BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE QURAN

Brief page by page summaries of the Quran

Part 17
Surah Ar-Rum
Surah Luqman
Surah As-Sajdah
Surah Ahzab

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ABOUT

- The main purpose of the Bird's Eye View of the Quran is to present brief summaries of the Quran page by page. Some of the benefits are:
 - You can learn the general message of the Quran page by page
 - You can remember the key messages of the verse or group of verses while reciting
 - It can generate further interest in learning and understanding the Quran
 - It can be a Daur-e-Quran (going over the brief message of the entire Quran in 26 sessions) which is valuable particularly in Ramadan.
- Some details of the methodology are:
 - 15-line Quran is used, a soft copy of which can downloaded here
 - Verses on each page are grouped based on a common message and the key pointers¹ and some obvious lessons where possible are highlighted on the side. However, for detailed explanations, you should refer to translations and tafseer books.
 - The sessions are divided into 26 parts and each part is presented separately, other parts are available at www.fussilat.com.
 - Visit www.understandguran.com to understand the Quran The Easy Way

¹ Pointers are a general indication of the key meanings in the verses and do not necessarily capture every message, but give a general idea

Surah Ar-Rum (The Romans)

- Proofs of Allah and Qiyamah
- Refutation of Shirk
- Believers are commaned to stay firm on the religion
- Quran prophesizes victory for the Romans after they were defeated
- The day of victory will be a joyous day for the believers with the help of Allah
- Lesson:
- Things happening in this world are not random but from the wise perspective of Allah

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- Continued...
- They will be confined in punishment
- Signs and Blessings of Allah
- Allah brings living out of the dead and dead out of the living
- He gives life to dead/lifeless land
- Puts affection and tranquility between spouses
- Diversity of languages and people of different colors
- Night and day for sleep and work
- Fear and aspiration in lightning
- Rain from the sky turns dead land alive
- These are signs for the people of intellect

- Allah's promise will come true
- Disbelievers' Ignorance of the Hereafter
- They don't think about the hereafter, but are fully aware of this world.
- They don't ponder over the heavens and the earth
- They don't observe and learn from the consequence of people who denied (their) messengers

- Consequence of the disbelievers
- Their ignorance leads to a bad outcome (punishment in this world and in the hereafter).
- They will be in despair on the day of judgment
- There will be no intercessors for them

On the other hand, good people will have good reward

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الروم اتل مااوحي

 During adversity, they pray to Allah and associate partners after adversity if removed الرومر٣٠

Allah gives Rizq to anyone He wants

- To the believers
- Give rights of the relatives, the needy and of the travelers
- Riba (interest) will not increase money, but Zakah (charity) does
- Allah is the one who gives Rizq, and He gives life and death
- Still some people commit Shirk
- Corruption on earth is because of the bad deeds of people

الروم. اتل ماً اوجي ٢١

- Signs and Blessings of Allah continued...
- Sky and earth remain firm
- Allah created all these and He can recreate
 - Are slave and master the same?
- Can a master fear a slave? (Similarly Allah is not afraid of the partners they associate with Him)
- Although people understand this, they follow their own desires

- To the believers
- Turn your face towards truth (Fitrah)
- Turn to Allah in repentance, establish
 Salah, and give Zakah

Some people have divided their religion and became sects

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- Continued...
- Consolation to Prophet that he cannot make the dead and deaf hear the message (Disbelievers are like dead and deaf)
- Signs in self
- Different stages of life

About the day of Qiyamah

Quran is a book of clear signs

- Allah asks them to take heed from previous generations
- Direct your faces towards the correct religion before the day of judgment

- Some more signs of Allah in the Universe and in the History
- Winds are bringer of good tidings
- Messengers came with clear evidences but people denied and consequently were punished
- Allah gives life to earth after lifelessness

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- Question to Mushriks on what have their lords created
- Luqman's advice to His Son
- 1) Do not associate partners with Allah
- Allah's wasiyyah on parents (specially mother)
- Allah enjoins mankind about parents, specially mothers who carries the baby in her womb and nursed him
- We are told not to obey them if they ask us to do Shirk
- Advice of Luqman to His Son continued...
- 2) Allah will record deeds as minute as a mustard seed
 - 3) Establish prayer
 - 4) Enjoin good
 - 5) Forbid evil
 - 6) Be patient
 - 7) Do not turn you cheek in contempt
 - 8) Do not walk on earth exultantly
 - 9) Be moderate in your pace



