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Al Kafif

People of the Cave



Facts you need to know about Surah Kahf

Meccan Surah

110 Aayaat

18th surah of the Quran

Revealed between 8th and
10th year of Prophethood

At the time of its revelation the persecution of Muslims and Islam was at its peak in Makkah

The disbelievers would ask Rasulullah SAW quiz questions to test his prophecy .
They asked him about the incident of people of the cave أصحاب الكهف

Al Kahf الكهف means The Cave ; the surah is named after the incident of أصحاب الكهف

The surah 's theme is **OVERCOMING THE TRIALS**.
It guides us how to rise above when you are tested by four major trials:

1. **Trial of Faith:** People of the Cave (Verses 9 – 26)
2. **Trial of Wealth:** The gardeners (Verses 32 – 44)
3. **Trial of Knowledge:** Moses and Al-Khidr (Verses 60–82)
4. **Trial of Power:** Dhul-Qar-nayn (Verses 83–98)

Story behind its revelation

The tribesmen of Prophet (saw) were greatly concerned about his Prophethood. They didn't want to accept Islam instead they planned to disgrace him. Ibn `Abbas said: "The Quraysh sent An-Nadr bin Al-Harith and Uqbah bin Abi Mu`it to the Jewish rabbis in Al-Madinah, told them to:

Ask them (the rabbis) about Muhammad, and describe him to them, and tell them what he is saying. They are the people of the first Book, and they have more knowledge of the Prophets than we do.

They set out to Madinah to meet the rabbis. They told them about what the Messenger of Allah claimed. They said:

You are the people of the Tawrah and we have come to you so that you can tell us about this companion of ours.

The Rabbis said:

Ask him about **three things** which we will tell you to ask, and if he answers them then he is a **Prophet** who has been sent (by Allah); if he does not, then he is saying things that are not true, in which case how you will deal with him will be up to you. Ask him about:

Some young men in ancient times, who left their homes to save their faith. What was their story? There is a strange and astonishing tale.

Ask him about a man who traveled a great deal and reached the east and the west of the earth. What was his story?

And ask him about the Ruh (soul or spirit)

If he tells you about these things, then he is a Prophet, so follow him, but if he does not tell you, then he is a man who is making up things.

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So An-Nadr and `Uqbah left and came back to the Quraysh, and told them what they learnt. Then they came to the Messenger of Allah and said; `O Muhammad, tell us,' and asked him about the things they had been told to ask. The prophet replied;

أُخْبِرُكُمْ غَدًا عَمَّا سَأَلْتُمْ عَنْهُ»

(I will tell you tomorrow about what you have asked me.)

But he did not say `If Allah wills.' *إن شاء الله*

So the Messenger of Allah stayed for **fifteen days** without any revelation. The people of Makkah started to doubt him and their gossip made him sad. Then Jibril came to him with **Surah al Kahf** to reject all their accusations and to answer all their queries.

Surah Kahf in a Nutshell

THE PEOPLE OF CAVE

TWO MEN & GARDENS

MUSA (A.S) & KIDHAR (A.S)

ZULQARNAIN & YA'JUJ MA'JUJ

THE PEOPLE OF CAVE - FITNAH OF FAITH

It's a story about young converts, who lived in a city of disbelievers ruled by a tyrant king. Despite of being the youngest elite of the society, they left their homes and hid in a cave to save their faith.

TWO MEN AND GARDENS - FITNAH OF WEALTH

It's a story of a wealthy man who owned two fertile gardens. But he forgot to thank Allah who blessed him with everything and even dared to doubt the afterlife. He always belittled his neighbor who was poor but pious man.

MUSA (A.S) AND KIDHAR (A.S)- FITNAH OF KNOWLEDGE

It's a story about Musa's (a.s) journey with one of the most knowledgeable man of all time Kidhar (a.s). He learnt through patience that divine blessings are mostly hidden in matters we consider tough.

ZULQARNAIN & YA'JUJ MA'JUJ - FITNAH OF POWER

It's a story of a powerful but kind king who travelled around the globe helping people. He built a huge metal wall to protect people from the troublemakers Yajuj and Majuj

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**THESE STORIES GUIDE US THAT WE CAN
OVERCOME THESE FITNAHS BY...**

**CALLING TO ALLAH
RECALLING THE HEREAFTER
GOOD COMPANIONSHIP
SINCERITY/HUMBLENESS**

Surah Kahf Virtues



PROTECTION

from **DAJAL**

Abu Al Darda May Allah be pleased with him related that Rasulullah SAW said: "Whoever memorizes ten verses from the beginning Surah Kehf will be protected from the Dajjal".

