

Have you ever wondered..?

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Chapter One

DEFINITION

LINGUISTIC DEFINITION

The word “*Tafsir*” which comes from “*fassara*, فَسَّرَ”, means “the explanation or interpretation of something.”

2. The word *Tafsir* also means, “to expose, to uncover.”

**The beauty of the
Arabic Language**



Chapter Two

EVOLUTION OF TAFSIR

THE PERIOD OF THE PROPHETHOOD

First: Tafsir of the Qur'an by Allah ﷻ

Allah ﷻ guaranteed the explanation and interpretation of the Qur'an to His Messenger ﷺ.

Allah ﷻ says...

Timeline

Rasulullah

Sahaba

Tabi'een

Compilation



Chapter One

DEFINITIONS

ANALYTICAL APPROACH

The approach in which the Mufasssir deals with the Qur'an verse by verse, in accordance with their compiled sequence in the Qur'an.

THEMATIC APPROACH

The approach in which the Mufasssir seeks to study the Qur'an by taking up a particular theme from among the various themes dealt by the Qur'an.



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Chapter Three

THEMATIC TAFSIR

DEFINITION

The Qur'anic science which interprets different issues and themes in view of the Qur'anic objectives through the study of one Surah or more or through multiple Ayaat.

How is it different?

Hmmm...?!

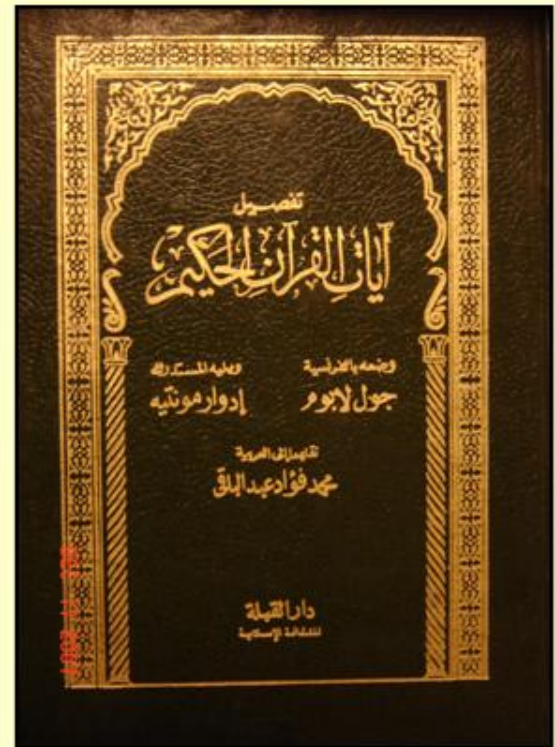
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ORIENTALISTS & THEMATIC TAFSIR

Who started the methodology of Thematic Tafsir?

- Works of the Orientalists
- The book of Jules La Baume

Who?





The Outlines

How about some samples?

Chapter One

THE EXAMINATION OF ONE WORD OR TERM

Learn how to do the search yourself

Chapter One

THE EXAMINATION OF ONE WORD OR TERM

Example I

The term Ummah (أُمَّة) in the Qur'an
49 different repetitions in 47 different Ayah

A. Ummah for a group of people (35 times)

وَمِنْ قَوْمِ مُوسَى أُمَّةٌ يَهْدُونَ

بِالْحَقِّ وَبِهِ يَعْدِلُونَ

What is Ummah?

And of the people of Musa there is a community who lead (the men) with Truth and establish justice therewith. [al-A'raaf: 159]





Chapter Two

THE EXAMINATION OF A SINGLE SURAH

CASE STUDY:

Chapter 4, Surah an-Nisaa' (The Women)

Main Theme:

Social Reform

Subjects of Study:

The characteristics of the Muslim society

How relevant...?

Chapter Two

THE EXAMINATION OF A SINGLE SURAH

F. RULES OF SOCIETAL ENGAGEMENT

Justice is the rule

﴿ يٰۤاَيُّهَا الَّذِيْنَ ءَامَنُوْا كُوْنُوْا قَوّٰمِيْنَ بِالْقِسْطِ شٰهَدُوْا لِلّٰهِ وَلَوْ
عَلٰى اَنْفُسِكُمْ اَوْ اِلْوَالِدِيْنَ وَالْاَقْرَبِيْنَ اِنْ يَكُنْ غَنِيًّا اَوْ فَقِيْرًا
فَاِنَّهٗ اَوْلٰى بِهِمَا ۖ فَلَا تَتَّبِعُوْا اَهْوٰى اَنْ تَعْدِلُوْا ۚ وَاِنْ تَلُوْا اَوْ
تُعْرَضُوْا فَاِنَّ اللّٰهَ كَانَ بِمَا تَعْمَلُوْنَ خَبِيْرًا ۝۱۳۵﴾

135. O you who believe! stand out firmly for justice, as witnesses to Allah, even though it be against yourselves, or your parents, or your kin, be He rich or poor, Allah is a better protector to both (than you). So follow not the lusts (of your hearts), lest you may avoid justice, and if you distort your witness or refuse to give it, verily, Allah is ever well acquainted with what you do.



