

Editorial

I am grateful to Allah Almighty for allowing me to present the 56th serial issue of the quarterly research journal *Noor-e-Ma'rfat* to the readers. Of course, the beginning of every speech is the name of Allah Almighty and the 1st article of this issue also contains the introduction of the theological concepts in "*Taitriya Upanishad*" and its comparison with the Qur'anic concept of *Tawheed*.

According to the author, so far numerous articles have been written on various Upanishads, but no special research work has come out on this topic in the context of Quranic theology. This paper presents a comparison of the concept of God in the *Taitriya Upanishad* and the Holy Qur'an. According to this paper, there is a considerable similarity between the Quranic concept of Allah and the theological concept of the *Taitriya Upanishad*; and if this point is highlighted it can not only support the Quranic concept of *Tawheed* by Hindu religious books, but also bring the Muslims and Hindus closer to each other.

The 2nd paper of this issue examines the exegetical effects of Imam Abu Amr al-Basri's recitations of three Quranic verses. This paper is of special importance for the researchers of the science of recitation, as well as the researchers of the science of *Tafseer* and the general Muslim community. Apart from the study of different Qur'anic recitations and familiarity with the reciters, verses 27 and 63 of Surah Inam, as well as verse 17 of *Surah Towbah*, the exegetical implications of different recitations become clear by the study of this article.

The 3rd article of this issue is also related to Quran and Hadith. In this article, the writer presents an analytical study of the traditions of the Prophet's life related to the Battle of *Tabuk* (Gazwa-e-Tabuk) in the light of "*Tafseer Fahm Al-Qur'an*"

compiled by Mian Muhammad Jameel, and also highlights the contemporary significance of these traditions. As a result, we understand the love of the Companions for Islam and the obedience to the Holy Prophet, which is an excellent example of following the Holy Prophet. By reading this article we also become acquaint with some other basic Islamic teachings.

The 4th paper of the current issue presents an analytical review of the biography and historical character of Hazrat Hamza (RA). According to the writer, while Hazrat Hamza was very dear to the Prophet of Islam (PBUH), he possessed such qualities and perfections due to which he got the title of "*Asad-o Rasoolullah*" (The Loin of the Messenger) in his lifetime, and got the title of "Syed ul-Suhada" (The Chief of Martyrs) on his martyrdom. Of course, there is a great example for us of following the Holy Prophet (PBUH) and defending Islam in the life and character of Hazrat Hamza.

In the 5th article of this issue, an important problem of the modern scientific era is discussed under the title of *Shariah* and legal status of DNA report. In this paper, the jurisprudential and legal status of forensic reports has been clarified and the basic principles and rules of Islamic jurisprudence have been clarified in this regard.

An important contemporary social issue has also been discussed in the 6th paper of the present issue. According to the essayist, the existence of administration is inevitable in the concept of collectivity of Islam. In this paper, while highlighting the importance of social discipline for mankind in the light of Islamic teachings, the intellectual foundations and practical models of the modern concept of management & administration have been searched. Islamic teachings regarding administration and management and its practical models provide strong and efficient basic principles of contemporary concept of administration.

The last 3 articles of the present issue contain very interesting debates in the Arabic language. In the 1st paper, while quoting the edicts, sermons and speeches of the Holy Prophet (PBUH), the eloquence of exaggeration in the prophetic discourse on Arabic eloquence has been highlighted. The best examples of the use of a special genre of rhetoric, called "*Atnaab*" (الاطناب) by the Holy Prophet are narrated here.

In the 2nd Arabic paper, the miraculous aspects of the Word of Almighty Allah (Holy Quran) are highlighted by examining the verses of *Surah Al-Fatiha* in the light of important linguistic principles such as phonetics, Morphamatics, Syntax and Semantics.

And the last paper of this issue presents an introduction to the emerging researches and compilations regarding the knowledge of recitation of the Holy Quran (علم القراءات) in the Indian subcontinent. While this paper sheds light on the research done in Pakistan and India regarding the science of recitation, it also invites us to the hard work, dedication and research as our ancestors did.

Of course, 56th serial issue of quarterly research journal *Noor-e-Ma'rfat*, dominated by 9 research papers, will satisfy the knowledge thirst of our readers and play a key role in solving many of their scientific questions and puzzles. May Almighty Allah reward my team and may this issue a source of knowledge and insight for the readers. God willing! And by God's grace!

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