Muslim Abu Dawud Nasa



SHINING

LIGHT

Ibn Umar May Allah be pleased with him said Rasulullah SAW said:

"Whoever reads Surah Al Kehf on the day of Jummah a light will shine for him from beneath his feet to the clouds of the sky which will shine for him on the day of resurrection and he will be forgiven his sins between the two fridays".

DO
you know?

Imran bin Hussain (May Allah be pleased with them) reported:
I heard the Messenger of Allah saying, "Between time of the creation of Adam and the Resurrection Day, there is nothing greater than the mischief of Dajjal (the Antichrist)."

[Muslim]

ARE
you wondering?

The word Dajjaal comes from the word dajl, meaning;
Misrepresentation/ Falsification. He is the greatest falsifier and the worst liar of all people.

He is called Messiah al-dajjaal.

Messiah

False Messiah
Antichrist(Dajjal)

True Messiah
Christ (Essa A.S)

WHO
is this creepy Dajjal?

[There are over fifty scholarly comments on the meaning of Messiah]

Prophet S.A.W described his looks so that the believers can recognize him. The greatest liar will look like:

- A young man.
- With ruddy complexion.
- Short in height with thick curly hair.
- He will have a wide forehead and a broad upper chest.
- Blind or defective (mamsooh) right eye. This eye will be neither prominent nor sunken. It will look like a floating grape.
- His left eye will be covered with a thick piece of flesh growing at the edge of his eye.
- Between his eyes "Kaaf faa' raa' (K-F-R)" will be written, in separate (Arabic) letters, or "kaafir", with the letters joined. This will be read by every Muslim, literate or illiterate.

The evil monster Dajjal-AlAkbar will:

- Appear near the end of this world.
- Last of thirty dajjals or 'deceivers'.
- He will conceal his kufr from the people by lying to them, deceiving them and confusing them.
- Will have unlimited resources and miracles even greater than Isa (as) such as bringing down rain, reviving the earth to bring forth vegetation.
- He will claim divinity. He will have with him a paradise and a hell, but his hell will be a paradise and his paradise will be a hell.
- He will go into every town for 40 days, He will speak in such a way that everyone in the east and the west will be able to hear him.
- After 40 years of rule, Prophet Isa (a.s) will kill him.

Lets discover Surah Kahf Secrets

Are you wondering ...?

- What's the link between Surah kahf and dajjal?
- Why is it a shield against the Fitnah of Dajjal?

Lets discover

This Fitnah Dajjal will be the greatest trial for the believers. He'll test us in four ways:

FITNAH OF DAJJAL AL-AKBAR

He'll ask to worship him not Allah | **TRIAL OF FAITH**

He'll be given the power to stop/start rain, ruin/grow crops and will take away all the wealth of believers to make them suffer. | **TRIAL OF WEALTH**

He'll be given the power to make the paradise and hell in his hand not in reality but in people's eyes. He'll test people with his knowledge. | **TRIAL OF KNOWLEDGE**

He'll control most of the Earth. | **TRIAL OF POWER**

Can you recall the four stories of Surah al Kahf?

What was the theme of the surah?

Yes! This blessed surah comes to our rescue from the greatest fitnah the mankind will ever face المسيح الدجال. The stories Surah Kahf talks about are a guideline on how to face the trials he'll put us in. The keys to success are strong faith, dua, sincerity, humility and recalling the hereafter.

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First Ten Verses of Surah Kahf

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَنْزَلَ عَلَى عَبْدِهِ الْكِتَابَ وَلَمْ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ سِوَا حَا ١
 قِيمًا يُنذِرُ بِأَسْمَاءِ شَدِيدَةٍ مِنْ لَدُنْهُ وَيُنَبِّئُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ الَّذِينَ
 يَعْمَلُونَ الصَّالِحَاتِ أَنَّ لَهُمْ أَجْرًا حَسَنًا ٢ مَكِّيَّةً
 فِيهِ أَبَدًا ٣ وَنَذِيرًا لِلَّذِينَ قَالَُوا لَمْ نَحْذَرِ اللَّهَ وَلَا
 مَا لَهُمْ بِهِ مِنْ عِلْمٍ وَلَا لِآبَائِهِمْ كَبُرَتْ كَلِمَةً تَخْرُجُ مِنْ
 أَفْوَاهِهِمْ إِنْ يَقُولُونَ إِلَّا كَذِبًا ٤ فَلَمَّا كَ بَنَجِعَ نَفْسَكَ
 عَلَى مَا نَشَرِهِمْ إِنْ لَمْ يُؤْمِنُوا بِهَذَا الْحَدِيثِ أَسَفًا ٥ إِنَّا
 جَعَلْنَا مَا عَلَى الْأَرْضِ زِينَةً لَهَا لِنَبْلُوهُمْ أَيُّهُمْ أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا
 ٦ وَإِنَّا لَجَاعِلُونَ مَا عَلَيْهَا صَعِيدًا جُرُزًا ٧ أَمْ حَسِبْتَ
 أَنَّ أَصْحَابَ الْكَهْفِ وَالرَّقِيعِ كَانُوا مِنْ آيَاتِنَا عَجَبًا ٨
 إِذْ أَوَى الْفِتْيَةُ إِلَى الْكَهْفِ فَقَالُوا رَبَّنَا إِنَّا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ رَحْمَةً
 وَهَيِّئْ لَنَا مِنْ أَمْرِنَا رَشَدًا ٩

