Surah Kahf — First 10 Ayat

SURAH AL-KAHF 18:1-10 · THE CAVE · CHAPTER 18 OF THE QURAN · JUZ 15

The first ten verses of Surah Al-Kahf, chapter 18 of the Quran: 105 Arabic words, from the opening praise of the Book to the dua of the youths who took refuge in the cave. Sahih Muslim 809a ties a named protection to these verses: whoever learns them by heart will be protected from the Dajjal. This sheet gives all ten verses with transliteration, English (Khattab, The Clear Quran) and Urdu (Jalandhari), the first verse word by word, and the Anchor Ten seven-day plan. Surah Al-Kahf is a Makki surah of 110 verses, beginning on page 293 of the Madinah Mushaf.

The Ten Verses — Part 1 (18:1-3)

Verse 1 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:1 (11 Arabic words)

ٱلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِىٓ أَنزَلَ عَلَىٰ عَبْدِهِ ٱلْكِتَٰبَ وَلَمْ يَجْعَل لَّهُۥ عِوَجَا ۜ

Alhamdu lillahi-lladhi anzala ‘ala ‘abdihil-kitaba wa lam yaj‘al lahu ‘iwaja

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

All praise is for Allah Who has revealed the Book to His servant,[1] allowing no crookedness in it,

URDU — JALANDHARI

سب تعریف خدا ہی کو ہے جس نے اپنے بندے (محمد ﷺ) پر (یہ) کتاب نازل کی اور اس میں کسی طرح کی کجی (اور پیچیدگی) نہ رکھی

Verse 2 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:2 (15 Arabic words)

قَيِّمًا لِّيُنذِرَ بَأْسًا شَدِيدًا مِّن لَّدُنْهُ وَيُبَشِّرَ ٱلْمُؤْمِنِينَ ٱلَّذِينَ يَعْمَلُونَ ٱلصَّٰلِحَٰتِ أَنَّ لَهُمْ أَجْرًا حَسَنًا

Qayyiman liyundhira ba’san shadidam-min ladunhu wa yubashshiral-mu’minina-lladhina ya‘malunas-salihati anna lahum ajran hasana

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

making it perfectly upright, to warn the disbelievers of a severe torment from Him; to give good news to the believers—who do good—that they will have a fine reward,

URDU — JALANDHARI

سیدھی (اور سلیس اتاری) تاکہ لوگوں کو عذاب سخت سے جو اس کی طرف سے (آنے والا) ہے ڈرائے اور مومنوں کو جو نیک عمل کرتے ہیں خوشخبری سنائے کہ اُن کے لئے (ان کے کاموں کا) نیک بدلہ (یعنی) بہشت ہے

Verse 3 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:3 (3 Arabic words)

مَّٰكِثِينَ فِيهِ أَبَدًا

Makithina fihi abada

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

in which they will remain forever;

URDU — JALANDHARI

جس میں وہ ابدالآباد رہیں گے

The Ten Verses — Part 2

SURAH AL-KAHF 18:4-6

Verse 4 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:4 (6 Arabic words)

وَيُنذِرَ ٱلَّذِينَ قَالُواْ ٱتَّخَذَ ٱللَّهُ وَلَدًا

Wa yundhira-lladhina qalut-takhadha-llahu walada

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

and to warn those who claim, “Allah has offspring.”[1]

URDU — JALANDHARI

اور ان لوگوں کو بھی ڈرائے جو کہتے ہیں کہ خدا نے (کسی کو) بیٹا بنالیا ہے

Verse 5 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:5 (16 Arabic words)

مَّا لَهُم بِهِۦ مِنْ عِلْمٍ وَلَا لِـَٔابَآئِهِمْ ۚ كَبُرَتْ كَلِمَةً تَخْرُجُ مِنْ أَفْوَٰهِهِمْ ۚ إِن يَقُولُونَ إِلَّا كَذِبًا

Ma lahum bihi min ‘ilmin wa la li-aba’ihim, kaburat kalimatan takhruju min afwahihim, in yaquluna illa kadhiba

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

They have no knowledge of this, nor did their forefathers. What a terrible claim that comes out of their mouths! They say nothing but lies.

