## GOD IS SELF-SUFFICIENT

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The Arabic word used to denote self-sufficiency in the following verses of the Qur'an is *ghaniyy* which means "above want," "free from want" or "rich." Saheeh International Translation [SIT] translates this word as "free of/from need."

#### GHANIYY

 فَوَلُ مَعْرُوفُ وَمَغْفِرَةُ خَيْرُمِن صَدَقَةٍ يَتْبَعُهَا أَذًى وَٱللَّهُ غَنِيٌ حَلِيمٌ 
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Kind speech and forgiveness are better than charity followed by injury. And God is **Free of need** and Forbearing.<sup>1</sup>

O you who have believed, spend from the good things which you have earned and from that which We have produced for you from the earth. And do not aim toward the defective therefrom, spending [from that] while you would not take it [yourself] except with closed eyes. And know that God is **Free of need** and Praiseworthy.<sup>2</sup>

In it [Makkah] are clear signs [such as] the standing place of Abraham. And whoever enters it [the Haram] shall be safe. And [due] to God from the people is a pilgrimage to the House – for whoever is able to find thereto a way. But whoever disbelieves then indeed God is **Free from need** of the worlds.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SIT Surah Al-Baqarah Chapter 2 Verse 263

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> SIT Surah Al-Baqarah Chapter 2 Verse 267

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> SIT Surah Ali-'Imran Chapter 3 Verse 97

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# وَلِلَّهِ مَا فِي ٱلسَّمَوَّتِ وَمَا فِي ٱلْأَرْضِ<sup>®</sup> وَلَقَدْ وَصَّيْنَا ٱلَّذِينَ أُوتُواْ ٱلْكِتَبَ مِن قَبْلِكُمْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ أَنِ ٱتَّقُواْ ٱللَّهُ ۖ وَإِن تَكْفُرُواْ فَإِنَّ لِلَّهِ مَا فِي ٱلسَّمَوَّتِ وَمَا فِي ٱلْأَرْضِ<sup>®</sup> وَكَانَ ٱللَّهُ **غَنِيًّا** حَمِيدًا ٢

And to God belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And We have instructed those who were given the Scripture before you and yourselves to fear God. But if you disbelieve – then to God belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And ever is God **Free of need** and Praiseworthy.<sup>4</sup>

And your Lord is the **Free of need**, the Possessor of mercy. If He wills, He can do away with you and give succession after you and give succession after you to whomever He wills, just as He produced you from the descendants of another people.<sup>5</sup>

They [the Christians and others] have said, "God has taken a son." Exalted is He; He is the [one] **Free of need**. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is in the earth. You have no authority for this [claim]. Do you say about God that which you do not know?<sup>6</sup>

وَقَالَ مُوسَى إِن تَكْفُرُوٓا أَنتُمۡ وَمَن فِي ٱلْأَرْضِ جَمِيعًا فَإِنَّ ٱللَّهَ **لَغَنِيُّ** حَمِيدُ ٢

And Moses said, "If you should disbelieve, you and whoever is on the earth entirely – indeed, God is **Free of need** and Praiseworthy."<sup>7</sup>

To Him [God] belongs what is in the heavens and what is on the earth. And indeed, God is the **Free** of need, the Praiseworthy.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> SIT Surah An-Nisa' Chapter 4 Verse 131

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> SIT Surah Al-An'am Chapter 6 Verse 133

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> SIT Surah Yunus Chapter 10 verse 68

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> SIT Surah Ibraheem Chapter 14 Verse 8

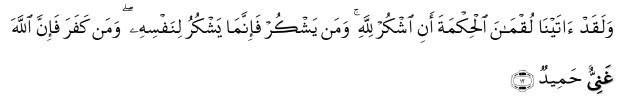
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> SIT Surah Al-Hajj Chapter 22 Verse 64

قَالَ ٱلَّذِي عِندَهُ عِلْمُ مِّنَ ٱلْكِتَنبِ أَنَا ءَاتِيكَ بِهِ قَبْلَ أَن يَرْتَدَّ إِلَيْكَ طَرْفُكَ فَلَمّا رَءَاهُ مُسْتَقِرًا عِندَهُ قَالَ هَنذَا مِن فَضْل رَبِّي لِيَبْلُوَنِيٓ ءَأَشْكُرُ أَمۡ أَكۡفُرُ ۖ وَمَن شَكَرَ فَإنَّمَا يَشۡكُرُ لِنَفْسِهِ - فَوَمَن كَفَرَ فَإِنَّ رَبِّي غَنِيٌّ كَرِيمٌ ٢

