

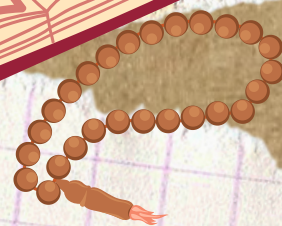


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Study Guide



CATEGORY 1C

Surat Al-Asr

سورة العصر

In the Shade of the Ayat

وَالْعَصْرِ
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“I swear by the passage of time,” The word *عصر* means to squeeze but it also has been used for afternoon as a meaning — like Salat Al-Asr, the afternoon prayer.

Why is that? All of our work and duties are squeezed into this time but in the meaning of this Ayah, it means a short time that will come to an end.

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَفِي خُسْرٍ
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“that man is surely in a state of loss,” People have indeed lost hours, days, months and years of life and don't get any reward then they become in loss because there's always more to achieve.

إِلَّا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ
وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ
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“except those who have faith, do good, and urge each other to the truth, and urge each other to perseverance.” For you not to be in loss, you must have faith in Allah and having faith must come along with doing all good deeds, advice each other to truth and to patience.

Quran Knowledge & Action

Reminder for us that time will end and that mankind is at a loss except for those who hold on to the important principles that Allah advised us about. We should always strive to fulfill those Principles to please Allah.

Surat At-Takathur

سورة التكاثر

In the Shade of the Ayat

١ أَلْهَنَكُمُ التَّكَاثُرُ

“Competition for more ‘gains’ diverts you ‘from Allah’,”
ألهام comes from the word لهو which means a distraction or amusement in which a person becomes so careless of more important things in life and forget the blessings Allah has given them. The word تكاثر means competing a lot. The Ayah is saying that these distractions have occupied you so much and made you careless of more important things in life.

٢ كَلَّا سَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ

“But no! You will soon come to know.” They will come to know that there is a hereafter. They distracted themselves on the wrong things — people are sleeping but when they die, they wake up — they will realise

that all this competition was a complete waste of time and wish that they can come back in time and fix it.

٦ لَتَرَوُنَّ الْجَحِيمَ

“‘But’ you will surely see the Hellfire.” جحيم is one of the names or levels of hell and it is extremely hot. The Ayah is saying that if you have the knowledge of certainty, you would have understood that in the hereafter there is accountability and that you would see the fire of hell in the future, then you have chosen to stay away from these distractions.

Quran Knowledge & Action

We should not focus on worldly gains and be driven by greed. Our aim in life should not be to devote our energy to this materialistic world and to compete against each other. We should be preparing ourselves for the hereafter and using our blessings from Allah correctly.

Surat Al-Qari'ah

سورة القارعة

In the Shade of the Ayat

أَلْقَارِعَةُ ۝ مَا الْقَارِعَةُ ۝

“The Striking Disaster! What is the Striking Disaster?”

The word قارعة is a disturbing and striking noise that frightens a person all of the sudden. This frightening and disturbing sound will be so loud that it will be heard by everyone and will erupt and shake the word all of a sudden

يَوْمَ يَكُونُ النَّاسُ كَالْفَرَاشِ الْمَبْثُوثِ ۝

“It is' the Day people will be like scattered moths,” The word فراش means a moth. When moths see a lamp, they start flying in all different directions scattered all over the place and some of them burn from the heat of light.

When people hear the Qari'ah, it indicates that people will run in different directions on that day and some people will go into the fire and burn, just like moths

experience

نَارٌ حَامِيَةٌ ۝

“It is' a scorching Fire.” Those who don't have many deeds on their scales - Who's deeds are light — their refuge is something so deep filled with a raging fire.

Quran Knowledge & Action

Allah warns us about the day of ressurction where a frighting sound will erupt and be heard by everyone. The moutaains will collapse and turn into rubble and people will be scattered like moths, everyone for themseleves not knowing their destiny. Our deeds will be placed on a scaled to determine our destination. Remeber that if we have good deeds, we will live in pleasure but if we have. We should prepare ourselves and do as many good deeds as we can with sincerity. We should stay away from sins and ask for forgiveness all the time.

Surat Al-Adiyat

سورة العاديات

In the Shade of the Ayat

وَالْعَدِيَّتِ ضَبْحًا ﴿١﴾

“(I swear) by those (horses) that run snorting,” Allah starts this Surah with an oath to show the glory of this event taking place and when Allah swears by an oath, it is something serious and of great importance.

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِرَبِّهِ لَكَنُودٌ ﴿٦﴾

“Surely humankind is ungrateful to their Lord—” We are in complete need of our nurturer who grants us countless blessings at every moment in life. However, we do not see many of these blessings and become extremely ungrateful due to our desires and material pleasures. Allah sent a pure prophet to guide us but many have turned their backs on him and even tortured and oppressed him and his followers this is exactly what the enemy did, they wanted to kill the Prophet PBUH.

وَحُصِّلَ مَا فِي الصُّدُورِ ﴿١٠﴾

“and all that is contained in the hearts will be exposed.” When we are resurrected, your intentions, thoughts, secrets, and motives behind your acts of deeds that are hidden in the hearts will be exposed. Did I pray to show off? What was my intention for paying charity? etc.

Quran Knowledge & Action

Remember that nothing can be hidden from Allah, not your secrets, not your intentions, nothing. Allah has full knowledge of your good and bad deeds. Always be mindful of Allah and do your best to please Him.