

# Me, Myself & I

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Ibn al-Qayyim said:

‘Every Muslim should be warned of the oppression of:

‘I – My/Mine – I Possess’

Indeed these three words are what Iblees (Shaytan), Fir’awn and Qaroon were tried with.

Iblees said: ‘**I am** better than him’

Fir’awn said: ‘Is not **mine** the Kingdom of Egypt,’

Qaroon said: ‘This has been given to me only because of knowledge **I possess.**’

So regarding the saying of the Slave of Allaah ‘**I**’ – then the best that he can be described with is:

I am a slave who sins, makes mistakes, seeks forgiveness and recognizes this.

So regarding the saying of ‘**My/Mine**’ – and those statements similar to that is:

My sins, my crimes, my humbleness, my depravation and submissiveness.

So regarding the saying of ‘**I Possess**’:

Forgive me for my mistakes and what I do intentionally, in jest, or in seriousness and I possess all these shortcomings.

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