

## Read! In the Name of your Lord...

In this Juz, we cover five separate chapters: the conclusion of al-Ankabut (Spider), al-Rum (Romans), Luqman, al-Sajda (Prostration) and the start of al-Ahzab (Confederates). Some of the important verses in this Juz are Allah prophesying the defeat of the Byzantines and then their victory (al-Rum), the counsel of Luqman which summarises the requirements of faith and model conduct and verses in al-Ahzab dealing with the aspects of social reorganisation in respect of family and communal life. Although revealed to the Madinan community, its many rulings are more than relevant to us today.



## What can we learn from this Juz?

- We are commanded to debate with the People of the Book in the best of ways. Consider also then how we debate with one another;
- The defeat of the Byzantines and the prediction that they will be victorious again in the near future – indeed, Allah aids whom He wills;
- Clinging to this world is a sickness and Allah rebukes the pagans because they are heedless of the Hereafter;
- The call to contemplate Allah's signs in creation, in the alternation of night & day, and in the creation of man;
- Corruption appears because of what man himself has worked;
- Luqman gives advice to his son – firstly Tawhid (Divine Unity) then good treatment to one's parents even if they are disbelievers;
- The qualities of the believer and that the most significant qualities that lead man to leadership in the field of religion are patience and certitude;
- That the mothers of the believers are just like our mothers and they cannot be married;
- The Battle of Ahzab is described depicting the state of the believers and the hypocrites as well as the severity of Jihad.

## Surahs & Ayaat

- 29. Al-Ankabut (46-end)
- 30. Al-Rum
- 31. Luqman
- 32. Al-Sajda
- 33. Al-Ahzab (1-30)