

Why Allaah Decrees Wars and Catastrophes

First Khutbah

All perfect praise is due to Allaah; I testify that there is nothing worthy of worship except

Allaah and Muhammad is His Servant and Messenger, upon whom may Allaah send salutatio

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Allaah clarifies the wisdom behind Jihaad when He says: “And fight them until there is no fi

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Why did Allaah create life and death? He answers by saying; “He [i.e., Allaah] who create

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Creating opposites proves the perfect and complete ability of Allaah, for example the creation of darkness and light, day and night, Satan who is the symbol of all evil, and *Jibreel*

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Disasters and hardships expiate sins; a slave is not rescued from the Hellfire due to his good deeds, but rather due to the deeds he has done in the past. (After the mercy of Allah);

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