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INTRODUCTION

THE HIGHLIGHT IS ALLAH

- When we make Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) the highlight, then He will teach us anything though anyone, with ease. An easy relationship is (لا إله إلا الله) and that is when we make only Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) One.
- Islam teaches us to love for others what we love for ourselves. If there is something we enjoy then surely we want to share it with

others, but what can prevent us from enjoying?
The covetousness of ourselves.

SURAH AT TAGHABUN 16

وَمَنْ يُوقَ شُحَّ نَفْسِهِ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُفْلِحُونَ

And whoever is protected from the stinginess of his soul - it is those who will be the successful.

- Any situation we go through is to purify us. And Islam teaches us that it's "we", and not "you" or "me".
- We want to be lanterns in society, and a "lantern" is not about talking, but by our behavior and example. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) make us blessed in society.
- All people need care and love, whether they are young or old. And we will melt when we receive love and care. We need this so that we may be a slave of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

SURAH AR ROOM 21

وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ أَنْ خَلَقَ لَكُمْ مِنْ أَنْفُسِكُمْ أَزْوَاجًا لِتَسْكُنُوا إِلَيْهَا
وَجَعَلَ بَيْنَكُمْ مَوَدَّةً وَرَحْمَةً إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَآيَاتٍ لِقَوْمٍ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ

And of His signs is that He created for you from yourselves mates that you may find tranquillity in them; and He placed between you affection and mercy. Indeed in that are signs for a people who give thought.

- We want to deal with people with love and mercy. If there is no mercy then there will be aggression. And if there is no love then there will be hate.

LIVE WITH THE QUR'AN – SURAH AAL IMRAAN

SURAH AAL IMRAAN 1

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

الم

Alif, Lam, Meem.

- Both Surah Aal Imraan and Surah Al Baqarah begin with (الم). And what is the meaning of (الم)?
- It is from the miracles of the Qur'an to show that only Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is able to place any letters together, whether we know the meaning of it or not. That's why in the end, the scholars said the meaning of it is "Allah knows best".
- And some said, it is a way to challenge the disbelievers who were experts in the Arabic

language, but it is only Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) Who brought down the Qur'an and can place these letters together. And on the Day of Judgement, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will reveal to us the meaning of these letters.

- The theme of Surah Al Baqarah is the divine curriculum and after (الم) it speaks of the Book of which there is no doubt.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 1 TO 2

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1

الم

Alif, Lam, Meem.

2

ذَٰلِكَ الْكِتَابُ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهِ ۚ هُدًى لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ

This is the Book about which there is no doubt, a guidance for those conscious of Allah –

- We can know all the letters and all the words, but we cannot bring anything similar to the Qur'an. And for every letter we recite, we will be rewarded ten good deeds.
- If we were to tell someone “you can have access to all the books and all the means to make something similar to an ayah of the Qur'an”, they would be unable to.
- As for Surah Aal Imraan, after (الم) it mentions Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

SURAH AAL IMRAAN 1 TO 2

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1

الم

Alif, Lam, Meem.

2

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ

Allah - there is no deity except Him, the Ever-Living, the Sustainer of existence.

- This means the only thing that can keep us firm in this life is our attachment to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- Surah Al Baqarah and Surah Aal Imraan are both Medinan Surahs which means they were revealed in Medina.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MECCAN AND MEDINAN SURAHS?

- Meccan surahs are about faith while Medinan surahs are upgraded with worships, legislation and rules.
- The Meccan ayat are usually shorter, while the Medinan ayat are about being more established in faith, so they are longer and have more details.

- Surah Al Baqarah teaches through different examples, especially those who have knowledge, but do not benefit from it due to their complaining and asking too many questions. And this is an example of those whom Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is angry with (المغضوب عليهم).
- And Surah Aal Imraan speaks of those who are misguided (الضالين) – acting with no guidance.
- So Surah Al Baqarah addresses (المغضوب عليهم) – those whom Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is angry with, and Surah Aal Imraan addresses (الضالين) – the misguided.

SIMILARITY BETWEEN AYAT AL KURSI AND THE SECOND AYAH OF SURAH AAL IMRAAN

SURAH AAL IMRAAN 2

2

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ

Allah - there is no deity except Him, the Ever-Living, the Sustainer of existence.