Ayaah:1

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَنْزَلَ عَلَى عَبْدِهِ الْكِتَابَ وَلَمْ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ عِوَجًا ۝١

عَبْدِهِ

His slave

عِوَجًا

Crookedness

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ

All praise and thanks is for Allah SWT

Word Analysis

Al-hamdu:	All Praise
Lillahi:	(is) for Allah
Alladhī:	the One Who
Anzala:	(has)revealed
al:	to
abdihi:	His slave
L-kitāba:	the Book,
Walam:	and not
Yajal:	(has) made
Lahu:	in it
iwajā:	any crookedness

Shows love of Allah for the Prophet. "My Slave" has been used in Quran for:

1. Defense of the Prophet.
2. Sending down of Quran.
3. Referring to a great favor of Allah to us.

Its opposite is untwisted, straight. Quran has no crooked information. Its values, principles are straight and clear as how it was first revealed.

Allhamdulillah appears 38 times in the Qur'an. HAMD means:

1. Submitting to the one being praised – out of humility.
2. Sincere gratitude and praising excellence of someone.

Points to Ponder

Gratitude
Hamd
'abd' of Allah

Ayaah:2-3

قَيِّمًا لِيُنذِرَ بَأْسًا شَدِيدًا مِّن لَّدُنْهُ وَيُبَشِّرَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ الَّذِينَ
يَعْمَلُونَ الصَّالِحَاتِ أَنَّ لَهُمْ أَجْرًا حَسَنًا ﴿٢﴾ مَّكِيثِينَ فِيهِ أَبَدًا ﴿٣﴾

Word Analysis

qayyiman:	Straight
liyundhira:	to warn
basan:	(of) a punishment
shadīdan:	sever
min:	from
ladun'hu:	near Him
wayubashira:	and give glad tidings
l-mu'minīna:	(to) the believers
alladhīna:	those who
yamalūna:	do
l-āli āti:	righteous deeds
anna:	that
Lahum:	for them
ajran:	(is) a good reward
asanan:	(is) best reward
mākithīna:	(They will) abide
fihī:	in it
Abadan:	forever

أَجْرًا حَسَنًا

قَيِّمًا

Ajar means a payment that one deserves and hasana means the best one i-e Jannah.

The Nobel Qur'an is Qayyiman in following ways: It is Mustaqeem: One that is straight.

It is Mu'tadil: One that is balanced. It stands firm for the benefit of people. Its commands are a source of benefit.

It means the one that is straight and leads to the straight path.

The Qur'an warns disbelievers (Nathr is to give news that arouses fear, and has an effect on the person), so that they should become fearful and seek to change. It brings good news to the believers who do righteous good deeds.

Points to Ponder

Straight Path, Warning
Reward, Good Deeds

Ayaah:4-5

وَيُنذِرَ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا اتَّخَذَ اللَّهُ وَلَدًا ﴿٤﴾ مَا لَهُمْ بِهِ مِنْ عِلْمٍ وَلَا لِآبَائِهِمْ
كَبُرَتْ كَلِمَةً تَخْرُجُ مِنْ أَفْوَاهِهِمْ إِنَّ يَقُولُونَ إِلَّا كَذِبًا ﴿٥﴾

Word Analysis

wayundhira:	And to warn
alladhīna:	those who
qālū:	say
ittakhadha:	Allah has taken
l-lahu:	Allah has taken
waladan:	A son
Mā- lahum:	Not – they have
bihi:	About it
min- il'min:	Any knowledge
walā:	and not
liābāihim:	their forefathers
kaburat:	Grave (is)
kalimatan:	the word
takhruju:	(that) comes out
min:	Of
afwāihim:	their mouths
in:	not
yaqūlūna:	they say
illā:	except
kadhiban:	a lie

كَبُرَتْ كَلِمَةً

Their claim of Allah having a son is grave, severe and a huge lie. 'The heavens are almost torn, and the earth is split asunder, and the mountains fall in ruins, that they ascribe a son to the Most Gracious. [18; 90-91]

وَيُنذِرَ

There is a specific warning for those who do SHIRK. It nullifies all the deeds. First condition for acceptance of deeds is sincerity to ALLAH.

