

Lines taken from Muqaddimmah By Imam Ibn ul Jazari

The following lines taken from Muqaddimmah, very aptly define Tajweed and its importance. In a very beautiful poetry Imam Jazari throws light upon the subject, thus encouraging us to learn Tajweed

What is Tajweed

29- وَهُوَ إِيْضًا حِلْيَةُ التَّلَاوَةِ
وَزِينَةُ الْإِدَاءِ وَالْقِرَاءَةِ

Translation

It (Tajweed) is also the beautification of recitation,
And an adornment of pronunciation and reading.

30- وَهُوَ إِعْطَاءُ الْحُرُوفِ حَقَّهَا
مِنْ كُلِّ صِفَةٍ وَمُسْتَحَقَّهَا

Translation

And it (Tajweed) is giving the letter its required rights
Of each and every characteristic as well as (giving each letter
its) presented rights (or dues)

The above lines clearly state that Tajweed is the art of reading the Book of Allah correctly. Learning the rules of recitation and reading them beautifully is an onus on every Muslim.

Importance of Tajweed

27 وَالْأَخْذُ بِالتَّجْوِيدِ حَتْمٌ لَزِمٌ
مَنْ لَمْ يُصَحِّحِ الْقُرْآنَ آثِمٌ

Translation

The practical application of Tajweed is without doubt compulsory.

Who does not read the Quran correctly is a sinner

28 لَأَنَّهُ بِهِ الْإِلَهُ أَنْزَلَ
وَهَكَذَا مِنْهُ إِلَيْنَا وَصَلَا

Translation

Because this Quran was revealed to us by Allah in this form
And exactly like this (with Tajweed) it reached us (from our Prophet, then related in authentic chains over generations to our present day Shuyookh and those with ijaazah)

The above lines throw light upon the importance of Tajweed in the life of a Muslim. It is deemed compulsory on us to learn Tajweed so that we can read the Book of Allah as it was revealed.

About As Safwatul Mala

As -Safwatul Mala

Among the High-Ranking Elite

The word is taken from the Poetry Hirz Al Amani

Wa Wajhat Tahani By Imam Shatabi

In the prelude to understanding the word, its importance we refer to various ahadith highlighting the precious place a Qari of Quran has in the eyes of Allah.

The following words explain the word As-Safwatul mala and the importance of a reciter of Quran

15-فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْقَارِىْ بِهِ مُتَمَسِّكًا، مُجَلًّا لَهُ فِي كُلِّ حَالٍ مُبَجَّلًا

So, O reciter of the Quran! Hold firmly on to it, honoring and respecting it in all conditions

In this line the Qari is addressed regarding the qualities that he should have. In the following line the rewards for the Qari are given.

– بِهِ مُتَمَسِّكًا Holding firmly on to the Quran.

Allah also alludes to this in the verse

وَالَّذِينَ يُمْسُكُونَ بِالْكِتَابِ وَآقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ إِنَّا لَا نَضِيعُ أَجْرَ الْمُصْلِحِينَ
(Surah Al A'raf 170)

And those who hold fast to the Book (act on its teachings) and perform salah. We will never waste the rewards of those who do righteous deeds.

In a Hadith, it comes

كِتَابُ اللَّهِ فِيهِ الْهُدَى وَالنُّورُ فَتَمَسَّكُوا بِكِتَابِ اللَّهِ وَخُذُوا بِهِ

(Sahih Muslim Hadith 2408)

The Book of Allah, in it is guidance and nur, so grab on to the Book of Allah and hold firmly on to it.

In another Hadith it is reported:

مَنْ اسْتَمْسَكَ وَأَخَذَ بِهِ كَانَ عَلَى الْهُدَى وَمَنْ أخطأه ضلَّ

(Sunan An Nisai Hadith 8175)

Whoever holds on to it, (The Quran) and practices upon it will be upon guidance, and whoever fails to do so will be misled.

It means someone who honors and exalts
Will have the same meaning

هَنِيئاً مَرِيئاً وَالدَّارُ عَلَيْهِمَا، مَلَابِسٌ أَنْوَارٍ مِنَ النَّجْوَى وَالْخُلَا-

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Enjoy well (all coming your way in the gardens of paradise!)
Your parents will be adorned with garments of pure light,
crown (of honor) and (other) adornments.

Explanation:

هَنِيئًا Wholesome, delicious

فَمَا ظَنُّكُمْ بِالنَّجْلِ عِنْدَ جَزَائِهِ، أَوْلِيكَ أَهْلُ اللَّهِ وَالصَّفْوَةُ الْمَلَأَ

So what do you think of the children (Qari-of these parents) when they are rewarded? They are the family of Allah and the high-ranking elite

Explanation:

النَّجْلِ Offspring, descendant, son, progeny

In this line the author alludes to the hadith:

إِنَّ لِلَّهِ أَهْلِينَ مِنَ النَّاسِ، قِيلَ مَنْ هُمْ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ؟ قَالَ الْقُرْآنُ هُمْ أَهْلُ اللَّهِ وَخَاصَّتُهُ

Verily Allah has family from amongst man. It was said: who are they O Messenger of Allah? He saw replied: The people of the Quran, they are the family of Allah and his close and dear ones."

The above verses and hadith explain vehemently the meaning and origin of the word As Safwatul Mala.- Among the high Ranking Elite. The ranks of the people whom Allah loves and calls them His Family. The people who are beloved to Him. A person who recites the Quran in the way it was revealed will be amongst them.

This platform is a humble effort for teaching Tajweed to Sisters. Spearheaded by a very talented and gifted teacher, whom Allah chose for this cause.

The explicit purpose of forming this platform is spreading the correct way of reciting the Book of Allah. Spreading the knowledge related to the Tajweed, the science of reciting Quran correctly.

We pray and hope that Tajweed is made widespread and reaches every household. With aspirations of being the family of Allah, we pray and hope the purpose of this platform is met by adding more and more people to the High-Ranking Elite.