Chapter Three

THE EXAMINATION OF ONE PARTICULAR SUBJECT

INTRODUCTION: The Main Axis of the Qur'an

1. Tawheed and Theology
2. Commandments and Law
3. History and Tales
4. Ethics and Morality (Mannerism and Social Life)

And the journey begins..

SECTION I: Tawheed & Theology

A. The Concept of God His Oneness

﴿وَاللَّهُكُمْ إِلَهٌ وَاحِدٌ لَا إِلَهَ
إِلَّا هُوَ الرَّحْمَنُ الرَّحِيمُ﴾

And your Ilah (God) is one Ilah (God - Allah),
La ilaha illa Huwa (there is none who has the
right to be worshipped but He), the Most
Beneficent, the Most Merciful. [al-Baqarah: 163]



SECTION I: Tawheed & Theology
E. Guidance & Misguidance
GUIDANCE

And Looking

﴿ إِنَّكَ لَا تَهْدِي مَنْ أَحْبَبْتَ وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ يَهْدِي مَنْ

يَشَاءُ ۚ وَهُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِالْمُهْتَدِينَ ﴾

Verily! You (O Muhammad ﷺ) guide not whom you like, but Allah guides whom He wills. And He knows best those who are the guided. [al-Qasas: 56]



SECTION I: Tawheed & Theology

F. Life in the Hereafter

PARADISE

And Looking



Allah has promised to the believers -men and women, - Gardens under which rivers flow to dwell therein forever, and beautiful mansions in Gardens of 'Adn (Eden Paradise). But the greatest bliss is the good pleasure of Allah. That is the supreme success. [at-Tawbah: 72]

SECTION I: Tawheed & Theology

- The many parables of the Qur'an
- The truth about falsehood
- Evil and the evil ones
- Aql and intellect
- The purpose of Life
- And much more...

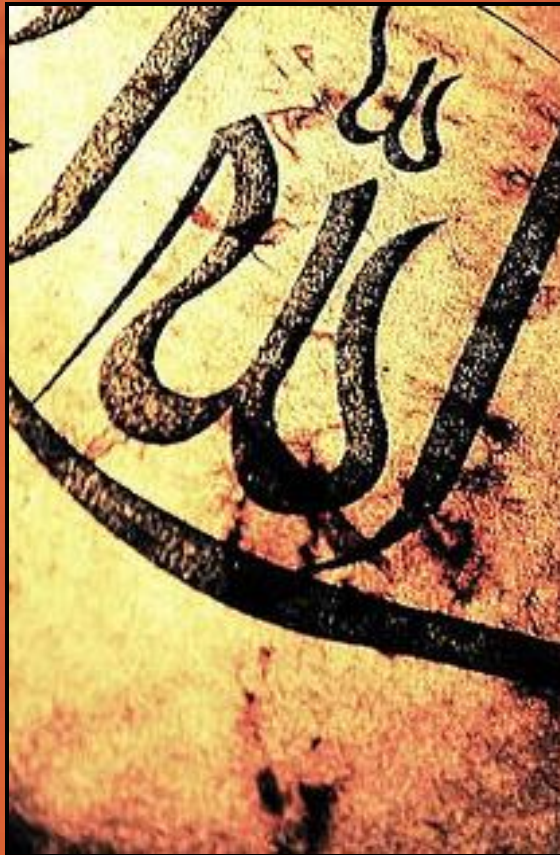


Now Look For This

SECTION 2: Commandments and Law

A. The Concept of Obedience

OBEDIENCE TO ALLAH



﴿وَأَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ﴾

﴿لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ﴾

And obey Allah and the Messenger
(Muhammad ﷺ) that you may obtain mercy.

