



SURA AL TAKAATHUR

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AL-TAKAATHUR - NEGATIVE ABUNDANCE

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THREE STAGES OF KNOWLEDGE

'ILM – information based on sciences which gives one a relative understanding of the world



'ILMAL YAQEEEN - A knowledge which contains no doubts



'AYNAL YAQEEEN – Knowledge verified with ones' own eyes



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ABUNDANCE DISTRACTS THE HUMAN BEING FROM REALITY

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The only wakeup call is death

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FOCUS



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DID YOU KNOW?



Unlike Kawthar which denotes positive abundance; Takaathur implies negative abundance – that which causes arrogance and perceived independence from the creator.

The chapter was also called the sura of the grave by some companions of the Prophet

BENEFITS OF RECITATION



- Cure for headaches
- Thawaab of shaheed
- Recite in 'Asr salaa for protection



SECTION 1 AYAAT 1 - 3



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SECTION 2 AYAAT 4 - 7



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SECTION 3 AYA 8



QUESTIONING ABOUT BLESSINGS ON THE DAY OF QIYAMA

SECTION 1

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allah, the Most Merciful, the Most Compassionate.

SECTION 1 AYA 1

أَهْلُكُمْ التَّكَاتُرُ

Abundance distracts you,

SECTION 1 AYA 2

حَتَّىٰ زُرْتُمُ الْمَقَابِرَ

Until you come to the graves

SECTION 1 AYA 3

كَلَّا سَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ

Nay! you will soon come to know,

SECTION 2 AYA 4

ثُمَّ كَلَّا سَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ

But nay! you will soon come to know.

SECTION 2 AYA 5

كَلَّا لَوْ تَعْلَمُونَ عِلْمَ الْيَقِينِ

Nay! If you but knew with the knowledge of certainty,

SECTION 2 AYA 6

لَتَرَوُنَّ الْجَحِيمَ

You would certainly see the fire of Jahannam.

SECTION 2 AYA 7

ثُمَّ لَتَرُوهُمَا عَيْنَ الْيَقِينِ

Then you would certainly see it with the eye of certainty;

SECTION 3 AYA 8

ثُمَّ لِنَسْأَلَنَّ يَوْمَئِذٍ عَنِ النَّعِيمِ

Then, on that day you will be questioned about the benefit and favours.



NARRATIVE



The chapter takes its title from the first verse which begins with the distraction from reality that the competition of wanting more wealth and children does. Historically it referred to the clans of the Quraysh who competing with each other even counted their dead to prove that they were greater in the size of their clans.

The first two verses speak of the delusion of hoarding wealth whilst the remaining verses promise that those who persist in such behaviour will bear the consequences of the fire with certainty.

SELECTED AYAAT



102:1 Your rivalry for abundance and power distracts you
Until you reach the graves

102:2 Then surely on that day you will be questioned about
your blessings