

(B) Definition of Selected Verses  
From The Holy Qur'an With Explanation

IMANIYAT

Sura Albaqarah verse 1 - 5

الْمَّ ۝ ذٰلِكَ الْكِتٰبُ لَا رَيْبَ فِيْهِ هُدًى لِّلْمُتَّقِيْنَ ۝ الَّذِيْنَ  
يُؤْمِنُوْنَ بِالْغَيْبِ وَيُقِيْمُوْنَ الصَّلٰوةَ وَمِمَّا رَزَقْنٰهُمْ يُنْفِقُوْنَ ۝  
وَالَّذِيْنَ يُؤْمِنُوْنَ بِمَا اُنزِلَ اِلَيْكَ وَمَا اُنزِلَ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ وَ  
بِالْآخِرَةِ هُمْ يُوقِنُوْنَ ۝ اُولٰٓئِكَ عَلٰى هُدًى مِّنْ رَّبِّهِمْ وَاُولٰٓئِكَ هُمُ  
الْمُفْلِحُوْنَ ۝

"Alif, Lam, Meem. This is the Book about which there is no doubt, guidance for those conscious of Allah, who believe in the unseen, establish prayer, and spend out of what We have provided for them. And who believe in what has been revealed to you, [O Muhammad], and what was revealed before you, and of the Hereafter they are certain [in faith]. Those are upon [right] guidance from their Lord, and it is those who are the successful."

Explanation: Surah Albaqarah starts with the introduction of Quran-e-Hakeem in which the real essence of Quran is explained. It is a Book which without any doubt and its purpose to provide guidance to people. However, only those will be able to seek guidance from Quran who are Muttaqi, (pious and fear). In this surah three traits of Muttaqi are discussed. The people who get who complete guidance from Quran are those pious people who possess five traits out of which three are discussed in this surah. The other two traits of muttaqi are that they have faith and belief in four books which are sent by Allah on His prophets and also in the Day of Judgment.

Quran says:

اُولٰٓئِكَ عَلٰى هُدًى مِّنْ رَّبِّهِمْ

It means that the muttaqis spend for the well-being of others out of what Allah has provided them. It may be in the form of zakat and charity.

4. Iman-bil-Quran (And who believe in what has been revealed to you, [Mohammad])

وَالَّذِينَ يُؤْمِنُونَ بِمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْكَ

*"And who believe in what has been revealed to you, [Mphammad]"*

Muttaqis have faith and undaunted belief in Quran as a Book which is true, unambiguous and beyond doubt. They believe it to be the last Book revealed on Muhammad (s.a.w) which is a true guidance for the whole humanity till the Day of Judgment. They trust that the teachings of this Book will be followed as a perfect Book and that all other revealed books before Quran have been cancelled. Quran will remain in practice till the last day.

5. Iman on Previous Revealed Books (who believe in what was revealed before you [Muhammad])

وَمَا أُنزِلَ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ

*"And what was revealed before you,"*

Muttaqis have faith in all those books which were revealed before Prophet Mohammad (s.a.w). Allah had revealed three books before Quran for the guidance of human being namely 'Taurat' on Hazrat Musa (a.s), 'Zaboor' on Hazrat Dawud (a.s) and Ingil on Hazrat Isa (a.s). In addition many 'Sahifas' were revealed from revealed on Hazrat Adam, hazrat Ibrahim and other messengers of Allah. Muttaqins have faith in all those as the true books of Allah. Now that these books have been amended and changed to a great extent so these have been cancelled by Quran. Since Allah Himself has taken the responsibility of securing and safeguarding Quran, therefore, only the injunctions of Quran will be obeyed.

6. Imān on Day of Judgment ( Believe hereafter)

وَبِالْآخِرَةِ هُمْ يُوقِنُونَ

*"And they also have the inner conviction of Hereafter"*

Muttaqins have faith in the Day of Judgment and believe in the temporary nature of this worldly life and permanence of the life

*Guidance for those conscious who fear Allah"*

It is guidance for humanity till eternity. Quran itself emphasize that *هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ* it is guidance for people." It provides guidance in all the realms of life. However, only those are directed and on righteous path who fear Allah and act upon the teachings of Quran considering it a Book of truth and reality. Conscious people have the following traits:

1. Believe in Unseen (Iman bil Ghayb)

*الَّذِينَ يُؤْمِنُونَ بِالْغَيْبِ*

*"Those who believe in the unseen."*

Iman is a general term that includes affirming and believing in Allah, His Books and His Messengers, and realizing this affirmation through adhering to the implications of what the tongue utters and affirms." Iman bil Ghayb means those who have faith in the Ghayb, "They believe in Allah, His angels, Books, Messengers, the Last Day, His Paradise, Fire and in the meeting with Him. They also believe in life after death and in Resurrection. All of this is the Ghayb."

2. Iqamat As-Salah

*وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ يُقِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ*

*"And are steadfast in prayers"*

Iqamat As-Salah means to complete the bowings, prostrations, recitation, humbleness and attendance for the prayer and preserve punctuality. It is a unique method of praying which is evident from the acts of the holy prophet, Muhammad peace be upon him. The people who perform the prayer with all the sanctity and obligations are muttaqi.

3. Infaq --fi-Sabilillah (Spending in the name of Allah)

*وَمِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ يُنْفِقُونَ*

*"And spend out of what We have provided them".*

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*"Only those people are on the righteous way who believes in unseen"*

Have faith in all prophets and messengers of Allah and His revealed books. They act upon the teachings of Quran, establish prayers, give zakat and spend in the name of Allah out of what is given to them by Allah. They have complete trust in the Day of Judgment. They are the people who are on the righteous path.

Alif Laam Meem

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These are the abbreviated letters called 'Muqatta'at' which are written collectively but read separately. As these are read separately therefore, these are called 'Muqatta'at'. The exact meanings of these 'Muqatta'at' are only known to Allah and His prophet Muhammad Peace be upon him. However, Imam ul Mufseeen Hazrat Ibn Abbas Razi Taalah Anha said that 'Alif' stands for انا (Ana), 'Lam' stands for Allah and 'Mim' means (Alam).

اَنَا اَعْلَمُ (اَنَا اللّٰهُ اَعْلَمُ)

*'I am Allah and I know the Best'*

Others believe that 'Alif' stands for Allah, 'Lam' means Hazrat Gabriel and 'Mim' gives the meaning of Muhammad Peace be upon him, i.e. this Book Quran Majeed is from Allah revealed Muhammad Peace be upon him by Hazrat Gabriel.

Laraib Book

ذٰلِكَ الْكِتٰبُ لَا رَيْبَ فِيْهِ

*"A Glorious Book this! This has nothing of doubt in it."*

This Book is revealed by Allah and is without any ambiguity and suspicion. It also means that the worldly books are composed by fact their personal beliefs