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## The Divine Light: A Journey with the Quran

In a world filled with uncertainty, where the noise of daily life often drowns out the essence of true existence, there remains a guiding light—constant, unshaken, and eternal. This light is none other than the Quran, a book unlike any other, bestowed upon humanity as a beacon of wisdom, guidance, and divine mercy.

The Quran holds a distinction that elevates it above all else. It was revealed by the Almighty, carried by the most honoured of angels, Jibreel (Gabriel), in the holiest of months—Ramadan. Its descent took place in the most sacred of nights, Laylat al-Qadr (the Night of Decree), within the most blessed of lands, Mecca. It was gifted to the noblest of men, Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him), and conveyed in the purest of languages—Arabic. Every aspect surrounding its revelation speaks of divine grandeur, indicating the immeasurable importance of this holy scripture.

## A Source of Truth and Guidance

The Quran was not merely sent as a book to be recited but as an undeniable proof of the truth of Muhammad's (peace and blessings be upon him) prophethood. It serves as a comprehensive way of life—a healing for the soul, a fountain of wisdom, and a roadmap for those searching for meaning and purpose. It speaks to the broken-hearted, uplifts the despairing, and strengthens the weak. It is a mercy for the

believers, a call for reflection, and a source of divine knowledge.

Allah commands us not only to recite the Quran but to live by it—to ponder upon its verses, to implement its rulings, and to allow its light to permeate every aspect of our lives. He promises that those who adhere to its teachings will never be misguided in this world nor suffer in the Hereafter: *"Whoever follows My guidance will neither go astray nor suffer."* (Quran, 20:123)

This promise signifies the power the Quran holds—the ability to transform lives, elevate souls, and grant clarity amidst the chaos of existence. It is the ultimate source of salvation, offering hope to those who seek redemption and strength to those who long for righteousness.

## The Elevated Status of Those Who Cling to the Quran

To be connected to the Quran is to be among the most honoured individuals in the sight of Allah. Whoever makes the Quran the centre of their life—reading, understanding, teaching, and practicing its guidance—earns immeasurable rewards, both in this life and in the Hereafter. Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) emphasised this when he stated: *"The best among you are those who learn the Quran and teach it."* (Sahih al-Bukhari from Uthman Ibn Affan)

The Quran is a rope that leads one to divine favour and unshakable dignity. Those who uphold it are elevated in rank, granted wisdom, and protected from the trials that

mislead many from the truth. Even in death, they are honoured beyond measure, for the Prophet instructed that the one most knowledgeable in the Quran should be placed first in burial.

Allah Himself declares the mighty status of those who hold fast to this sacred book:

*"Indeed, this Quran guides to that which is most upright and gives good news to the believers who do righteous deeds that they will have a great reward."* (Quran, 17:9)

### **The Consequences of Abandoning the Quran**

Yet, just as the Quran grants honour, its neglect leads to disgrace. Those who turn away from its wisdom, who fail to recognise its brilliance, and who abandon its teachings invite spiritual and moral decline. Allah warns in the Quran: *"And whoever turns away from My remembrance—indeed, he will have a miserable life."* (Quran, 20:124)

How tragic it is for a person to reject such a divine treasure, for in doing so, they deprive themselves of the light that can illuminate their darkest paths. It is not wealth, power, or status that defines one's worth, but their connection to the word of Allah. To abandon the Quran is to lose the key to true prosperity—the kind that extends beyond worldly success and leads to eternal bliss.

### **The Quran as the Light of Life**

The Quran is more than a scripture; it is a living entity; a force that revives hearts and restores souls. Allah describes it as both "Spirit" and "Light": *"And thus We have revealed to you a Spirit from Our command. You did not know what the Book was nor what faith was, but We have made it a light by which We guide whom We will of Our servants."* (Quran, 42:52)

Just as the body requires a soul to function, the soul requires light to navigate through

life. The Quran is the illumination that distinguishes truth from falsehood, paving the way out of darkness into divine serenity.

For the believers, the Quran is the answer to oppression, the cure for confusion, and the bridge between ignorance and knowledge. It is the divine gift that provides certainty in times of doubt and resilience in moments of hardship.

### **A Call to Action**

With this understanding, every soul must ask: *What is my relationship with the Quran?*

For those who embrace it, there is infinite reward. For those who neglect it, the loss is immeasurable. Every verse carries wisdom, every word bears significance, and every lesson leads to enlightenment.

Now is the time to reconnect with this book—to awaken the soul that has been yearning for guidance, to let the heart find solace in its divine words, and to allow its wisdom to shape the very essence of our existence. The Quran is not merely a scripture; it is the breath of life for those who seek truth, the unshakable foundation upon which success is built, and the unbreakable shield that protects against despair.

So, rise. Take hold of this divine revelation. Let it be the voice that guides, the wisdom that strengthens, and the light that illuminates your soul. Do not let hesitation cloud your path, nor distractions steal your purpose. With every verse, let clarity replace confusion. With every recitation, let peace soothe the restless heart. Let the Quran be your compass in times of uncertainty and your refuge in moments of hardship.

Let the Quran be your life's greatest companion, the force that lifts you, the wisdom that sustains you, and the divine gift that secures for you eternal success.