

ALI 202: Historical Stories in the Quran

Venue: JCC 9000 Bathurst Street

Duration: Sept. 20th to Oct.25th

Timings: Tuesday evenings, 8.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

Course description

This course will cover four historical stories from the Holy Quran. The stories discuss historical figures other than the Prophets and contain many insightful lessons for believers. Each session will include a reading of the verses, reflecting on questions, and a discussion of the Tafsir of the passage.

Course Outline

Session One: Story of the People of the Garden (Part One)

Sura al Qalam, 68: 17-25

Session Two: Story of the People of the Garden (Part Two)

Sura al Qalam, 68: 26-33

Session Three: Story of the People of Saba

Sura Saba, 34: 15-21

Session Four: Story of Qarun (Part One)

Sura al Qasas, 28: 76-77

Session Five: Story of Qarun (Part Two)

Sura al Qasas, 28: 78-82

Session Six: Story of the two friends

Sura al Kahf, 18: 32-44

Resources

The following online resource may be useful when reading the passages.

1) <http://www.alseraj.net/26/?English+++Library&Holy+++Quran>

This website has the following resources:

- a) Qur'anic text in Arabic
- b) Translations into English
- c) Numerous articles on the Qur'an and its sciences
- d) English commentaries of the Qur'an by Shi'i Muslim exegetes
- e) Index of the Holy Qur'an

2) <http://www.maaref-foundation.com/>

Enlightening Commentary of the Holy Quran

3) <http://www.shiasource.com/al-mizan/>

Tafsir al Mizan

4) <http://corpus.quran.com/wordbyword.jsp>

Word by word translation of the Holy Quran