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## Beasts of prey, vermin and the devils

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the Name of Allaah the most Kind the most Merciful

Shaykh Ibn Uthaymeen (رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ)<sup>1</sup> said, “There is no doubt there is evil/harm in predatory animals, vermin which bite and sting and the devils, but Allaah’s creation of these evil/harmful things is not evil but pure good and wisdom necessitates this [fact], because it is not possible for you to know the perfection of Allaah’s Power except through the creation of things opposite in nature, additionally by creating these things there is much good in terms of the rectification of the servant and [his] turning back to his Lord and seeking refuge with Him from these evil/harmful things—and good is only known by its opposites.”<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> (رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

<sup>2</sup> Tafseer Soorah Aali-Imraan, vol. 1, p. 159.