

QURAN APPRECIATION FALL 2020 OUTLINE
LIFE HISTORY OF NABĪ DAWŪD (A) – TĀLŪT & JĀLŪT
SŪRAT AL-BAQARAH VERSES 246 – 251

1st Session: Introductions / Important Sciences of Quranic Study

2nd Session – Introduction to Nabī Dawūd (a), Tālūt and Jālūt.

Sūrat al-Baqarah Verse 246 (i): The appeal of the Banu Israel for the appointment of a King; The foresight of Samuel. A leader's knowledge of his people (Imam Ali (a) and his people, The stance of Imam Hasan (a) and Imam Husayn (a))

3rd Session – Sūrat al-Baqarah Verse 246 (ii): The people's reaction when fighting was prescribed (Hypocrites during the time of the Prophet (s) – cross reference (33:13, The response of the people of Kūfa)

4th Session – Sūrat al-Baqarah Verse 247 (i): The appointment of King Tālūt; the people's objection (Divine leadership as commanded by Allah, cross ref: 38:26)

5th Session – Sūrat al-Baqarah Verse 247 (ii): The Will and Power of Allah (swt) (Accepting God's decree; trusting His wisdom cross ref: 9:51,33:36)

6th Session – Sūrat al-Baqarah Verse 248: The sign of kingship (Line of Prophethood, Tranquility from God; cross ref: 48:4, Following the stance of Prophet Musa in Imam Husayn's journey, cross ref: 28:21 and 22)

7th Session – Sūrat al-Baqarah Verse 249 (i): Tālūt and the test for the people (Enduring life's tests and trials with strong conviction; cross ref: 2:155-156, 3:186)

8th Session – Sūrat al-Baqarah Verse 249 (ii): Tālūt and the faithful cross the stream; (The strength of the minority, Being on the Truth, cross ref: 8:165)

9th Session – Sūrat al-Baqarah Verse 250: The prayer of Steadfastness (Equipping the self to face threats, cross ref: 2:286, 3:147)

10th Session – Sūrat al-Baqarah Verse 251 – Nabī Dawūd's victory over Jālūt and his blessings from Allah (God's Help and Grace for the believers; cross ref: 17:81, 61:13, Wisdom as a reward, cross ref: 4:54, 38:20,)

11th (LAST) Session – Review and activities

Contemporary Topics that can be linked to the lessons:

- Role of Religion and faith in strengthening morale
- Social Activism
- Being a minority
- Skepticism in Divine leadership
- Types of Blessings