

STANDPOINT OF REPUDIATORS OF SAYINGS OF HOLY PROPHET (PBUH) RESPECTING THE EXISTENCE OF PARADISE AND INFERNO

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ABSTRACT

God Almighty being benignant and merciful sent Muhammad (P.B.U.H) to a nation with His Holy Book (Quran) so that people may not go astray and follow the right path. All the command of Allah Almighty refer to and allude to the Holy traditions of Prophet Muhammad and these traditions are flawless and perfect. Paradise, Signifies a garden, a dwelling place/an abode of good, faithful people who are true to their creator they live over their. Inferno where the infidels, wicked and traitors of Allah will find their place to live and shall receive condign, deserved punishment for their wrongdoings. An attempt has been made in this research paper to prove and analyze the paradise and inferno according to Holy Quran and Sunnah.

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THE STAND POINTS OF REPUDIATORS REGARDING THE SAYINGS OF PROPHET (PBUH)

Paradise & Inferno/hell are the two different places where the nobles & the wrongdoers will receive their compensation for good doing and for their wrongdoings if any, and only God knows better. We the human-beings only know the qualities of paradise & hell and the holy Prophet has further elucidated through his sayings as what is meant by paradise & hell.

Repudiators of holy sayings of Prophet can be grouped up into three categories.

1. Abdullah & his followers are of the view that paradise & hell are in fact two different places for living they will appear on the day of resurrection/ the doomsday. Their physical appearance at present is out

of place at present. Now, they are nonentity. It is an established fact that all the acts of Allah Almighty are not without any good points. (Chakralvi, 1906).

2. Hafiz Aslam, Syed Maqbool & his followers are of the view that paradise and hell are two different qualities of boon & ire of Allah. These are two allegorical kinds of a thing. At the time holy Quran was revealed, people knew paradise & hell. Later on boon of Allah & ire of Allah were interpreted differently. New dimensions of definitions came forth regarding paradise & hell, like the burning of fire does not match the burning of the body, it rather means labour or trouble which a person experiences at the time of fire burning. (Ahmad, 1952).

3. Pervez Khaja Ahmed Din, Jafer Shah Bilwar & his followers maintain, concept of paradise and hell is a method or a way. Progress of life is the life of paradise & no progress of life is the life of hell. Thus, paradise or hell are not the ultimate part of life which we experience after death rather it is an early stage of life. One point leads to another point. This is called progress. Thus, life of paradise and