

## **The Basic Principles of Studying Quran**

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### **Abstract:**

*Holy Quran is a divine book. There are some basic principles for comprehending Quran. Without taking those principles into account, one cannot escape from misunderstanding the Holy Book. In this article two basic principles of studying Quran have been discussed:*

- *Basic Role of the Holy Quran is to guide human beings towards right thinking and accurate acting accordingly. Humanity can reach its noble destination only under the guidance of Holy Quran. So, as a basic principle, while studying Quran, everyone should seek for the right path of all his movements. But it doesn't mean that it is forbidden to seek for pure sciences and human sciences in the Holy Quran. Because Quranic verses while discuss "what ought", they also discuss "what is".*
- *Any attempt to understand the Holy Quran without getting essential guidance from its infallible teachers, can not be fruitful. So studying every verse from Holy Quran, we should seek the interpretation of that verse by Quran's infallible teachers and any interpretation of Quran that contradicts to that of its true teachers must be rejected.*

*The above principles of understanding Quran have been inferred from the ideas of prominent experts of Quran such as Jalal al Din Siyouti, Allama Tabatabai, Mustafa Khomeini, Jawadi Amouli, and Ameer Zanjani, after critically evaluating their ideas and analyzing many verses of the Quran.*

## **The Necessity and Importance of Studying the Lifestyle of the Holy Prophet in Contemporary Era**

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**Key Words:** *The Seal of Prophets, Mercy to the Worlds, Lifestyle of the Prophet, ideal Model, Revival of the Sunnah, Honor of the Prophet.*

### **Abstract:**

*All the prophets sent by Almighty Allah for the guidance of mankind stressed on monotheism and uplift of human beings. The prophethood of those who were ordained before our prophet was limited in scope, whereas our Prophet (PBUH) is the seal and master of prophets. The message of our Prophet (PBUH) is universal and panacea for all problems of humanity. According to holy Quran, the life of Holy Prophet (PBUH) is ideal for all human beings. Muslims have given massive information about the ideal life of the Prophet (PBUH) insofar as the Prophet (PBUH) has always been at the top of the pyramid of the reformers.*

*Any book on Islamic science and art is considered as incomplete unless it contains some references of the ideal life of the Prophet (PBUH). However, there are many dimensions of the ideal life of the Prophet (PBUH) that are not unveiled such as the Prophet's life being appropriate source of guidance for humanity, the sermon of his last Pilgrimage, human rights including initial charter of women rights, guidance for youth in his views, basic principles for various fields and professions of human life, solutions for the problems of 21st century, and his message for scientific innovations.*

*The above mentioned aspects of the ideal life of holy Prophet (PBUH) are few among many that must be highlighted. The study of the Prophet's ideal life is also important to restore the dignity of Muslim community and bring Islam back to its higher position.*

## **Unity among Muslims and Islamic Brotherhood**

**By: Muhammad Ali Ramadhani**

**Key Words:** *Unity, Muslims, Brotherhood, Peaceful Society, Rope of Allah.*

**Abstract:**

*Holy Quran compels Muslims to hold fast by the rope of Almighty Allah and not be divided. It resembles the divisions of Ignorance period (Jahilliyah) and mutual animosity to that of being at the brink of a pit of fire. Quran terms the mutual love and unity that was promoted by Holy Prophet (PBUH), as a blessing.*

*Today, unfortunately, the Muslim community has again come to the brink of the abyss of fire of mutual animosity and disunity. Muslims are being called heretic. The foundations of Islam are destabilized by promoting divisions between Muslims.*

*To some extent, Muslim rulers and politicians are also encouraging divisions to protect their rules. It is obligatory on all Muslims to hold fast the rope of Allah and to avoid broadening divisions. All Muslims must struggle to promote unity and Islamic brotherhood. It is important not only to refrain from accusing another Muslim of apostasy, but also to let minorities in Muslim countries to lead a peaceful life by honoring human rights which have been given by Islam.*

## **Role of Shiites in Formation of Islamic Civilization**

**By: Syed Rameez al Hassan Mosavi**

**Key Words:** *Civilization and Culture, interpretation of Quran, Islamic Jurisprudence, Shiite, Fatimid, A'al -e-Bouy, Translation Movement*

