Familiarization with Quranic Suras
Month of Ramadan 1439 – Day 10

Brief Info
Sura al-Hujurat, No. 49. Revealed in Madinah, 18 verses.

Sura Significance
Whoever recites Sura Hujurat every night, or every day, will be from the zawwār of Muhammad ﷺ. Imam al-Sadiq عليه السلام.
<u>Note:</u> Quranic Scholars say that the reward is connected to the contents of the Surah and requires that recitation be done with awareness, comprehension, reflection and having an intention of implementation.

This sūra has important commandments regarding behavior with the Prophet ﷺ and on social relationships. It can be referred to as a sūra of Akhlāq and Ādāb.

Synopsis of contents
- Etiquette of being in the presence of the Holy Prophet (s) (vv. 1-5)
- Etiquette for social relationships that help the society unite and prosper and protect it from disunity and conflicts (vv. 6-12)
- Criteria and meaning of true faith (vv. 13-15)
- The all-encompassing knowledge of Allah (vv. 16-18)

Some Lessons from the Sura
1) Talking to the Holy Prophet ﷺ requires certain etiquette.
2) A believing society is careful of factors that could threaten justice and peace within it.
3) Brotherhood in society is strengthened by keeping away from unethical forms of behavior such as mocking, backbiting, suspicion, etc.
4) The only criteria for greatness in the eyes of Allah is Taqwa.
5) Having faith is at a higher level than just accepting Islam.
6) Faith is a blessing and favor from Allah.

Suggested verses for memorization in Arabic and English
1) 49:10 - *The faithful are indeed brethren. Therefore, make peace between your brethren and be wary of Allah, so that you may receive mercy.*
2) 49:13 - *O mankind! Indeed, We created you from a male and a female, and made you nations and tribes that you may identify yourselves with one another. Indeed the noblest of you in the sight of Allah is the most Godwary among you. Indeed Allah is all-knowing, all-aware.*

Activity for self-study
Read verses 11-12. List the commandments mentioned in this verse. What is the reasoning behind each rule? How is society affected by those who disregard these rules?