

سورة النجم

Súráh al-Najm (the star)

Súráh # 53

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Chapter 53 - Súrah al-Najm

The surah that opens with the oath of the Divine One swearing by every one of The Stars, as they descend and disappear beneath the horizon, that Muḥammad is indeed God's awaited Messenger. It takes its name from , which mentions "the stars" (najm). The surah confirms the divine source of the Prophet's message and refers to his ascension to heaven during the Night Journey. The surah refutes the claims of the disbelievers about the goddesses and the angels, and lists several truths about God's power. It closes with a warning of the imminent Day of Judgement.

The surah is also known as: The Pleiades.

This surah was revealed in Makkah. The reward for reciting this surah is ten times the number of believers and sinners combined. The reciter will lead a respectable and honourable life and people will love and respect him.

Writing this surah and keeping it at a talisman makes one courageous in front of the ruler and makes the ruler respect him. He also comes out victorious in debates and discussions.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

**O Allah send Your blessings on Muhammad
and the family of Muhammad.**

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

**In the name of Allah
the All-beneficent, the All-merciful.**

وَالنَّجْمِ إِذَا هَوَىٰ ﴿١﴾

By the star when it sets:

مَا ضَلَّ صَاحِبُكُمْ وَمَا غَوَىٰ ﴿٢﴾

**your companion has neither gone astray,
nor gone amiss.**

وَمَا يَنْطِقُ عَنِ الْهَوَىٰ ﴿٣﴾

Nor does he speak out of [his own] desire:

إِنَّ هُوَ إِلَّا وَحْيٌ يُوحَى ﴿٤﴾

it is just a revelation that is revealed [to him],

عَلَّمَهُ شَدِيدُ الْقُوَى ﴿٥﴾

taught him by One of great powers,

ذُو مِرَّةٍ فَاسْتَوَىٰ ﴿٦﴾

**possessed of sound judgement.
He settled,**

وَهُوَ بِالْأَفْقِ الْأَعْلَى ﴿٧﴾

while he was on the highest horizon.

مِثْمِثًا دَنَا فَتَدَلَّى ﴿٨﴾

Then he drew nearer and nearer

فَكَانَ قَابَ قَوْسَيْنِ أَوْ أَدْنَىٰ ﴿٩﴾

until he was within two bows' length or even nearer,

فَأَوْحَىٰ إِلَىٰ عَبْدِهِ مَا أَوْحَىٰ ﴿١٠﴾

**whereat He revealed to His servant
whatever He revealed.**

مَا كَذَبَ الْفُؤَادُ مَا رَأَى ﴿١١﴾

The heart did not deny what it saw.

أَفْتَمْرُوهُ عَلَىٰ مَا يَرَىٰ ﴿١٢﴾

Will you then dispute with him about what he saw?!

وَلَقَدْ رَءَاهُ نَزْلَةً أُخْرَىٰ ﴿١٣﴾

Certainly he saw it yet another time,

عِنْدَ سِدْرَةِ الْمُنْتَهَى ﴿١٤﴾

by the Lote Tree of the Ultimate Boundary,

عِنْدَهَا جَنَّةُ الْمَأْوَىٰ ﴿١٥﴾

near which is the Garden of the Abode,

إِذْ يَغْشَى السِّدْرَةَ مَا يَغْشَى ﴿١٦﴾

when there covered the Lote Tree what covered it.

مَا زَاغَ الْبَصَرُ وَمَا طَغَى ﴿١٧﴾

**The gaze did not swerve,
nor did it overstep the bounds.**

لَقَدْ رَأَى مِنْ آيَاتِ رَبِّهِ الْكُبْرَى ﴿١٨﴾

**Certainly he saw
some of the greatest signs of his Lord.**

﴿ ١٩ ﴾ أَفَرَأَيْتُمُ اللَّاتَ وَالْعُزَّىٰ

Have you considered *Lāt* and *'Uzzā*?

﴿ ٢٠ ﴾ وَمَنْوَةٌ الثَّلَاثَةُ الْأُخْرَىٰ

and *Manāt*, the third one?

﴿ ٢١ ﴾ أَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ الْإِنثَىٰ

Are you to have males and He females?

تِلْكَ إِذَا قِسْمَةٌ ضِيزَىٰ ﴿٢٢﴾

That, then, will be an unfair division!

