

Fast 19

“These are verses of the Book. And what is revealed to you from your Lord (O Prophet) is the **Truth**, but most people do not believe.” — Ch. 13, v.1.

“And with **truth** have We revealed it, and with **truth** did it come. And We have not sent you (O Prophet) but as a giver of good news and as a warner.” — Ch. 17, v. 105.

“The revelation of the Book, in which there is no doubt, is from the Lord of the worlds. Or do they say: He has forged it? No, it is the **Truth** from your Lord that you may warn a people to whom no warner has come before you that they may walk aright.” — Ch. 32, v. 2–3.

“And what We have revealed to you of the Book (O Prophet), that is the **truth**, verifying what is (already) before it.” — Ch. 35, v. 31.

“And your people (O Prophet) call it a lie and it is the **Truth**.” — Ch. 6, v. 66.

“And when it is said to them, Believe in what Allah has revealed, they say: We believe in what was revealed to us. And they deny what is besides that, while it is the **Truth** verifying what they (already) have.” — Ch. 2, v. 91.

Notes: In the above verses, and in many other places in the Quran, the Quran is called the Truth. But how can we see that it is the truth? See the verses below.

“And that those who have been given **knowledge** may know that it is the **Truth** from your Lord, so they should **believe** in it that their hearts may be lowly before Him. And surely Allah is the Guide of those who believe, into a right path.” — Ch. 22, v. 54.

“And those who have been given **knowledge** see that what is revealed to you from your Lord (O Prophet), is the **Truth** and it guides into the path of the Mighty, the Praised.” — Ch. 34, v. 6.

“Rather, it (the Quran) is clear messages in the hearts of those who are granted **knowledge**.” — Ch. 29, v. 49.

Notes: It is only through knowledge that we can establish that the Quran is the truth. Knowledge refers not just to religious knowledge but to all branches of knowledge. By means of knowledge we find out that the Quran is the truth, and that leads us to have *belief* in it, as stated in 22:54 above.

The last quoted verse above (29:49) states that all the good and best principles which can be conceived by learned people in their hearts, by means of their own thinking, are to be found confirmed in the Quran.

As opposed to *truth* being based on *knowledge*, according to the Quran *false beliefs* are not based on any knowledge but on *conjecture*. See the verses quoted below.

“And they have **no knowledge** of it. They follow **only conjecture**, and surely conjecture does not avail at all against Truth. So shun him who turns his back upon Our Reminder, and desires nothing but this world’s life.” — Ch. 53, v. 28–29.

“Say: Have you any knowledge so you would bring it forth to us? You only follow a **conjecture** and you only tell lies.” — Ch. 6, v. 148.

“And they say: There is nothing but our life of the world; we die and we live and nothing destroys us but time, and they have **no knowledge** of that; they only **conjecture**.” — Ch. 45, v. 24.

“And they serve besides Allah that for which He has not sent any authority, and of which they have **no knowledge**. And for the unjust there is no helper.” — Ch. 22, v. 71.

Notes: Verses such as the above three occur several times in the Quran in relation to some false belief or other, saying that the belief under discussion is not based on any knowledge but is a mere conjecture. And conjecture “does not avail at all against Truth”. It cannot stand up against truth, truth which is established by knowledge.

Inspiring sayings

Maulana Muhammad Ali said in a Friday *khutba*:

“In many of his poems Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad sahib has expressed his love for the Quran. In particular there is a short Persian poem in which he has expressed his deep desire for the propagation of the Quran. He begins it as follows:

*Alas, that the beauty of the face of the Quran is not manifest anymore;
the fact is, it manifests its own beauty but to recognise it there is no
one left.”*

— *A Mighty Striving*, page 303.