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How to Use These Books

The Mini Tafseer Book Series is designed to teach children the Tafseer (exegesis) of all the suwaar (chapters) in the 30th Part of the Qur'aan. Each book in this 38 book series covers a different surah. The books feature:

- Special facts about the surah
- Arabic text of the surah
- English transliteration (to assist non-Arabic speakers)
- English translation
- Simplified Tafseer
- Illustrations/Coloring pages (no animals/humans)
- Highlighted Arabic vocabulary
- Sahih Ahadith
- One sentence summary of what the surah is about
- Review section
- Notes on the text (additional facts and information)

Teaching Tips:

If your younger child has trouble going through the whole book in one sitting, or does not retain all of the information taught, then just focus on the Tafseer pages first (i.e. those that explain the verses of the surah) and save the additional information contained in the Quick Facts, What's Special, Asbaab An-Noozool, and Vocabulary sections* for later when your child has mastered the Tafseer.

For older or advanced students who need more of a challenge, you can take time to go through all sections and discuss the lesson notes for that section (located at the end of the text). This will make lessons more challenging and provide a deeper understanding of the Tafseer, and Allah knows best.

**Some books may not contain all of these sections.*

Preview

Mini Tafseer Book Series

Suratut-Takaathoor

Quick Facts About Suratut-Takaathoor...

Most scholars say Suratut-Takaathoor was revealed in **Makkah**, but some scholars say it might have been revealed in **Madinah**, and Allah knows best.¹

Suratut-Takaathoor gets its name from the first verse, when Allah uses the word "**At-Takaathoor**" to describe people who are greedy and only care about getting more things for themselves.

So, what is
Suratut-Takaathoor about?

GREED!

Do you know what greed is?

Greed is when a person only cares about **getting more** of the things they like. They are **not grateful** to Allah for all of the blessings He has given them and they **do not share** Allah's blessings with others.

Rasulullah ﷺ taught us that **most human beings are very greedy.**²

Suratut-Takaathoor is all about greedy people, and how we will all have to answer to Allah on Yowmul-Qiyaamah about what we did with the blessings that He gave us.

SPECIAL!
SPECIAL!
SPECIAL!

Now let's learn what makes
Suratut-Takaathoor so...

~~SPECIAL!~~
SPECIAL!
SPECIAL!
SPECIAL!

The 1st thing that is so special about Suratut-Takaathoor is...

It teaches us about what will happen **after we die...**

Suratut-Takaathoor teaches us that after people die,

1. Those who did not listen to Allah will be **punished** in the grave.
2. We will **see Jahannam** (Hellfire) with our own eyes.
3. We all will have to **answer to Allah** about what we did with the blessings that He gave us.
4. Greedy people will be in **big trouble** because they did not remember Allah and share His blessings.

The 2nd thing that is so special about Suratut-Takaathoor is...

It explains the hadith of Rasulullahﷺ...

"The Son of Adam (human beings) says, "My wealth, my wealth." But do you get anything (of benefit) from your wealth except for that which you ate and you finished it, or that which you clothed yourself with and you wore it out, or that which you gave as charity and you have spent it."

(Sahih Muslim, Tirmidhi, Ahmed & An-Nasaa'i)

People love nice things, and when they get them, they like to tell other people about it. But Allah tells us in Suratut-Takaathoor that the things of this life will all go away, so why be so **greedy** about collecting them, and **proud** about telling other people what you have?

Now that we have learned what is so special about Suratut-Takaathoor, let's get ready to learn what Suratut-Takaathoor is all about!

We will start by learning **5 new words** from the Qur'aan.

The more words you know from the Qur'aan, the better you will understand each surah that you learn insha-Allah.

Understanding the Qur'aan is what Allah wants us to do!

So let's get started
right now!

5 NEW WORDS!

Vocabulary List

Keep a look out for the following vocabulary words while you read! These words will help you remember the meaning of Suratut-Takaathoor, insha-Allah!

greed
(gathering money or other items out of a desire to have more things)

التَّكَاتُّرُ

(at-ta-kaa-thoor)

the graves
(where people are buried after they die)

الْمَقَابِرِ

(al-ma-qaa-bir)

sight
(the ability to see things)

عَيْنَ

('ayn)

certainty
(knowing something for sure, without any doubt)

الْيَقِينِ

(al-ya-qeen)

the blessings

النَّعِيمِ

(an-na-eem)

Now that we are ready,
we need to start the right way...

