

Familiarization with Quranic Suras

Month of Ramadan 1439 – Day 18

Brief Info Sura al-Rum, No. 30. Revealed in Makkah, 60 verses.

Sura Significance

Whoever recites Suras Ankabut and Rum on the twenty third night of the month of Ramadan he is, by Allah, from the people of Paradise. Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq عليه السلام

Note: 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

- Prediction of a victory over the Romans (vv. 2-6)
- Questioning the mentality of those who reject faith (vv. 7-9)
- The Day of Judgment (vv. 12-16)
- The signs of Allah ﷻ (vv. 20-28)
- Nature of the human being (vv. 30-36)
- State of the disbelievers (vv. 55-59)

Some Lessons from the Sura

- 1) Victory comes through the help of Allah ﷻ.
- 2) Lessons and signs for the human being abound everywhere, in themselves, in history, and in the world around them.
- 3) There are certain timings which are auspicious for the glorification and worship of Allah. (vv. 17-18)
- 4) Belief and virtue are part of the natural instinct of the human being.
- 5) Corruption spreads on earth because of what human beings have done. (v. 41)
- 6) Human life goes through stages of weakness and strength. (v. 54)

Suggested verses for memorization in Arabic and English

- 1) 30:5 - *By Allah's help. He helps whomever He wishes, and He is the Mighty, the Merciful*
- 2) 30:38 - *Give the relative his due, and the needy and the traveller That is better for those who seek Allah's pleasure, and it is they who are successful.*
- 3) 30:41 - *Corruption has appeared in land and sea because of the doings of the people's hands, that He may make them taste something of what they have done, so that they may come back*

Activity for self-study

Study verses 20-25. List all the signs of Allah ﷻ mentioned in these verses. Who are the people who understand these signs?