

Words of the Quran

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Places in the Quran where the story of Adam AS is mentioned:

Surah Baqarah, Surah Aaraf, Surah Taha

The Theme of these Surahs:

Surah Baqarah: Belief in the Unseen and Succession

Surah Aaraf: settling the struggle between Truth and Falsehood (the people of Aaraf are those whose good and bad are equal, and they're hanging like this because they didn't make a decision regarding a good matter)

Surah Taha: The Quran brings happiness, not misery

The story of Adam AS teaches us that following the minhaj or curriculum, then it is easier to make decisions and there is no fear and sadness upon them, just happiness. This same thing is repeated across all three surahs, subhanAllah, in these ayaat.

Ayah 38 in Surah Baqarah

قُلْنَا اهْبِطُوا مِنْهَا جَمِيعًا ۖ فَإِمَّا يَأْتِيَنَّكُمْ مِنِّي هُدًى فَمَنْ تَبَعَ هُدَايَ فَلَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ - 2:38

We said, "Go down from it, all of you. And when guidance comes to you from Me, whoever follows My guidance - there will be no fear concerning them, nor will they grieve.

Ayah 123 in Taha

قَالَ اهْبِطَا مِنْهَا جَمِيعًا ۖ بَعْضُكُمْ لِبَعْضٍ عَدُوٌّ ۗ فَإِمَّا يَأْتِيَنَّكُمْ مِنِّي هُدًى فَمَنِ اتَّبَعَ هُدَايَ فَلَا يَضِلُّ وَلَا يَشْقَىٰ - 20:123

[Allah] said, "Descend from Paradise - all, [your descendants] being enemies to one another. And if there should come to you guidance from Me - then whoever follows My guidance will neither go astray [in the world] nor suffer [in the Hereafter].

Adam AS was sad initially but when he followed the guidance related in the first ayah, and then Allah SWT took away his sadness. And after nurturing when more guidance followed, in the second ayah and it becomes clearer so he will not be misled or misguided.

The order of the surahs in the Qur'an: after victory, Anfal, we should seek forgiveness and repentance, Tawbah, like mentioned in Surah Nasr. And before this Aaraf, which implies that we don't know what victory could follow our decision, a final act in the matter.

After repentance, then we are nurtured through decrees to extract the best worship from us in Surah Yunus. Then there is Surah Hud for reforming, or islah. Not everyone will follow islah, so consolation is provided through the Story of Yusuf AS.

Following this is the thunder, Rad, we will see the truth. Then there is unity of the message and messengers in Surah Ibrahim. It needs to be protected, in Surah Hijr, then will follow the blessings with Surah Nahl.

Then the value of the Qur'an is shown in Surah Isra'a. We need protection from fitnas which is demonstrated in Surah Kahf and of course, there is mercy in Surah Maryam. And finally following this is Surah Ta Ha which shows us that Qur'an is the way to happiness.

Names of Allah mentioned through this story

سورة طه	سورة الاعراف	سورة البقرة
رب (٢) (ربه)	رب (٣) ربكما، ربهما، ربنا	رب (ربه) العليم الحكيم التواب الرحيم

Surah Baqarah

Ar Rabb
Al Aleem
Al Hakeem
At Tawwab
Ar Raheem

Surah Al Aaraf

Ar Rabb (ayaat 20 and 22 - mentioned in plural (dual) and in the dua form, Rabbana).

In the dual, this is spoken by shaytan to Adam and Hawwa AS, and then by Allah SWT Himself, implying that nurturing for each of them was different, personalized and customized.

Surah Taha

Ar Rabb

Only Allah SWT can nurture happiness within us, subhanAllah.

In all of these surahs, through the story of Adam AS, the Name Allah is not used at all. This could be because Adam AS did not face shirk so the focus was not ulohiyyah but roobubiyah, which is to be nurtured.

HW: Fill the table with the arabic words in the table for all three surahs: names, actions and attributes of Allah SWT and creation and the commands as well.