RECITATION

Surah Baqara – verse 257

REMINDER

--Sana

- when things go wrong and you feel you are unable to do that which is right - like Shaytaan is around...what do you do?

- ayat-al-qursi

- Prophet Mohamed: ayat al qursi is the greatest verse in the book of Allah. There was a person Ubey Ibn Kaab, and he was sitting with the prophet, and Prophet asked which is the greatest verse - the answer is Ayat-al-qrsi

- this is the best of all verses

- if you say this verse in a home, shaytaan leaves

- this ayat has the greatest name of Allah

- the greatest names of Allah (an entire phrase) is found in Al-Bakara, Taha 111 and Al Imram 1 and 11

IN THE EARLY HOURS

--Humairah

- found on Scarborough website!

Summary from chapter 2:

2 forms of dhikr:

- continuous and inner awareness of Allah

- specific methods - salah, praying in the night and daily devotion

Chapter 3 - Relating to Allah

- Starts off talking about characteristics of holding on to Allah - how to have a close relationship with Allah

1) Thankfulness - be thankful for everything that we have...we need to make sure that every time we remember we give thanks

- in many places in the Quran, Shukr and Kufr are compared

- Imaan is shukr or gratefulness and Kurf is related to ungratefulness

Not thanking Allah does not affect Allah; we are the ones who have to bear the consequences.

When there are distresses in our lives there is always good in it so we should be patient. Whether good or bad happens to you, you are always rewarded for being patient

2) Worshipping Allah

- We should enter Islam whole heartedly without hesitation

Sincerity in Worship - what we do if for the sake of Allah - like if we do someone a favor it is for the sake of Allah....such that praying at night and fasting without reward...we should make sure we are doing it for the sake of Allah

- our actions are judged by our intentions, and these are only known by you and Allah

3) Love of Allah - those who have imaan love Allah more than anything else - try not to make prayer a ritual

Ihsan - the essence of worship

- how love is manifested
- ihsan is to worship Allah as if he sees you or you see him even in your actions

- this is the highest level of imaan

4) Becoming Hanif - knowing you belong only to Allah

- it is to be sincere

- See surah Al-Anaam - 6:79

There is also need for complete trust in Allah - like the prophet Ibrahim who was supposed to leave his wife and son in the middle of the dessert and to slaughter his son - he was given the title khalil-allah - but this is translated not as friend of Allah - it is instead the highest level of love- this is the love that Ibrahim had for Allah SWT!

5) - jihad - striving in the path of Allah

TAFSIR

-- Hajera

Verse 18

- Exposing hypocrites was the theme earlier

- referring to the day of resurrection when Allah will gather all the hypocrites and the hypocrites will still swear to Allah AS WELL but they know not what lies ahead.

- When you walk on a certain path, you most probably will die and be resurrected on that same path as well...the hypocrites used to live like this and they died like this as well

MEMORIZATION

for next week: Khalidah - 8 Sana - 6 Hajera - 16 Humairah - 10 Aaida - 6

HADITH

- number 7 continuation

- Religion is naseehah to Allah, to his messengers, to the leaders of the Muslims etc.

Leaders of the Muslims

Scholars -

their position affects us all because they are aware of the shariah

- so if they do something wrong, you need to give advice to them since it affects all of us in our deen

- naseeha to the scholar, taking the knowledge that they pass on, accepting their rulings, having good thoughts about them and not suspecting them and not attempting to find their faults or mistakes

- this also includes not being afraid to correct them or ask them questions if needed

Common folk of the Muslims

- guiding them to what is good in dunya and akhirah- not harming them or cheating them
- teaching them the deen
- aiding them
- concealing their faults
- performing good deeds for them
- respect to the elderly
- being happy or sad when they are

When advising a sister or brother

- you must remember not to ridicule, blame or shame them

- this is only beneficial under certain circumstances

- like in the chain of narration you had to mention peoples' faults to see what was a good hadith or not and also in marriage, where you have to think about them as people...also refuting people who have different interpretations of the Quran

TASKS

KHALEDA - PHOTOCOPY HADITH Tafsir - verse 19 - Khaleda Hadith - number 8 - Sana Book - chapter 3 cont - Humairah Dua - Hajera Reminer - Aaida

FRIDAY PROJECT

1) good thing once a day

2) dua once a day

3) 4 neighbours in ALL --> 2 old neighbours and 2 new neighbours

- get to know them and give them something - in the month!!

DO REAERCH ON THE AYAS AND HADITHS RELATED !!!!!!!