URDU — JALANDHARI

ان کو اس بات کا کچھ بھی علم نہیں اور نہ ان کے باپ دادا ہی کو تھا۔ (یہ) بڑی سخت بات ہے جو ان کے منہ سے نکلتی ہے (اور کچھ شک نہیں) کہ یہ جو کہتے ہیں محض جھوٹ ہے

Verse 6 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:6 (11 Arabic words)

فَلَعَلَّكَ بَـٰخِعٌ نَّفْسَكَ عَلَىٰٓ ءَاثَـٰرِهِمْ إِن لَّمْ يُؤْمِنُواْ بِهَـٰذَا ٱلْحَدِيثِ أَسَفًا

Fala‘allaka bakhi‘un nafsaka ‘ala atharihim il-lam yu’minu bihadhal-hadithi asafa

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

Now, perhaps you O Prophet will grieve yourself to death over their denial, if they continue to disbelieve in this message.

URDU — JALANDHARI

(اے پیغمبر) اگر یہ اس کلام پر ایمان نہ لائیں تو شاید تم کے ان پیچھے رنج کر کر کے اپنے تئیں ہلاک کر دو گے

The Ten Verses — Part 3

SURAH AL-KAHF 18:7-10 · ENDING WITH THE DUA OF THE CAVE

Verse 7 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:7 (11 Arabic words)

إِنَّا جَعَلْنَا مَا عَلَى ٱلْأَرْضِ زِينَةً لَّهَا لِنَبْلُوَهُمْ أَيُّهُمْ أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا

Inna ja‘alna ma ‘alal-ardi zinatan laha linabluwahum ayyuhum ahsanu ‘amala

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

We have indeed made whatever is on earth as an adornment for it, in order to test which of them is best in deeds.

URDU — JALANDHARI

جو چیز زمین پر ہے ہم نے اس کو زمین کے لئے آرائش بنایا ہے تاکہ لوگوں کی آزمائش کریں کہ ان میں کون اچھے عمل کرنے والا ہے

Verse 8 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:8 (6 Arabic words)

وَإِنَّا لَجَٰعِلُونَ مَا عَلَيْهَا صَعِيدًا جُرُزًا

Wa inna laja’iluna ma ‘alayha sa‘idan juruza

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

And We will certainly reduce whatever is on it to barren ground.

URDU — JALANDHARI

اور جو چیز زمین پر ہے ہم اس کو (نابود کرکے) بنجر میدان کر دیں گے

Verse 9 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:9 (10 Arabic words)

أَمْ حَسِبْتَ أَنَّ أَصْحَٰبَ ٱلْكَهْفِ وَٱلرَّقِيمِ كَانُوا۟ مِنْ ءَايَٰتِنَا عَجَبًا

Am hasibta anna ashabal-kahfi war-raqimi kanu min ayatina ‘ajaba

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

Have you O Prophet thought that the people of the cave and the plaque[1] were the only wonders of Our signs?

URDU — JALANDHARI

کیا تم خیال کرتے ہو کہ غار اور لوح والے ہمارے نشانیوں میں سے عجیب تھے

Verse 10 — Surah Al-Kahf 18:10 (16 Arabic words)

إِذْ أَوَى ٱلْفِتْيَةُ إِلَى ٱلْكَهْفِ فَقَالُوا۟ رَبَّنَآ ءَاتِنَا مِن لَّدُنكَ رَحْمَةً وَهَيِّئْ لَنَا مِنْ أَمْرِنَا رَشَدًا

Idh awal-fityatu ilal-kahfi faqaloo rabbana atina min ladunka rahmatan wa hayyi’ lana min amrina rashada

ENGLISH — KHATTAB, THE CLEAR QURAN

Remember when those youths took refuge in the cave, and said, “Our Lord! Grant us mercy from Yourself and guide us rightly through our ordeal.”

URDU — JALANDHARI

جب وہ جوان غار میں جارہے تو کہنے لگے کہ اے ہمارے پروردگار ہم پر اپنے ہاں سے رحمت نازل فرما۔ اور ہمارے کام درستی (کے سامان) مہیا کر

Verse 1 Word by Word

ALHAMDULILLAHILLADZI ANZALA ALA ABDIHIL KITAB · ELEVEN WORDS

Word-by-Word Breakdown — Stacked List

Each block gives one Arabic word, its transliteration and plain meaning, and a short note where a word is commonly misunderstood.