إِنْ هِيَ إِلَّا أَسْمَاءٌ سَمَّيْتُمُوهَا أَنْتُمْ وَءَابَاؤُكُمْ مِمَّا أُنزِلَ اللَّهُ بِهَا مِنْ
 سُلْطَانٍ ۚ إِنْ يَتَّبِعُونَ إِلَّا الظَّنَّ وَمَا تَهْوَى الْأَنْفُسُ ۖ وَلَقَدْ جَاءَهُمْ

مِنْ رَبِّهِمُ الْهُدَىٰ ﴿٢٣﴾

These are but names which you have coined —you and your fathers—
 for which Allah has not sent down any authority. They follow nothing
 but conjectures and the desires of the [lower] soul, while there has
 already come to them the guidance from their Lord.

أَمْ لِلْإِنْسَانِ مَا تَمَنَّى ﴿٢٤﴾

Shall man have whatever he yearns for?

فَلِلَّهِ الْأَخِرَةُ وَالْأُولَى ﴿٢٥﴾

Yet to Allah belong this world and the Hereafter.

وَكَمْ مِنْ مَّلَكٍ فِي السَّمَوَاتِ لَا تُغْنِي شَفَاعَتُهُمْ شَيْئًا إِلَّا مِنْ بَعْدِ
أَنْ يَأْذَنَ اللَّهُ لِمَنْ يَشَاءُ وَيَرْضَى ﴿٢٦﴾

How many an angel there is in the heavens whose intercession is of no avail in any way except after Allah grants permission to whomever He wishes and approves of!

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ بِالْآخِرَةِ لَيُسَمُّونَ الْمَلَائِكَةَ تَسْمِيَةً الْأُنثَىٰ

﴿ ٢٧ ﴾

**Indeed those who do not believe in the Hereafter
give female names to the angels.**

وَمَا لَهُمْ بِهِ مِنْ عِلْمٍ إِنْ يَتَّبِعُونَ إِلَّا الظَّنَّ وَإِنَّ الظَّنَّ لَا يُغْنِي
مِنَ الْحَقِّ شَيْئًا ﴿٢١﴾

They do not have any knowledge of that.

**They follow nothing but conjectures,
and indeed conjecture is no substitute for the truth.**

فَأَعْرِضْ عَنْ مَن تَوَلَّىٰ عَنْ ذِكْرِنَا وَلَمْ يُرِدْ إِلَّا الْحَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا

﴿ ٢٩ ﴾

**So avoid those who turn away from Our remembrance
and desire nothing but the life of the world.**

ذَٰلِكَ مَبْلَغُهُمْ مِّنَ الْعِلْمِ ۚ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ هُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِمَن ضَلَّ عَن سَبِيلِهِ
وَهُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِمَن أَهْتَدَىٰ ﴿٣٠﴾

That is the ultimate reach of their knowledge. Indeed your Lord knows best those who stray from His way, and He knows best those who are [rightly] guided.

وَلِلَّهِ مَا فِي السَّمٰوٰتِ وَمَا فِي الْاَرْضِ لِيَجْزِيَ الَّذِيْنَ اَسَّءُوْا بِمَا
عَمَلُوْا وَيَجْزِيَ الَّذِيْنَ اَحْسَنُوْا بِالْحُسْنٰى ﴿٣١﴾

To Allah belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is in the earth, that He may requite those who do evil for what they have done, and reward those who do good with the best [of rewards].

الَّذِينَ يَجْتَنِبُونَ كَبِيرَ الْأَسْمَاءِ وَالْفَوَاحِشِ إِلَّا اللَّمَمَ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ وَاسِعٌ
 الْمَغْفِرَةُ هُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِكُمْ إِذْ أَنْشَأَكُمْ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ وَإِذْ أَنْتُمْ أَجِنَّةٌ فِي
 بُطُونِ أُمَّهَاتِكُمْ فَلَا تُزَكُوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ هُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِمَنِ اتَّقَى ﴿٢٢﴾

Those who avoid major sins and indecencies, excepting [minor and occasional] lapses. Indeed your Lord is expansive in [His] forgiveness. He knows you best since [the time] He produced you from the earth, and since you were fetuses in the bellies of your mothers. So do not flaunt your piety: He knows best those who are Godwary.

أَفَرَأَيْتَ الَّذِي تَوَلَّى ﴿٣٣﴾

Did you see him who turned away,

وَأَعْطَى قَلِيلًا وَأَكْدَى ﴿٣٤﴾

gave a little and held off?

