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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  
**Suratud-Duhaa**

## Quick Facts about Suratud-Duhaa

Suratud-Duhaa was revealed in **Makkah**. That means it was revealed in the beginning of Rasulullah's ﷺ prophethood, before the Hijrah (migration) to Madinah. Thus, Ad-Duhaa is called a "Makki" surah. (i.e. revealed in Makkah)

Like most other Makki suwaar, Ad-Duhaa teaches us about **basic beliefs** in Allah (building Tawheed) and **good behavior** that will lead us to Jannah!

The Madani surahs (i.e. those revealed in Madinah, later in the prophethood) are usually longer in length and talk more about law and society.

Suratud-Duhaa is gets its name from the word "**Ad-Duhaa**", meaning "The Bright Morning Light" that Allah swears by in the first ayah.

## Suratud-Duhaa is all about...

Showing Allah how grateful we are for His blessings, by **helping others** and telling them about Allah's blessings.

SPECIAL!  
SPECIAL!  
SPECIAL!

Now let's learn what makes  
Suratud-Duhaa so...

SPECIAL!  
SPECIAL!  
SPECIAL!  
SPECIAL!

Suratud-Duhaa is so  
special because...

In it, Allah talks directly to Rasulallah ﷺ telling him about the **special blessings and mercies** that Allah has given him.

There are only **three surahs** in the Qur'aan that speak directly to Rasulallah ﷺ about his special blessings and nothing else.<sup>1</sup> These suwaar are...

1. Suratul-Kowthar
2. **Suratud-Duhaa**
3. Suratush-Sharh

That makes Suratud-Duhaa very special!

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

We will start by learning **8 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!

**8 NEW WORDS!**\*

## Vocabulary List

the morning brightness	الضُّحَى (ad-du-haa)
the first (in this case it is referring to the life of this world, the "first" life)	الْأُولَى (al-'oo-laa)
orphan	يَتِيمًا (ya-tee-maa)
to shelter (i.e. to give refuge or safety)	فَعَاوَى (fa-aa-waa)
lost (i.e. without guidance)	ضَالًّا (daaal-lun)
to guide	فَهَدَى (fa-ha-daa)
poor	عَائِلًا ('aa-e-lun)
self-sufficient (i.e. enriched, having provision)	فَأَغْنَى (fa-ag-naa)

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'aadhah<sup>2</sup>...

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 Basmallah<sup>3</sup>...

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'aathah** and **Basmallah**...

Now it is time to learn what **Suratud-Duhaa** says...

## A Short Break!

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 Suratud-Duhaa is all about a short break in the revelation. <sup>4</sup>



You see when Rasulullahﷺ started teaching his people about Islaam in Makkah, Angel Gibreel would usually visit him almost **every day**.

When he would visit, Angel Gibreel would bring new ayaat from the Qur'an to teach to Rasulullahﷺ, and then Rasulullahﷺ would teach the people what he had learned.

But, suddenly one day Angel Gibreel **stopped coming**.<sup>5</sup> Rasulullahﷺ became so ill with worry, that he could not even stand for prayers for several nights.

When the disbelievers heard this, they started **making fun** of Rasulullahﷺ. They said that Allah had left Rasulullahﷺ alone. They said that Allah was not going to send Rasulullahﷺ any more messages.

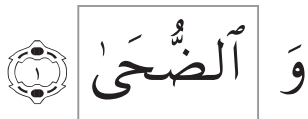
They were happy because they thought this was the end of Rasulullah'sﷺ prophethood.



But, just as everyone was about to say that the revelation had stopped forever, Angel Gibreel came to Rasulullahﷺ with **Suratud-Duhaa...**

“By the morning brightness,”

(Wad-doo-haa)



“And (by) the night when it covers with darkness,”

(Wal-lay-lee ee-thaa sa-jaa)