Said one who had knowledge from the Scripture, "I will bring it to you [O Solomon] before your glance returns to you." And when [Solomon] saw it placed before him, he said, "This is from the favour of my Lord to test me whether I will be grateful or ungrateful. And whoever is grateful – his gratitude is only for [the benefit of] himself. And whoever is ungrateful – then indeed, my Lord is **Free of need** and Generous."<sup>9</sup>

وَمَن جَنِهَدَ فَإِنَّمَا تُجَنِهِدُ لِنَفْسِهِ ٓ إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ لَغَنِيٌّ عَنِ ٱلْعَالَمِينَ ٢

And whoever strives only strives for [the benefit of] himself. Indeed, God is **Free from need** of the worlds.<sup>10</sup>



And We had certainly given Luqman wisdom [and said], "Be grateful to God." And whoever is grateful is grateful for [the benefit of] himself. And whoever denies [His favour] – then indeed God is **Free of need** and Praiseworthy.<sup>11</sup>

لِلَّهِ مَا فِي ٱلسَّمَوَ تِ وَٱلْأَرْضَ إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ هُوَ ٱلْغَنِيُ ٱلْحَمِيدُ ٢

To God belongs whatever is in the heavens and earth. Indeed God is **Free of need**, the Praiseworthy.<sup>12</sup>

O mankind, you are those in need of God, while God is Free of need, the Praiseworthy.<sup>13</sup>

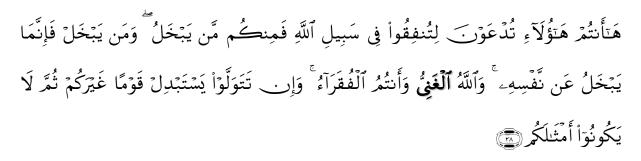
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> SIT Surah An-Naml Chapter 27 Verse 40

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> SIT Surah Al-'Ankabut Chapter 29 Verse 6

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> SIT Surah Luqman Chapter 31 Verse 26

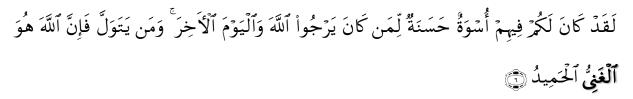
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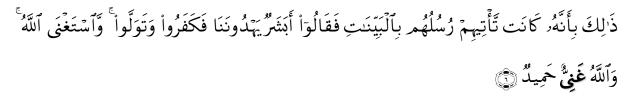
Here you are – those invited to spend in the cause of God – but among you are those who withhold [out of greed]. And whoever withholds only withholds [benefit] from himself; and God is **Free of need**, while you are the needy. And if you turn away, He will replace you with another people; then they will not be the like of you.<sup>14</sup>

ٱلَّذِينَ يَبۡخَلُونَ وَيَأۡمُرُونَ ٱلنَّاسَ بِٱلۡبُخۡلِ ۗ وَمَن يَتَوَلَّ فَإِنَّ ٱللَّهَ هُوَ ٱلۡغَنِيُ ٱخۡمِيدُ ٢

[Those] who are stingy and enjoin upon stinginess. And whoever turns away – then indeed God is the **Free of need**, the Praiseworthy.<sup>15</sup>



There has certainly been for you in them an excellent pattern for anyone whose hope is in God and the Last day. And whoever turns away – then indeed God is the **Free of need**, the Praiseworthy.<sup>16</sup>



That is because their messengers used to come to them with clear evidences, but they said, "Shall human beings guide us?" and disbelieved and turned away. And God dispensed [with them], and God is **Free of need** and Praiseworthy.<sup>17</sup>

The Qur'an confirms the rationally derived attribute of God – self-sufficiency.

<sup>14</sup> SIT Surah Muhammad Chapter 47 Verse 38

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> SIT Surah Al-Hadeed Chapter 57 Verse 24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> SIT Surah Al-Mumtahinah Chapter 60 Verse 6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> SIT Surah At-Taghabun Chapter 64 Verse 6