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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

Question: "Please explain to us the meaning of having good thoughts about Allaah."

Shaykh Muhammad bin Saalih al-'Uthaymeen (May Allaah have mercy upon him): "Having good thoughts about Allaah is that when a person does a righteous deed, he has good thoughts about his Lord, that He will accept it from him. When he supplicates to Allaah, the Mighty and Majestic, he has good thoughts about Allaah that He will accept from him his supplication and respond to it. When he commits a sin and then repents to Allaah and gives up that sin, he has good thoughts about Allaah that He will accept his repentance. And when Allaah, Exalted is He, allows calamities to take place in the world, he has good thoughts about Allaah, that He, The Majestic and Most High, only lets these calamities occur for a great and huge wisdom. He has good thoughts about Allaah with regards to whatever Allaah, The Mighty and Majestic, decrees in this world and with regards to everything that Allaah, Exalted is He, has legislated upon the tongue of His Messenger, may peace and blessings be upon him; that it is something good and a benefit for all of the creation, even if some people are unable to comprehend this benefit and are unable to comprehend the wisdom behind what He has legislated. However, it is upon all of us to submit to the decree of Allaah, Exalted is He; the legislative and the universal, and that we have good thoughts about Him because He, Glorified and Exalted is He, is the One deserving of all praise and glorification. Yes."

السوال: اشرحوا لنا حسن الظن بالله؟

جواب الشيخ بن عثيمين رحمه الله: حسن الظن بالله أن الإنسان إذا عمل عملا صالحا يحسن الظن بربه أنه سيقبل منه. إذا دعا الله عز وجل يحسن الظن بالله أنه سيقبل منه دعاءه ويستجيب له. إذا أذنب ذنبا ثم تاب إلى الله ورجع من ذلك الذنب يحسن الظن بالله أنه سيقبل توبته. إذا أجرى الله تعالى في الكون مصائب يحسن الظن بالله وأنه جل وعلا إنما أحدث هذه المصائب لحكم عظيمة بالغة. يحسن الظن بالله في كل ما يقدره الله عز وجل في هذا الكون وفي كل ما شرعه الله تعالى على الله على الله على الله على الله على الله على الله عليه وعلى آله وسلم بأنه خير ومصلحة للخلق وإن كان بعض الناس لا يدرك هذه المصلحة ولا يدرك تلك الحكمة مما شرع ولكن علينا جميعا التسليم بقضاء الله تعالى شرعا وقدرا وأن نحسن به الظن لأنه سبحانه وتعالى أهل الثناء والمجد. نعم