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April 15: Introduction to Muhammad, Islam, and the Qur’an
April 22: Discussion with Abbas Barzegar, Assistant Professor of Islam, Georgia State University
April 29: Discussion with Sarah Muwahidah, Ph.D. student, Graduate Division of Religion, Emory University
May 6: Jesus’ Qur’an Family [Family of Imran]: Zechariah, Elizabeth, John the Baptist, Mary
May 20: The Opening (Al Fatiha), Lord’s Prayer, and John 17

Surah 1. The Opening (Revealed at Mecca)

Quran 1: The Opening (al-Fatiha) (Revealed at Mecca)

1. **Bismi Allahi ar-rahmani ar-raheem**
   In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.
2. **Al-hamdu lillahi rabbi –l-'Aalameen**
   Praise be to Allah, the Cherisher and Sustainer of the worlds;
3. **Ar-rahmani ar-raheem**
   Most Gracious, Most Merciful;
4. **Maaliki yawmi –d-deen**
   Master of the Day of Judgment.
5. **Iyyaaka na'budu wa-iyyaaka nasta'een**
   Thee do we worship, and Thine aid we seek.
6. **Ihdinaa –s-siraata –l-mustaqeem**
   Show us the straight way,
7. **Siraata -lladheena an'amta 'alayhim ghayri –l-maghdoobi 'alayhim walaa –d-dalleen**
   The way of those on whom Thou hast bestowed Thy Grace, those whose (portion) is not wrath, and who go not astray.

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<td>9. Our Father who art in heaven,</td>
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<td>5a. Thee do we worship,</td>
<td>Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.</td>
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<td>5b. and Thine aid we seek.</td>
<td>11. Give us this day our daily bread;</td>
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1. Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

2. But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

3. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

4. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff which the wind drives away.

5. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

6. For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

John 17: Father

17:1 Jesus looked up to heaven and said, 'FATHER, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.

17:5 So now, FATHER, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

17:11 Holy FATHER, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

17:21 As you, FATHER, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

17:24 FATHER, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.
17:25 Righteous **FATHER, the world** does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me.

**Quran 5:116-120 and John 17**

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<td>116a. And when God said: O Jesus, son of Mary! Did you say unto mankind: Take me and my mother for two gods beside Allah?</td>
<td>10:33 The Jews answered, ‘It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you, but for blasphemy, because you, though only a human being, are making yourself God.’</td>
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| 116b. he said: Be glorified! | 17:1b Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come, glorify your Son, that your Son also may glorify you."
| 116c. It was not mine to utter that to which I had no right. | 17:4 I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do.  
[17:8a the words you gave to me I have given to them.] 17:6 I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.  
If I used to say it, then you know it. |
| You know what is in my mind, and I do not know what is in your Mind. Lo! you, only you, are the Knower of Things Hidden. | 17:7 Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; 8 for the words you gave to me I have given to them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.  
17:25 Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. 26 I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them. |
| 117. I spoke to them only that which you commanded to me, (saying): Worship God, my Lord and your Lord. | 17:8 the words that you gave to me I have given to them, 17:3 And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God. |
| 5:117 I was a witness of them while I dwelt among them, | 17:12 While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. |
| 5:117 and when you took me | 17:11 And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father,
you were the **Watcher over them**.  

Quran 5:117

**You are Witness over all things.**

You are **Witness** over all things.

John 5:37; 8:18

**The Father who sent me has himself witnessed on my behalf.**

I witness on my own behalf, and the Father who sent me **witnesses** on my behalf.

**118. If you punish them, lo! they are your slaves, and if you forgive them (lo! they are your slaves). Lo! you, only you, are the Mighty, the Wise.**

**15:6 Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.**

**119. God said: This is a day in which their truthfulness profits the truthful,**

**17:17 Sanctify them through your truth: your word is truth.**

**17:20 I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, 21 that they may all be one.**

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Quran 5:119

**Theirs are Gardens underneath which rivers flow, wherein they are secure for ever.**

God taking **pleasure** in them and they in Him. That is the great triumph.

**4:14 The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.**

**17:13 But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves.**

**120. Unto God belongs the Sovereignty of the heavens and the earth and whatever is in it,**

and **He is Able to do all things.**

**17:1 After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come, glorify your Son, that your Son also may glorify you.**

**17:2 you have given him power over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.**