

Surah SC

Surah Ash Sharh 94

1. Did We not expand thy breast for thee,
2. And lay down from thee thy burden
3. Which weighed down thy back?
4. And We raised for thee thy remembrance.
5. And with hardship is ease
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7. So when thou art unoccupied, make thou ready
8. And to thy Lord turn thou thy desire

Tafsir Ibn Abbas

Verse 1: And from his narration on the authority of Ibn 'Abbas that he said concerning the interpretation of Allah's saying (Have We not caused thy bosom to dilate): '(Have We not caused thy bosom to dilate) this is in conjunction with His saying (Did He not find thee destitute and enrich (thee)?), and so Allah says: did We not open your heart for Islam? i.e. did We not soften your heart on the Day of the Covenant through knowledge, understanding, help, reason and certainty, as well as with other things? It is also said this means: did We not expand your heart through prophethood? And the Prophet (pbuh) said: "Yes, indeed!"

Verse 2: He said again: (And eased thee of the burden) We lifted your sins from you

Verse 3: (Which weighed down thy back?) It is also said: prophethood weighed down your back; And the Prophet (pbuh) said: " Yes, indeed! "

Verse 4: (And exalted thy fame) and raised your voice with the call to prayer, supplication and testification of faith, such that you are mentioned just as I am? And the Prophet (pbuh) said: " Yes, indeed! "

Verse 5: Allah then said to comfort His prophet about his poverty and the hardships he faced, saying: (But lo! with hardship goeth ease,

Verse 6: Lo! with hardship goeth ease;

Verse 7: So when thou art relieved) when you finish from military expeditions, jihad and fighting, (still toil) in worship; and it is also said this means: when you finish from the prescribed prayers, make supplications

Verse 8: (And strive to please thy Lord) and ask your needs from your Lord'

Tafsir Al Jalalayn

Verse 1: Did We not expand an interrogative meant as an affirmative in other words 'We did indeed expand' your breast for you O Muhammad (s) by means of prophethood and otherwise

Verse 2: and relieve you of your burden

Verse 3: that which weighed down your back? — this is similar to where God says that God may forgive you what is past of your sin Q. 482.

Verse 4: Did We not exalt your mention? For you are mentioned where I God am mentioned in the call announcing the time for prayer adhān in the second call to perform the prayer iqāma in the witnessing ‘there is no god but God Muhammad is His Messenger’ tashahhud in the Friday sermon and in other instances.

Verse 5: For truly with hardship comes ease.

Verse 6: Truly with hardship comes ease the Prophet s suffered much hardship at the hands of the disbelievers but then he enjoyed ease when he was assisted to victory by God over them.

Verse 7: So when you are finished from performing prayer toil exert yourself in supplication to God

Verse 8: and seek devote yourself humbly to your Lord.