



﴿ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا ادْخُلُوا فِي السِّلْمِ كَافَّةً ﴾

(البقرة: 208)

Question

كَافَّةً is *Haal* but it does not agree with the *SaaHib al-Haal* in number and gender. Is this an exception or is there something more to the concept of *Haal* I should know about?

Reply from Admin (checked by our Shaykh):

This is not an exception.

كَافَّةً is a *maSdar*, or has the meaning of a *maSdar*.

A *maSdar* occurring as a *Haal* is common in Qur'aanic Arabic.

The *maSdar* here, takes the meaning of an *ism faa'il*.

So the meaning of:

ادخلوا في السلم **كافةً**

is:

ادخلوا في السلم **مُجْتَمِعِينَ** أو **كاملين**.

So **كافةً** stands for **مُجْتَمِعِينَ** or **كاملين**.

Here are three more *Qur'aanic* examples of a *maSdar* occurring as a *Haal*:

﴿ وَاعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ **جَمِيعاً** ﴾ (آل عمران: 103)

(واعتصموا بحبل الله **مُجْتَمِعِينَ**).

﴿ ... ثُمَّ ادْعُهُنَّ يَأْتِيَنَّكَ **سَعِيّاً** ﴾ (البقرة: 260)

(... يأتينك **مُسْرَعَاتٍ**).

﴿ فَهَلْ يَنْظُرُونَ إِلَّا السَّاعَةَ أَنْ تَأْتِيَهُمْ **بَغْتَةً** ﴾ (محمد: 18)

(... أن تأتيهم **بَاغِيَةً**).