

161188 - She is asking about the ruling on drinking water over which Soorah Ya-Seen has been recited in order to treat doubts

the question

I have certain doubts and in need of clarification. I am constantly feeling loss, lack of clarity and anxiety. I am also experiencing monthly migraine and I have seek medical blood test result etc to see if I have any medical problems e.g Thyroid but I am free from any problems alhamdullilah.

I was told that maybe drinking "Yasin Water" may help me from feeling and experiencing this problem. I am really depressed by this feeling cloudy in my head and have turned to doa and prayers.

Do you have any advice for me to get away from this feeling?.

Detailed answer

Before discussing the shar‘i ruling, we advise you of that which will help you to overcome the pain and get through the trial in the best way that the believer can resort to, along with patience, and trying to forget it by focusing on something else, and taking steady and patient steps towards a remedy and not giving up or getting tired of doing so, and not feeling frustrated by failure or by the slowness of results. Allah, may He be glorified and exalted, is wise in all that He does.

Everyone in this world should prepare himself to face calamities and be exposed to all kinds of tests. This is the way of this transient world which is full of trials and tribulations. Allah, may He be glorified and exalted, says (interpretation of the meaning):

“And certainly, We shall test you with something of fear, hunger, loss of wealth, lives and fruits, but give glad tidings to As. Saabiroon (the patient).

156. Who, when afflicted with calamity, say: ‘Truly, to Allaah we belong and truly, to Him we shall return.’

157. They are those on whom are the Salawaat (i.e. who are blessed and will be forgiven) from their Lord, and (they are those who) receive His Mercy, and it is they who are the guided ones”

[al-Baqarah 2:155-157].

The believer always remembers the mercy of Allah, may He be glorified and exalted, and he does not despair of attaining the generosity of his Lord with healing and response to his supplication, even if it is after a while. He looks at the tragedies of people around him, including the poor who cannot find a mouthful of food, the sick person who is in agonising pain at every moment, those who have been driven from their homes, prisoners who are being tortured, those who are tested with their wives and children, those who are afraid in their own homelands, and the long list of various kinds of trials and tribulations. The one who ponders all that will realise that he cannot escape the necessity of patience. So let it be the patience of contentment, which is better than the patience of compulsion; this is the patience for which Allah decrees reward. Although the Messengers and Prophets – who were the dearest and most beloved of mankind to Allah, may He be glorified and exalted – were faced with calamities and trials that went on for a long time, that did not lead them to give up and despair of the mercy of Allah. Nooh (peace be upon him) remained among his people for a thousand years less fifty (i.e., 950 years) during which they accused him and resisted him. Ya‘qoob and Yoosuf (peace be upon him) were tested with a lengthy separation until Ya‘qoob (peace be upon him) became blind. Moosa (peace be upon him) was thrown out of his country and fled from it in fear. Zakariya and Yahya (peace be upon them) were killed by the Children of Israel. The people of ‘Eesa (peace be upon him) wanted to crucify him and Allah raised him to Himself. Muhammad (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) was expelled by his people from his land; they reviled him and insulted him and wanted to kill him. And the list is longer than that. If you want to know more about that, look in the Book of Allah and ponder the meanings of the verses that you read, and you will find the best consolation in that.

So let us – weak slaves – not be hasty in seeking relief from harm; let us do our duty of bearing it with patience and contentment, and let us put our trust in Allah, may He be glorified and exalted, for He is the Most Wise Who disposes of all the affairs of this world as He wills.

This does not mean that one cannot seek help by means of Islamically acceptable ruqyah in which Allah may decree there is healing. Allah, may He be glorified and exalted, says (interpretation of the meaning): “And We send down of the Qur’ân that which is a healing and a mercy to those who believe (in Islâmic Monotheism and act on it), and it increases the Zâlimûn (polytheists and wrong-doers) nothing but loss” [al-Isra’ 17:82].

Al-‘Allaamah Muhammad al-Ameen al-Shanqeeti (may Allah have mercy on him) says:

The fact that it is a healing includes the heart and all its diseases (i.e., spiritual diseases), such as doubt, hypocrisy and so on, as well as healing for physical diseases if it is used in ruqya, as is indicated by the story of the one who did ruqya for the man who had been stung by a scorpion by reciting al-Faatihah. The report is saheeh and is well known.

End quote from Adwa’ al-Bayaan, 3/253.

But singling out specific verses or a specific soorah such as Soorat Ya-Seen, for specific diseases and specifying a particular number of times it should be recited or certain times for reciting these verses or soorahs – none of this is the Sunnah of the Prophet (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) and there is no shar‘i evidence to support it. Rather we are afraid that the one who does that will fall into innovation (bid‘ah). This has been discussed previously on our website in the answer to question no. 123155

With regard to drinking water over which Soorat Ya-Seen has been recited several times when he does not believe that it has any particular virtue, there is nothing wrong with that, although it would have been better to perform ruqyah with that which is proven according to shar‘i evidence, such as reciting over the water Soorat al-Faatihah, al-Mi‘wadhatayn, Aayat al-Kursiy and other passages that have been discussed on our website under the heading of Ruqya, such as question no. [3476](#).

There have also been a number of answers on our website which suggest some means of dealing with doubts and waswaas (whispers from the Shaytaan) that may cross one's mind and be difficult to dispel. Please see the following questions: [62839](#), and [102851](#) .

And Allah knows best.