

#### Surat Qalam (#68): Tafseer & Tadabbur

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#### Fadhilat & place of revelation

- Holy Prophet (s): whosoever recites Surat Nun wa-IQalam, Allah gives him the reward of those who have beautified their akhlaaq
- Imam Sadiq (a): reciting it in wajib or nafila prayers protects one from poverty & from constriction in grave
- Look at the major topics to decide if the surah is makki or madani

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- Why is this aayat not counted as the first aayat?
- Controversy between Muslims on its recitation in salaat
- Meaning of basmalah
- Significance of the basmalah
- o Its usage in 27:30

### ن وَالْقَلَمِ وَمَا يَسْطُرُونَ Aayat No. 1

- o 68:1 Nun. By the Pen and what they write:
- o Meaning of Nun (ن) differences
- Look at the context to see if you can find the meaning
- Hadith on the meaning of noon
- What is that which they write?



## مَا أَنتَ بِنعْمَةِ رَبِّكَ بِمَجْنُونِ Aayat No. 2

- 68:2 you are not, by your Lord's blessing, crazy,
- Questions: (1) why did they accuse the prophet of being crazy? (2) why would the Almighty respond to such an accusation? (3) what could be the purpose of *bi-ni mati rabbika*?

• Various favours granted to Prophet



# وَإِنَّ لَكَ لَأَجْرًا غَيْرَ مَمْنُونِ Aayat No. 3

- 68:3 and yours indeed will be an everlasting reward,
- Function of using 2<sup>nd</sup> person singular in addressing Prophet
- Which deeds could have attracted everlasting divine reward?
- What are these rewards?

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# وَإِنَّكَ لَعَلى خُلُقٍ عَظِيمٍ Aayat No. 4

68:4 and indeed you possess a great character.

- Can you think of some of these great morals of the Prophet
- Connection between madness & good akhlaaq
- Use of the word `azeem
- Can this be used to counter the suggestion in 80:1



فَسَتُبْصِرُ وَيُبْصِرُونَ Aayat No. 5

68:5 You will see and they will see,
Use of seen, soon will you see
What will the Prophet see and what will they see?
What have you seen so far?
Use of basar instead of ru'yah





- o 68:6 which one of you is crazy.
- Root word of *maftoon*
- Let people decide who is mad who is rational and intelligent?
- Possible cause of revelation (Tafseer Namuneh)

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