

Rewind and reflect

Episode 30

THE
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SIDE



Summary

What will your last thought of Allah be? In this final episode of *The Other Side*, we arrive at the heart of it all: *husn adh-dhann billah*—having a good opinion of Allah the moment you meet Him. The Prophet ﷺ taught us that no one enters Paradise by their deeds alone but only through Allah’s mercy. So when everything else falls away, it’s not how many deeds you’ve done—it’s how much you trust Him. Allah didn’t give us Ramadan, Laylatul Qadr, and countless second chances because He wants to punish us. He gave them because He wants to forgive us. You can transform your final moments into a gateway to limitless mercy by believing that Allah’s mercy is greater than any sin you’ve committed. Return to Allah today. Turn your hope into action. Don’t let your last breath be weighed down by fear of your past; let it soar with hope in who He is. For the one who dies with trust in His mercy, the reward is endless bliss.

Storyline connection

Reflect on how the death of Muneer and his mother helped Anwar turn his life around and led him to a good ending.

Discussion questions

- 1 It won’t be our deeds that save us in the next life—it’s Allah’s mercy that we rely on. How does this change the way you live and approach your actions in this world?
- 2 What does it mean to have a “good opinion of Allah” (*husn adh-dhann*)—especially when you’re going through difficult times?

INSTRUCTIONS

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

Husn adh-dhann billah

A good opinion of Allah. It means believing that His mercy outweighs your mistakes, that His promises are true, and that He wants better for you than you could ever want for yourself.

References

Ammar ibn Sayf has said: I saw Al-Hassan ibn Salih in a dream, so I asked: What information can you give us because I have been hoping to meet you? He replied: Rejoice, for I have not seen anything that benefits a believer like having husn adh-dhann in Allah. [Al-Manamat #48]

Say, “[Allah says], My servants who have harmed yourselves by your own excess, do not despair of Allah’s mercy. Allah forgives all sins: He is truly the Most Forgiving, the Most Merciful.” [Qur’an, 39:53]

Say, “Only what Allah has decreed will happen to us. He is our Master: let the believers put their trust in God.” [Qur’an, 9:51]

Application

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

Sincere repentance includes four key steps:

- 1 Stop the sin immediately.
- 2 Feel genuine regret for having done it.
- 3 Ask Allah for forgiveness with sincerity.
- 4 Make a firm intention not to return to it.

If the sin involves the rights of another person, a fifth step is required: return what is owed or seek their forgiveness.

No matter how far you've gone or how often you've fallen, Allah's mercy is vast, and His doors of forgiveness are always open to those who sincerely seek Him.

Activity

Longing to Meet Him

Memorize this *du'a* and make it a regular part of your life:

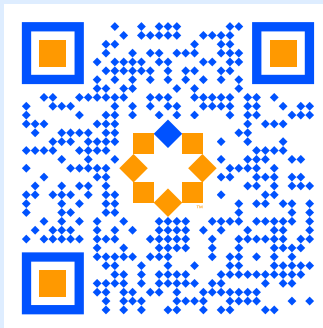
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Allahumma inni as'aluka bard al-'ayshi ba'd al-mawti wa-as'aluka ladhdhat al-nazari ila wajhika wa al-shawqa ila liqa'ika fi ghayri darra'a mudirratin wa-la fitnatin mudillan

Translation: O Allah I ask You for a life of coolness after death. I ask You for the delight of gazing upon Your Face. [And I ask You for] the longing to meet You, but not due to a harmful adversity or fear of a misleading trial. [An-Nasa'i]

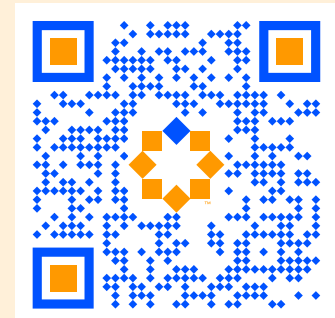
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Parent tip

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.