BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE QURAN

Brief page by page summaries of the Quran

Part 5
Surah Maidah

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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
 - Every effort was made to ensure this work is free of errors. If a mistake or shortcoming is identified, please notify us and help make this presentation error free.

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

- Isa AS showed many miracles but they accused him of a magician
- Hawaris accepted Isa AS
- They demanded Maidah (table spread)
- · Conversation between Allah and Isa AS
- Allah will reward those says who believe and do good deeds in the hereafter

- Do Fulfill Contracts
- · Do not violate rites of Allah
- Do not hunt animals (in Ihram)
- Do not eat dead animals, blood, swine, food that is not slaughter with Allah's name
- Exception in extreme circumstances
- Deen is complete

Story of Isa AS

Islamic Laws

Criminal Laws

- · Bani Israel broke the covenant
- They refused to do Jihad with Musa AS
- Associated son to Allah
- They claimed that they were favorites of Allah
- They made jealousy with Muslims like the son of Adam AS

- Eat Halal and Pure
- Never make Haraam what Allah made Halal
- Guard your promised
- Alcohol and gambling prohibited

Some more rules for Muslims

Al-Maidah

Arrogance of Bani Israel

Bani Israel and Instruction to Muslims

Crimes of

- The crimes (Lying, Interes) Fearing people instead of Allah, abandoned their books)
- · Characteristics of Good Muslims - love Allah, soft on believers, tough on Kuffar, Jihaad in the cause of Allah.
- Follow Quran and Sunnah -Allah will provide unlimited provisions

- Severe punishment for breaking the laws set by Allah
- · Deterrent for others and keep society safe
- · Allah commands Muslims do Jaaheedu (to strive to follow Quran and Hadith)

Surah Al-Mai'dah (The Table Spread) – Main Points in this Surah are regarding:

- Completion of religious, social and political rules and laws
- Covenant taken with Muslims as a last nation to establish and be steadfast on the religion
- Warning to Ahle e Kitab (particularly Christians): come to the right path

O Believers! Fulfill the contracts!

Believers are asked to fulfill the contracts

Don't violate the rites

- Asked not to violate the rites of Allah (sacred month, sacrificial animals and garlanding)
- Law in Ihram (not hunting animals)

Help one another in righteousness & piety

 Command to cooperate in doing good and not in bad and fear Allah يَسْتَفُتُوْنَكَ مُّ قُلِ اللهُ يُفْتِيْكُمْ فِي الْكَلْلَةِ لِنِ الْمُرُوَّا هَلَكَ لَيْسَ لَهُ وَلَدٌ وَلَهُ أَخْتُ فَلَهَا نِصْفُ مَا تَرَكَ وَهُوَ يَرِثُهَا النَّلُشِ مِمَّا النَّلُ اللهِ مَا النَّلُ اللهِ مَا النَّلُ اللهِ اللهَ اللهَ اللهَ اللهَ اللهُ اللهَ اللهُ ا

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Rituals of Wudu, bath & Tayammum

- Wash your faces and your hands up to the elbows, wipe your heads, and wash your feet to the ankles.
- Take a full bath when in state of full impurity
- Tayammum in case of water not available
- Tayammum procedure: purify yourselves with clean earth by wiping your faces and hands

For your purification

 Allah's does not want to burden us, but to purify and complete His favor upon us

Remember the favor & covenant

 Fear Allah, He know the everything hidden in our chests

O Believers! Stand firm for Allah!

- Stand firm for Allah and bear true testimony
- Even against enemy do justice this is close to Taqwa
- Be just that is closer to righteousness

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Haram animals

- Animals & birds slaughtered in the name other than Allah
- Dead or un-slaughtered animals & birds, blood, flesh of swine
- Animals or birds killed by strangling, beating, a fall, or by being gored to death; those partly eaten by a predator
- All exemptions lifted if/when one if compelled by extreme hunger

Deen perfected; favor completed

- Deen is complete
- Ayaah about the completion of Deen
- Quran is a great favor from Allah

They ask re the lawful

- East what is good and lawful
- Say Bismillah when you unleash the trained hunting animals)

People of the Book - Food & marriage lawful

- Food of the People of the Book is permissible for you and yours is permissible for them
- Pious women from Ahle kitab can marry

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When Nasara (Christians) neglected a portion of their covenant, Allah let hostility and enmity arise between them

Messenger came to make things clear

 Dawah to Ahle kitaab to believe in the Prophet

Guidance from the Book

 Allah will give guidance and bring you out from the darkness

Disbelievers who say Allah is the Messiah

 Allah disdains Christians for considering Isa عليه السلام a God المآبِدة ١١٠ المآبِدة ١١١ المآبِدة ١١٠ المآبِد

 For those who disbelieve and deny the signs of Allah, they are the residents of the Hellfire

Remember the favor; He restrained enemy

- Remember Allah's favors He protected us from those who tried to harm us
- Fear Allah and put trust in Him

Covenant of Bani Israel; 12 chiefs

 Allah made a covenant with the Children of Israel and appointed twelve leaders from among them

Reward on Salah, Zakah, etc.

