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The Answer:

'It is upon a person to believe in the Qada of Allaah and His Qadr\(^1\), so he is patient with hardship and grateful to Allaah and praises Him in prosperity, it is upon a person to believe that Allaah disseminated Rizq (provisions) amongst His slaves, and Allaah made a distinction between them in their appointed times and their actions, while they were fetuses in their mothers' wombs, and Allaah has a wisdom in that what He commands and destines.

It is upon every Muslim to ascribe to Allaah -Subhanahu- blessings and the abundant (Rizq) provision which the creation is trialed with.

It afflicts superiority with destiny and being successful for it, and ascribe what afflicts him what is excluded from that to the Qada of Allaah and his Qadr, and this is from implementing of Tawheed Ruboobeeyah, and it is obligatory for a Muslim to distance himself from what defames his Aqeedah and his Tawheed, so goodness, blessings or relief from afflictions and punishment are not ascribed to luck and lucky stars indeed that is not allowed.

Success is with Allaah, may Allaah send praise & peace upon our prophet Muhammad, upon his family and his Companions.

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\(^1\) A Definition of al-Qadr and al-Qadaa’

‘Al-Qadr is the ‘ability of Allaah’ where He knew, wrote, willed and created all things in due proportion before and according to a precise measure. Allaah knew all that will happen before bringing it to existence and according to predestined proportions and measures which Allaah had written in a Book called al-Lowhal Mahfoodh (The Preserved Tablet).

Al-Qadaa’ is the perfectly precise execution and accomplishment of all things predestined to occur exactly in accordance with Allaah’s previous knowledge, Writing and Will.'