

The Name of Allah Al-Sittir

It means

1. Our physical Awra should be covered.
 2. We keep our personal sins private and we don't tell others.
 3. We don't inform other people about the private sins of others that we have seen. (Exception of crimes that has to do with the rights of others).
 4. To feel deep love and appreciation for Allah who is covering all of our sins.
- The Name of Allah Al-Sittir is not found in Quran, it is found in Hadith.
 - The verb Satara means cover up.
 - Al-Sittir is the one who covers up the shame over and over again. Even though we don't deserve the cover but Allah is doing it.
 - Al-Sittir is the one who covers up the faults and the sins and the shortcomings of the servants so that they are hidden from one another.
 - The one who is doing the covering is well aware of what is being covered
 - Allah is well aware of the sins of the people and he is KAFI sufficient to keep up with tracking the sins.

Isra'a (17)

{17} وَكَمْ أَهْلَكْنَا مِنَ الْقُرُونِ مِنْ بَعْدِ نُوحٍ وَكَفَىٰ بِرَبِّكَ بِذُنُوبِ عِبَادِهِ خَبِيرًا بَصِيرًا

How many generations have We destroyed after Nuh? And enough is thy Lord to note and see the sins of His servants.

Al-Forqan (25)

{58} وَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى الْحَيِّ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ وَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِهِ وَكَفَىٰ بِهِ بِذُنُوبِ عِبَادِهِ خَبِيرًا

And put thy trust in Him Who lives and dies not; and celebrate His praise; and enough is He to be acquainted with the faults of His servants;

- We are sinners to the highest degree. Backbiting, dosing of during prayer, feeling too lazy to pray, postpone the time of prayer, seeing haram things in TV, looking down to others, feeling of superiority, disturbing D. Zeiny class, talk during classes, hit your younger siblings, feeling jealous, talking back to your parents, ignoring remembrance of Allah, thinking about romance any time or during the prayer, the evil thoughts and the evil wishes, fantasies about Haram,...
- Allah doesn't only cover the sin one, he does this over and over and over again.
- The Hadith when the Prophet SAW was walking outside of the Madinah and he passed by a Bedouin (don't have same manners like the city dwellers) the Bedouin has taken his lower garment and wrapped it only around his private parts (like an underwear) and he was taking a bath out in the public. So the Prophet SAW said "Allah is Halim, Hayiy, Sittir and loves Sittir, if any of you want to take a bath, let him cover between his belly button and knees.
- في الحديث الشريف الصحيح عَنْ بَعْثَى أَنْ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ رَأَى رَجُلًا يَغْتَسِلُ بِالْبَرَارِ، فَصَعِدَ الْمُنْبَرِ، فَحَمِدَ اللَّهَ، وَأَثْنَى عَلَيْهِ، وَقَالَ
 [النسائي] ((إِنْ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ حَلِيمٌ حَيٌّ سِتِيرٌ، يُحِبُّ الْحَيَاءَ وَالسَّتْرَ، فَإِذَا اغْتَسَلَ أَحَدُكُمْ فَلْيَسْتَتِرْ))
 ((إِنْ اللَّهُ سِتِيرٌ يُحِبُّ السَّتْرَ)) وفي سنن البيهقي عن ابن عباس رضي الله عنه
 ولا بد من وقفة عند كلمة: ﴿ فَادْعُوهُ بِهَا ﴾، يعني تقربوا إلى الله بالتخلق بالكمالات الإلهية، ويمكن أن تتقرب إلى الرحيم بأن تكون رحيماً، ويمكن أن تتقرب إلى العدل بأن تكون منصفاً، ويمكن أن تتقرب إلى (الستير) بأن تكون ستيراً.
- Allah wants us to follow his manners.
- Two kinds of Sittir:
 1. Physical Sittir. We have the dress code. Allah loves that our Awra is covered. We are the only creation of Allah that are required to wear clothes on our skins. In Surat Al-Araf, Allah is saying that we have revealed to you clothes to cover your Awra and as beautification.

2. Moral Sittir Covers the sins and faults. If we commit a sin, we shouldn't tell anyone about it. We shouldn't post it on face book, I did this and that and put a picture.

- Wrong understanding of sincerity. You all should know that I committed a sin. I did it in private but because I am sincere I told it in public so that I am not double face.
- If you commit a sin in private, you should be ashamed of saying it in public.
- Allah is Al-Sittir and he loves that the sin to be covered even if you did it in private
- The Hadith in Bukhari "Allah will forgive all of the one who wants to be forgiven from my Ummah except for one category, Al-Mojahiron. He was asked about who are they, he replied the ones who commit a sin at night and no one saw him or knew about the sin, then in the morning he goes out and tells every one do you know what I did last night. He lifts the Sittir (cover) that Allah placed on him. Even while you are committing the sins, Al-Sittir is covering your sin.
- Another Hadith is about a one who kissed and hugged a woman in privacy. He felt guilty and he did not know what is the penalty. So he was embarrassed to go to the Prophet SAW. So he knocked the door of Abu Bakr and he told him I did ... now what should I do? Abu Bakr replied darn you, Allah covered you up and you exposed your sin to me. You lift Allah's cover, and Abu Baker did not give him a fatwa. Go and repent, you don't have to say to anyone. He went to Omer and he got the same answer. Then he went to the Prophet SAW and the Prophet SAW has to give the answer. He told him that good deeds wipe away bad deeds, so you have to rebent...etc.
- Important, what if this person wanted to ask a question, he should use the third person, not the first person. Example "I know someone who did this and that so what is the verdict".

- One scholar said to his students. If Allah didn't cover my sins you will be rather taking notes from me, throwing me with stones.
- If sins smells, then no one will set by his brother or sister.

Covering the sins of others:

- If you see someone making a private personal sin, you advise her and zip your mouth.
- Exceptions: Crime, Murder, Theft, a sin that involves the rights of others.
- The Sharia mandates that we don't tell others about the personal sins of a person who did it in privacy.
- The story of the Slander of Aisha R. Allah said "when you heard the slander, why didn't you be quite and say to yourself. "glory be to you Lord, this is nothing more than a slander". Then Allah said "You repeat and spread this accusation"
- Talking about the faults of others is backbiting. By definition, backbiting is to speak the truth about your brother/sister. Slander is to make lies.
- Hadith: The Muslim is the brother of the Muslim. If you cover the faults of your brother in this life, Allah will cover your sins in the day of judgment.
- The Monajat with Allah in the day of judgment. Allah will envelop the believer Allah will continue to mention each and every sin. The man assumes no hope. Allah will say, I covered you in the past life and will continue to cover you and forgive us.
- Allah stopped the rain and Prophet Musa prayed