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*Humanity-climax of reason*

Everything has its climax and the climax of reason is humility.

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*Ignorant person - God has put fear to who  
do not exercise their reason*

☞“God has put fear of His chastisement in the hearts of the people who do not act with reason and understanding to the affect, then we destroyed the others and you pass by them in the morning and in the night; will you not understand?” ( al-Safat, 37: 136-138) ☞

*Ignorant person- to censure those who do not  
exercise their reason in Koran*

☞“God has censured those who do not exercise their reason with the words; and when it is said unto them , follow what God has sent down. They say: no! but will follow such things as we found our fathers doing . what? And if their fathers had no understanding of anything, and if they were not guided?” (The holy Quran al-baqare,2:170) ☞

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### *Man of reason-characteristics of man of reason*

The wise man never lies, in spite of his desire to do so.

### *Man of reason-characteristics*

a man of reason is not only grateful to God for his lawful (means of living) nor does the (attraction of ) unlawful gains wear out his patience. a man of reason is also grateful to God for His spiritual bounties.

### *Man of reason-characteristics of man of reason*

Since one who acts with reason remains contented over what suffices his genuine and whoever is contented over what suffices his needs becomes actually rich and without want and he who is not satisfied with what is enough for him can never be contented.

### *Man of reason-characteristics of man of reason*

1. He replies only when he is questioned
2. Speaks when others are silent
3. Advices what is suitable for good of a person
4. One who has none of these qualities is stupid

### *Majority-God has censured majority*

☞“God has censured majority as a criterion of truth with the words, and if thou behest the most part of those on earth they will lead thou astray from the path of God” (The holy Quran al-Anam , 6:116) ☞

## *Minority- paradise the minority in Koran*

☞ *“God has praised the minority with the world: few of my bond men are thankful.” (The holy Quran Saba, 34:13)* ☞



*Proofs for mankind-external proof is prophets,  
internal proof is reason*

God has given two proofs for the guidance of mankind- the explicit and the implicit. The explicit and external proof is in the form of prophets, divine messengers and the Imams (divinely appointed guides); and the implicit and the internal proof is in the form of reasoning and understanding.

*People of reason-sign for a people to understand*

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*People of reason- mention about the people of  
reason*

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*People of reason- God has counseled the people  
of reason in Koran*

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*People of reason- Almighty God has given  
good news to the people of reason*

The Almighty God has given good news to the people of reason and understanding to this effect.

*Paradise- Value of human race*

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## *Reason- alliance reason with knowledge*

Remember that reason is in alliance with knowledge

## *Reason- characteristics of full reason*

Of all the observance and devotions offered to God the best one is of and by (the people) reason. Reason of a person does not reach perfection unless it possesses some specific characteristics.

- The characteristics are :
1. It gives immunity against disbelief and evil
  2. virtues and true guidance is expected to flow from such a man ( of reason)
  - 3.he expends his superfluous wealth in good deeds
  - 4.he protects himself from irresponsible gossips
  - 5.his share in the worldly life amounts to what is needed for his subsistence
  - 6.he is never fed up with knowledge through his life
  - 7.humiliation in pursuit of (...) God is dared to him than any honor in pursuit of things other than God,
  8. humanity is dearer to him than any dignity

9. he regards the little good of others to him as much and the good from him to others as little

10. he regards all the people as better than himself and regards himself in the heart of his heart as of little consequence this is the climax

*Reason- sign for power of reason*

To be patient in loneliness is a sign of the power of reason

*Reason- sign for climax of reason*

The climax of intellect and reason to restrain yourself from doing harm to others.

*Reason - reason of undone reason*

To allow the reason to be dominated by excessive hopes and expectations

To allow highest of wisdom to be dominated by excessive utterance so allow his admonition light to be extinguished ( to be dominated ) by carnal desire

*Reasoning- result of acquire reason from God*

One who acquires from God ... has succeeded in keeping himself aloof from people of the world and from those who are lost in worldly life such a man turns his attention to what God holds instead of what people have. The result of all this is that God Himself becomes his solace in his discomfiture, and ally in his loneliness, wealth in his poverty and his honor without the backing of any life.

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*Silence- indicator of thoughtfulness*

The symbol of thoughtfulness is silence

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*Thought- indicator of reason*

Man's thoughtfulness is the hall-mark of his reason

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*Virtuous conduct- value of learned man virtuous  
conduce*

Virtuous conduct a learned man, though limited , is acceptable (to God) at many times its value on the contrary , virtuous conduct of a greedy, lustful and ignorant person is totally rejected

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*World- characteristic of world and rescue path  
of that*

This world is like an unfathomable ocean in which many a creation had drowned. Make therefore the fear of God your boat in this ocean ; your faith , the main plank of the boat; reliance on God as its Sails; the reason as its rower; knowledge as its captain and patience as its anchor.



*Wisest among men-modest vis-à-vis the Truth*

Luqman the sage counseled his son: if you bow before the Truth and the Inevitable , you will be the wisest among men, since a wise man treats himself as of little account before the truth and the inevitable.

*Wisdom - wisdom means understanding and reasoning*

God has said: indeed we gave Luqman wisdom. Wisdom means understanding and reasoning.

*Wisdom- God power (authority ) for giving the Wisdom*

❁ ***“He gives the wisdom to whom so ever He will and who is given the wisdom , has been given much good; yet none remembers but men possessed of minds” (The holy Quran al-baqare, 2: 269)*** ❁

## *Book Introduction*

### *An Introduction To An-Nihayah*

**Abstract:** *An-Nahayah* is a book of shia laws gathered by sheikh al-tousi which has been translated into English by Dr.Ezzati. This part of book introduction actually can be divided into different sections: in first part the great author of the book is introduced. In the second part the translator is introduced and an interview with his is in the following. Then the book is introduced and finally a review over the book is included.