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SUSTENANCE AND PROTECTION ARE DIVINE ROLES
CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WHO BELIEVE ON BOTH INDIVIDUAL AND COMMUNAL LEVELS
RECOMPENSE TO PROPHET TO BE LOVE OF HIS NEAR ONES

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AWESOMENESS OF ALLAH

HE GIFTS DAUGHTERS AND SONS
HE SPEAKS THROUGH REVELATION
REVEALED THE QUR'AN THROUGH WHICH THE
HUMAN BEING REACHES HIS FULL POTENTIAL



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Ayaat 49-53

CONSEQUENCE OF COVERING UP THE TRUTH

NO REFUGE ON THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT
PROPHET NOT A PROTECTOR OVER THEM



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Ayaat 44-48

CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WHO BELIEVE AND TRUST IN ALLAH

1. KNOW THAT THE WORLD IS TEMPORAL AND THE HEREAFTER IS EVERLASTING
2. STAY AWAY FROM MAJOR SINS AND SHAMELESSNESS
3. FORGIVE WHEN ANGRY
4. RESPOND TO THEIR RABB
5. ESTABLISH SALAA
6. COUNSEL WITH EACH OTHER
7. WHEN COMMUNITY ATTACKED WITH INJUSTICE - THEY DEFEND THEMSELVES
8. GREATEST ACCOMPLISHMENT IS PATIENCE AND FORGIVENESS WHEN RETALIATION SANCTIONED

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Ayaat 36-43

ALLAH'S WISDOM IN THE DIVISION OF SUSTENANCE AND PROOF OF HIS POWER

AFFLICTION AS A RESULT OF THE HUMAN BEING'S OWN DOING
NO REFUGE FROM ALLAH



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Ayaat 27-35

FALSEHOOD VS TRUTH

ACCEPTANCE OF REPENTANCE

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Ayaat 24-26

RECOMPENSE TO PROPHET TO BE LOVE FOR HIS NEAR ONES

"O Messenger of Allah! Who are your relatives whose love is incumbent upon us?"
He replied: 'Ali and Fatima and their sons.' He reiterated the sentence thrice."



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Aya 23

REVELATION OF THE QUR'AN FROM THE OWNER OF THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH AND ITS TREASURES

A WARNING IN ARABIC TO THE MOTHER OF ALL CITIES - MAKKA 7
ANGELS ASK FORGIVENESS FOR THE INHABITANTS OF THE EARTH 5
ROAD TO REACHING FULL POTENTIAL SHOWN BUT CANNOT FORCE 13



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Ayaat 1-22

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53 Ayaat (Makki)

FOCUS

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DID YOU KNOW?

THE CHAPTER TAKES ITS NAME FROM VERSE 38 WHICH DESCRIBES ONE OF THE
CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WHO BELIEVE AS TAKING COUNSEL AMONGST
THEMSELVES. IT IS UNIQUE IN THAT THERE ARE 2 VERSES WITH HURUFUL
MUQATTIAAT

SELECTED AYAAT

- 42:13 Same message brought by all Prophets
42:17 The book and the balance (mizan)
42:23 Recompense asked by Prophet is love of near ones
42:25 Acceptance of tawba
42:27 Sustenance sent according to measure
42:36-40 Qualities of those who trust in Allah
42:38 Shura (counsel)
42:43 Patience and forgiveness are acts of courage

NARRATIVE

THE CHAPTER BEGINS WITH THE ASSERTION THAT THE QUR'AN IS A REVELATION
FROM THE OWNER OF THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH AS A WARNING AND A
PATH TO REACH ONE'S FULL POTENTIAL.
THE RECOMPENSE OF THE PROPHET IS LOVE FOR HIS NEAR ONES.
IT CONTINUES WITH A COMPARISON OF FALSEHOOD VS TRUTH AND STATES
THAT THE DOOR OF REPENTANCE IS ALWAYS OPEN.
THE CHAPTER THEN EMPHASISES ALLAH'S ROLE AS THE PROVIDER AND
PROTECTOR WHO OWNS THE TREASURES OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH.
THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WHO BELIEVE AND TRUST IN ALLAH ARE LISTED
ON AN INDIVIDUAL AND COMMUNAL LEVEL.
AFTER STATING THAT THE PROPHET IS NOT A PROTECTOR OVER ANYONE, THE
CHAPTER ENDS WITH THE AWEOSMENESS OF ALLAH IN HIS SPEAKING TO THE
HUMAN BEING THROUGH REVELATION.