 They were commanded to establish Salaah, give Zakaath, believe and help Rasool. Allah promised to forgive their sins

Punishment on breaking the Covenant

When they broke the covenant, Allah sent his curse upon them

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They said both you and your Lord can go to fight; we are staying right here

Punishment for 40 years

Allah punished them by prohibiting from entering Falasteen for 40 years

Sacrifice of the two sons of Adam A

- The two sons (Habeel and Qabeel) offered sacrifice to Allah
- Allah accepted the sacrifice of Habeel

A Lessons

Allah accepts from the righteous

Killing & burial

- Out of jealousy Qabeel killed Habeel
- Allah sends crow to teach Qabeel how to bury the dead body
- First murder committed on earth

A Lessons

Jealousy is very bad, it can lead to great evil (including murder)

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Jews & Christians: We are sons of Allah!

- Allah rejects the claims of Yahood and Nasara that they are his children and his most beloved
- Allah forgives whoever He wills and punishes whoever He wills

Our Messenger has come to you

- Messenger has been sent to you, so believe in him
- Messenger is the deliverer of good news and also a warner

Musa: Remember the Favor

Musa AS reminds his people about the blessing of Allah

Enter the Holy Land

- History of Bani Israel about reaching holy land (Falasteen)
- Bani Israel acted cowardly (or they chose cowardice) although two God fearing men amongst them encouraged them to fight

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Cut off the hands of thief

- Punishment of theft (cut their hands)
- This is to act as a deterrent for others
- Even if the punishment is avoided in this world, they cannot escape from the punishment in the hereafter

Dominion belongs to Allah

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O Messenger! Don't be grieved!

Allah giving comfort to Prophet #

The listeners to falsehood

- about the actions of Hypocrites and Yahood
- Mention of some of their crimes and punishment of Allah

Killing one means killing all

Whoever takes a life, its like killing the entire nation and whoever saves a life is akin (or similar or comparable) to saving all of humanity

Punishment for warmongers & corrupt

- Penalty to the people who breaks the law
- They are disgraced in this world and will suffer tremendous punishment in the hereafter

Fear Allah! Seek means, & strive!

- Fear Allah, be mindful of him
- Seek what brings us closer to him
- Jaheedu (put extreme effort) in His path

No ransom from disbelievers

Those who disbelieved will wish to escape from Jahannun

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Let them judge by Injeel

They are faasiq (rebellious) if they do not judge based on Injeel

We sent you the Qur'an

- Address to Prophet ##
- (and all believers), Quran is the criterion, do not worry about what Ahle kitaab says, leave them, and do not follow their desires

Judge by the Qur'an

- Allah says we will be punished for our sins if we turned back
- Allah's order is over everything

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Judgement is up to you

- They used to lie and eat interest
- They are asked to fear Allah, not the people

How can they appoint you a judge?

Those who do not judge according to the rules of Allah are Kuffar (disbelievers)

Tawrah is revealed to judge

Retribution: Life for life

They were given the Qisas rules, if they didn't follow those rules, they are Zalimoon (wrong-doers)

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Why enmity?

 Allah mentions the reasons to avoid friendship with them

worst people

Deceitful believers; evil doers

 Actions of Ahle kitaab that angered Allah and caused them punished

Why don't scholars forbid them

 Allah warns their Rabbis as they are not stopping people from doing evil

المأبئة لايباشه

Don't take Jews & Christians as allies

 Do not take Yahood and Nasara as Auliya (Allies)

Hypocrites love them

Allah is exposing their hearts (Do not take them as allies as they are not sincere)

If you turn back, He will bring others

- If we abandon Allah's path Allah will replace us with people who follow it:
- Allah will love them, and they will love Allah
- They will be soft on believers and tough against the Kuffar
- They will fight in the cause of Allah
- They will not fear others

Your allies are Allah, messenger, believers

Ally with Allah because Allah's party will prevail

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 Ally with Allah and do not abandon his path

Salvation on belief & deeds

Good people will not have any fear or grief

Covenant of Bani Israel; denying & killing

Covenant of Bani Israel and their sins

Disbelief to say: Allah is Messiah

They abandoned the teachings of Isa:
 To believe in Allah and him as his prophet

Disbelief to say: Allah is 3rd

- They abandoned the teachings of Isa:
 To believe in Allah and him as his prophet
- They believed in the concept of Trinity
- Allah gave example that Maryam عليه and Isa عليه السلام . They were humans and used to eat food

Jews: Allah's hand is chained

 Address to Ahle kitaab: How Allah puts enmity amongst them

If the people of Book had believed

- Had they followed Taurah and Injeel, they would have received unlimited provision
- Some amongst them are good people

O Messenger, Convey!

