



In the Name of Allah, The Most Beneficent, The Most Merciful

Explanations of Important Lessons for Every Muslim
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Excerpts from the Book...

Lesson One: Part 2

One must learn Surat Al-Fatihah and whatever possible from the other short Surahs; reciting them correctly, memorizing them, and their explanations which are required for one to understand inshaAllah.



Allah (subhanahu wa ta'ala) says:

“He grants Hikmah to whom He pleases, and he, to whom hikmah is granted, is indeed granted abundant good. But none remember (will receive admonition) except men of understanding.” Surah al-Baqara 2:269

The Explanation of Al-Basmalah

1. What is Al-Basmalah?

Al-Basmalah means for you to say “Bismillahir-Rahmaanir-Raheem” (In the Name of Allah, The Most Beneficent, The Most Merciful). Please read pg. 18 for more detailed description of each word inshaAllah.

2. What is its meaning?

Before doing anything, I begin by naming and remembering Allah Almighty, seeking His Help in everything, asking Him alone for support in all of my affairs. Indeed, He is the Lord, the One worshipped, His favors are many and Great, His generosity is vast, and His mercy encompasses all creatures.

4. What are the rulings in regards to Al-Basmalah?

It is legislated for the worshipper, or one asking, to say, ‘In the Name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful’ with his recitation of every Surah from the book of Allah almighty except Surat-al Taubah in which case it **is not recited**.

A) In the obligatory salaah (5 prayers), one says it silently... shhh to yourself only! Even during the audible (prayers said aloud) prayers.

B) It is Sunnah for the worshipper to say Basmalah when (before) eating and drinking, wearing clothing, entering and exiting the Masjid, sitting on a mount (horse, camel, or other transport) and for every important matter.

C) It is obligatory for him to say Bismillah and Allahu Akbar when slaughtering (a sheep) or sacrificing a camel.



What Surah was that, which we are, not supposed to say Al-Basmalah?



In Surah Al-Ahzab 33:43 when “Ar-Raheem” one of Allah’s names is mentioned what does it signify?



What are the names of Allah “Ar-Rahman and Ar-Rahim” derived from?