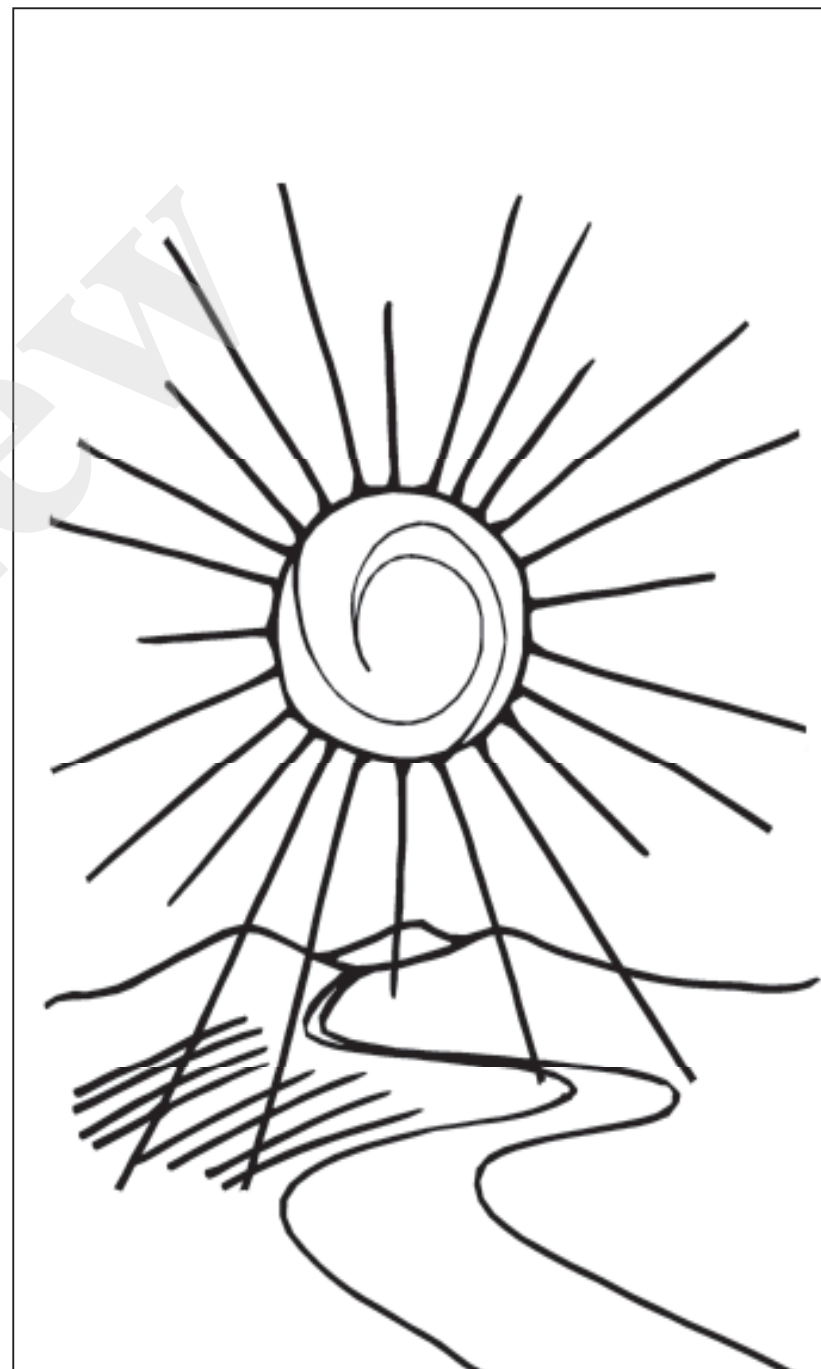


Allah swears by Ad-Duhaa, **the bright morning light**, and the stillness of night, in these ayaat.

When Allah swears by something, it is not for no reason. Allah swears by things that we know are **true and real**, so that we realize His greatness and power, and so that we know that what He is going to say after that is just as true and real.

So in this surah, Allah swears by the things we know, day and night, that what He is about to say is just as true and real.

What could be as true and real as  
the changing of day and night?



“Your Lord has not taken leave of you, (Oh Muhammad),  
nor has He detested (you),”

(Maa wad-da-'a-ka rub-boo-ka wa-maa qa-laa)

مَا وَدَّعَكَ رَبُّكَ وَمَا قَلَىٰ ﴿٣﴾

Allah had **not left** Rasulallah ﷺ alone!

And Allah was **not angry** with  
Rasulallah ﷺ!

**Allah loved Rasulallah!**

“And the hereafter is better for you than the first (life).”

(Wa-lul-aa-khee-ra-too khay-rool-la-ka mee-nul-'oo-laa)

 وَلَلْآخِرَةُ خَيْرٌ لَّكَ مِنَ الْأُولَىٰ

“And your Lord is going to give you and you will be satisfied.”

(Wa-la-sow-fa yu'-tee-ka rub-boo-ka fa-tar-daa)

 وَلَسَوْفَ يُعْطِيكَ رَبُّكَ فَتَرْضَىٰ

Not only was Allah not angry with Rasulullah ﷺ, and had not left him alone, but Allah confirmed in Suratud-Duhaa how much He really **loved** Rasulullah ﷺ, and how much He would **reward** him in this life and the next, so Allah said...

