

Jussive Cases of a Verb

13. When is a verb put into the jussive case?

A verb is put into the jussive case when it is preceded by one of the following prepositions:

لَمَ لَمَّا لَامُ الْأَمْرِ لِالْناهِيةِ إِنْ إِذْما مَنْ ما مَهْما أَيَّ كَيْفَما متى أَيْنا أَيَّانَ أَنَّى
حَيْثَما

14. How many kinds of jussive prepositions are there?

There are two types of jussive prepositions:

● Four of them put one verb into the jussive case:

1) لَمَ for example: لَمَ يَذْهَبُ أَحَدٌ (Nobody came.)

2) لَمَّا for example: تَعَلَّمَ الْقِراءَةَ وَ لَمَّا يَكْتُبُ (He learned to read and has not written yet.)

3) لَامُ الْأَمْرِ for example: لِتَطِبَ نَفْسُكَ (You must become happy, yourself.)

4) لِالْناهِيةِ for example: لا تَيْاسِ مِنَ رَحْمَةِ اللَّهِ (Don't loose hope in Allah's mercy)

● Twelve of them put two verbs after them into the jussive case. The first verb is the conditional verb and the second verb is its answer.

1) إِنْ for example: إِنْ تَكْسَلْ تَخْسِرْ (If you become lazy you will suffer a loss.)

2) إِذْما for example: إِذْما تَتَعَلَّمْ تَتَقَدَّمْ (Whenever you learn you will advance.)

3) مَنْ for example: مَنْ يَطْلُبْ يَجِدْ (Whoever seeks finds.)

4) ما for example: ما تَتَعَلَّمْ فِي الصِّغَرِ يَنْفَعَكَ فِي الْكِبَرِ (Whatever you learn in youth will benefit you in old age.)

- 5) مَهْمَا for example: مَهْمَا تَأْمُرُ بِالْخَيْرِ أَفْعَلُهُ (Whenever you order me to do good I will do it.)
- 6) أَيُّ for example: أَيُّاً تُكْرِمُ أَكْرِمُ (Whoever you respect I respect.)
- 7) كَيْفَمَا for example: كَيْفَمَا تَتَوَجَّهُ تُصَادِفُ خَيْراً (Whenever you go you will pass by well.)
- 8) مَتَى for example: مَتَى يَصْلُحُ بَاطِنُكَ يَصْلُحُ ظَاهِرُكَ (Whenever your inner-self becomes fixed your outer-appearance will become fixed.)
- 9) أَيْنَمَا for example: أَيْنَمَا تَذْهَبُ تَنْجَحُ (Wherever you go you will be saved.)
- 10) أَيَّانَ for example: أَيَّانَ تَسْأَلُنِي أُجِيبُكَ (Whenever you ask me I will answer you.)
- 11) أَنَّى for example: أَنَّى يَذْهَبُ صَاحِبُ الْعِلْمِ يُكْرَمُ (Wherever a scholar goes he will be respected.)
- 12) حَيْثَمَا for example: حَيْثَمَا تَسْقُطُ تَنْبُتُ (Wherever you fall you will stay.)

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