1. al-hamdu — All praise

ٱلْحَمْدُ

Complete, deserved praise. The surah gives it to Allah before anything is asked or promised.

2. lillahi — (is) for Allah

لِلَّهِ

3. alladhi — the One who

ٱلَّذِىٓ

4. anzala — sent down, revealed

أَنزَلَ

The verb used across the Quran for the sending down of revelation.

5. 'ala — upon, to

عَلَىٰ

6. 'abdihi — His servant

عَبْدِهِ

The servant is the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ who received the Book.

7. al-kitaba — the Book

ٱلْكِتَٰبَ

The Book is the Quran.

8. wa lam — and (He) did not

وَلَمْ

9. yaj'al — make, place

يَجْعَل

10. lahu — in it

لَّهُۥ

11. 'iwaja — any crookedness

عِوَجَا

Crookedness here means deviation or contradiction in what the Book says, not a physical bend.

The Anchor Ten

PAIR THEM · PILE THEM · PRAY THEM · YOUR 7-DAY TRACKER

The Plan

Pair them: learn two verses a day, always reciting from verse 1 up to your new pair, so the chain never breaks. Pile them: stack each new pair onto the ones before it, in salah first, where repetition is built into your day. Pray them: close every day with the dua of verse 10 in your own words after the Arabic. This plan is a starter routine, a learning pace — not a religious prescription. The hadith names the verses, not a timetable.

Start Tonight

Read verses 1 and 2 aloud three times from page 1 of this sheet. Close the page and say them once from memory. End with the verse 10 dua, in Arabic, then in your own words.

Your 7-Day Tracker — Tick Each Day

☐ Day 1 — Learn verses 1-2 (26 words). Recite them in one prayer today.

☐ Day 2 — Learn verses 3-4 (9 words). Begin from verse 1 every time.

☐ Day 3 — Learn verses 5-6 (27 words). Say verses 1-4 before you start.

☐ Day 4 — Learn verses 7-8 (17 words). Test yourself with the page closed.

☐ Day 5 — Learn verses 9-10 (26 words). You now hold all ten.

☐ Day 6 — Full run-through, three times. Mark the two joins where you hesitate.

☐ Day 7 — Recite all ten from memory inside your Friday reading of the full surah.

Save-This Checklist

☐ Verses 1-2 learned, page-closed test passed

☐ Verses 3-4 learned, chain from verse 1 unbroken

☐ Verses 5-6 learned, verse 2 semicolon split used

☐ Verses 7-8 learned, full run attempted

☐ Verses 9-10 learned, dua said in my own words

☐ Day 6 run-through done, two weak joins marked

☐ Day 7 Friday recitation done, weekly review set

Honest Limits & Sources

WHAT THE SOURCES GIVE — AND WHAT THEY DO NOT

Honest Limits

Reading once is not memorising. Muslim 809a ties protection from the Dajjal to learning the first ten verses by heart; At-Tirmidhi 2886 speaks of reciting the first three verses. No set repetition count, and no promise of wealth or a worldly result, was found in any source opened for this page. There is no verified wazifa count for these verses.

First ten or last ten? Both wordings exist. Muslim 809a says the first ten verses. Muslim 809b records that Shu’ba, a narrator of the same hadith, said the end of Surah al-Kahf, while Hammam said the beginning. Abu Dawud 4323 notes the closing wording in its chain. This sheet teaches the first ten, following 809a.

The Friday report is separate. Reciting the whole surah, all 110 verses, on Friday carries a promise of light until the next Friday. That report is not in Sahih al-Bukhari or Sahih Muslim; it is recorded in Mishkat al-Masabih 2175, transmitted by al-Bayhaqi in al-Da’awat al-Kabir, graded Hasan (Al-Albani), as shown on Sunnah.com. Two reports, two practices: memorise the first ten once, deeply; recite the whole surah each week.

Sources

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Learn the ten by heart, and carry them into every Friday that follows.

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