

In The Name of Allaah, The Most Merciful, The Bestower of Mercy

Allaah [The Most High] said:

هُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِكُمْ إِذْ أَنْشَأَكُمْ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ وَإِذْ أَنْتُمْ أَجِنَّةٌ فِي بُطُونِ أُمَّهَاتِكُمْ ۗ فَلَا تُزَكُّوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ ۗ هُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِمَنِ اتَّقَىٰ

He knows you well when He created you from the earth [Adam], and when you were foetuses in your mothers' wombs. So ascribe not purity to yourselves. He knows best him who fears Allah and keep his duty to Him.

Imaam As-Sadi [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said: Weakness is present and witnessed from you since the time Allaah created you from the earth [i.e. Aadam (alayhis salaam)] and whilst you were in the wombs of your mothers. And even though Allaah [The Most High] place strength in you to perform what you have been commanded; however you have not ceased being weak [i.e. we can never be perfect]. [فَلَا تُزَكُّوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ] - So ascribe not purity to yourselves]- Meaning: Do not address the people about [yourself] by way of praise. [هُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِمَنِ اتَّقَىٰ]- He (Allaah) knows best him who fears Allah and keep his duty to Him]- Meaning: Because indeed Taqwaa is situated in the heart and Allaah [alone] is the One acquainted with its [true reality].

[Source: An Excerpt from 'Tayseer Al-Kareem Ar-Rahmaan Fee Tafseer Kalaam al-Mannaan.
Publisher: Daar Ibn Hazm. 1st Ed. 1424AH (Year 2003). Slightly paraphrased]