الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْعَلِيِّ الْكَبِيرِ، الْعَفُوِّ الْقَدِيرِ، دَعَانَا إِلَى الْعَفْوِ فِي كِتَابِهِ الْكَرِيم، وَوَعَدَنَا عَلَيْهِ الْأَجْرَ الْعَظِيمَ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَوَعَدَنَا عَلَيْهِ الْأَجْرَ الْعَظِيمَ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ، أَكْثَرُ النَّاسِ عَفْوًا، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ، وَأَعْظَمُهُمْ حِلْمًا وَصَفْحًا، فَاللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَنَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ، وَعَلَى مَنْ سَارَ عَلَى هَدْيِهِمْ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. وَعَلَى مَنْ سَارَ عَلَى هَدْيِهِمْ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

All praises are due to Allah, the great, the most forgiving, the omniscient. He called us to the way of forgiveness in His noble Book and has promised us a great reward. And I testify that there is nothing worthy of worship except Allah, the One who has no partners .And I testify that our Sayyid and Prophet Muhammad is the slave of Allah and His Messenger. The leader of those who remember Allah, the exemplar of those who praise Allah. O Allah send Your peace and blessings upon our Sayyid, our Messenger, Muhammad and upon his family and companions, all of them. And upon whomever follows their way of guidance till the Last Day.

First Allah commanded IQRA - Recite, Read, Reflect, Recount. Later He said KITAAB - to join together, combine, to follow, apply. We are a nation of stating acting on the Qur'an. Our Honour, Identity, Success is all Through the Sublime, Majestic, Timeless Kalaam of Allah.

The Prophet said "Teach your children the love of reciting the Qur'an."

1. VIP Status in This Life, Death, And Beyond. The Haafiz is a true VIP and

more worthy of leading Salah. More worthy of being at the front in a

Janazah. More worthy of being buried first. At the battle of Uhud, the Prophet buried the martyrs who had memorised the Qur'an in front of those who hadn't to highlight their superiority.

"The one who recites the Qur'an and learns it by heart, will be with the

noble righteous scribes" (Bukhari)

A special ability to intercede on the day of Qiyamah.

"Indeed Allah will elevate some people with this book and he will degrade others with it." (Muslim)

2. Allah Intending Good For Your Children. "Whoever Allah intends good for He gives him the understanding of the religion." (Bukhari) The greatest understanding of the religion is through the recitation, memorisation and understanding of the Qur'an, because it is what Allah wants.

- 3. They Will Be The Chosen People Of Allah "Verily, Allah the exalted has people from among mankind, and the people of the Quran are the people of Allah and his chosen ones." (Ahmed)
- 4. Honouring Them is A Form Of Honouring Allah 'Verily, the one who carries the Qur'an without exaggeration in it, nor neglecting it, is a form of honouring Allah, the Most high." (Abu Dawood)
- 5. They Are Safe From The Trial Of The Dajjal Whoever memorises ten verses from the beginning of Surah Al-Kahf, will be protected from the Dajjal." (Muslim)
- 6. Highest Ranks of Jannah For The Memoriser Of The Qur'an "It will be said to the companion of the Qur'an after he has entered Paradise, 'Recite, and rise!' For every verse he recites he will rise one level (in Paradise), until he recites the last verse with him." (Abu Dawood)
- 7. You Will Wear The Garments Of Honour Because Of Qur'an "The Qur'an will come on the Day of Judgement and say, 'O Lord! Adorn him. 'So the person will be made to wear the crown of honour. Then it will say, 'Oh Lord! Increase him!' So the person will be made to wear the garment of honour. Then it will say, 'Oh Lord! Be pleased with him.' So Allah will be pleased with him. (Tirmidhi)

- 8. The Qur'an Will Intercede For Whoever Loves It "Recite the Quran, for verily it will come on the Day of Judgement as and intercessor for those who recite it." (Muslim)
- 9. The Highest Honour For The Parents Of The Haafiz 'Whosoever recites the Qur'an & practices upon its injunctions, the reciter's parents will be given a crown on the day of Qiyaamah. The brightness of that crown will be more intense than the brightness of the sun' (Mishkaat)
- 10. Every Letter The Memoriser Of The Qur'an Recites is Rewarded 10X "Whoever recites one Word from the Book of Allah will be rewarded for a good deed and ten more like it; and I don't say that Alif Lam Mim is a letter but Alif is a letter and Lam is a letter and Mim is a letter" (Tirmidhi)
- 11. Jannah For The One Who Memorised The Qur'an "Anyone who knows the Qur'an by heart and follows the lawful and the prohibited according to it, will be sent to Heaven by Allah." (Tirmidhi)

Why wouldn't anyone want to become a Haafiz / Haafizah ?!
Whether you are single or married, young or old, a mom of one child or eight, a father with one job or two, Memorising the Qur'an IS achievable.
With Dua, Sincerity, Positive Attitude & Dedication Inshah-Allah!!!

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- **Xavier Mohammad Iffakh**
- **Grandson of Shabir Hussain Rathor**
- Memorised the Qur'an in the span of 11 months
- 114 Chapters, 6236 Verses, 99464 words all whilst still going to school and playing games on his PC MUBARAK TO ALL