- Hearts of stubborn people are sealed (because of their deeds)
- Allah enjoins the Prophet to be patient
- Surah Lugman
- How and what a father should advise his son
- The many blessings of Allah that make thankfulness necessary/obligator
- Command to fear Qiyamah
- Characteristics of people who believe in the wise book (Quran)
- Establish prayer, give charity, and believe in the hereafter
- Severe punishment for those who mislead people
- Jannah is the reward for people who believed and did good deeds
- Signs of Allah in the Universe
- Allah created the sky without pillars
- Earth is firmly set by mountains

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- Signs of Allah
- Allah created humans from a single soul
- Alternation of day and night
- Ships sailing through sea
- There are signs for every patient and grateful person
- Disbelievers' attitude on land (they call their idols) and sea (they call Allah)
- Address to Mankind
- 1) Fear the day of Qiyamah, no one can help each other
 - 2) Be aware of the deceit of the worldly life and of shaitan
- Allah Alone Has the Knowledge
- 1) Knowledge of the Hour
 - 2) Coming down of the rain
 - 3) What is in the wombs (it is not just about gender, its about personality and destiny)
 - 4) What will a person earn tomorrow
 - 5) Which place a person will die

- Lugman's advice to His Son
- 10) Lower your voice
- All of our blessings are from Allah
- Disbelievers insist on following their forefathers
- The person/one who submits to Allah has grasped the most trustworthy hand
- Allah tells the Prophet not to grieve for their disbelief

- Disbelievers accept Allah as God yet they reject the message
- Greatness of the words of Allah
- If trees were pens and sea were ink,
 His words would not be exhausted

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 Allah will forget the disbelievers on that day السجدة٢٢

- Character of the believers
- When they hear the words of Allah
 - 1) They prostrate
 - 2) Glorify Allah
 - 3) The are not arrogant
 - 4) Pray during night
 - 5) They call Allah with fear and hope
 - 6) They spend
- Their reward is the Gardens of Refuge
- Consequence of Disobedience
- They will be thrown into the fire
- Their wish to come out of fire will be futile

- Surah As-Sajdah (The Prostration)
- Proof of Tawheed and falsehood of Shirk
- Warning to the disbelievers about their terrible situation on Qiyamah
- There is no doubt that the Quran is book of Allah and the Prophet did not invent it
- Signs of Allah
- Allah created the heavens and earth in six days
- He decrees all matters from heaven to the earth
- One day in the sight of Allah is equal to thousand years
- Signs of Allah in creation of human beings

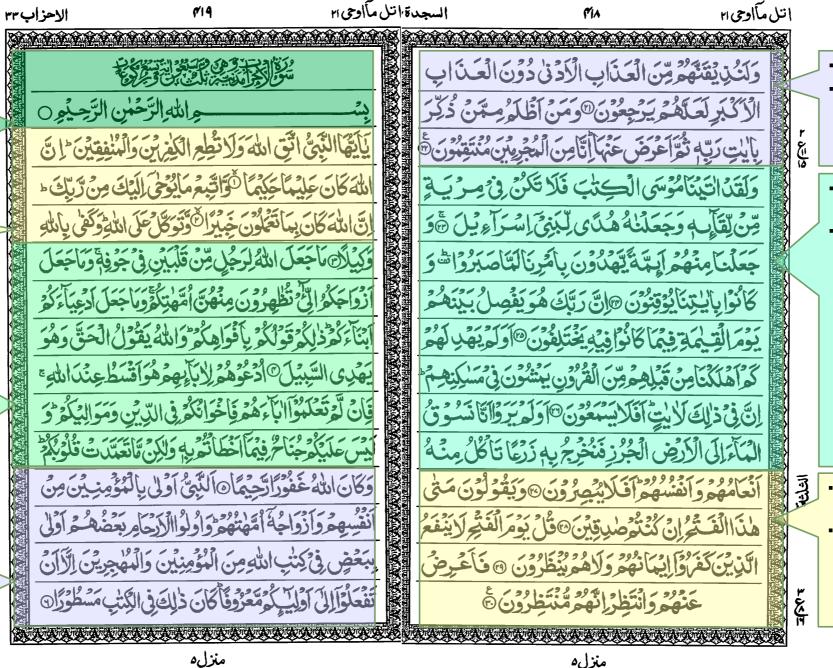
 Disbeliever's refusal to accept hereafter

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السجدة اتل مآاوحي

- Surah Al-Ahzab (The Combined Forces)
- Purifying Islam from leftover portions of the time of ignorance
- Discussion on the Battle of Ahzab and how it exposed the Munafiqeen
- Some rules about family and women
- Allah commands the Prophet SAW to convey the message without fear
- Prohibition of Zahar (a type of divorce)
- An adopted son is not real son

 In Islamic society, the Prophet has the highest status and his wives are mothers of the believers



- Consequence of Disobedience
- Allah gives punishment in this world so that they return to Allah
- Allah punished the people who rejected the message of Musa AS
- Allah will judge between them on the Day of Judgement

- Disbelievers ask about the Day of Judgement
- Allah says there is no benefit of believing on that day

- Commentary on Battle of Ahzab continued...
- Nobody can run away from death and the decision of Allah

الاحزاب٣٣

- Commentary on Battle of Ahzab continued...
- Hypocrites discourage others from fighting
- Hypocrites are scared to death at the time of fear
- When the fear is gone they would lash with sharp tongues

- The Prophet sis an example for the believers
- Their belief increases when they see the promise of Allah

الاحزاب "نل ماً اوجي ٢١

Covenant was taken with the prophets

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- Commentary on the Battle of Ahzab
- Allah sent winds which destroyed the enemy camps to help Muslims
- The battle was a very difficult time, and this isolated the true Muslims from hypocrites

- Commentary on Battle of Ahzab continued...
- Hypocrites said Allah's promise was false
- They turned back and discouraged others from participating in the battle

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- Mothers of the Believers contd.
- Double reward for their good deeds

الاحزاب٣٣

- They are not the same as other women
- They are told to stay at home and not display themselves
- Remember what is recited in their houses

- Characteristics of Men and Women whom Allah will give forgiveness and have great reward. They:
 - 1) Submit
 - 2) Believe
 - 3) Are obedient
 - 4) Are truthful
 - 5) Are patient
 - 6) Are humble
 - 7) Are charitable
 - 8) Fast
 - 9) Guard their private parts and
 - 10) Remember Allah

- Commentary on Battle of Ahzab contd.
- Those believers who fulfilled their promise, Allah will have reward for them
- Allah sent back those who disbelieved empty handed
- Banu Qurayza (Tribe of Jews) broke the treaty and they were punished

Mothers of the believers

- Allah orders the Prophet SAW to tell them that If they wish for this world he can provide, but if they wish for Allah and His messenger there is a better reward
- Double punishment if they do bad

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الاحزاب ومن يقنت ٢٢

 Allah greets the believers on the Day of Judgement with Salam الاحزاب٣٣

- The Prophet ##is
 - 1) A Witness
 - 2) A Giver of glad tidings
 - 3) A Warner
 - 4) An Illuminating lamp
- There is no waiting period for women who are divorced before their husband touching them
- Special marriage permission is given to the Prophet #

الاحزاب ومن يقنت

 Allah and Prophet's decisions are above the choice of believing men and women

ومن يقنت ٢٢

- Marriage of the Prophet #with the divorced wife of Zaid (Zainab RA)
- This was to break the old tradition that considered adopted sons as a real son

- The Prophet #does not fear anyone except Allah
- The Prophet SAW is not a father of any believing men but a messenger
- He is the seal of the prophethood
- Allah commands the believers to remember Him in abundance

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- No Hijab for: Father, son, brother, nephew, women, and slaves
- Status of the Prophet ##
- Allah and His angels send blessings (salawaat) on the Prophet SAW so we are asked to send as well
- Punishment is for the people who annoy the Prophet
- Lesson:
- We should make habit of sending salawaat to the Prophet SAW
- Rules on Hijab
- Believing women are asked to bring down their outer garments over themselves, so that they are not abused
- Other instructions about hypocrites

 Exceptions in a marital relationship to the Prophet

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- Elaboration on the laws of Hijab
- Instructions to the believers about the meal invitation by the Prophet ##
- Prohibition of marriage with the wives of the Prophet

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الاحزاب٣٣

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الاحزاب امن يقنت ٢٢

- Only Allah knows when Qiyamah is
- Disbelievers will be in the fire and they will curse their leaders.

Instructions to the believers

- Do not be like the people of Musa AS
- Speak words of appropriate justice and Allah will amend your deeds and forgive your sins
- Obeying Allah and His Messenger is great attainment

Special Status of Human

- Humans took the Trust (to be subservient to Allah) while heavens, earth, and mountains refused
- Whoever do not fulfill the responsibility of a trust is unjust and ignorant
- Hypocrites and disbelievers will be punished
- Believers will be forgiven

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