CHAPTER 9

THE ABSOLUTE AND ULTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF ALLAH (SWT)

In Surat Luqman, verses #10 and #11 ALLAH (SWT) Says "He Has Created the heavens without pillars that you can see and Laid solid foundations in the earth so it does not give way beneath you and Has Raised in it animals of all kinds and We Have Sent down rain from the heaven and Produced in it (the earth) decent pairs of every kind. <u>This is the creation of ALLAH</u>, so show me what others than Him have created, but the transgressors are in great illusion".

ALLAH (SWT) Has Created everything, the heavens, the earth and what in them. Not only He Knows every minute details about His creation, but He also Knows all the dynamics and the actions of His creation since the beginning of the creation till judgment day and beyond. In many verses in the Holy Qur'an ALLAH (SWT) Says that He is The most knowledgeable "Al Aleem", The most expert "Al Khabeer", and The most wise "Al Hakeem". His knowledge, expertise and wisdom are beyond the comprehension of the human mind. In order to have a glimpse of ALLAH'S absolute and ultimate knowledge let's go through the verses in the Holy Qur'an which present such knowledge.

NOTHING IS HIDDEN FROM ALLAH (SWT)

In Surat Ale Imran (The Family Of Imran), verse #5 ALLAH (SWT) Says "Verily, to ALLAH nothing is hidden from Him in the earth or in the heaven".

In Surat Ibraheem (Abraham), verse #38 ALLAH (SWT) Says "O our Lord ! truly Thou Dost Know what we conceal and what we reveal, for nothing whatever is hidden from ALLAH whether in the earth or in the heaven".

In Surat Yunus (Jonah), verse #61 ALLAH (SWT) Says "In whatever business you may be doing and whatever you may be reciting from a reading material and not a deed you may be involved in unless We are Witnesses on you, and nothing is hidden from Thy Lord, the weight of a very tiny particle (an atom) in the earth or in the heaven, even smaller than that or larger but in a comprehensive book (record)".

In Surat Al Anbiya'a (The Prophets) verse #47 ALLAH (SWT) Says "and We Shall Set up the scales of justice for the day of judgment, so that not a soul will be dealt with unjustly in the least, and if there be (no more than) the weight of a mustard seed We Will Bring it (to account) and enough are We to Take account".

In Surat Al Hajj (The Pilgrimage) verse #70 ALLAH (SWT) Says "Do not you know that ALLAH Knows what is in the heaven and the earth, indeed it is all in a record, and that is easy for ALLAH".

In Surat Al Naml (The Ants) verse #75 ALLAH (SWT) Says "nor is there aught of the unseen in the heaven or the earth but is in a comprehensive book (record)".

In Surat Luqman verse #16 ALLAH (SWT) Says "O my son! (said Luqman) if there be (but) a weight of a mustard seed and it were (hidden) in a rock or (any where) in the heavens or in the earth, ALLAH Will Bring it forth, for ALLAH The Most Kind, The Most Expert".

In Surat Saba'a (Sheba) verses #2 and #3 ALLAH (SWT) Says "He Knows what moves through the earth and what comes out thereof, and what comes down from the heaven and what moves through it and He Is The Most Merciful, Most Forgiving. And the unbelievers said "never to us will come the hour (judgment day)" say "nay! it will come to you (for sure)" He Knows the unseen, from Whom is not hidden the weight of an atom (a very tiny particle) in the heavens nor in the earth, even smaller than that or larger, but is in a comprehensive book (record)". In Surat Ghafer (Who Forgives) verse #19 ALLAH (SWT) Says "He Knows the hidden glimpse of the eyes and what the chests conceal (what is inside the people' hearts)".

In Surat Al Taghabun verse #4 ALLAH (SWT) Says "He Knows what is in the heavens and the earth, and He Knows what you conceal and what you reveal, for ALLAH Is The Most Knowledgeable of what is in the chests (what is inside the people' hearts)".

ALLAH (SWT) KNOWS EVERYTHING, THE PAST, THE PRESENT AND THE FUTURE

In Surat Al Ana'am (The domestic animals), verse #59 ALLAH (SWT) Says "and He Has the keys of the unseen, none knows it but He, and He Knows what on the land and in the sea, not a leaf falls but He Knows about it, and not a grain in the darkness (depth) of the earth nor any thing wet or dry but in a very comprehensive book (record)".