 Address to Prophet, convey the message without any hesitation

O PoB! Establish Tawrah & Injeel!

 Address to Ahle Kitaab: You are nothing if you do not establish your book

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We should also establish the book i.e., Quran - All the rules from Quran apply to us.

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Tears on listening to the Quran

- Mention of the some Christians who believed in Prophet ******
- Their eyes overflowed and they pleaded to Allah to count them among the (Shahideen) witnesses

Their reward is Paradise

Don't make the lawful unlawful!

- Do not make Haram what Allah made Halal
- Eat from Halal and Pure

Expiation of oaths

- Clothe or Feed 10 poor people, or free a slave, if you cannot do that, then fast for 3 days
- Allah is giving advice guard the promises

Do you worship others?

Do not exceed in the religion

Curse on disbelievers of Bani Israel

- The curse of Dawood and Isa عليه السلام on the children of Israel (OR Bani Israel)
- They stopped forbidding evil

Q Lesson

We will get involved in evil if we do not forbid it

They take disbelievers as allies

Strongest enemies of believers

 Christians are closer to Muslims than Yahood and Mushriks because among them there are priests and monks

Lawful & unlawful game

- Hunting water animals in the state of Ihram is permitted
- Remember (to follow the rules),
 Allah's punishment is severe and
 Prophet is just a giver of message

Magnificence of Ka'bah

Duty of the Messenger is to convey

 Good and evil are not equal, though you may be dazzled by the abundance of evil.

Don't ask unnecessary questions

 Allah forbids believers from asking questions about matter that has been made clear

Bahira, Sa'ibah, Wasilah & Haam

 Rejection of the false beliefs of Quraish about cattle

Avoid the 4 works of Satan

- Final ruling for the prohibition of alcohol and gambling
- Shaitan uses *alcohol and gambling* to distract you from *remembering Allah* and Salaah
- Shaitan also stirs up hostility and hatred between us with intoxicants and gambling

Obey Allah & obey the Messenger

 Allah orders us to follow Him and His Rasool

O Believers! Allah will test you

 Allah orders us to follow Him and His Rasool

Don't kill the game; expiation

- Prohibition of hunting in the state of Ihram
- In the state of Ihram, you cannot hunt (land animals)
- Intentional Game killing must compensate by offering its equivalence (or feed the needy or by fasting)

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Question from Messengers

- Allah will gather all the Prophets on the day judgement and ask what was the response from your people
- They will reply, "We have no knowledge 'compared to You'! You 'alone' are indeed the Knower of all unseen."

Isa! Remember the Favor

His miracles are mentioned

Protection from Bani Israel

- The Yahood accused him to be a magician
- Hawaris (companions of Isa عليه السلام)
 believed in him

Asking for a table spread

 Hawaris demands Maida (Table Spread) to be sent from heaven واذاسعوا، ١٢٧ العَلَيْكَ واذاسعوا، ١٢٧ العَلَيْكَ

Blind following of forefathers

- When invited to Allah's revelations and to the Messenger, they replied "What we found our forefathers practicing is good enough for us"
- Believers are asked to look after themselves

2 witness at the time of making will

Call upon two Muslims or Two non-Muslims to witness the bequest (will of inheritance)

Oath of the two on doubt

- If you are unsure of the witness' testimony, ask them to testify under oath
- If they are found guilty of false testimony, let the deceased's two closest heirs affected by the bequest replace the witnesses and testify under oath by saying, "By Allah! Our testimony is truer than theirs. We have not transgressed. Otherwise, we would surely be wrongdoers."

Benefits of oath

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Dua of Isa; warning of Allah

- about Maida عليه السلام Dua of Isa
- Allah accepted the dua for Maida
- Whoever denies/disbelieves after that will be subjected to torment

Question for Isa; his disowning

 Conversation of Allah and Isa AS on the day of judgement

His call of Tawheed

 Conversation of Allah and Isa AS on the day of judgement

Request for forgiveness; Allah's reply

- Those who did good will be rewarded on the day of judgement
- All the dominion belong to Allah and he has power/control over all things

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