[Aali 'Imran: 132]

SECTION 2: Commandments and Law

D. Du'aa

ALLAH ANSWERS THE DU'AA

﴿وَإِذَا سَأَلَكَ عِبَادِي عَنِّي فَإِنِّي قَرِيبٌ أُجِيبُ
دَعْوَةَ الدَّاعِ إِذَا دَعَانِ فَلْيَسْتَجِيبُوا لِي وَلْيُؤْمِنُوا
بِي لَعَلَّهُمْ يَرْشُدُونَ﴾

And when My slaves ask you (O Muhammad ﷺ) concerning Me, then I am indeed near. I respond to the invocations of the suppliant when he calls on Me. So let them obey Me and believe in Me, so that they may be led aright. [al-Baqarah: 186]



SECTION 2: Commandments and Law
H. Money and Wealth
HALAAL SOURCES OF WEALTH

﴿وَإِذْ تَأَذَّرَ رَبُّكُمْ لَئِنْ شَكَرْتُمْ لَأَزِيدَنَّكُمْ

وَلَئِنْ كَفَرْتُمْ إِنَّ عَذَابِي لَشَدِيدٌ﴾

And (remember) when your Lord proclaimed: "If you give thanks I will give you more, but if you are thankless, verily! My punishment is indeed severe." [Ibrahim: 17]

SECTION 2: Commandments and Law

I. Justice and Criminal Law

INTERNATIONAL LAW (WAR AND PEACE)

﴿ قُلْ لِلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا يَغْفِرُوا لِلَّذِينَ لَا يَرْجُونَ

أَيَّامَ اللَّهِ لِيَجْزِيَ قَوْمًا بِمَا كَانُوا يَكْسِبُونَ ﴾ ﴿٤﴾

Say to the believers to forgive those who (harm them and) hope not for the days of Allah (his recompense), that He may recompense people according to what they have earned. [al-Jaathiyah: 14]



SECTION 3: History and Stories

A. Stories in the Qur'an

ALLAH TA'AALA TELLS THE BEST STORIES

﴿ نَحْنُ نَقُصُّ عَلَيْكَ أَحْسَنَ الْقَصَصِ بِمَا
أَوْحَيْنَا إِلَيْكَ هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ وَإِنْ كُنْتَ
مِنْ قَبْلِهِ لَمِنَ الْغَافِلِينَ ﴾

We relate unto you (Muhammad) the best of stories through our revelations unto you, of this Qur'an. And before this you were among those who knew nothing about it (the Qur'an). [Yoosuf: 3]

Sample and Example



We relate unto you (Muhammad ﷺ) the best of stories through our revelations unto you, of this Qur'an. And before this, you were among those who knew nothing about it (the Qur'an). [Yoosuf: 3]

Yoosuf and His Brothers

SECTION 3: History and Tales

F. Musa (alayhis salaam) and Bani Isra'il WHO WERE BANI ISRA'IL

All About Them...

﴿ كُلُّ الطَّعَامِ كَانَ حَلَالًا لِّبَنِي إِسْرَءِيلَ إِلَّا مَا حَرَّمَ
إِسْرَءِيلُ عَلَى نَفْسِهِ ۚ مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ تُنَزَّلَ التَّوْرَةُ ۚ قُلْ
فَأْتُوا بِالتَّوْرَةِ فَاتْلُوهَا ۖ إِن كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ ۝ ﴾

All food was lawful to the children of Isra'il, except what Isra'il made unlawful for himself before the Torah was revealed. Say (O Muhammad ﷺ): "Bring here the Torah and recite it, if you are truthful."

الحكمة

﴿وَلَقَدْ ءَاتَيْنَا لُقْمَانَ الْحِكْمَةَ أَنِ اشْكُرْ لِلَّهِ
وَمَن يَشْكُرْ فَإِنَّمَا يَشْكُرُ لِنَفْسِهِ ۖ وَمَن كَفَرَ
فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ غَنِيٌّ حَمِيدٌ﴾

And indeed we bestowed upon Luqman al-Hikmah (wisdom and religious understanding) saying: "Give thanks to Allah," and whoever gives thanks, he gives thanks for (the good of) his own self. And whoever is unthankful, then verily, Allah is All-Rich (free of all wants), worthy of all praise. [Luqman: 12]

Who else?!

Luqman

Section 4: Ethics and Morality (Mannerism and Social Life)

A. What Allah Loves and what Allah does not Love

Allah ta'aala loves...

