



AL-KAWTHAR - THE ABUNDANT GOOD

CONSOLATION TO THE PROPHET (PBUH) GRANTING HIM ABUNDANT GOOD AND ASSURING HIM OF HIS LEGACY

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THOSE WHO HATE AND MOCK WILL BE CUT OFF (ABTAR)

Divinity's response to the enemies taunts was that their lineage would be cut off. Although they had sons their thoughts, ideals and goals were buried in the dustbin of history because falsehood by nature is fleeting.

Aya 3

SALAA AND SACRIFICE

The sacrifice refers to abandoning greed and miserliness and becoming selflessness. The Prophet asked Jibraa'il 'What is this nahariya that Allah has asked me to do?'

Jibraa'il replied: "Allah asks you to raise your hands at the beginning of salaa when you say Allahu Akber and when you are going to do rukoo and sajdaand after that, because the angels salaa in the seven heavens, are like this.

Everything has an adornment and that which makes salaa beautiful is raising the hands when saying takbeer.



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Aya 2

KAWTHAR (LIMITLESS ABUNDANCE)

- 1. Abundance of descendants through Sayyida Fatima
- 2. A spring in Janna
- 3. The Qur'an
- 4. Adhan
- 5. Salawat
- 6. Traditions
- 7. Role Model



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Aya 1



SURA AL KAWTHAR

3 AYAAT - MAKKI

AHLULBAYT CIRCLE

A focus on Fatima

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Al Insaan/Dahr
The Human Being

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Al Kawthar
The Positive Abundance

FOCUS – DID YOU KNOW - BENEFITS

FOCUS



Consolation to the Prophet

Granting him limitless abundance and a legacy

DID YOU KNOW



Kawthar means abundance beyond which there is no increase (limitless)

Shortest sura

Fatima is Kawthar as are her descendants, the Qur'an, a spring in Janna, adhan, salawat.....

BENEFITS



- Drink from Kawthar

NARRATIVE



It was a fundamental Arab goal to have sons. Father and sons would raid other tribes. Fathers considered their daughters a burden because they could not fight and risked falling into enemy hands, which would tarnish the tribes honour. This mindset caused the Makkan men to assume that Islam would endure only in name after the Prophet's death as he had no son to protect his legacy.

The Prophet (pbuh) had a son called Ibraheem born to Maria Qibtiyya who died when he was 18 months old.

His two sons from Sayyida Khadija (Qasim & Tahir) had also died in infancy. Some people including his uncle Abu Lahab taunted him calling him 'Abtar' which means an animal without a tail - one who had no succession.

The pain of losing his son was extenuated by those who celebrated saying his legacy would die with him. This chapter was revealed in reply to those who taunted the Prophet (pbuh) and gives consolation to him and expounds on the immense favours given to him which would be timeless and immeasurable. His succession and legacy of the Ahlulbayt through Sayyida Fatima, the Qur'an and the stream of Kawthar in Janna.

SECTIONS 1 – 3

SECTION 1 – AYA 1



LIMITLESS ABUNDANCE

- Sayyida Fatima and her descendants
- A spring in Janna
- The Qur'an
- Adhan
- Salawat
- Revelation

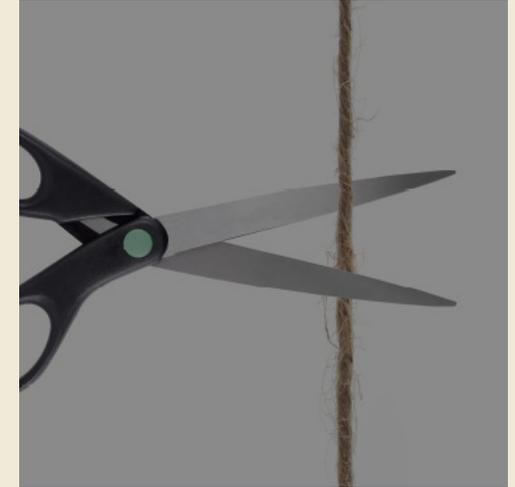
SECTION 2 – AYA 2



SALAA & SACRIFICE GRATITUDE & GENEROSITY

Express gratitude through salaa
Generosity through sacrifice.

SECTION 3 – AYA 3



THOSE WHO MOCK WILL HAVE NO LEGACY

SECTION 1 AYA 1

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
إِنَّا أَنْعَمْنَا عَلَيْكَ الْكَوْثَرَ

Indeed We have given you Kawthar.

*Kawthar' comes from the word 'kathara'
which means limitless positive abundance*



SECTION 2 AYA 2

فَصَلِّ لِرَبِّكَ وَأَنْحَرْ

Therefore pray to your Lord and sacrifice

When the sura was revealed, the Prophet asked Jibraail "What is this nahariya that Allah has asked me to do?"

Jibraail replied: "Allah asks you to raise your hands at the beginning of salaa when you say Allahu Akber

Everything has an adornment and that which makes salaa beautiful is raising the hands when saying takbeer.



SECTION 3 AYA 3

إِنَّ شَانِئَكَ هُوَ الْأَبْتَرُ

Certainly, your enemy shall be the one cut off..

This aya refers to those who celebrated when the Prophet (pbuh) lost his son saying "Batara Muhammad" (Abtar is an animal without a tail) alluding to the fact that the Prophet (pbuh) had no sons to continue his name.

To those who taunted him Allah implies they would be the ones who would have no legacy.

'Shaani' refers to the worst kind of enemy who not only hates you but wishes to harm.

SELECTED AYAAT



- 108:1** Certainly We have given you Al Kawthar (abundant good).
- 108:2** So pray to your Lord and Sustainer and make a sacrifice.
- 108:3** Certainly the one who hates (and reviles you) shall be the one who is "cut off" from posterity.