

Surah Inshirah

Introduction:

This Surah talks about the lofty position of the prophet (saw)

There are 3 blessings given to the prophet (saw) which are mentioned:

1. Expansion of the prophet's chest - so that he would accept the truth/ physical cleansing of his heart.
2. Heavy burden = prophet didn't know what to do about the evil in his society and so Allah guided him.

Ayah (1):

"sharh" to open - question = calling a person to interact with the Surah

Ayah (4):

Fame - We are so influenced by the prophet that we even know what he said exactly. No one will ever come close to this prophet's status.

Even Isa doesn't come close to this fame. Christians aren't influenced by Isa like we are by the prophet. They don't know exactly what Isa said - but we do: Science of Tajweed > every harakah - elongation we do is exactly like him.

There is no khateeb/da'i who doesn't mention Allah's name coupled with the prophets.

Ayah (5)

"Ma'a" - with - Muslims were indeed facing hardships when this Surah was revealed. Allah tells us in this Surah to expect hardship but at the same time this word suggests that ease comes immediately after hardship. This word shows us that how closely ease follows.

Ayah (6)

Imagine an entire society (your whole family) being against you. In Islam there is the concept of that if you face one hardship then two reliefs will follow. One here in this dunya, one in the akhira. One hardship can't take over both of them. So be patient and ease will come in the hereafter.

Ayah (7)

Person doing da'wah shouldn't neglect their worship. Allah commands us to stand up and worship him, pray and thank Allah for the tawfeeq of doing good deeds.

Lessons:

- Patience: we can rest assure that when our problems begin the solution accompanies them
- Train your souls: devotion to worship of Allah - not to the material world.