**Abstract:**

*Many Muslim historians have not accurately and properly mentioned the role of Shiites in formation of Islamic civilization under the influence of their political and sectarian interests. They extended the credit of forming Islamic civilization only to caliphs and some Muslim rulers. A critical and deep study of Islamic history, however, provides evidences of the role of Imams and their followers (twelvers, Zaydis, Isma'ilis) in the formation of Islamic civilization. It is a fact that Imam Muhammad Baqir (AS) and Imam Sadiq (AS) and their disciples played a prominent role in the formation of Islamic civilization. Various disciplines and fields of knowledge are considered as base of any culture and civilization. The role of infallible imams in development of many Islamic sciences such as Tafseer, Fiqh, Philosophy, kala'am, hadith etc. is an undeniable fact of their contribution in the formation of Islamic civilization. This article is aimed to highlight the role Imams and their followers played in formation of Islamic civilization.*

**ISLAMIC SOCIETY**  
**(IN THE LIGHT OF NAHJUL BALAGHAH)**

By: **Roshan Ali**

**Key Words:** Society, Nahjul Balaghah, Social Classes, Tradition of the Holy Prophet, tradition of the Infallible Descendants of the prophet (PBUH), Justice, Just government

**Abstract:**

*Instinctively, human beings have been struggling for living a collective life and making their social life better. However, this endeavor can be fruitful only when they adhere themselves to the fountain of revelation. In this article, the salient features of the Islamic society have been highlighted in the light of Imam Ali (AS), who had always been in the lap of revelation and prophethood. According to Nahjul Balaghah, all human beings are equal in their essence. They deserve equal social rights. Imam Ali (AS) advises human beings to maintain their relations with the basic unit of society i.e. family. Imam Ali terms monotheism and following of Quran and tradition of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) and his infallible descendants as basic principles of an Islamic society. For Imam Ali, an Islamic society is above the evils of prejudice and treason. In an Islamic society, underlined by Imam Ali, members of the society pursue knowledge and love each other. Support of the masses, establishment of a just government, preservation of peace and stability, revival of the religion, appreciation of knowledge, unity and solidarity, and training of the members of the society are among the major objectives of the formation of the Islamic society.*

***Business Ethics (2)***  
***From the viewpoint of Economics & Islam***

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***Abstract:***

*There are specific rules and principles in Islamic economics regarding trade and business, as other economic systems possess. An attempt has been made in this article to prove that taking care of Islamic business ethics result in flourishing and expansion of business. The author has tried to highlight various dimensions and aspects of business ethics under the paradigm of Islamic economics. In the first part of the article, general ideas of economics and ethics had been discussed. In this part of the article, correlation between Islam and ethics and the related methodological aspects have been identified. This part also bears an account on basic principles and salient features of business ethics. At the end of this article, basic concepts of Islamic ethics and its practical models would be discussed in the light of Islamic views.*

## **AN ANALYTICAL REVIEW OF MASNAD-E-IMAM ZAID**

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**Key Words:** *Masnad-e-Imam Zaid, Abu Khalid Wasti, Umayyads, Abbasids, Zaydis, Sheikh Muhammad Abu Zahra Misri.*

### **Abstract:**

*Zaidai sect came into being after the martyrdom of Hazrat Zaid in 122 Hijrah and is associated with him. The well-known religious book of Zaydis is Masnad-e-Imam Zaid. After his martyrdom, his two disciples, Omar bin Khalid and Abu Khalid Wasti, published the Ahadithis, they listened from him, and his views on Islamic jurisprudence in two books. In 360 Hijrah, Abul Aziz Baqqal completed the task of re-compliance of these two books. These books were merged into one book in 1360 Hijrah and were published in Cairo under the title of "Masnad-e-Imam Zaid". In an attempt to promote Zaidai faith in Pakistan, the translation of Masnad-e-Imam Zaid was published. In this article, an analytical review of the Masnad has been presented. According to this article, this book does not have any linkage with the sayings of Zaid Shaheed. The association of this book with Hazrat Zaid is not only a betrayal with knowledge, but also a well-planned conspiracy. According to the writer, this book is actually a brain-child of Sheikh Wasti.*