**LESSON 17.**

**49) BİGOTRY (TAASSUP) 50) CULTURE (MEDENİYET) 51) PRECAUTİON (İHTİYAT)**

**49) BIGOTRY: 🡪** It means kinship, protecting and watching over the lineage, religion , morality, honor, always acting with a sense of respect towards the motherland and all other values ​​of humanity.

**🡪** To some extent, one of the meanings of bigotry is defined as an important motive in protection of religious and Islamic values, a vital element necessary for the metaphysical potential, a feeling that stirs national excitement, a generator that triggers enthusiasm and love within the society.

**🡪** However, when we say bigotry we usually imply on its meaning of excess in frustration. We interchange the words shorttempered and bigotry carelessly, without paying attention to the nuances of these words, sometimes we contrast these words with the words “zealotry” and “narrowmindedness”, as well as a modern european word “fanaticism”.

**🡪** No matter what it comes into contact with, unless it is balanced it has always been harmful; it always has urged and motivated people to disrespect and incurse each other, it has paralised sound thinking mind, it is a dreadful malaise that ties up the reasoning with rope.

**🡪** A zealot, counts himself as only representative of the truth, would it be in the name of the religion or in contrary, in the name of atheism.

**(Kendi Dünyamıza Doğru - Taassup)**

**50) CULTURE: 🡪** Culture or civilization does not mean wealth, kindness or politeness, satisfaction of bodily pleasures and indulging into physical delight. It means the wealth of the heart, kindness of the soul, the depth of the views and opinions and respecting the right of life of all others, accepting them as they are.

**🡪** The culture that is not based on morality and other virtues, the culture that does not sustain on the pool of the mind and conscience, is not able to serve the happiness of humanity, it only serves several rich, and a few bragging individual’s desires, turning into something intermittent like the festival lights. Woe to those who was deceived by such flashing lights!

**🡪**The Culture is different from modernization or civilization. The former. Holds within human attitude, way of thinking, qualities of a human; whereas the latter, includes the renewal of bodily pleasures along with changing means and opportunities in life life.

**(ÇN 3 / Yitirilmiş Cennete Doğru - Medeniyet veya Mefhum Kargaşası)**

**(Ölçü veya Yoldaki Işıklar - Medeniyet)**

**51) PRECAUTION: 🡪** Precautıon is a special type of behavior when one takes care of possible harm or difficulties that might arise due to some event or any action, trying to prevent calamities that can result of those, so that one does not complain or grumble about it. There are many undertakers who failed to make all necessary preparations or precautions, and as a result they get overwhelmed with their fate and blame their destiny in regret. Yes, they first fail to be precautious and then make another mistake by blaming the destiny.

**🡪** Being precautious is completely different from being scared and stepping back in fear as well as reckless behaviour has nothing to do with courage and bravery. In case of exaggeration at first, a number of damages might be considered as anavoidable; but these are the damages that are unambiguous and can be localized and minimised. Those who consider imprudence to be a heroic act should be reminded that behaving like Don Quixote is always hazardous and dangerous.

**(KT 3 / Gurbet Ufukları -** **Hüsn-ü zan ve ihtiyat)**

**(Ölçü veya Yoldaki Işıklar - İhtiyat)**

**Match the following words to the definitions:**

Bigotry The one who lives with this feeling considers himself to be the only representative of the Truth

Culture Acting in accordance with and in consideration of cause

Precaution The Wealth of a soul, courtesy of spirit , depth of vision and recognizing the right of life for outhers, accepting them as they are

**Fill in the following gaps:**

Even though we can see that an issue described by sciences is a complete match to a Verse from the Holy Koran, stil from within all probabilities, we should question the situation with consideration that” It can be so, but it also can be the other way...”; also we should not rush in interpreting, commenting or contemplation on the Verse in question. When a scientific fact or a theory that is considered to be a fact has a seeming disagreement with a Verse or any Hadis, still we have to take into account changes that might occur at any time as well as our personal understanding and knowledge level, so we shouold be careful and .......................

…………………………, should not be considered as leading in natural sciences or all other different disciplines; being an owner of modern facilities like boats, trains, airplanes; living on a big street, on a wide avenue and in a tall building. Accepting these things as a civilization, although these are only some means for development, these are nothing but being deceived.

…………………………….is something that exists as long as the human beings, and during all that time it became an individual and a social imbalance or an illness that resulted in some serious problems. This disease leads sometimes to a false understanding of religion and any movement, sometimes any system of thought and ideology, sometimes it might result in refusals and denials.