

سُورَةُ الْقِيَامَةِ

Sūrah al Qayamah

(THE RESURRECTION)

Revealed at Makkah, it has two Sections and forty Āyāt.

Section 1

In the Name of Allah

The Most Gracious, The Most Merciful.

1. I swear by the Day of Resurrection.
2. And I swear by the self-reproaching soul.
3. Does man imagine that We shall not gather his bones?
4. Yes! We are Able to put together evenly his very fingertips.
5. Aye! Man desires that he may go on sinning.
6. He questions, when will be the Day of Resurrection?
7. When, then, the sight shall be dazed.
8. And the moon shall be eclipsed.
9. And the sun and the moon shall be joined.
10. Man, on that Day, shall say: whither to flee?
11. Certainly no refuge on that Day.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

لَا أَقِيمُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ ①

وَلَا أَقِيمُ بِالنَّفْسِ اللَّوَامَةِ ②

أَبْحَسُّ الْإِنْسَانُ أَنْ يَجْمَعَ عِظَامَهُ ③

بَلَىٰ قَدِيرِينَ عَلَىٰ أَنْ تُسَوَّىٰ بَنَاتُهُ ④

بَلَىٰ يُرِيدُ الْإِنْسَانُ لِيَفْجُرَ أَمَامَهُ ⑤

يَسْتَلْ أَبَانَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ ⑥

فَإِنَّا بَرِقَ الْبَصَرُ ⑦

وَحَافَا الْقَمَرُ ⑧

وَجُمِعَ الشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ ⑨

يَقُولُ الْإِنْسَانُ يَوْمَئِذٍ أَيْنَ الْمَفْرُ ⑩

كَلَّا لَا وَزَرَ ⑪

12. To your Rabb that Day shall be the recourse.
13. To man shall be declared that Day what he has sent on and left behind?
14. Aye! Man shall be an evidence against himself.
15. Though he may put forth please.
16. Move not your tongue therewith that you may hasten.
17. Verily upon Us is the collecting of it and the reciting of it.
18. So when We recite it, follow you the reciting thereof.
19. And thereafter upon Us is the expounding of it.
20. By no means! Verily you love the Herein.
21. And leave the Hereafter.
22. Faces on that Day shall be radiant.
23. Looking towards their Rabb.
24. And faces on that Day shall be scowling.
25. Apprehending that there will befall them a calamity waist-breaking.
26. By no means! When it comes up to the collarbone.
27. And it is cried aloud: Where is the enchanter?

إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ يُومِذُ السَّنْفَرُ ﴿١٢﴾

يُنَبِّئُوا الْإِنْسَانَ يَوْمِذِهِ بِمَا قَدَّمَ وَأَخَّرَ ﴿١٣﴾

بَلِ الْإِنْسَانُ عَلَىٰ نَفْسِهِ بِصِيرَةٌ ﴿١٤﴾

وَلَوْ أَلْفَىٰ مَعَاذِيرَهُ ﴿١٥﴾

لَا تُحْرِكْ بِهِ لِسَانَكَ لِتَعْجَلَ بِهِ ﴿١٦﴾

إِنَّ عَلَيْنَا جَمْعَهُ وَقُرْءَانَهُ ﴿١٧﴾

فَإِذَا قَرَأْنَاهُ فَاتَّبِعْ قُرْءَانَهُ ﴿١٨﴾

ثُمَّ إِنَّ عَلَيْنَا بَيَانَهُ ﴿١٩﴾

كَلَّا بَلْ تُحِبُّونَ الْعَاجِلَةَ ﴿٢٠﴾

وَتَذَرُونَ الْآخِرَةَ ﴿٢١﴾

وَجُوهٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ نَّاصِرَةٌ ﴿٢٢﴾

إِلَىٰ رَبِّهَا نَاظِرَةٌ ﴿٢٣﴾

وَوُجُوهٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ بَاسِرَةٌ ﴿٢٤﴾

تُظُنُّ أَنْ يُفْعَلَ بِهَا فَاقِرَةٌ ﴿٢٥﴾

كَلَّا إِذَا بَلَغَتِ التَّرَاقِيَ ﴿٢٦﴾

وَقِيلَ مَنْ رَاقٍ ﴿٢٧﴾

28. And he thinks that it is the time of parting.
29. And shank is entangled with shank.
30. The drive that Day is unto your Rabb.

وَلَوْ أَنَّ الْفِرَاقُ ﴿٢٨﴾

وَالنَّفَّاتِ السَّاقِ بِالسَّاقِ ﴿٢٩﴾

إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ يَوْمَئِذٍ الْمَسَاقُ ﴿٣٠﴾

Secrets of Revelation

Allah swears by al-Qayamah, the Day in itself an evidence to its inevitability. When Allah created, bestowed wisdom and intellect, raised the Prophets^{AS} and granted free will, it is only natural to hold mankind accountable. And those who continue to assess their own behaviour and are careful not to disobey Allah, and refrain from reckless pleasures like the infidels, are also witness to the truth of that Day and the need for reckoning.

