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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

With regards to being rejected by the people when calling them to the Truth, the Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ)¹ states:

So do not be sad, O caller to Allaah, if your speech is rejected or if it is not accepted the first time around, because you have carried out that which was obligatory upon you.

However know that if you spoke the Truth, desiring by that the Face of Allaah, then it will certainly have an effect; even if to your face it is rejected, then it will no doubt have an effect.

And in the story of Moosaa (عليه السلام)² is a lesson for the callers to Allaah. And that is that the sorcerers from every part of Egypt were gathered and they assembled and they threw down their ropes and their staffs until the ground seemed to be teeming with snakes, such that Moosaa (عليه السلام) had fear:

[So Moosaa felt fear within himself.]³

So when all of them gathered together, he said to them:

[Woe to you! Do not invent a lie against Allaah, lest He destroy you with a punishment. And the one who invents a lie against Allaah will certainly fail miserably.]⁴

Simple words.

Allaah (عز وجل)⁵ said:

[So they disputed with one another about what they should do.]⁶

¹ (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

² (عليه السلام) ('alaihi-salaam) Peace be upon him

³ سورة طه - Soorah TaaHaa [20:67]

⁴ سورة طه - Soorah TaaHaa [20:61]

⁵ (عز وجل) (Azza wa Jaal) Mighty and Majestic is He

⁶ سورة طه - Soorah TaaHaa [20:62]

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Meaning that they disputed with one another straightaway... So reflect how these words from Moosaa (عليه السلام) had an effect upon these sorcerers.

So it is a must that the word of Truth will have an effect; however sometimes it may have an effect straightaway and sometimes it (may have an effect) later on. And Allaah is the One who grants success.

(Sharh al Arba'een an Nawawee (pp 131 to 132) of Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ))