

# QUR'ANIC SCIENCES

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### Safety of Quran from Distortion/ Tahreef

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# COMPILATION DURING THE 3<sup>RD</sup> CALIPH


## Background

- Different types of recitation

## The Process

- Collection of Quran from all available sources
- Burning them all
- Relying on Mushaf of Abubakr
- Sending 5 copies to 5 main states (Mecca, Madina, Kufa, Basra & Sham) with 5 reciters

## THE REACTION OF AHLULBAYT AS

- They were excluded but kept silent.
  - Their students and lovers played crucial role in all Quran-related developments.
  - When asked, approved the available Quran.
  - Always relied and referred to the currently available Quran.
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## 2 MAIN FONTS

### ○ Kufi

- Remained common for 4 centuries

### ○ Naskh

- Current Style



# PUNCTUATION ON QURAN

- Abulaswad Du'ali (put *Harakaat* on Quran)
- Yahya bin Yamur (added dots on Quran)
- Khalil bin Ahmad Farahidi  
(improved the punctuations by giving them the present shape)

✓ *Their biographies confirm that all 3 were deeply attached to Ahlulbayt AS.*



# THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SAFETY OF QURAN

- Direct link to the credibility of Quran
- Quran determines the authenticity of other sources



# THE DEFINITION OF *TAHREEF*

- **Familiar words:** *inhiraaf, munharif*
- **English equivalents:** alteration, distortion, manipulation



# DIFFERENT KINDS OF *TAHREEF*

Yes

1. Order of chapters
2. Meaning

□ All the sects claiming to be the right

✓ Imam Baqir As: *وَكَانَ مِنْ نَبَذِهِمُ الْكِتَابَ أَنْ أَقَامُوا حُرُوفَهُ وَحَرَّفُوا حُدُودَهُ، فَهُمْ يَرَوْنَهُ وَلَا يَرَوْنَ عَوْنَهُ*

□ Any examples?

The distorted meaning of Ayat Tatheer, Ayat Wilayat etc.

No

3. Text- Addition

4. Text- Deletion

➤ Main area of debates and arguments

➤ Practically all Muslims believe in intactness of Quran



# TWINS ABUSING EACH OTHER'S MOMS

- **Some Sunni Ulama-** deceived by traditions
  - Sahih Bukhari
  - Sahih Muslim
  - Al-Itqaan
- **Some Akhbari Shia-** deceived by their passion for Ahlulbayt (as)
  - **أَمَّا الْأَكْبَرُ فَحَرٌّ فَنَاهُ** وَنَبَذْنَاهُ وَرَاءَ ظُهُورِنَا وَأَمَّا الْأَصْغَرُ فَعَادَيْنَاهُ وَأَبْغَضْنَاهُ وَظَلَمْنَاهُ؛
  - Names of Ahlulbayt (as) e.g. Aayat Ghadir



# EVIDENCES ON THE SAFETY OF QURAN- QURAN

## ○ Verses from Quran

- اِنَّا نَحْنُ نَزَّلْنَا الذِّكْرَ وَ اِنَّا لَهُ لَحَافِظُونَ
- وَاِنَّهُ لَكِتَابٌ عَزِيزٌ لَا يَأْتِيهِ الْبَاطِلُ مِنْ بَيْنِ يَدَيْهِ وَ لَا مِنْ خَلْفِهِ

✓ Is it fair to use Qur'anic verses to prove its own authenticity?

A. Yes indeed, because no one has claimed any addition into Quran i.e. whatever is included in the Mushaf is nothing but the words of Allah (st)



# EVIDENCES ON SAFETY OF QURAN- HADITH

## ○ Hadith *Saqalain*

### • How?

‘Quran and Ahlulbayt (as) will never separate’ i.e. if distortion could take place in Quran, it would automatically have separated between them.

## ○ Traditions of *Araz* (*the traditions which suggest checking reliability of the traditions by verifying them through Quran*)

*If Quran could be altered these traditions would have had no meanings.*

## ○ Ahlulbayt (as) always referred to this Quran



## OTHER ARGUMENTS

### ○ REASON

- FINAL BOOK OF ALLAH
- FOR ALL PERIODS

### ○ ITS UNIQUE SYSTEM OF PROTECTION

### ○ HISTORY

- MOST RECITED & MEMORISED BOOK
- Recitation of one complete *Sura* in daily *Salah*



# Thank You

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