



**020. Taahaa**  
135 Ayaat (Makki)

**FOCUS**

THE LIFE OF PROPHET MUSA  
STEADFASTNESS IN THE FACE OF INSULTS  
ESTABLISHING SALAA

**DID YOU KNOW?**

ALL THE CHAPTERS THAT BEGIN WITH ط MENTION THE STAFF THAT TURNED INTO A SNAKE FOR PROPHET MUSA. THE LETTER ط LOOKS LIKE A SNAKE.

**SELECTED AYAAT**

- 20:8 Asmaaul Husna
- 20:25 Dua of Prophet Musa (pbuh)
- 20:114 O my Lord! Increase my knowledge

**NARRATIVE**

THE CHAPTER BEGINS WITH A CONSOLATION TO THE PROPHET AND A MENTION OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL NAMES (ATTRIBUTES) OF ALLAH. IT THEN LEADS TO AN ACCOUNT OF THE STORY OF PROPHET MUSA RECOUNTING HIS ENCOUNTER WITH ALLAH ON MOUNT SINAI AND THE ORDER TO GO TO FIRAWN TO FREE THE BANI ISRAAIL.

THE CONVERSATION WITH FIRAWN AND THE MAGICIANS CHALLENGE AND SUBSEQUENT SUBMISSION TO ALLAH IS FOLLOWED BY FIRAWNS DROWNING. THE CHAPTER TRANSITIONS INTO THE INCIDENT OF SAMIRI AND THE GOLDEN CALF IN PROPHET MUSA'S ABSENCE WHEN HIS BROTHER HARUN WAS LEFT IN CHARGE.

THE CHAPTER MOVES ON TO DISCUSS SEVERAL ASPECTS OF THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT AND RECOUNTS THE STORY OF PROPHET ADAM. IT THEN ENCOURAGES THE PROPHET TO BE STEADFAST IN THE FACE OF THE MAKKAN'S INSULTS, TO ESTABLISH SALAA AND WARNS THE MAKKAS TO WAIT FOR THE INEVITABLE END AND ACCOUNTABILITY, WHEN THEY WILL COME TO KNOW WHO IS RIGHTLY GUIDED.