

## Leeson 2 Introduction

## The Necessity of Olum al-Quran

Quran as a book with different layers and capable of being misunderstood, needs correct and accurate interpretation or 'Tafsir' and 'Quranic Sciences' or *Olum al-Quran'* is a crucial prerequisite science for it.

The Main Discussions in Olum al-Quran

- 1. Names and components of Quran
- 2. The features of the Quranic script
- 3. The course of revelation
- 4. Compilation of Quran and its recitation
- 5. Makki and Madani verses
- 6. Quran and Sciences

## Names of Quran

Many names are mentioned for Quran among which four are the most famous:

- 1. Quran (قُرآن), implying that it is to be read
- 2. Al-Kitab (الكِتاب), implying its comprehensiveness
- 3. Furqan (فُرقان), implying that it distinguishes between false and true
- 4. Muṣ-haf (المُصحَف), implying the book within covers
- 5. Components of Quran

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- 6. Quran is of 114 chapters (سورَة), each of which has a number of verses (آيَة).
- 7. The Holy Prophet 👹 is quoted: "I've been given the 'طوال' as Torah, the 'مئين'

as *Injil* (bible), the 'مفصّل' as *Zabur* and I've been granted the

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## The grouping of the chapters (suras) in the Prophet's hadith:

- 1. The seven long ones (السَبحُ الطِوال)
- The hundreds (مِئين), which are less long than the first group and have more than 100 verses

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- 3. The doubles (مثانى), which have less than 100 verses and are 20
- 4. The (shortly) parted (مفصّل), which are short and many (67)

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