- This part of the ayah is very familiar to which ayah? Ayat Al Kursi in Surah Al Baqarah.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 255

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ ۚ لَا تَأْخُذُهُ سِنَّةٌ وَلَا نَوْمٌ ۚ لَهُ مَا فِي
السَّمَاوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ ۚ مَنْ ذَا الَّذِي يَشْفَعُ عِنْدَهُ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِهِ ۚ
يَعْلَمُ مَا بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَمَا خَلْفَهُمْ ۚ وَلَا يُحِيطُونَ بِشَيْءٍ مِّنْ عِلْمِهِ إِلَّا
بِمَا شَاءَ ۚ وَسِعَ كُرْسِيُّهُ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ ۚ وَلَا يَئُودُهُ حِفْظُهُمَا ۚ
وَهُوَ الْعَلِيُّ الْعَظِيمُ

Allah! La ilaha illa Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He), Al-Hayyul-Qayyum (the

Ever Living, the One Who sustains and protects all that exists). Neither slumber nor sleep overtakes Him. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. Who is he that can intercede with Him except with His Permission? He knows what happens to them (His creatures) in this world, and what will happen to them in the Hereafter. And they will never compass anything of His Knowledge except that which He wills. His Kursi extends over the heavens and the earth, and He feels no fatigue in guarding and preserving them. And He is the Most High, the Most Great.

- What is the connection? In the start of the divine curriculum, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) teaches us many things until we reach ayah 254 which tells us to spend from whatever Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) have given us until we meet Him. Then it is followed by Ayat Al Kursi.

- We will not know Who is Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) until we go through all the ayat before it. And this shows we need a great amount of purification and nurturing until we can know Who is Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- Imagine we need to go through 254 ayat or “stations”, until we can reach the greatest ayah.
- Knowledge is very precious and when we first start on the path of guidance, we begin with wanting to pray and learn the Qur'an, and the more we are purified, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will then teach us Who He is.
- To know Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) requires so much purification because He is so great and to

attach to Him is so great. Thus we need to be ready to accept great knowledge.

- After going through Surah Al Baqarah and reaching the final two ayat which are sufficient, what do we want after it? We want to be firm on all that we went through; we want to maintain it.
- Surah Aal Imraan is about being firm on all that we learned from Surah Al Baqarah, and what is the start of being firm?

SURAH AAL IMRAAN 2

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ

Allah - there is no deity except Him, the Ever-Living, the Sustainer of existence.

- It is only Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) Who taught us that and we only have Him to preserve that that we learned, all the doors He opened and all the

understandings of different stories, different natures and different legislation. We do not want to lose anything, so Who do we need?

- Allah, there is no one worthy of worship except Him, Al Hayy Al Qayyoom – The Ever-Living, The Self-Sufficient Master.
- When we complete something, we can feel confident of ourselves and that we can manage on our own and maintain it. Though it is important to admit that our life is not perfect and we cannot rely on ourselves to remain firm.
- For example, if we graduate from all our studies and say “no more learning after that”, we will end up falling behind because there are new updates and advances each time. We can easily detach when we feel self-sufficient and can keep up on our own. However, we never

want to detach from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). We always want to attach to Him.

- We should not think, “I know how to pray, recite the Qur'an, I am submitting” and then forget the main thing which is Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). We never want to be self-sufficient from attaching to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), we never want to be self-sufficient from His care, and we never want to be self-sufficient from loving Him.
- We do not want to be like the child whom after they learn to walk and we try to carry them, they say “let me go”, as if we do not want that care anymore.
- It is important to appreciate Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because our life is nothing without Him.

DIVINE NURTURING LESSONS

- To know Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) requires so much purification because He is so great and to attach to Him is so great. Thus we need to be ready to accept great knowledge.
- When we complete something, we can feel confident of ourselves and that we can manage on our own and maintain it. Though it is important to admit that our life is not perfect and we cannot rely on ourselves to remain firm.

MAY ALLAH KEEP US FIRM AND MAY WE ALWAYS ATTACH
TO HIM. AMEEN.

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