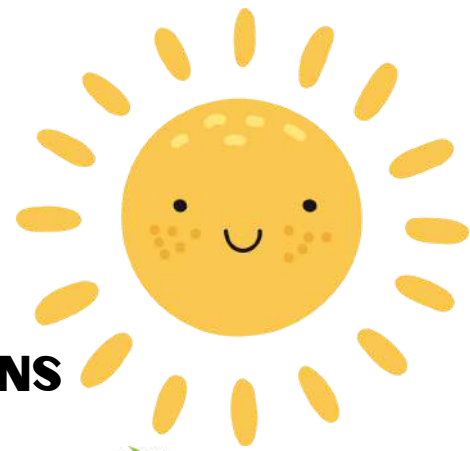




Nur ul Quran

THE OWNER OF THE TWO GARDENS





It was narrated in Surah Al-Kahf that a man had two beautiful gardens. These two gardens had great palms and grapes which never ran short and had a running river in between.

One day, the owner of the gardens met a friend of his and started showing off and saying in pride: "I have greater money than you have, and I am more honorable and powerful" His friend reminded him of Allah and said: "How dare you deny Allah's favors and disbelieve in Allah who created you out of dust till you became a uniform human being?!" The man continued reminding the owner of the gardens that Allah is his lord, the creator, and the sustainer of everything, he deserves to be praised and worshiped alone without partners.

When the owner of the gardens rejected the advice and insisted on his shirk, his friend told him that Allah can take away his gardens and punish him by making them as dry and unfruitful as a desert. At a glance, all the fruits, trees, and gardens were gone! The man regretted what he did and blamed himself!

The learned lessons:

Don't show off in front of people. Praise Allah for his blessings.

Source: Surah Al-Kahf, verses: 32-44.

