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The Holy Qur'an (God's Final Divine Revelation to humanity) was revealed Over 1400 years ago to the last Prophet and Messenger of God, Muhammad (peace be upon him). It was revealed over a period of 23 years by God (Allah) through the angel Gabriel. Today, the Holy Qur'an is the only Divine Word that has retained its' purity, and has never been changed or altered. It is the only book in the world that is read by millions and millions of People every year from cover to cover, and is committed to memory in it's entirety by thousands and thousands of People. The Qur'an provides enlightenment and true guidance between rights and wrong to all of humanity, be they Arabs or non-Arabs, black or white, Christians, Jews or Gentiles. It offers excellent solutions for today's problems in all spheres of life.

The Holy Qur'an is the living miracle bestowed by God upon the holy Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), and it will last till the day of resurrection. God's revelations throughout the ages is one; the similarities found in them is because God is the source of all revelations. The Qur'an (the final Divine Revelation to humanity) confirms, fulfills, completes, and further explains the previous revelations. The Qur'an is the Word of God (in it there are no discrepancies and no contradictions) and He will protect it from error and impurity till the day of resurrection. He said in the Qur'an: " We have, without doubt, sent down the message; and We will assuredly guard it from corruption." Holy Qur'an 15:0 "Do they not consider the Qur'an (with care)? Had it been from other than God, they would surely have found therein much-discrepancy." Holy Qur'an 4:82

The Qur'an is unique among books, it is the only one of its' type in the world today. It is not a book in the usual sense of the word,

wherein there is an introduction, explanation of the subject followed by a conclusion. Neither is it restricted to only a presentation of historical events, problems of philosophy, facts of science or social laws, though all may be found woven together in it without any apparent connection and links. Subjects are introduced without background information, historical events are not presented in chronological order, new topics sometimes crop up in the middle of another for no apparent reason, and the speaker and those spoken to change direction without the slightest fore warning.

The reader who is unaware of the Qur'an's uniqueness is often puzzled when he finds it contrary to his understanding of a book in general and a religious book in particular. Hence the Qur'an may seem disorganized and haphazard to him. However, to those who understand it's subject matter, aim and it's central theme, the Qur'an is exactly the opposite. The subject matter of the Qur'an is essentially man: man in relation to his Lord and Creator, God (Allah); man in relation to himself, and man in relation to the rest of creation. The aim and object of the Divine Revelations is to invite humanity to the right way of dealing with his Lord, with himself, and with creation. Hence the main theme that runs throughout the Qur'an is that God alone deserved to be worshiped and thus man should submit to God's laws in his personal life and in his relationship with creation in general. Or, in other words, the main theme is a call to the belief in God (Allah) and the doing of righteous deeds as defined by God (Allah).

If the reader keeps these basics facts in mind, he will find that from beginning to end, the Qur'an's topics are all closely connected to it's main theme and that the whole book is a well reasoned and cohesive argument for it's

theme. The Qur'an keeps the same object in view, whether it is describing the creation of man and the universe or events from human history. Since the aim of the Qur'an is to guide man, it states or discusses things only to the extent relevant to this aim and leaves out unnecessary and irrelevant details. It also repeats it's main theme over and over again in the presentation of each new topic. The Qur'an, if approached objectively, meets the reader at his own level of comprehension and reveals it's meaning to him according to his intellectual capacity. The Qur'an rivets the reader's attention and casts a profound influence on any who approach it with an open and unhindered mind.

The following four principles should be kept in mind by the new reader of the Qur'an if he or she is to avoid unnecessary confusion and disorientation:

1. The book is the only one of its type in the world.
2. Its literary style is quite different from all other books.
3. Its theme is unique.
4. Preconceived notions of a book are only a hindrance to the understanding of the Qur'an.

The Qur'an, is a great miracle for mankind, it is sufficient to engage the thoughts of those who think, who are wise, who understand and who have knowledge; and also to witness the excellent of its legal laws, commandments, eloquence of its language and real inability, to find any fault or defect in it, of those who studied it or looked deeply into it. " This Qur'an is not such as can be produced by other than God; on the contrary it is a confirmation of revelations that went before it, and a fuller explanation of the Book-wherein there is no doubt-from the Lord of the Worlds." Holy Qur'an 10:37.

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