



GHAMIDI CENTER OF ISLAMIC LEARNING

Sunday School SYLLABUS

Course Name: God and His Final Messenger – Seerah 2

Course Stage: Beginner

Stage Theme: Islamic Foundation and Concepts

Level: 3

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Overview:

Quran has made the obedience of Prophet Muhammad a condition for loving God and receiving love and forgiveness from Him (3:31). A hadith narrated by Anas ibn Malik implies that loving Prophet Muhammad reflects one's perfection of faith (Sahih Al-Bukhari 15, Muslim 44). Loving God and His messenger and obeying them is part of our religion. However, can we claim a deep and sincere love for someone without knowing the person? This two-part course endeavors to introduce God and His final messenger by studying the messenger's life on earth, also known as *Seerah*. Through this course, we will learn how his life was a true depiction of the Quranic teachings, how he lived, and how God manifested His being, commands, and practices through His final messenger. Studying the *Seerah* of Prophet Muhammad and how God accompanied him throughout his life will help us build true love for him and his Lord, who is our Lord.

The content of this course is drawn from Quran and other authentic sources. The course is divided into two parts: The first part of the course will focus on the life of Prophet Muhammad in Makkah until his migration from Makkah to Medinah, also known as the Makkan period. The second part of this course will focus on the life of Prophet Muhammad in Medinah till his departure from this earth, also known as the Medinan period.

Objectives:

The main objective of this course is to get to know our God and His final messenger through studying the Prophet's life. At the end of this course, the students will:

- Articulate the importance of messengers and why God send them
- Understand the history of the children of Ismail who were settled in Makkah by Prophet Ibrahim upon the command of God
- Learn about the collective and moral condition of Arabs and the nations around them
- Describe the key events in the life of Prophet Muhammad before he was made a messenger
- Describe the key events in the life of Prophet Muhammad after he was made a messenger while he lived in Makkah
- Describe the key events in the life of Prophet Muhammad after he was made a messenger while he lived in Medinah
- How do a messenger and his companions go through different stages and the challenges of the mission until he completes it
- Learn about the people who were around Prophet Muhammad and how they helped him in his prophetic mission, and how he helped them become true icons of human virtues
- The significance of Hijrah (the migration) and events related to it

Delivery Method:

This course will be taught through various methods, including lectures, small projects, homework, and class discussions on topics and the main events of *Seerah*.

Course Outline:

The following list is comprised of suggested topics for the course. The topics may be slightly adjusted based on the need of the class. Additional reading material (if needed) for each session will be available for download from the web portal a week before the session.

Note: A weekly lesson plan or outline will be created based on these topics in which practical aspects of the course and exercises will be incorporated into the weekly lessons.

1. Introduction

- › Our course
- › The objective of this course
- › What is Seerah?
- › The importance of studying Seerah
- › Our relationship with Prophet Muhammad – love and obey
- › The phases of the Prophet's Life
- › **God and His Final Messenger – His attributes & practices**
- › How can we benefit from this course?
- › Q&A

2. Arrival in Medinah (Review)

- › Why did Prophet Muhammad leave Makkah?
- › Yathrib – the old Medinah
- › Relationship between Jews and Idolators
- › The reaction of the people of Yathrib
- › Yathrib became Al-Medinah
- › Quick Recap
- › **The Law of Divine Help**
- › Q&A

3. Building of Al-Masjid An-Nabawi (The Prophet's Mosque)

- › The construction of Masjid in Medinah
- › The role of Masjid e Nabawi in the society of Medinah
- › Al-Masjid An-Nabawi – History
- › The role of mosque in a Muslim community
- › Quick Recap
- › **What does Allah O Akbar mean?**
- › Q&A

4. The System of Brotherhood

- › Prophet's Marriage with Aisha
- › The Community of Medinah

- › Challenges of Migration
- › The System of Brotherhood (*Ukhuwah*)
- › The Details of the System of Brotherhood
- › The Wisdom behind the System of Brotherhood
- › Example of Sacrifices
- › The People of As-Suffah
- › Lessons Learned
- › **God is Al-Shakoor**
- › Q&A

5. The Covenant of Medinah

- › Threats from Quraysh
- › The Covenant of Medinah
- › Articles of the Covenant
- › Significance of the Covenant
- › Importance of abiding by a pact/agreement in a Muslim's life
- › Quick Recap
- › **God is the Giver of Peace – As Salam**
- › Q&A

6. Establishment of the Muslim Ummah (nation)

- › Establishment of daily prayers and other rituals
- › Addressing Jews
 - Their misconceptions
 - Objections and their response
 - The birth of the hypocrites – new enemy
- › Muslims, as the middle nation
- › Restoration of Qibla for prayers
- › The importance of changing the Qibla
- › Permission to fight and its principles
- › Instructions related to war
- › Islam is a religion of peace
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Momin**
- › Q&A

7. The Battle of Badr

- › Plan to secure Medinah
- › Concept of Jihad
- › The first battle between Truth and Falsehood
- › Reasons and Cause of the Battle
- › Removing a misconception
- › A test for the believers
- › Some facts about the Battle?
- › Why Quran called it the Day of Furqan?