In Surat Hood (Prophet Hood), verse #6 ALLAH (SWT) Says "There is not a single animal on the earth but its sustenance depends on ALLAH, and He Knows the place of its abode and its temporary deposit, all is in a comprehensive book (record)".

In Surat Hood, verse #56 ALLAH (SWT) Says "I (Prophet Hood) have put my trust in ALLAH, my Lord and your Lord, there is not an animal but He Has Grasp of its forelock, verily it is my Lord that is on a straight path".

In Surat Fusselat (Detailed) verse #47 ALLAH (SWT) Says "to Him is referred the knowledge of the hour (judgment day), and not a fruit comes out of its sheath nor does a female conceive and deliver (a baby) but by His Knowledge, and at the day (judgment day) when He (ALLAH) Will Propound to them "where are My partners? [what the unbelievers claim during their lifetime]" they said "we do assure Thee not one of us can bear witness"".

THE INFINITE RESOURCES OF ALLAH (SWT)

In Surat Al Hijr verse #21 ALLAH (SWT) Says "and there is not a thing but its (sources) treasures (inexhaustible) are with Us, but We only send down thereof in due and ascertainable measures".

In Surat Al Kahf (The Cave) verse #109 ALLAH (SWT) Says "if the ocean were ink wherewith to write out the words of my Lord, sooner would the ocean be exhausted than would the words of my Lord, even if we added another ocean like it for its aid".

In Surat Luqman verse #27 ALLAH (SWT) Says "and if all the trees on the earth were pens and the ocean (were ink) with seven oceans behind it to add to (as an additional supply) the words of ALLAH would not be exhausted (in writing), for ALLAH Is Exalted in power, Full of Wisdom".

From the above cited verses it is seen that ALLAH'S knowledge is far beyond the imagination of the human mind. He Has not only Created the heavens and the earth and what within, but also He Has a complete and a comprehensive knowledge of all the past, present and future activities of His creation. Not even the smallest speck of matter (the tiniest sub-nuclear particle) in the heavens and the earth but He Has a complete knowledge of. He Knows all what His living creatures [the angels, the jinns, the humans, ...] reveal and what they conceal. Nothing in the heavens and the earth is hidden from Him.

In the verses cited above, verse #109 from Surat Al Kahf (The Cave) and verse #27 from Surat Luqman "the <u>words</u> of my Lord and the <u>words</u> of ALLAH" means the <u>creation</u> of ALLAH (SWT). This shows that the creation of ALLAH (SWT) is infinite and unlimited. Indeed, just look at the earth as a created entity and at the creatures living on it (humans, animals, insects, plants, etc.). The earth is a very tiny object in our solar system. Our solar system is a very tiny object in our own galaxy (the Milky Way), our galaxy is a very tiny object in the lowest heaven (the universe) and there are bigger upper six heavens surrounding the lowest heaven [see Chapter 3]. This is in addition to the unknown (to us humans) of ALLAH'S Kingdom beyond the seven heavens.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

- Nothing in the heavens and the earth is hidden from ALLAH (SWT).
- ALLAH (SWT) Has a complete knowledge of His creation. The detailed information of every thing in the heavens and the earth (even those of the tiniest sub-nuclear particles anywhere in the heavens and the earth) are kept in a comprehensive record.
- ALLAH (SWT) Knows all what His living creatures (angels, jinns, humans, etc.) reveal and what they conceal.
- ALLAH (SWT) Knows all what happens to His creation all the time. Not a leaf in a tree (anywhere on the earth or in the heavens) falls but He Knows about. He Knows all what moves through the earth (on it or beneath its surface) and all what moves through the heaven. Not a single tiniest particle (the tiniest sub-nuclear particle) whether on land or in the seas but ALLAH (SWT) Has complete knowledge of.
- ALLAH (SWT) Has complete control over all His creation (live creatures and others). Nothing is brought to this life (new born of all species) without His knowledge.
- If all the trees on the surface of the earth were pens and all the oceans of the earth were ink to write with, those would not be enough to register the creation of ALLAH even if more oceans were added to them.