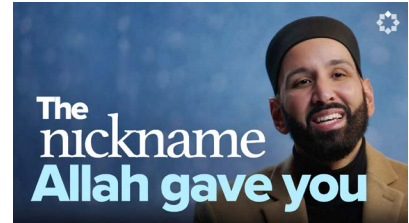


Rewind and reflect

Episode 3

THE
OTHER
SIDE



Summary

Episode 3 explores the idea of “making a name for oneself”. It emphasizes that many people focus on building a reputation on Earth, but the question to ask is what is our name or reputation in the heavens? What is it in the sight of Allah, the angels, and the souls that passed before us? The name given at birth is not the one that defines us—it’s the name we earn through our actions, character, and sincerity. Every moment in this life is a chance to shape that name, to be remembered not for fleeting status, but for righteousness, for standing firm in faith, for being known where it truly counts.

Discussion questions

- 1 Consider the qualities you show in your interactions with others, whether it’s kindness, honesty, or integrity. How would you be described by those who know you best? What do your actions say about you? What changes can you make to ensure that your name in the heavens aligns with the person you aspire to be?
- 2 Do you think it’s possible for someone to appear successful or well-known on Earth but be unknown or even disliked in the heavens? What does this say about the true nature of success?

Application

Apply what you watched in a concrete way to help deepen your understanding.

Think about one action you can take this week to improve your reputation, not just with the people around you, but in the sight of Allah and the angels. It could be something small like helping someone in need, being more patient with others, or improving the way you treat your family. What concrete steps can you take to align your actions with the name and qualities you want to be known for in the heavens?

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Gather family and friends.
2. Watch **The Other Side, Episode 3**.
3. Read through this guide and discuss the questions provided.
4. Reflect, and grow together in faith.
5. Repeat for **all 30 episodes**.

HISTORICAL FIGURES/EVENTS

Umar bin Abdul Aziz

With the people, he was Umar bin Abdul Aziz—the ruler of an empire. But with Allah, his name was Jabir—the one who mends, who heals, who brings comfort. And that’s exactly what he did.

He didn’t just govern; he restored justice to a fractured ummah. He didn’t just hold power; he used it to uplift the weak, return stolen rights, and bring balance to a world drowning in excess. He lived simply, ruled humbly, and left behind a name that still echoes in the heavens.

References

The Prophet ﷺ said: “If you mention Allah to yourself, He makes mention of you to Himself. And if you mention Him in a gathering, He mentions you in a greater gathering.”
[Bukhari and Muslim]

[Prophet], if My servants ask you about Me, I am near. I respond to those who call Me, so let them respond to Me, and believe in Me, so that they may be guided.
[Qu’ran, 2:186]

Storyline connection

Reflect on your own actions when it comes to obligatory acts like wudu and salah. Are your actions closer to Muneer's or Anwar's? Reflect on how you can improve to gain a name for yourself in the Barzakh (e.g., Muneer was "The Pure One").

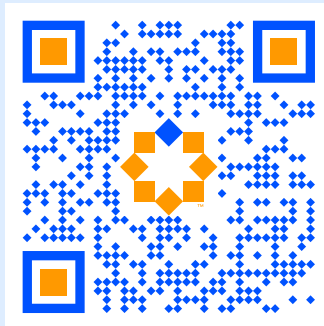
Activity

Heavenly names vision board:

- 1 Write your name at the center of a piece of paper.
- 2 Surround your name with qualities you would like to be known for in the heavens based on good deeds, character traits, or qualities you wish to embody.
- 3 Reflect and develop concrete steps or habits that can help you achieve the qualities you described.

Learn more

Watch this video, discuss, and reflect.
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Parent tip

When discussing this topic with children, focus on the idea that meeting Allah is a beautiful and joyous reunion, like finally seeing a loved one after a long time apart. Explain that this life is a journey where we try our best to be kind, do good deeds, and prepare for that special day. Reassure them that Allah is the Most Loving and the Most Merciful, and He wants us to live in a way that brings us happiness in this world and the next.

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