**LESSON 18.**

**52) TOLERANCE (MÜSAMAHA) 53) NOBLE-MINDEDNESS (MÜRÜVVET) 54) SUFFERING (ÇİLE)**

**52) TOLERANCE: 🡪** Tolerance is one of the qualities of a muslim. Every Muslim has to acquire and hold within this quality. Tolerance is a component that softens the hearts; and acceptanc of the truth is possible only with it.

**🡪** The Messenger of Allah would act with tolerance in response to any kind of vengeant and bad attitude towards himself personally. But when someone else's rights or religious principles are attacked, he would turn into a roaring lion, and would not be able to calm down until that right is repaid or that attack is dismissed

**🡪** For a believer there should always be an action plan, as a program that considers the forthcoming statements: “If you forgive, do not nail other people’s imperfections into their faces, accept and grant your forgiveness, know that Allah (The most benevolent) is All-forgiving, and All Merciful.”

**🡪** A person with Tolerance, is always victorious on any passage of life, and never wastes any time. Ability to live the present to its full, and simultaneously be the future is a quality that only tolerant people have as a divine gift and a special dimension of wisdom.. and those who are granted this are the only heirs of the future.

**(ÇN 1 - Müsamaha)**

**(AGT 4 - Bir Müslüman’ın müsamaha ölçüsü ne olmalıdır?)**

**53) NOBLE MINDEDNESS: 🡪** Is defined as Humane or humanity.

**🡪** Human maturity and perfection becomes evident when he tries to do good as much as possible, remaining rightful and true even to those who were evil towards them. Indeed a human should remain humane and continue being noble minded, even towards those who were not good to them. Because doing evil deeds is a wild, animal behavior; returning evil to evil proves that there are serious flaws and shortcomings in a human being, whereas responding to evil by doing good displayes magnanimity and generosity.

**🡪** A person’s humanity and hoble mindedness is accepted and measured by his closeness to their friends and acquaintances and their ability to keep such close relationship. Prating about being noble minded is an abstract claim; Attaching our goodwill towards others to their good attitude towards us, and punishing them by interrupting or stopping the goodwill from time to time is a sign of raw spirit and immature, rudimentary achievement of the Truth.

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

**54) SUFFERING:🡪** Suffering, that is also defined as pulling your hands off all pleasures and enjoyments, is a distress and hardship that is endured by overcoming and staying higher of all the bodily and physical barriers; also can be defined as a disciplined life style withing the frames of a strict regimen led for the sake of spiritual upbringing and purification of the carnal soul, performed by the traveller of Truth for the duration of about fourty days. During these days, the dervish remains within the least requirements of basic needs like eating – drinking, sleeping- talking... and spending a large amount of time in worship, remembrance, accountability and self auditing. They literally act as if they died before their deaths, wityh continous reminders of death they deplore of the negativity of their carnal desires, and with all the dimensions of their soul, they open up to the Truthful One, re starting their life with the words: “Bismillah”, thus start walking in the direction to their Lord.

 **🡪** Suffering, is the only way to reach the grat goals and high results. The traveller of Truth purifies himself from the sins through the Suffering, getting clearer and reaching his own core. It isnot possible to talk about neither integration or maturity in the absense of suffering.

**🡪** The Spirit matures through suffering. The Soul grows with suffering. The spirits that did not taste suffering remain immature, the Souls stay dead with their broken wings.

**🡪** Indeed those who follow those supremeones who have tasted suffering, who keep thinking of affliction and those who keep burning and melting like a candle have never wronged or dissapointed themselves.

**(KZT 2 - Çile)**

**(KT 2 / Buhranlar Anaforunda İnsan - Çile)**

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

Noble-mindedness The only way to achieve high results and reach great goals

Suffering It means humane or humanity

Tolerance Such a person is victorious in any aspect of life, and never looses

**Fill in the following gaps:**

His Friends and Enemies both saw and received ....................... from Him, and there was no chance left to the hatred or anger. To the extent where Allah the Allmighty warns Him about his succumbing to compassion and acting kind when applying the penalties, while reminding many times of the peoples’ suffering and the sorrow coming from their apathy.

......................., brings a number of higher levels of value to the labor, and to thing acquired through working. Thins acquired without........................ , are just like inherited posessions. We receive them without effort and lat go of them without sorrow. Indeed only things that were received through hardships make us sacrifice our lives in their protection...

Clemency, that we name sometimes as respect, mercy, magnanimity and sometimes as ..................... is one of the substantial basis of ethics, an important spiritual discipline that can become a sourse of ethics of a perfect person in high spiritual dimensions, as well as many other principles.