Finally...

al-Muhsinoon	﴿ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴾ ﴿٢٣٥﴾
at-Tawwaboos and al-Mutatahhiroos	﴿ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ التَّوَّابِينَ وَيُحِبُّ الْمُتَطَهِّرِينَ ﴾ ﴿٢٣٦﴾
al-Muttaqoon	﴿ بَلَى مَنْ أَوْفَى بِعَهْدِهِ وَاتَّقَى فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُتَّقِينَ ﴾ ﴿٢٣٧﴾
as-Sabiroon	﴿ وَاللَّهُ يُحِبُّ الصَّابِرِينَ ﴾ ﴿٢٣٨﴾
al-Mutawakkiloon	﴿ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُتَوَكِّلِينَ ﴾ ﴿٢٣٩﴾
al-Muqsitoon	﴿ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُقْسِطِينَ ﴾ ﴿٢٤٠﴾
The Straight Line	﴿ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الَّذِينَ يُقَاتِلُونَ فِي سَبِيلِهِ صَفًّا كَانَهُمْ بُنِينَ مَرْصُوصٍ ﴾ ﴿٢٤١﴾

SECTION 4: ETHICS AND MORALITY

D. Public Etiquette

ETIQUETTE OF GREETING: WHAT TO SAY

﴿ إِذْ دَخَلُوا عَلَيْهِ فَقَالُوا سَلَامًا ۖ

قَالَ سَلَامٌ قَوْمٌ مُنْكَرُونَ ﴾

When they came in to him, and said, “Salaam, (peace be upon you)!” he answered; “Salaam, (peace be upon you),” and said: “You are a people unknown to me. [adh-Dhaariyaat: 25]



SECTION 4: ETHICS AND MORALITY
E. Noble & Contemptible Traits
NOBLE TRAITS: AL-HILM (FORBEARANCE)

﴿الَّذِينَ يُنْفِقُونَ فِي السَّرَّاءِ وَالضَّرَّاءِ وَالْكُظُمِينَ الْغَيْظِ
وَالْعَافِينَ عَنِ النَّاسِ ۗ وَاللَّهُ يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ﴾

Those who spend in prosperity and in adversity, who repress anger, and who pardon men; verily, Allah loves al-Muhsinoon (the good doers). [Aali 'Imraan: 134]



SECTION 4: ETHICS AND MORALITY

F. The Rights of Others

RIGHTS OF ONE'S NEIGHBOR: TREAT THEM KINDLY



﴿ وَيَمْنَعُونَ الْمَاعُونَ ﴾

And refuse al-Ma'oon (small kindnesses).

[al-Ma'oon: 7]

And Much, Much More...

Imam ash-Shatibee

Indeed, regarding the Book of Allah, it has been established that it is the whole faculty of the Shari'ah (law), the pillar of Islam (the religion), the spring (fountainhead) of wisdom, the miracle of the message, the light of sights and vision (hearts). There is no path to Allah besides it, no salvation by other than it, and cannot grasp anything else that contradicts it. No evidence or a proof is required to verify this, for it is self-evident in the religion of this ummah.

Testimonials

What other students say about their
experience in this class?

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How will this class benefit you?

This isn't JUST tafsir. Its one of the MOST humbling experience you have YET to live (yup, it's THAT serious).

SubhanAllah...I've gone to so many lectures where the topic stresses the need for us, as Muslims, to strengthen our relationship with the Qur'aan. In the end, however, I walk away knowing and feeling the urgency of that task but am entirely unsure as to how to go about and achieve it. For me, **THIS class completely changed that passive approach to understanding and reflecting over the words of Allah--or at least realizing that I've been stuck at that stage.**

With its awesome selection of themes--as well the methodology of it--you can't help but realize that there's nothing that is not covered in the book of Allah subhanawata'ala and that understanding the Qur'aan through a thematic approach opens the way to a more interactive relationship with it--you really can't pass that up!

Warning: This class will blow you away!

Going into the Heavenly Hues class I was a little skeptical. It was/is my first Al-Maghrib class, and i thought that because we would be discussing tafseer, i'd probably be bored.

SUBHANNALLAH, that wasn't the case at all. The class really made you think and excited about studying the Quran and the different meanings that could be attributed within the texts. While taking the class, the week between the 2 weekends, everytime I picked up the Quran, I felt discontented unless I went to read the tafseer, meaning, or reflect upon how the ayat may effect my life.

If I could study the same topic again, it'd would be amazing

I also liked the research homework he gave us. After doing the homework, my confusion was removed - as to the direction the class is taking. I strongly urge everybody to do the homework as it will help you better understand the class.

In the beginning, I thought this was a very (difficult) advanced class. But Shaykh made it so easy for us, and he said that "this class is just not for the elite (student of knowledge), but it is for all".

AlHamdulillah, now I have good tools and resources. So whenever there comes an opportunity for me to give a small Islamic speech or a Khutbah on a topic, I know exactly what to do.

If you have been making dua'a for a better and more practical understanding of the book of Allah, then Heavenly Hues is the **ANSWER** to your dua'a!

I felt so terribly sad for those who missed this seminar- *please don't be one of them!*

