Fast 6

"O man, We have not **revealed the Quran to you** (O Prophet) that you may be unsuccessful; but it is a reminder to him who fears: **a revelation from Him** Who created the earth and the high heavens. The Beneficent is established on the Throne of Power. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is in the earth and whatever is between them and whatever is beneath the soil. And if you utter the saying aloud, surely He knows the secret (that you hide), and what is yet more hidden. Allah — there is no God but He. His are the most beautiful names." — Ch. 20, v. 1–8

Notes: Following on from the last Study, here again we see that the Quran repeats that it came as a revelation from God to the Holy Prophet.

The above verses assure the Holy Prophet that he will not be unsuccessful in his mission because the revelation that has come to him is from such a Grand Being Who created everything, so He knows what the creation needs for its development and His knowledge is fully comprehensive, extending over everything. Moreover He has the highest and the best qualities that the human mind can conceive.

Again the Quran gives here itself its own name, and did not leave it to its followers to give it a name.

"Surely **We have revealed to you (O Prophet) the Book** with truth for (the good of) people. So whoever goes aright, it is for his own soul, and whoever goes astray, goes astray only to its detriment. And you are not in charge of them." — Ch. 39, v. 41.

Notes: This verse claims that this revelation consists of the truth. This is why it is for the good of people. It is then up to each individual to follow it and benefit, or to go against it and suffer loss. The Prophet has not been assigned the task of ensuring that they accept this revelation.

"And certainly We have given you (O Prophet) seven oft-repeated (verses) and the grand Quran." — Ch. 15, v. 87

Notes: These seven "oft-repeated" verses are the verses of the *Surah Fatiha*. This has been stated by the Holy Prophet himself in a hadith in Bukhari. These verses are repeated in each *raka* of every prayer, hence they are repeated several times a day by every Muslim.

"So He revealed to His servant what He revealed." - Ch. 53, v. 10

"And when Our clear messages are recited to them, those who have no hope of meeting with Us say: **Bring a Quran other than this or change it.** Say: It is not for me to change it of my own accord. I follow only **what is revealed to me.** Indeed I fear, if I disobey my Lord, the punishment of a terrible day." — Ch. 10, v. 15

Notes: Those who did not agree with what was revealed to the Holy Prophet asked him to change the Quran. But the Holy Prophet was told by Allah to reply that he had no control over the content of the revelation.

Inspiring sayings about the Quran

Maulana Muhammad Ali said in a Friday khutba:

"At present the Holy Quran is in a state of the utmost helplessness. Even though it is most highly revered by six hundred million people yet it is helpless because the aim of its revelation is not being fulfilled. The six hundred million Muslims who most certainly adore it are entirely negligent about taking it to the world." — *A Mighty Striving*, p. 242– 243.

(Note: The 600 million are now about twice that number.)