

# Quranan Arabiyyah

## Surah Al Hadid

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We need to know and understand who Allah SWT and counter negativity in our lives using tasbeeh. Tasbeeh can change a lot of things in our life, and we should be ashamed because everything in heaven and earth are glorifying Allah SWT.

Going back to the first ayah of the surah, we must remember that everything that happens in the universe, happens with the Will of Allah SWT. He is Al Aziz, the Almighty, He can do anything and nobody can stop Him. But also He acts with Wisdom, because He is Al Hakeem.

This ayah makes us want to be different because we start to focus on how we deal with Allah SWT, and this then affects how we are with people. And like we discussed last time, we should avoid these four things: argue, object, demand and blame.

لَهُ مُلْكُ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ ۖ يُحْيِي وَيُمِيتُ ۗ وَهُوَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

His is the dominion of the Heavens and Earth. He gives life and causes death, and He is over all things competent.

Now we need some more information of Allah SWT. Who is Azeez al Hakeem? He is the one to who belong the heavens and earth, He owns them and He is the Creator of them, and He is the one who runs their affairs. What this means is that He decides when the sun and moon rise and set, and all their actions are decided only by Him. Everything is decided by His Will, not ours. We may want a thing to be a certain way, but Allah SWT decides how it will be and His Plan is the best.

He is the One who gives life, there is no life without Allah SWT, and He is the one who gives feelings to dead hearts and He is capable of taking them away as well. The name of Allah SWT related to this is Al Haiyy.

He is able to do anything, over all His Dominion. The Qadr is a process, even though He just has to say Be and it is as He wills. It is in four steps, Allah SWT knows it will happen, and it is then preserved in the Tablet (written) and then He wills it to happen, and then He makes the actions for it to happen. And all of this can happen for us in a blink of an eye. When we understand this, we can then accept easily everything that happens in our lives, our qadr.

Sometimes we find frustration with our decree, we want to be able to do things that we may not be able to do. Knowing and accepting Allah's SWT qadr will make us turn to Him, and it will push away any negativity we might feel. Allah SWT is able to do anything and everything, and His Plan is the best, Al Azeez, Al Hakeem - when we **accept** this, then we can completely **submit** to Him.

هُوَ الْأَوَّلُ وَالْآخِرُ وَالظَّاهِرُ وَالْبَاطِنُ وَهُوَ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عَلِيمٌ

He is the First and the Last, the Ascendant and the Intimate, and He is, of all things, Knowing

It is said that this ayah is better than a thousand ayaat and these four names only occur in this ayah and the supplication before sleeping, and this ayah is also prescribed for those with doubts in their hearts. It protects us from evil, and thinking negatively is evil, so when we do tasbeeh, it is a purification, and it counters that evil, and allows complete submission of our hearts to Allah SWT.

It is like swimming, when you think you can't do it, that you will drown, then you will stop moving and it will actually happen, and this is an effect of the negative thinking. We must have faith and stay positive and keep moving.

Allah SWT surrounds us with time and place, both simultaneously. We cannot be at one, without the other. We are not the first and we will definitely not be the last. This reminds that we have no choice, no solution, no option but to attach ourselves to Allah SWT.

Al Awwal wal Aakhir: He SWT is the first, and nothing comes before Him. If we put people, things or anything before then we create imbalance in our own lives. We must always put Him first, before anything and everything. There will be nothing after Allah SWT, and only He can combine these two attributes. In a person having such complete opposites would be considered a sickness but He does it with Perfection. These names are both related to time, subhanAllah.

Allah SWT's names AdDhahir wal Batin are related to place, because sometimes, it is difficult for us to see the bigger picture and the finer details. The higher we go, the clearer the picture is, and the deeper we go, the better the details. And this is Allah SWT's qualities of being Manifest (clear vision), as well, as Discreet/Subtle (fine details). Again only Allah SWT combine these completely opposite attributes so perfectly, subhanAllah.

This is how Allah SWT encompasses us with both time and place. We should seek to do tasbeeh and seek refuge with Allah SWT from all evil.