Points to Ponder

Sincerity, Shirk
Speaking without knowledge

Ayaah:6-8

فَلَعَلَّكَ بَدِخَعٌ نَّفْسَكَ عَلَىٰ آثَرِهِمْ إِنْ لَمْ يُؤْمِنُوا بِهَذَا الْحَدِيثِ

أَسْفًا ۝٦

إِنَّا جَعَلْنَا مَا عَلَى الْأَرْضِ زِينَةً لِّهَا لِنَبْلُوهُمْ أَيُّهُمْ أَحْسَنُ

عَمَلًا ۝٧ وَإِنَّا لَجَاعِلُونَ مَا عَلَيْهَا صَعِيدًا جُرُزًا ۝٨

Word Analysis

fala allaka:	Then perhaps you would (be)	linabluwahum:	that We may test [them]
bākhi un:	the one who kills	ayyuhum:	which of them
nafsaka:	yourself	a sanu:	(is) best
alā:	over	amalan:	(in) deed
āthārihim:	their footsteps,	wa-innā:	And indeed, We
in – lam:	if- not	lajā ilūna:	(will) surely make
yu’minū:	they believe	Mā- alayhā:	What- (is) on it
bihādhā:	in this	aīdan:	soil
l-adīthi:	[the] narration,	juruzan:	barren
asafan:	(in) grief.		
innā:	Indeed, We		
jaalnā:	We have made		
mā – alā:	What- (is) on		
l-ari:	the earth		
zīnatan:	adornment		
lahā:	for it,		

Points to Ponder

Prophet's Love
Materialism
Reality of This World

Ayaah:9-10

أَمْ حَسِبْتُمْ أَنَّ أَصْحَابَ الْكَهْفِ وَالرَّقِيمِ كَانُوا مِنْ آيَاتِنَا

عَجَبًا ﴿٩﴾

إِذْ أَوَى الْفِتْيَةُ إِلَى الْكَهْفِ فَقَالُوا رَبَّنَا آئِنَا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ رَحْمَةً وَهَيِّئْ

لَنَا مِنْ أَمْرِنَا رَشَدًا ﴿١٠﴾

Word Analysis

am:	Or
asib'ta:	have you thought
anna:	that
aāba l-kahfi:	(the) companions of the cave
wal-raqīmi:	and the inscription
kānū:	were,
min:	among
āyātinā:	Our Signs,
ajaban:	a wonder?
ldh awā:	When retreated
l-fit'yatu:	the youths
ilā:	to
l-kahfi:	the cave,
faqālū:	and they said,
rabbānā:	“Our Lord!
ātinā:	Grant us

Min ladunka:	from Yourself
ramatan:	Mercy
wahayyi:	and facilitate
lanā:	for us
Min amrinā:	From
rashadan:	Our affair

Points to Ponder

Power of Dua
Humbleness
Tawakaal

Stories from Surah Kahf

The Sleepers of the Cave

Who were Ashab al kahf?

How did they put their faith in Allah? Try to find out the meaning of 'Tawakul'.

How did Allah listen their dua and protected them from the evil king?

What lessons do you learn from their story?

Two Men and Two Gardens

What lessons can you derive from the behavior of these two men?

BEFORE THE CALAMITY

AFTER THE CALAMITY

Grateful Man

UnGrateful Man

Why should we make a habit of saying InshaaAllah?

إِنشَاءً

The journey of Musa and Kidhar

Why did Khidar damage the ship?

Why did Khidar kill the boy?

Why did Khidar rebuild the wall?

Can you relate to Mosa (a.s)? How would you have behaved if you were at the journey with Khidhr (a.s)?

Dhul Qarnain and Iron Wall

Who was Dhul Qarnain?

How did he help the poor people to save them from the evil yajuj majuj?

Do you like to travel? How'll you make your journey beneficial?

Can you share some tips how to be modest like Dul Qarnain?



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