Soul and its Types

Human soul is a by-product of Four Elements and being created from matter it is attracted by material pleasures. The Qurān calls it *Nafs-e-Ammarah*, the Soul at Evil. When blessed with faith and the sense to distinguish between right and wrong, it engages in self-examination. And whenever it errs, it accuses itself, readily repents and worries for correction. At this stage, it is termed as *Nafs-e-Lawwamah* (Accusing Soul) by the Qurān. And when it is purified by adherence to the Holy Prophet^{SAW} and his Barakah to an extent that virtue becomes its second nature and sin is hated, it is called *Nafs-e-Muymainnah* (Soul at Peace). May Allah bless all Muslims with this gift!

Every Person has Unique Finger-Prints

Has mankind assumed that once they are turned to dust after death and the bones are decomposed they will not be quickened. Allah is capable of remaking even the fingers prints of each individual exactly as these were in the worldly life. It is incredible that the finger prints of no two persons are identical. The Qurān revealed this fact centuries before science proved it. Here requickening has been rationally proved with reference to the first creation, when the atoms of everyone were widely scattered before birth. Through diet these finally reached the father's

loins and were then transferred to the mother's womb in the form of sperm and so a multitude of human beings were created, each different from the other despite having similar physical features. It is possible that two persons may resemble, but their finger prints are absolutely different. **Allah** declares that **He** will recreate even the finger prints exactly as these were before.

Yet man shamelessly asks **His Prophet**^{SAW} when the Day of Judgment will be? So listen O' people! When the eyes will be dazed and the sun and the moon will falloff lightless like autumn leaves. And when the infidel shall run amok terrified they will find out that there was no way to escape the Divine Court. There everyone shall read his record to know what good has been sent ahead and where he failed. Each person is aware of his situation for sure though he may pretend.

All these facts are revealed by the Qurān. So at the time of revelation the Holy Prophet^{SAW} need not hasten to read and memorize. Rather when Angel Jibril has read, he should just repeat it. It is upon **Allah** to store it in his memory for subsequent recitation. Moreover to expound its interpretation through word of mouth is also upon **Him**.

Rules: (1) When Imām is reciting the Qurān during congregational Ṣalāt, the followers must keep quiet. (2) Conveying the text of the Qurān as well as its interpretation is the Holy Prophet's^{SAW} assignment. No one else is authorized to do it at his own free will.

Beholding Allah in the Field of Reckoning

The infidels are engrossed in the mundane pleasures, oblivious of the Ākhirah. On that Day, there will be many believers, with radiant faces, actually beholding their **Rabb** commensurate to their capacity, as this vision shall be strengthened for the purpose. This is the consensus of Ahle Sunnah. And the infidels will have drooping faces, gripped by the fear of reprisals. The real strength of a human being is exposed at the hour of death when, at its throes, he finds no way to avert it. And he knows that the moment to depart has indeed arrived. He racks with pain and his legs get entangled with one other.

Section 2

31. He neither believed nor prayed.

فَلَا صَدَقَ وَلَا صَلَّى ﴿٣١﴾

32. Indeed, he belied and turned away.

وَلَيْكِن كَذَّبَ وَتَوَلَّى ﴿٣٢﴾

33. Then he departed to his family conceitedly.
34. Woe to you, woe!
35. And again woe to you, woe!
36. Does man imagine that he is to be left uncontrolled?
37. Was he not a sperm of emission emitted?
38. Then he became a clot; then **Allah** created him and formed him.
39. And **He** made of him the two sexes, male and female.
40. Is not **That One** then **Able** to quicken the dead?

ثُمَّ ذَهَبَ إِلَىٰ أَهْلِهِ يَمْتَعِنَ ﴿٣٣﴾

أُولَىٰ لَكَ فَأُولَىٰ ﴿٣٤﴾

ثُمَّ أُولَىٰ لَكَ فَأُولَىٰ ﴿٣٥﴾

أَيَحْسَبُ الْإِنْسَانُ أَنْ يُتْرَكَ سُدًى ﴿٣٦﴾

الزَّرِيكَ نُطْفَةً مِن مَّنِيٍّ يُمْنَىٰ ﴿٣٧﴾

ثُمَّ كَانَ عَلَقَةً فَخَلَقَ فَسَوَّىٰ ﴿٣٨﴾

فَجَعَلَ مِنْهُ الزَّوْجَيْنِ الذَّكَرَ وَالْأُنثَىٰ ﴿٣٩﴾

أَلَيْسَ ذَلِكَ بِقَدِيرٍ عَلَىٰ أَنْ يُحْيِيَ الْمَوْتَىٰ ﴿٤٠﴾

Secrets of Revelation

The infidel neither testified, nor believed, nor did he establish a link with Allah through worship. Rather, he repudiated the revealed Code of Life and turned his back on **Him**. Then he became absorbed in his family and mundane pursuits. In great pride and arrogance, he perished totally in all phases of his existence. How naïve! He thinks the Reckoning will not be there and the world shall end aimlessly. Whereas it is a well Knit System of his journey from a drop of semen, into the mother's womb, onto a clot of blood whereof he was shaped into a human being and given life. **Allah** made male and female to continue his race. Every drop of water and every atom reaches its destined place at the destined time in this System, so precise and void of any variation. Is it then difficult for the Omnipotent to quicken the dead? Not in the least!