## The Holy Qur'an

The Qur'an is the Word of Allah (S.W.T). The Qur'an is the most important Book ever.

The Qur'an teaches us about Islam, the five pillars of Islam, the Prophets (A.S) and their history, and to be good Muslims. It teaches us to worship Allah (S.W.T) only. It also teaches us His Most Beautiful Names.

The first Surah (chapter) in the Qur'an is Al-Fatiha. The last surah in the Qur'an is An-Naas. In the Qur'an, there are 114 Surahs, 30 Juz, and 6236 Ayahs (verses). Surah Yasin is called the heart of the Qur'an.

The Qur'an was revealed to Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) in the month of Ramadhan. It was brought down by angel Jibril (A.S). It was sent down in a period of 13 years in Makkah and 10 years in Madinah. The first word sent down was iqra, which means recite.

We should recite the Qur'an everyday. We should take care of the Qur'an and kiss it. We can take care of the Qur'an by keeping it in a safe place, doing wudu before holding it, making sure nothing is above the Qur'an, and making sure the Qur'an is not on the ground. We should memorize the Qur'an and recite the Surahs in the Qur'an (everyday) to help us memorize the Qur'an. If you have memorized the whole Qur'an, you are a Hafiz.

The Qur'an mentions the names of 25 Prophets (A.S). Some of the Prophets (A.S) mentioned in the Qur'an are Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W), Prophet Ibrahim (A.S), Prophet Musa (A.S), Prophet Isa (A.S), Prophet Nuh (A.S), Prophet Ismail (A.S), Prophet Yusuf (A.S), Prophet Yunus (A.S), and Prophet Hud (A.S). Many attributes have been mentioned in the Qur'an about Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W). Some of the attributes mentioned are: he is Nur, (which means light), he is mercy for all the worlds, he is possessor of Allah (S.W.T)'s Grace, he is inspired, he is the teacher of the Holy Qur'an and he purifies people.

Some of the noble names of the Holy Qur'an are: Al-Kitab, Mubin, Karim, KalamAllah, Nur, Huda, Rahma, Al-Furqan, and Shifa. The Holy Qur'an has never been changed since it was revealed to Prophet Muhammed (S.A.W).

Allah (S.W.T) is always protecting the Qur'an. The Qur'an is an amazing miracle!

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