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# THESE ARE BAD TIMES, BUT WE ARE AMONG THE LIVING

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### By Imam W. Deen Mohammed

18:25 Imam W. Deen Mohammed: Peace to you. Assalamu alaikum.

18:28 S?: Walaikum assalam.

18:31 IWDM: Al-hamdu lillahi rabbil' alamin. That is thanks, praise be to G-d, the Lord, cherisher of all the worlds. We witness that He is one, and cares about all of His creation, especially the human creation that He made for the world, all of it, the inanimate world, and the living. All the things in the sky and all the things down here, that G-d made. Man could not make creation. He can only be born of creation. And the G-d that made it all, says that He made it, for it to be brought into the service of the human community. That He made all of it, "Sakhara lakum ma fissamawati wama fil ard", that He has made and revealed the utility, for the skies and the earth, for man. That makes human beings very special, if we accept that from G-d, through His messengers and His prophets. That makes human beings very special.

20:00 IWDM: And we witness as Muslims, we witness that revelation has come from G-d through Muhammad the Prophet of Arabia, the one that G-d made a messenger and a mercy for all the worlds. We witness that the Quran revelation has come and has reached us here in America. And we witness that that revelation has opened our hearts and opened our minds. It has revived the best of our life, and it has helped us fight off the worst things in this environment, and the worst things in our own life. And we witness that it is a good news religion. Like the Christians believe the Bible is good news, we believe the Quran is good news. And we salute the last prophet, who brought the last revealed book, the Quran. We salute Muhammad with a traditional salute, sallallahu alaihi wasallam. May the prayers and the peace be upon him.

21:26 IWDM: We are addressing a radio audience today, and we are happy that you are in our audience in the very places of the south and in some places of the north. We are happy to be speaking to you today.

21:48 IWDM: We are told in our religion, do not take any substance or anything that will fog up our minds, or interfere with clear thinking. That includes liquors, drugs, and anything that people use to become intoxicated, or to get high. We are not to touch any of those things. So we're not victims of drugs. If we are, we're disagreeing in our behaviour, we're disagreeing with the Muslim life. We don't have the behavior of the Muslim life, we have the behavior of the straying world. The world that is off course, off the path of G-d. Are we victims of drugs? No.

22:50 IWDM: Do we remember anybody doing something good for us? I'm speaking to everyone in the radio audience. Do we remember anybody doing something good for us? In the listening audience. There are you who care for someone, a mother, a father, a sister, a brother, a friend, a handicapped person, a poor person, a rich, but troubled companion. The great religions tell us, "Life and the world, both present signs." In the heavens above us there are signs. The objects in the creation of G-d bear messages for the human soul and mind. A weeping willow tree stands tall and strong. However it droops, looking like a ghost from a distant past. The weeping willow is dressed all in green, but appearing low in spirit. It is often found...