

Lessons and Warnings: Surat Al-Humazah Sr. Asma Youssouf

- Talks about two things : distractions (money and gossiping) and how they destroy us
- Contains lot of warnings
- The location of the Surah is important. It's comes after Surah At-Takathur and Surah Al-Asr. These Surahs explain how humanity is always distracted and how humanity is at an ultimate loss respectively.
- The question is what are we distracted by that puts us at such a loss? Then Surah Al-Humazah answers the question of what we are distracted by that puts us at ultimate loss.
- **Waylun**: This describes the people that mock people constantly and cause division between people.
- **Likuli** is used at a point of extreme frustration and upset. It also refers to remarkable regret where you can't do anything of what you have done
- **Humazah**: literally means to crack or fracture. This is done behind the back. It refers to the sarcasm that we use to put down someone. Example to say things that psychologically breaks someone.
- **Lumazah**: This is when a person says rude and insulting comments in the faces of others
 - -It is like being on someone's case 24/7.
- Common ways that we fall into these categories: When you see someone practicing Islam differently, don't mock how people practice their religion or mock people on how they look.
- In the second ayah- one of the ways we waste time is gossiping and talking about others. Another way is spending enormous time accumulating wealth. Chasing money to the point of doing unethical things. They are constantly counting it- to the point where they think that they will live forever.
- In our heart there is a place that is meant for Allah (SWT). Some people will fill this space with the love of other things or people, you start to expect that these things will be perfect but it is only Allah (SWT) who will be perfect. Other things will disappoint you.
- We should channel our energy properly to lead to success.
- False hopes that delude us: we have wealth so we don't have to think about the akhirah. Most people think just about taking care of their family, but remember we are all going to die so what have you prepared for that?
- In the third -sixth ayah: **kalla**- interjection, meaning no one will live forever. **Alhutamma** is a place in jahanam. Allah (SWT) created this fire- it is stronger and more horrible than anything you have ever imagined.
- Hutamma can also mean-to throw something as if it is useless. That is how they are going to be thrown into janaham.
- **Katama** is the root word of hutama, and it means a wind that breaks down something. So they will break down the same way they have been breaking people in this world (psychologically)
- This fire won't break down and it won't stop. They will keep suffering in it forever.
- Seventh ayah – Describes how the fire will enter slowly until it digs into the heart. **Afu'ida** is the inner parts of the heart (where the bad intentions are). The fire doesn't consume the heart; it

just envelopes it. This is because if the fire consumes the heart, the individual will be dead so it just surrounds it and keeps the person in it tormented.

- Eighth ayah- **Mu'usada**- The door will closed on them so that they can't escape. But they will have some kind of hope as they see that there is a door which makes them think that they can escape. But this door is way above them. This fire is structured upon pillars: **Amad**. These poles are extremely hot, making it impossible for them to climb them to reach the door. Hence the psychological torture continues.

Main Lessons:

- Don't talk negatively about people (to their face or behind their back)
- Don't live to just accumulate money- do a lot of good deeds
- Hold yourself to account before Allah (SWT) does.