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The wishes of the heart reflect its being healthy or diseased

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With regards to the disease in the hearts of the hypocrites, Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)¹ comments on the Qur'aanic aayah which informs us about the hypocrites:

In their hearts is a disease, "fa" Allaah increased them in disease.

[Soorah al Baqarah (the 2nd chapter) aayah 10]

And on account of this disease, He, the Perfect and Most High, said:

...fa (then or so) Allaah increased them in disease.

[Soorah al Baqarah (the 2nd chapter) aayah 10]

And the letter faa ("so") here is aatifah² – however it gives rise to the meaning of sababbiyah³. Allaah increased them in disease upon their disease because they - and Allaah's refuge is sought – wished for kufr (disbelief).

And this wish (was) a disease that led them to an increase in the disease because the wishes which are in the hearts are an expression of the correctness of the hearts – or of their corruption.

So if the heart wishes goodness then it is a proof for its being sound and healthy; and if it wishes evil then it is a proof for its illness and its deficiency.

(Tafseer ul Qur'aan il Kareem 1/42 of Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen (رَجِمَهُ اللهُ))



أَرْجِمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

² That which merely connects two matters

³ Indicating that the first matter causes the second matter