

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَ الْقُرْآنَ هُدًى وَشِفَاءً، وَنُورًا وَضِيَاءً، فِيهِ عِبْرَةٌ
لِمَنْ تَلَبَّرَ، وَهُدَايَةٌ لِمَنْ اسْتَبَصَرَ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا
شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، خَاتَمُ
الْأَنْبِيَاءِ وَالْمُرْسَلِينَ، فَاللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ
وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

All praise is due to Allah. He made the holy Quran guidance, cure and light for mankind. Indeed, in Quran there are lessons and guidance for those of understanding. I bear witness that there is no deity save Allah, having no associates. I also bear witness that our Master Muhammad is the Servant of Allah and His Messenger. He is the last of the Prophets and Messengers.

May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, his pure blessed family and companions, and all those who follow them in righteousness till the Day of Judgment.

شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ الَّذِي أُنزِلَ فِيهِ الْقُرْآنُ هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ وَبَيِّنَاتٍ مِّنَ الْهُدَىٰ وَالْفُرْقَانِ

The month of Ramadan is that in which the Qur'an was revealed, a guidance for the people and clear proofs of guidance and criterion (2:185)

Root letters of the Qur'an: **Q R A** – collect, gather, recite, read ...

Every civilisation is rooted in a book, the Greeks based theirs on Homer Jews on Tawrah, Christians Injeel, for the Arabs, there was no book until the Quran. What book do you follow for your life/guidance and criterion?

Children are in the oral world for the first five years of their lives. They hear stories and their imaginations come to life – this is why the Prophet & Sahabah would always read the stories of the Quran to their children

Now we have the children being brought up by the television and this link is severed

أَلَمْ ذَٰلِكَ الْكِتَابُ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهِ هُدًى لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ

“Alif, Lam, Meem. This is the Book about which there is no doubt, a guidance for those conscious of Allah.” (2:1-2)

Root letters of the Book: **Ka Ta Ba** means to join together, combine

We are a new nation, the Quran is our constitution and way of life, this is the month of our independence from ignorance and emergence into the light and guidance of Allah – an entire month of celebration

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا بِالذِّكْرِ لَمَّا جَاءَهُمْ وَإِنَّهُ لَكِتَابٌ عَزِيزٌ لَا يَأْتِيهِ الْبَاطِلُ مِنْ بَيْنِ يَدَيْهِ وَلَا مِنْ خَلْفِهِ تَنْزِيلٌ مِّنْ حَكِيمٍ
حَمِيدٍ

“Indeed those who denied the Remembrance when it came to them – they are truly ruined; and indeed it is an honourable Book.. Falsehood cannot approach it from before it or from behind it; [it is] a revelation from a [Lord who is] Wise and Praiseworthy.” (41:41-42)

لَقَدْ أَنْزَلْنَا إِلَيْكُمْ كِتَابًا فِيهِ ذِكْرُكُمْ أَفَلَا تَعْقِلُونَ

“We have certainly sent down to you a Book in which is your mention. Then will you not reason?” (21:10)

قَالَ ﷺ: «الصِّيَامُ وَالْقُرْآنُ يَشْفَعَانِ لِلْعَبْدِ يَقُولُ الصِّيَامُ: أَيُّ رَبِّ, إِنِّي مَنَعْتُهُ الطَّعَامَ وَالشَّهَوَاتِ بِالنَّهَارِ فَشَفَعْنِي فِيهِ, وَيَقُولُ الْقُرْآنُ: رَبِّ, إِنِّي مَنَعْتُهُ النَّوْمَ بِاللَّيْلِ فَشَفَعْنِي فِيهِ, فَيُشَفَّعَانِ

The Prophet ﷺ said in this regard, “Fasting and the Quran will intercede for the servant on the Day of Resurrection. Fasting will say, ‘O Lord, I prevented him from food and drink during the day, so allow me to intercede for him.’ The Quran will say, ‘O Lord, I prevented him from sleeping during the night, so allow me to intercede for him.’ And they will be allowed to intercede.” (Musnad Ahmad/Tabrani)

Umar ibn Al-Khattab entered Islam when he read these first Ayas of Surat Taha:

طه مَا أَنزَلْنَا عَلَيْكَ الْقُرْآنَ لِتَشْقَىٰ إِلَّا تَذَكْرَةً لِّمَن يَخْشَىٰ

“Ta, Ha. We have not sent down to you the Quran that you be distressed, But only as a reminder for those who fear [Allah] -” (20: 1-3).

In this Aya, Allah, the Almighty, linked between the revelation of the Quran and the happiness of mankind

وَنُنزِّلُ مِنَ الْقُرْآنِ مَا هُوَ شِفَاءٌ وَرَحْمَةٌ لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ

And We send down of the Qur'an that which is healing and mercy for the believers (17:82)

Another example on the great effect of Quran on our souls is that Al Fudhail ibn Iyadh repented to his Lord when he heard the recitation of this Ayah

أَلَمْ يَأْنِ لِلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَنْ تَخْشَعَ قُلُوبُهُمْ لِذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَمَلَنَزَلَ مِنَ الْحَقِّ

“has the time not come for those who have believed that their hearts should become humbly submissive at the remembrance of Allah and what has come down of the truth?” (57:16)

أَقِمِ الصَّلَاةَ لِدُلُوكِ الشَّمْسِ إِلَىٰ غَسَقِ اللَّيْلِ وَقُرْآنَ الْفَجْرِ إِنَّ قُرْآنَ الْفَجْرِ كَانَ مَشْهُودًا

Establish prayer at the decline of the sun [from its meridian] until the darkness of the night and [also] the Qur'an of dawn. Indeed, the recitation of dawn is ever witnessed. (17:78)