eyed maidens like hidden pearls. Reward for what they used to do. They will hear no vain talking or incrimination. Only the saying: Peace. Peace. As for the companions of the right, what are the companions of the right? Among thornless lote trees, clustered plantains and spreading shade and gushing water and abundant fruit, neither out of reach nor forbidden, and there are raised couches. Verily I have made them into a new creation and have made for them virgins who are their lovers and intimate friends for the companions of the right."

Allah Ta’ala says:

"Verily the righteous will drink from cups whose draught is blended with camphor taken from springs. Gushing exceedingly and it will be imbibed by the servants of Allah."

Allah Ta’ala says:

"They will be rewarded Gardens and silk for their patience; reclining therein upon couches which have never seen the severity of the sun or bitter cold. The shade therein will be close upon them and the clustered fruits thereof dip down. Containers of silver are circulated among them and cups as bright as glass, but made from silver which are measured to exact measure. These are watered from a cup whose drink is a
blend of Zanjabil. From the spring therein called Salsabil. They are served by eternal youths whom if seen would look like scattered pearls. If you were to see these favors, then you would see blessings and a huge kingdom. Upon them will be garments of fine green silk and gold embroidery. They will wear bracelets of silver and their Lord will give them to drink a pure beverage.”

**Allah ta’ala says:**

إنَّ الْأَلْتَزَارَ لَفِي نَعْمَٰهُ وَالْعَرْفَ فِي وَجُوُوهُم نَضَرَةَ النَّعْمَٰهُ بِسَفُونَ مِنْ رَحْيَق مُخْتَوْمٍ خَتَامَةً مَسْلِكٍ وَفِي ذَلِكَ فِي بَيْنَاتِهِم المِنْتَدَافِسُونَ وَمُزَاجَةُ مِنْ تَسْمِيَةٍ عَيْبًا يَشْرَبُونَ بِهَا المُقْرَبُونَ

“Verily the righteous will be in ease upon couches gazing. The splendor of serenity will be noticed on their faces. They will be given to drink from sealed wine whose seal will be musk. Let this be what those who contests, vie with one another. Given a drink whose blend is from Tasneem, taken from a spring, imbibed by those who will be brought near.”

**Allah ta’ala says:**

وَجَوَهٍ بِوَمَتِّ نَاعِمَةٍ لِسَعِيَتِهَا رَاضِيَةٍ في جَنَّةٍ عَالِيمَةٍ لَا تَسْمَعُ فِيهَا نَاعِيَةٍ وَفِيهَا عَيْنٌ جَارِيَةٍ وَفِيهَا سَرْرٌ مَرْفُوعٌ وَأَكْوَابٌ مُرْفُوعَةٌ وَنَمَارِقٌ مَسْفُوقَةٌ وَوَزْرَاءٌ مَبَنِئُهَا

“Faces on that Day will be in bliss because of the efforts which were pleasing in the highest Gardens in which no empty talk will be heard; therein will be flowing springs. Therein will be raised couches, placed cups, arranged cushions, and silken carpets spread out.”

After this the Shehu would make supplication for the people and then depart.