

THE REMEDY

So if anyone is tested with this type of plotting,⁴⁹ then let him fear Allaah, seek His aid and have patience. For verily, the final good end is for *Taqwaa* (i.e. those who fear and are obedient to Allaah).

This is as Allaah, the Most High, says. After narrating the story of Yoosuf and what befell him from the different types of abuse he received from his brothers in their evil plotting and conspiracy (against him), He says:

وَكَذَلِكَ مَكَّنَّا لِيُوسُفَ فِي الْأَرْضِ

“Thus, did We establish Yoosuf in the land”⁵⁰

And Allaah says, reporting from him that he said to his brothers:

قَالَ أَنَا يُوسُفُ وَهَذَا أَخِي قَدْ مَنَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْنَا

“I am Yoosuf and this is my brother (Benjamin). Allaah has indeed been gracious to us.”⁵¹

And He, the Most High, tells us of story of Moosaa and what befell him and his people from the abuse they received at the hands of Pharaoh and his evil planning, and that he (Moosaa) said (to his followers):

قَالَ مُوسَىٰ لِقَوْمِهِ اسْتَعِينُوا بِاللَّهِ وَاصْبِرُوا إِنَّ الْأَرْضَ لِلَّهِ يُورِثُهَا مَنْ يَشَاءُ مِنْ عِبَادِهِ ۗ وَالْعَاقِبَةُ لِلْمُتَّقِينَ

“Seek help in Allaah and be patient. Verily, the earth belongs to Allaah. He gives it to whom He wills of His servants. And the final (good) end is for those who have *Taqwaa*”⁵²

⁴⁹ Meaning he is tested by it at the hands of someone else.

⁵⁰ Surah Yoosuf: 21

⁵¹ Surah Yoosuf: 90

⁵² Surat-ul-A'raaf: 128

Furthermore, Allaah informed us that the bad consequences of evil plotting fall back upon the one who plotted the evil (in the first place), as He says:

وَلَا يَحِيقُ الْمَكْرُ السَّيِّئُ إِلَّا بِأَهْلِهِ ۗ

“But the evil plot encompasses only he who makes it.”⁵³

And Allaah says:

وَكَذَلِكَ جَعَلْنَا فِي كُلِّ قَرْيَةٍ أَكْبَرًا مُجْرِمِيهَا لِيَمْكُرُوا
فِيهَا وَمَا يَمْكُرُونَ إِلَّا بِأَنْفُسِهِمْ وَمَا يَشْعُرُونَ

“And thus We have set up in every town, great ones of its wicked people to plot therein. But they plot not except against their own selves, yet they perceive not.”⁵⁴

Furthermore, the actual facts also bear witness to this. For indeed, if someone carefully investigates the information of the people and the history of the world, he will come upon occurrences where someone plotted against his brother, but the plot fell back onto him. And astonishingly that served as a means for his salvation and deliverance

And if we were to mention some of the events that did occur with regard to that, this book would be prolonged and the talk would be lengthened. Thus, Allaah is the One who grants what is correct and it is upon Him to explain the correct Way. And He is sufficient for us and the best of Guardians. May the peace and blessings of Allaah be upon Muhammad, his family and his companions.

⁵³ Surah Faatir: 43

⁵⁴ Surat-ul-An'aam: 123