

Familiarization with Quranic Suras

Month of Ramadan 1439 – Day 23

Brief Info

Sura al-Taghābun, No. 64. Revealed in Madinah, 18 verses.

Sura Significance.

Whoever recites Sura al-Taghābun in the wājib salāt it will be an intercessor for him on the Day of Judgment, and a just witness, and it will not leave him until he enters Heaven. Imam al-Sādiq 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

This sūra is the last of the five *Musabbahat suras* (Nos. 57, 59, 61, 62 and 64) It includes;

- Glorification and praise of Allah (vv. 1-4)
- Learning from the fate of the past people who rejected faith (vv. 5-7)
- The Day of Judgment (vv. 9-10)
- Discussion on family and wealth (vv. 14-15)
- An invitation to give charity (vv. 16-17)

Some Lessons from the Sura

- 1) The qualities of Allah ﷻ described in the Quran help us appreciate and revere Him. We can never comprehend His essence but can understand His qualities.
- 2) The Day of Judgment will be a day of gain for some and loss for others.
- 3) Wealth and children can be a diversion and means of trial.
- 4) Giving in the way of Allah ﷻ is like giving a loan. It will be reimbursed manifold, although it belongs to Him in the first place.

Suggested verses for memorization in Arabic and English

- 1) 64:12 - *Obey Allah and obey the Apostle; but if you turn away, then Our Apostle's duty is only to communicate in clear terms.*
- 2) 64:15 - *Your possessions and children are a test, and Allah—with Him is a great reward!*

Activities for self-study

- 1) List all the qualities of Allah ﷻ mentioned in this sūra.
- 2) How is the Day of Judgment a day of profit and loss? Identify the different recompenses outlined in the sūra which affirm this.