- › Prisoners of War
- › Reaction from Quraysh
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Qahhar**
- › Q&A

8. The onslaught by the enemies of Islam

- › The impact of defeat in the Battle of Badr
- › The plot to kill the Prophet
- › The Betrayal of Banu Qaynuqah
- › The attitude of the hypocrites
- › Dealing with the hypocrites
- › Muslims were asked to migrate to Medinah
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Ghaffar**
- › Q&A

9. The Battle of Uhud

- › Guarding the Highways of Najd
- › Preparation to attack Medinah
- › The dream of the Prophet
- › Marching towards Uhud
- › The Battlefield
- › Four Stages of the Battle
- › The Propaganda of the Enemies
- › Quran's commentary on the weaknesses of the believers
- › Significance of the Battle of Uhud and Lessons Learned
- › Some Incidents during the Battle
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Raheem**
- › Q&A

10. The Battle of Ahzab

- › The incident near the Well of Maonah
- › The Expulsion of Banu Nadheer
- › The enmity of the Jews of Bani Israel
- › The enemies joined hands
- › A novel idea to defend Medinah
- › The map of the battle of Ahzab
- › The Siege of Medinah
- › Banu Qurayzah violated the Covenant
- › The Role of the Hypocrites
- › Few Miracles of the Messenger
- › God's help has arrived!
- › Dealing with Banu Qurayzah

- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Wakeel**
- › Q&A

11. Efforts to Malign the Believers and the Family of the Prophet

- › The Next Strategy
- › 1. Allegations against Muslim Women
- › The Instructions are given by the Quran
- › 2. Creating discord between the Prophet and his wives
- › A fair suggestion was given by the Quran
- › 3. Marrying the divorcee of the adopted son
- › God instructed the Prophet to marry Zaynab
- › 4. Targeting Prophet's multiple marriages
- › 5. Creating disharmony between Ansar and Migrants
- › 6. Accusing the beloved wife of the Prophet
- › Slander and Gossip – their effects
- › The Marriages of the Prophet
- › The Wives of the Prophet
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Qawiyy**
- › Q&A

12. Treaty of Hdaybiah

- › The Dream of Prophet Muhammad
- › Departure for Makkah
- › Entry in the bounds of Haram
- › Reaching out to Quraysh
- › The Pledge of Ridwan
- › The Agreement for Peace
- › The Unhappy Muslims
- › The revelation of Surah Faith
- › God explained the Agreement
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Musawwir**
- › Q&A

13. Fruits of The Treaty of Hdaybiah

- › The Victory of Khayber
- › The Umrah
- › The Sons of Quraysh accepted Islam
- › Call to Faith and Acceptance
- › Adi Bin Hatim Accepted Islam
- › Quick Recap

- › **Al-Basit**
- › Q&A

14. Letters to the Rulers of Different Countries

- › Prophet Muhammad is sent for the entire world
- › Invitation to Foreign Leaders
- › The Geographical Map
- › Content of the Letters
- › Responses from the Leaders
- › Call to Faith and Acceptance
- › Adi Bin Hatim Accepted Islam
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Shaheed**
- › Q&A

15. Cancellation of the Treaty of Hdaybiah

- › Violation of the Agreement by the Quraysh
- › Quraysh tried to make amend
- › The cancellation of the Treaty
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Muhaymin**
- › Q&A

16. Opening of Makkah for Islam

- › The objective of the Prophet's Mission
- › Preparation to Attack Makkah
- › Incident of Hatib bin Baltaah
- › Request for Amnesty from the Quraysh
- › Abu Sufyan Accepted Islam
- › Entering Makkah
- › First thing first – destroying the idols
- › Address in the Haram
- › The Prophet of Mercy
- › Purifying the Haram
- › Some Important Decisions
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Maalik / Al-Malik**
- › Q&A

17. Some Incidents after the Victory

- › The Battle of Hawazin
- › A large war booty in hand
- › Complaints by the Ansar
- › Quick Recap

- › **Al-Jabbar**
- › Q&A

18. The Expedition of Tabuk

- › The Background
- › The Preparation and Generosity of Muslims
- › A test of Faith and Loyalty
- › The Mosque of 'Harm'
- › What happened in Tabuk
- › Dealing with the hypocrites
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Mutakabbir**
- › Q&A

19. The Final Warning

- › The Announcement of the Final Warning
- › The Year of Delegations
- › The Delegation from Najran
- › Musaylimah Al-Kadhhab (the false prophet)
- › Quick Recap
- › **Al-Hadi**
- › Q&A

20. The Farewell Sermon

- › The Farewell Hajj
- › The Final Sermon – Key Points
- › The Prophet delivered the Message
- › Quick Recap
- › **Brotherhood among Muslims**
- › Q&A

21. The Return to God

- › The Prophet Got Sick
- › The Choice to leave the world
- › Abu Bakr Led the Prayers
- › The Prophet's Advices
- › The Departure from this world
- › Quick Recap
- › **The Seal of the Prophets**
- › Q&A

22. The Prophet's Character and Morals

- › The Quran's Testimony
- › Testimony of his wife

- › Merciful to Human Beings
- › Merciful to Animals
- › Grateful Servant of God
- › A Loving Family Man
- › Humble
- › Balanced and Moderate
- › Forgiving
- › Friendly
- › Quick Recap
- › Q&A