There are **two things** we should say before
we start reading a surah from the Qur'aan,
can you remember what they are?



#1 We say the Isti'aadhah³...

I seek refuge with Allah from the cursed Shaytaan.

(‘A-‘oo-thoo-bil-laa-he-me-nash-shay-taa-nir-ra-jeem)

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ
الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

We start reading Qur'aan by asking
Allah to protect us from Shaytaan
and...

#2 We say the Basmallah⁴...

In the name of Allah, the Entirely Merciful,
the Especially Merciful.

(Bis-mil-laa-hir-rah-maa-nir-ra-heem)

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ
الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

We remember Allah and say how
great He is for giving us so many
wonderful blessings!

Okay!

We are ready to go now! You know your **new words** and you've said the **Isti'aadhah** and **Basmallah**...

Now it is time to learn what **Suratut-Takaathoor** says...

A story of pride...

Many of the ayaat (verses) in the Qur'aan have a story behind them that tells why they were revealed. These stories are called...

Asbaab

An-Noozool

The story behind the revelation of Suratut-Takaathoor is about pride⁵...

It all started with a fight!

You see there were **two tribes** that lived in Madinah at the time of Rasulullah ﷺ.

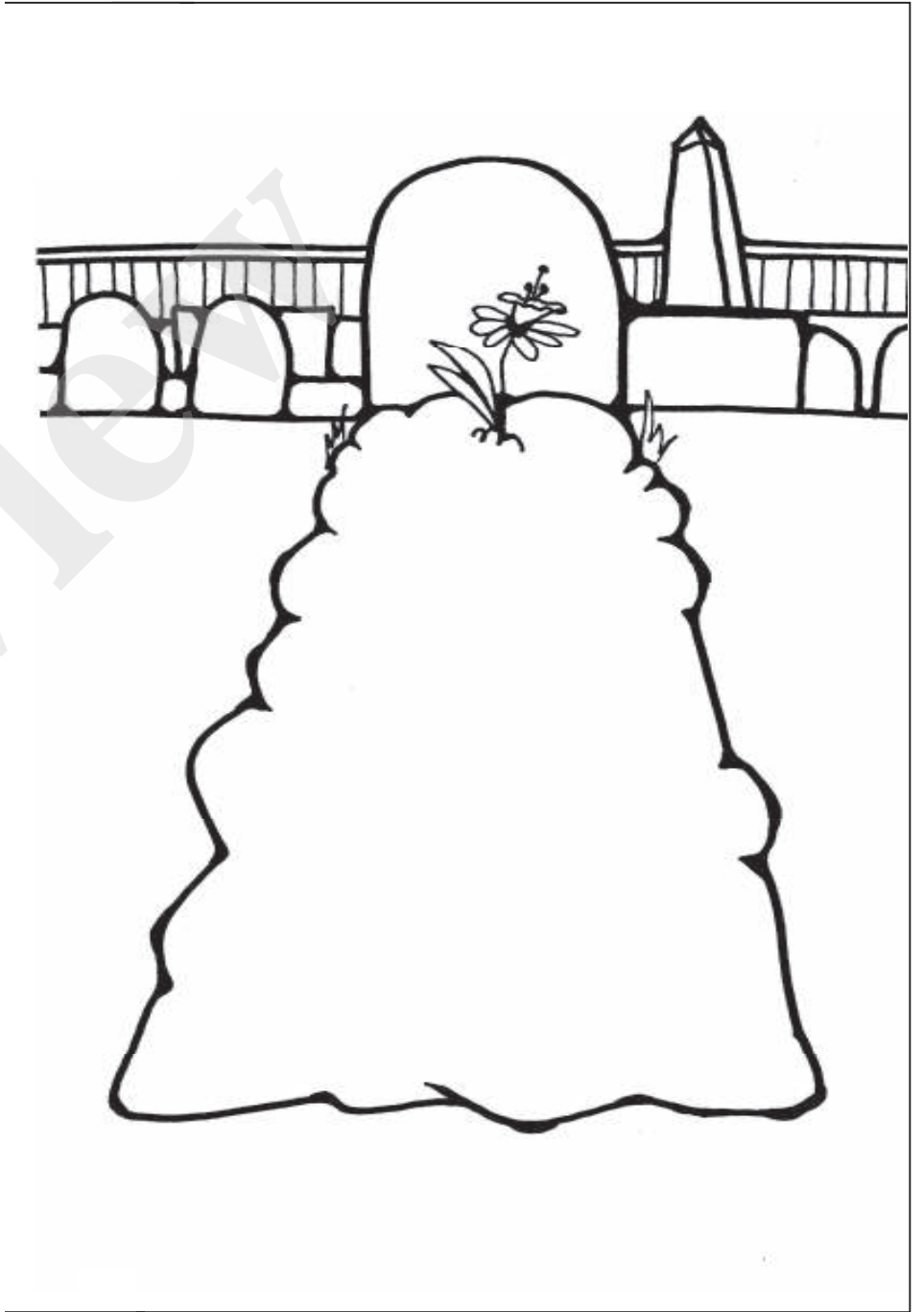
One day, the men of the two tribes started telling stories to each other of how great the men of their tribe were at fighting and doing brave things.

