الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَنْزَلَ الْكِتَابَ وَلَمْ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ عِوَجًا، وَجَعَلَ لِمَن اتَّقَاهُ فَرَجًا وَمَخْرَجًا، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لاَ إِلهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ، أَنْزَلَ الْقُرْآنَ هِدَايَةً وَنُورًا، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، فَاللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ فَاللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بَإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. الطَّاهِرِينَ، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بَإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

All praise is due to Allah. He revealed the Book and has not made therein any deviance. He also provided relief and a way out for those who obey Him. I bear witness that there is no deity save Allah, having no associates. He sent down the Quran as a guidance and enlightenment to His Creation. I also bear witness that our Master Mohammed is the servant of Allah and His Messenger. May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon our Master Muhammad, his pure family, companions, and all those who follow them in righteousness till the Day of Judgment.

## **Secrets Of Surah Al-Kahf**

- Ever wondered why the Prophet Muhammad 

  asked us to recite

  Surat Al-Kahf every Friday?
- It must be read from Sunset of Thursday to Sunset of Friday.
- This Surah has four stories, having some great lessons for us all.
- A Makki Surah, number 18, 15<sup>th</sup> Spara containing 110 verses.
- It has 1,577 words, 6,360 letters and consists of 12 Rukus.

### **Virtues of Surah Al-Kahf**

"Whoever reads Surah al-Kahf on the day of Jumu'ah will have a light that will shine for him from one Friday to the next." (Bayhaqi)

"Whoever memorises the first ten Ayahs of the Surah al-Kahf, (in another narration, the last ten Ayahs) will be protected from Al Dajjal. (Abu Dawud & Muslim)

## **Stories and Lessons of Surah Al-Kahf**

• 1) The People Of The Cave – Its the story of young men who lived in a disbelieving town, so they decided to migrate for the sake of Allah and run away. -Allah rewards them with mercy in the cave and protection from the sun – They woke up and found the entire village believers.

إِذْ أَوَى الْفِتْيَةُ إِلَى الْكَهْفِ فَقَالُوا رَبَّنَا آتِنَا مِن لَّدُنكَ رَحْمَةً وَهَيِّئْ لَنَا مِنْ أَمْرِنَا رَشَدًا

When the young men fled for refuge to the Cave and said: Our Lord! Give us mercy from your presence, and shape for us right conduct in our plight. (18:10) TRIAL OF FAITH

- We protect our children, our lives, health, wealth, mental faculties and future etc.
- We move schools, homes, countries and areas if they affect our health or sensibilities or progress, but are never ready to make such sacrifices to protect our FAITH which is the most important.
- The Ashab e Khaf had wealth, health, time property, opportunity, but had no security or safety of Iman, therefore they left everything to protect and preserve the most precious thing.

In this community and world we are attacked, our Iman is being filtered out and eradicated on an exponential level. We must also turn to our caves. The only two caves we have in our lives are

#### 1. Our Homes

# 2. The Masjid

The environment at home must be Islamic, the atmosphere, the name of Allah and His Messenger must be mentioned and rulings adhered to. Iman must be nurtured, inculcated, imbibed and nourished at home, so when they leave home no attack of the Shaytan or Dunya affects them. When its time to pray, pray with your family, talk about your deen and strengthen you relationship with Allah.

Go to the masjid, bring them to life, kindle your love with Allah's home. Visit often, this is your sanctuary where your Iman will grow.

If we only protect the body and mind, but desert our heart, soul and Iman then we will surely be the greatest losers. Learn from the Ashab e Khaf and ask yourselves what have you left and what are you willing to leave for the sake of you Iman. When you do, then Allah will protect you as He protected the Ashab e Kahf.