

## INTRODUCTION

Sūrat at-Taḥrīm is the 66th sūrah of the Holy Qur'an. This Madani sūrah is located in the 28th juz and is the 108th sūrah according to the order of revelation. Sūrat at-Taḥrīm has 12 ayahs, 254 words, and 1,105 letters. Regarding volume, it is a relatively short sūrah among sūrahs (having several short verses), in half of one hizb. The name of the sūrah is adopted from the first ayah which refers to the event when the Prophet (S) made a permissible issue prohibited for himself by taking an oath in order to please his wives. This sūrah is also called "Sūrah al-Nabi (S)", "Lim-a Tuḥarrim" and "al-Mutaharrim". One of the famous ayahs of this sūrah is ayah 6 which calls believers to save themselves and their families from the hellfire.

## MERITS

It is narrated from the Prophet (s) that whoever recites Sūrat at-Taḥrīm will be successful to make sincere repentance and not return to sins. Also, lessening the punishment of dead ones and easy death of a person who is in his deathbed are mentioned as other benefits of this sūrah.

## SUMMARY

Sūrat at-Taḥrīm begins with what sounds like an admonishment to the Prophet (S), but in reality is a compassionate address [the reprimand is toward his wives] that resulted in him prohibiting what was declared permissible by God for himself in order to alleviate a domestic issue among his (S) wives. This event occurred when two of his wives plotted against him. The next ayaah call believers to save themselves from the hellfire whose fuel is people and stones and to know that they will only be required for their deeds.

Some of the issues mentioned in this sūrah are urging sinners to repent (a sincere repentance), fruits of faith on the Day of Judgement, jihad with disbelievers and hypocrites and being harsh to them, mentioning the wives of Prophet Noah (A) and Lut (A) as unrighteous women and mentioning Pharaoh's wife and Mary (A) (daughter of 'Imran) as righteous women.

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ لِمَ تُحَرِّمُ مَا أَحَلَ اللَّهُ لَكَ

## Warning plotters and wives of the Prophet (S)

God's Support  
for the  
Prophet (s)  
against his wives

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Emotional support  
of God for the  
Prophet (S)

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Mentioning the  
roles of the  
Prophet's (S) wives

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Supporting the  
Prophet (S) by  
God and His  
armies.

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Warning the  
Prophet's (S) wives  
of being divorced

Duties of the  
Prophet (s) and  
believers against  
traitors

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to  
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Duties of believers:  
avoiding  
cooperation and  
repenting

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The Prophet's (S)  
duty: seriously  
fighting plotters

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Destiny of the  
wives of Noah (A)  
and Lut (A)

Destiny of the  
servitude of Asiya  
and Lady Mary (A)

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