# Familiarization with Quranic Suras Month of Ramadan 1439 – Day 8

#### **Brief Info**

Sura al-Qiyama, No. 75. Revealed in Makkah, 40 verses.

## Sura Significance

Whoever recites Sūra Qiyama, Jibra'īl and I will bear witness for him on the Day of Judgment that he was a believer in the Day of Judgment and he will come with a face more radiant than others on that day. - Holy Prophet

<u>Note:</u> Quranic Scholars say that the reward is connected to the contents of the Surah and requires that recitation be done with awareness, comprehension, reflection and having an intention of implementation.

## Synopsis of contents

Except for a few verses the sūra discusses the Day of Judgment and the Hereafter. Four different sub topics are discussed;

- The terrifying signs before the last day (vv. 7-10)
- State of people on the Day of Judgment (vv. 22-25)
- Death and the transition to the Hereafter (vv. 26-30)
- Aim of creation and the different stages of human life (vv. 36-40)

#### Some Lessons from the Sura

- 1) There is an inner conscience (nafs al-lawwamah) within us that judges us while in this world.
- 2) Allah has the power to give life after death just as He gave life in the first place.
- 3) The coming of the Day of Judgment will strike terror in the hearts of people.
- 4) The human being is well aware but makes excuses for himself.
- 5) Remembrance of the Hereafter keeps a person focused and gives meaning to life.

## Suggested verses for memorization in Arabic and English

- 1) 75:13-14 Indeed, man is a witness to himself though he offers excuses.
- 2) 75:20-21 Nay! But you love the present life and ignore the hereafter.

#### Activity for self-study

This sūra talks a lot about the human being and the Day of Judgment. What does it say about human attitude in the following situations;

- a) while in the world
- b) at the time of death
- c) at the approach of the Day of Judgment
- d) on the Day of Judgment