**The next life (i.e. Jannah) is better for you than this life...**

This life had been **hard** for Rasulullah ﷺ but Allah wanted to let Rasulullah ﷺ know that there was a **great reward** waiting for him once he left this life.<sup>6</sup>

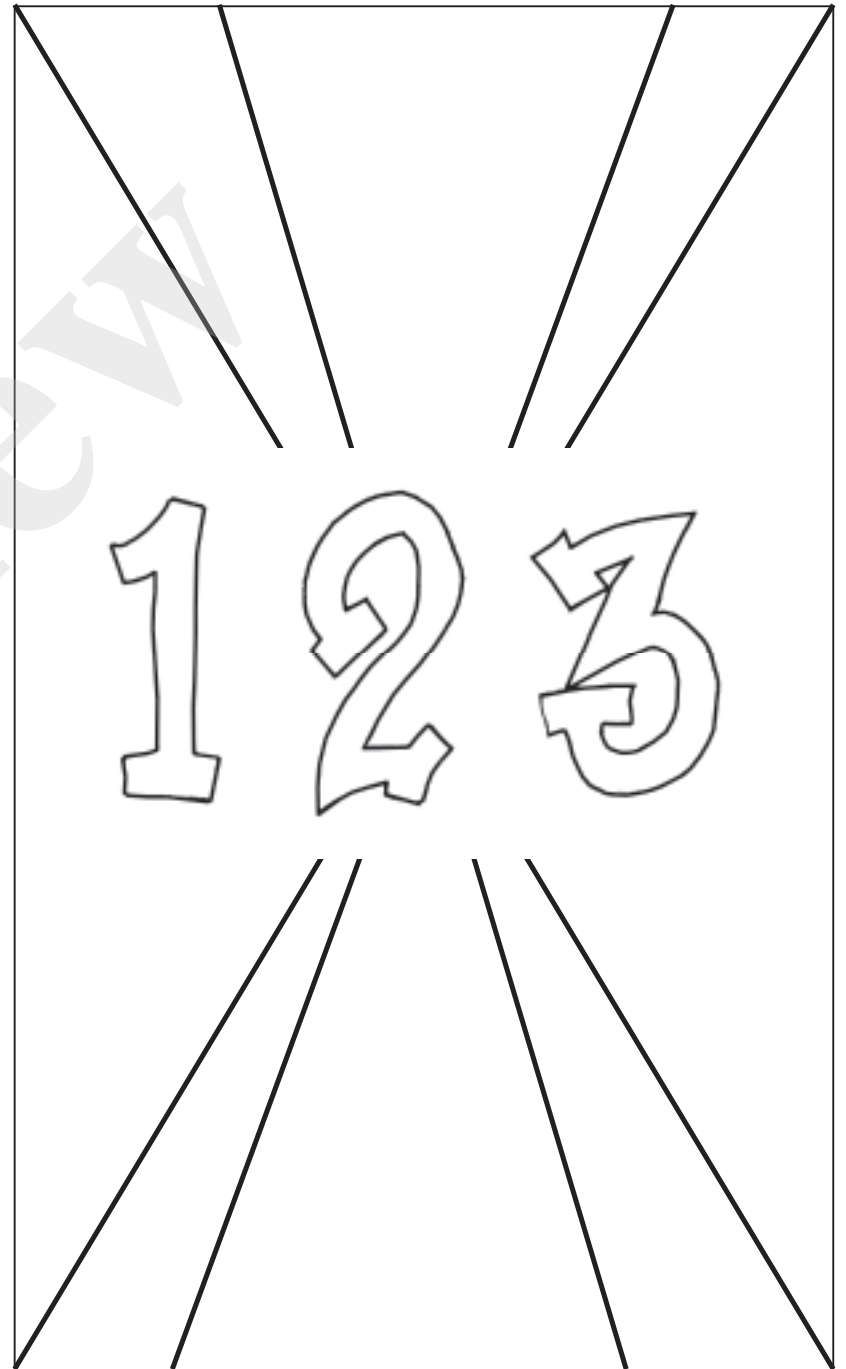
It made Rasulullah ﷺ **happy** to know that Allah was happy with him, and that a great reward would be his.

Rasulullah ﷺ was also **relieved** that the revelation had started again, and that Allah was not angry with him.

Allah then reminded Rasulallahﷺ of **3 blessings** He had already given to him.

These blessings prove that Allah had loved and cared for Rasulallahﷺ from the day that he was born.

These blessings also taught the disbelievers how **good and kind** Allah is to His devoted servants (like Rasulallahﷺ), and how He wants us to be good and kind to each other, too.



“Did He not find an orphan and give (you) refuge?”

(A-lum ya-jid-ka ya-tee-mun fa-aa-waa)

 فَأَوَىٰ يَتِيمًا أَلَمْ تَجِدْكَ

## The first blessing was...

Even though Rasulullah ﷺ was an **orphan** (his mommy and daddy died when he was still very little)<sup>7</sup> Allah made sure that he was taken care of by other relatives who loved him just as much as his parents would have. (i.e. his grandfather Abdul-Muttalib, and later his uncle Abu Talib).