But soon they started arguing and getting upset. Each tribe thought they had more men, and that their men had done more amazing things.

It got so bad, that when they finished talking about all the living members of their tribes, they went to the graveyard to start counting all the dead people, too!

This type of **pride and arrogance**, about the things you own or have done in this life is something Allah does not like.

Some scholars say Suratut-Takaathoor was revealed to teach people, like those two tribes, not to act this way.



"Competition in (worldly) increase diverts you."

(Al-haa-koo-moot-ta-kaa-thoor)



أَلْهَنَكُمُ التَّكَاثُرُ

Allah tells us...

Most people are too busy getting money and other things they like to remember that they will come back to Allah on Yowmul-Qiyaamah (The Day of Judgment).

Most people forget to plan for the next life; they think that getting things in this life is best.



“Until you visit the graveyards.”

(Hat-taa zoor-too-mool-ma-qaa-bir)

حَتَّىٰ زُرْتُم



الْمَقَابِرِ

When will they remember...

Greedy people will only remember Yowmul-Qiyaamah when they are inside their graves (they die)...

but then it will be too late.

Once they are in their graves, they cannot do any more good deeds to erase their bad deeds, they cannot make up prayers that they missed, they cannot give their money to help others.

Once they are in their graves, they will not get any more time to try to make Allah happy with them.

Why do you think greedy people forget about Yowmul-Qiyaamah until they are in the grave?

(Hint: Look back at ayah 1 to see what keeps them so busy.)

“No! You are going to know (the reality).”

(Kal-la sow-fa ta'-la-moon)

كَلَّا سَوْفَ

تَعْلَمُونَ

Allah tells us...

The greedy people will realize when they die that they should have gotten ready for Yowmul-Qiyaamah. **Allah is warning them so they can change before it is too late!**

“Then (again), no! You are going to know!”

(Thoom-ma kal-la sow-fa ta'-la-moon)

ثُمَّ كَلَّا سَوْفَ

تَعْلَمُونَ

Allah tells us AGAIN!

The greedy people will **really realize** when they die that they should have gotten ready for Yowmul-Qiyaamah. When Allah says something once it is important, but when He says it **twice** it must be **really important!**

“No! If you only knew with knowledge of certainty...
(you would beware!)”

(Kal-la low ta'-la-moo-na 'il-mal-ya-qeen)

كَلَّا لَوْ تَعْلَمُونَ



عِلْمَ الْيَقِينِ

Allah tells us...

If the greedy people knew for sure about
Yowmul-Qiyaamah, they would listen to
His warning.

Allah is reminding greedy people that
they have some time right now to
get ready for Yowmul-Qiyaamah
because it is really the most important
thing in this life.

More important than money...
More important than houses and cars...
More important than anything!

But still some greedy people do not
get ready, so...

What will convince them?

Allah tells us in the next ayaat...