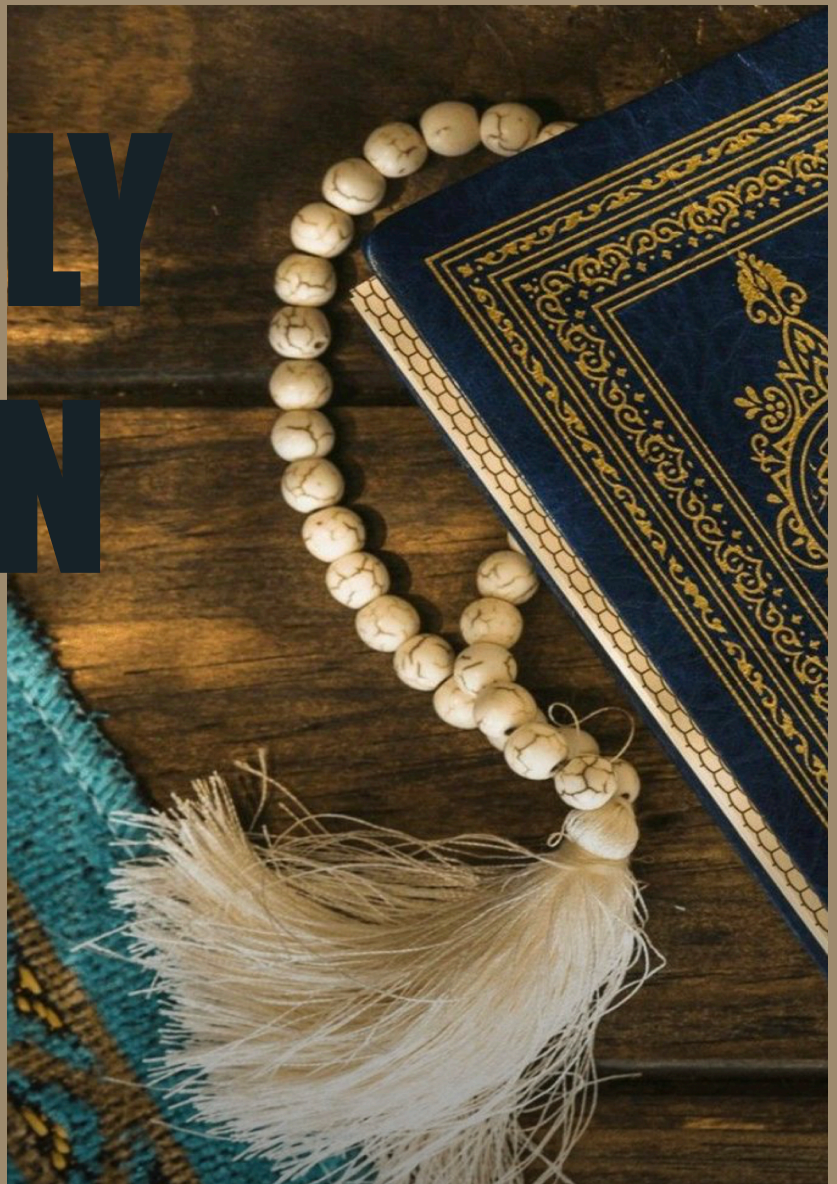


THE HOLY QURAAAN

In today's day and age everyone is in search of a companion, a companion that will stand with them through every thick and thin, through every hardship and ease, through every tear and fear. Sadly it is hard to find such companions in this greedy and selfish world.



A companion that never leaves



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Imagine this scenario for a moment. Two friends meet up for coffee. Whilst they're hanging out, one of them busies himself on his phone. How would the other friend feel at this point? Will he not feel upset and offended? This is the parable of the Qur'an and the saahibe Qur'an (companion of the Quraan). The Qur'an witnesses the Haafidh busy on his phone in the long hours of the night, not caring about his Qur'an. The Qur'an makes sabr for 11 months, until Ramadan, and as Ramadan approaches the same Haafidh who abandoned the Quran for 11 months decides to reconcile with the Qur'an. At this point, instead of shunning him, the Quran embraces him with open arms. This is the beauty of the Qur'an; it never abandons its Saahib(companion) in a dire situation.

Allah ﷻ mentions in the Qur'an, regarding the Qur'an:

وَأَقْرَبَ لِلذِّكْرِ

“And indeed we have made the Quran easy to understand and remember, so is there anyone to seek (its) advice?...”

Let us ponder for a minute over this Ayah. If Allah ﷻ would have given us humanbeings the choice regarding who will be a Haafidh and who will not, the pious girl who recites the Qur'an would be chosen over anyone of us. However, Allah ﷻ was so kind and merciful that He kept the choice to Himself and chose undeserving servants like us for the khidmah of His deen and the khidmah of the Qur'an.

We should remember that the Qur'an is like a close friend who requires our love and loyalty. We need to show it how much it means to us, otherwise it will leave us. Prove to the Qur'an that you will pull yourself out of your warm bed for its sake. Prove to the Qur'an that you will leave your house in the freezing cold or the scorching sun, for its sake. If you do this, the Quran will then protect you from every tear and fear. Your Qur'an will then be your companion in this world and in the darkness of the grave. Remember, your relationship with the Qur'an is fragile and precious. You need to guard it at all costs by proving your loyalty over and over again.

Let this Ramadhan be a turning point in our relationship with the Qur'an. Say to the Qur'an: "Oh Qur'an I want to be faithful, I want to connect with you, I want to change." See then, how the Qur'an will speak to Allah Taalaha on your behalf, how it will intercede for you in the grave, how it will fill your grave with light...

