

AL-AADIYAAT - THE CHARGER

GREED, HEEDLESSNESS AND UNGRATEFULNESS OF THE HUMAN BEING TO HIS RABB (LORD) APPARENT THROUGH HIS BEHAVIOUR (LACK OF MOTIVATION TO UNDERTAKE SPIRITUAL ENDEAVOURS AND HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS) BUT HIGHLY MOTIVATED IN COMPETING IN WORDLY PLEASURES



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INTENTIONS DISCLOSED ON THE DAY OF ACCOUNTABILITY

On that day what is hidden will be brought to light and all human beings will know the true value of their lives and the consequence of their actions.



Ayaat 9-11

HUMAN BEING UNGRATEFUL TO HIS LORD

The most prevalent tendency in the human being is being ungrateful. In his arrogance he perceives to be independent of his Rabb (Lord) and acts excessively in his love of wealth (or horses).



Ayaat 6-

ATTENTION CATCHING SCENARIO OF BATTLE HORSES AND A BATTLEFIELD

A kaleidoscopic view of galloping horses, panting with sparks flying as their hooves strike the rocks, raising dust clouds and going deep into the enemy lines at dawn.

The panorama of events and actions in the outer world are mirrors of what transpires in the inner.







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11 Ayaat (Makki)

FOCUS

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DID YOU KNOW?

THE ROOT WORD FROM WHICH 'AADIYAAT' DERIVES GENERALLY CONNOTES A FAST MOVING OBJECT SUCH AS CARS OR HORSES COMPETING IN A RACE. IN ANCIENT TIMES, HORSES WERE SO IMPORTANT THAT VICTORY OR LOSS ON THE BATTLEFIELD DEPENDED UPON THEM.

SELECTED AYAAT

- 100:1 (I swear) by the chargers panting.
- 100:6 Certainly the human being is ungrateful to his Rabb (Lord).
- 100:7 And certainly of that he is a direct witness.
- 100:8 And certainly he is excessive in his love of wealth.
- 100:9 Does he not know that the contents of the graves will burst forth.
- 100:10 And what is within will be brought to light.

NARRATIVE

THE SURA BEGINS WITH FIVE OATHS BY VARIOUS FORMS OF CHARGING HORSES WHICH WAS AN ATTENTION SEEKING SCENARIO. THEIR PASSION WAS BATTLE HORSES IN BATTLE JUST AS TODAY THERE IS FAST CAR RACING.

THE NEXT THREE VERSES DISCUSS THE HUMAN BEING AND HIS INGRATITUDE TOWARDS ALLAH. THE FOCUS IS THAT THE HUMAN BEING IS MOTIVATED WHEN IT COMES TO COMPETING IN WORLDLY ENDEAVOURS BUT THERE IS A LACK OF MOTIVATION IN PURSUING HUMANITARIAN AND SPIRITUAL VENTURES.

THE LAST THREE VERSES WARN THAT ALLAH IS AWARE OF ALL THINGS AND THAT ON THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT ONE WILL HAVE TO ANSWER FOR WHAT LIES WITHIN ONE'S CHEST.

BEGINS WITH ONE WHO DOESN'T CARE ABOUT CONSEQUENCES - ENDS WITH DIVINITY'S AWARENESS OF ALL INTENTIONS AND ACTIONS.