أَعِنْدَهُ عِلْمُ الْغَيْبِ فَهُوَ يَرَى ﴿٣٥﴾

**Does he have the knowledge of the Unseen
so that he sees?**

أَمْ لَمْ يُنَبِّأْ بِمَا فِي صُحُفِ مُوسَى ﴿٣٦﴾

**Has he not been informed of what is
in the scriptures of Moses,**

وَأَبْرَاهِيمَ الَّذِي وَفَّى ﴿٣٧﴾

and of Abraham, who fulfilled [his summons]:

أَلَا تَرَىٰ وَازِرَةً وِزْرَ أُخْرَىٰ ﴿٣٨﴾

that no bearer shall bear another's burden,

﴿ ٣٩ ﴾ وَأَنْ لَيْسَ لِلْإِنْسَانِ إِلَّا مَا سَعَىٰ

**and that nothing belongs to man
except what he strives for,**

وَأَنَّ سَعْيَهُ سَوْفَ يُرَىٰ ﴿٤٠﴾

and that he will soon be shown his endeavour,

ثُمَّ يُجْزَاهُ الْجَزَاءَ الْأَوْفَى ﴿٤١﴾

**then he will be rewarded for it
with the fullest reward;**

﴿ ٤٢ ﴾ وَأَنْ إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ الْمُنْتَهَىٰ

and that the terminus is toward your Lord,

وَأَنَّهُ هُوَ أَضْحَكَ وَأَبْكَى ﴿٤٣﴾

and that it is He who makes [men] laugh,
and makes [them] weep,

وَأَنَّهُ هُوَ أَمَاتٌ وَأُحْيَا ﴿٤٤﴾

and that it is He who brings death and gives life,

وَأَنَّهُ ۖ خَلَقَ الزَّوْجَيْنِ الذَّكَرَ وَالْأُنثَىٰ ﴿٤٥﴾

**and that it is He who created the mates,
the male and the female,**

مِنْ نُّطْفَةٍ إِذَا تُمْنَى ﴿٤٦﴾

from a drop of [seminal] fluid when emitted;

﴿ ٤٧ ﴾ وَأَنَّ عَلَيْهِ النَّشْأَةُ الْأُخْرَىٰ

and that with Him lies the second genesis,

وَأَنَّهُ هُوَ أَغْنَىٰ وَأَقْنَىٰ ﴿٤٨﴾

and that it is He who enriches and grants possessions,

وَأَنَّهُ هُوَ رَبُّ الشَّعْرَىٰ ﴿٤٩﴾

and that it is He who is the Lord of Sirius;

وَأَنَّهُ عَسَىٰ أَن يَكُونَ
أَهْلَكَ عَادًا الْأُولَىٰ ﴿٥٠﴾

and that it is He who destroyed the former 'Ād,

وَتَمُودًا فَمَا أَبْقَى ﴿٥١﴾

and *Thamud*,
sparing none [of them];

﴿ ٥٢ ﴾ وَقَوْمَ نُوحٍ مِّن قَبْلُ ^{صَلَّى} إِنَّهُمْ ^{كَانُوا} كَانُوا هُمْ أَظْلَمَ وَأَطْغَى

and the people of Noah before that;
indeed they were more unjust and rebellious;

وَالْمُؤْتَفِكَةَ أَهْوَىٰ ﴿٥٣﴾

and He overthrew the town that was overturned,

فَعَشْرًا مَّا غَشَّىٰ ﴿٥٤﴾

covering it with what covered it.

فَبِأَيِّ آءَاءِ رَبِّكَ تَتَمَارَىٰ ﴿٥٥﴾

**Then which of the bounties of your Lord
will you dispute?**

هَذَا نَذِيرٌ مِّنَ النُّذُرِ الْأُولَىٰ ﴿٥٦﴾

**This is a warner,
[in the tradition] of the warners of old.**

أُزِفَتِ الْمُنَازِفَةُ ﴿٥٧﴾

The Imminent [Hour] is near at hand.

لَيْسَ لَهَا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ كَاشِفَةٌ ﴿٥٨﴾

There is none that may unveil it besides Allah.

أَفَمِنْ هَذَا الْحَدِيثِ تَعْجَبُونَ ﴿٥٩﴾

Do you then wonder at this discourse,

﴿ ٦٠ ﴾ وَتَضْحَكُونَ وَلَا تَبْكُونَ

and laugh and not weep,

وَأَنْتُمْ سَاهُونَ ﴿٦١﴾

while you remain heedless?!

﴿ ٦٢ ﴾ ﷻ فَاسْجُدُوا لِلَّهِ وَاعْبُدُوا

So prostrate yourselves to Allah and worship Him!

**** Wajib (obligatory) Sajdah ****

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

**O Allah send Your blessings on Muhammad
and the family of Muhammad.**

**Please recite
Surat al-Fatihah
for
ALL MARHUMEEN**