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BISMILLAH HIR RAHMAN NIR RAHEEM

(In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful)

All praise is for Allah. Darood (Blessings) and Salaam (Peace) on Muhammad, his Family, and his Companions.

**ALLAHUMMA SALLI ALA SAYYIDINA MUHAMMADIN NABEE YIL UMMEE WA ALIHI WA BARIK WA SALLIM
ASTAGHFIR ULLAHA ALLAZI LA ILAHA ILLA HUWAL HAYYUL QAYYUM WA ATUBU ILAYH**



ZA - THE ARABIC LETTER

INTRODUCTION

The Arabic letter Za (ز) in the Arabic character set is 11.

In the numerical character set, Abjad, Za (ز) has the value of 7.

This article is about the spiritual meaning of the letter Za (ز).

THE LETTER ZA

The Letter Za (ز) has a numerical value of 7. There are three Chapters in the Quran which are named with the initial Letter Za (ز) in their names. These three Chapters are:

1 - Chapter 39 Az Zumar 75 Verses

2 - Chapter 43 Az Zukhruf 89 Verses

3 - Chapter 99 Al Zalzalah 8 Verses

Zakkee is one of the Attributes of Allah. Zakkee is also one of the names attributed to

Allah's Beloved, Muhammad ﷺ. We take the first letter Za from Allah's Attribute

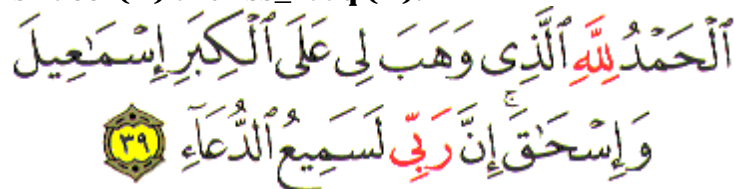
Zakkee and we take the first letter Za from Muhammad's ﷺ name Zakkee and we have a pair of Za. What is a pair?

Pair is Zawj (زوج).

PAIR OF ZA (ز)

The two Letters Za (ز) equate to $7 + 7 = 14$.

In the Quran we find that Chapter 14 is Ibraheem. Ibraheem (إبراهيم) was the father of Ismaeel (إسماعيل) and Iss_haaq (إسحاق).



39 "Praise be to Allah who has granted me in old age Ismaeel and Iss_haaq: for truly my Rabb (Lord) is He the Hearer of Prayer!"



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[Quran: Ibraheem Chapter 14]

If we look at THE HOLY QURAN commentary by Abdullah Yusuf Ali:

Note 1917: Ibraheem was 100 years old when Iss_haaq was born (Gen. xxi. 5); and as Ismaeel was 13 years old when Ibraheem was 99. (Gen. xvii. 24-25), Ismaeel was also a son of his father's old age, having been born when Abraham was 86 years old. The younger son's progeny developed the Faith of Israel and that of Christ; the elder son's progeny perfected the more universal Faith of Islam, the Faith of Ibraheem the Hanif (True). (14.39)

- Ismaeel (إِسْمَاعِيلُ) was born when Ibraheem (إِبْرَاهِيمَ) was 86 years old (8 + 6 = 14).
- Iss_haaq (إِسْحَاقَ) was born when Ibraheem (إِبْرَاهِيمَ) was 100.
- The difference between the age of the two brothers was 14 years (double Za - ز).

From the Quran Hadees and history we find that Ibraheem (إِبْرَاهِيمَ) left his wife Hajara (هَاجِرَةَ) and son Ismaeel (إِسْمَاعِيلَ) in the desert at the place which is now Makkah. Hajara (هَاجِرَةَ) prayed to Allah for water....

.....Jibreel hit the earth with his heel like this (Ibn Abbas hit the earth with his heel to illustrate it), and so the water gushed out. Ismaeel's mother was astonished and started digging. (Abu Al Qasim) (i.e. the Prophet) said, "If she had left the water, (flow naturally without her intervention), it would have been flowing on the surface of the earth.".....
[Sahih Bukhari]

And that well still exists to this day better known as Zam-zam زمزم.

ZAM-ZAM زمزم

- From pair of Letters Za (ز).
- We arrived at two more Letters which are a pair of Meem (م) and we have Zam-zam زمزم.
- (Abu Jamra Ad Dabi said:) I used to sit with Ibn Abbas in Mecca. Once I had a fever and he said (to me), "Cool your fever with Zam-zam water, for Rasool Allah said: 'It (the fever) is from the heat of the (Hell) Fire; so, cool it with water (or Zam-zam water).'" [Sahih Bukhari]

Allah has blessed that well of Zam-Zam. Allah sent Jibreel (جِبْرِيلَ) to dig the water of Zam-zam for the ancestors of Muhammad ﷺ. So how can the water of Zam-zam

زمزم not be special? Allah wanted Muhammad's ﷺ ancestors to live there. And Allah chose that place for His first House of worship.

After centuries, Allah sent the same Jibreel (جِبْرِيلَ) to the same place (Makkah) to reveal the Quran to His Chosen One, Muhammad ﷺ whose name has two Meems (م).

PAIR OF MEEM (م)

- From double (م) to Zam-zam زمزم.
- From Zam-zam to double Meem (م).
- If we look at the word Zam-zam it is Double Zam (زم) ! Or a pair of Zam

And what is Zam ?

- We have to keep in mind, that Allah is the same Allah, during the time of

Ibraheem (ﷺ) and Ismaeel (ﷺ).

- Allah is the same Allah, during the time of Muhammad (ﷺ).
- Allah is the same Allah even today. There is no change in Him. He always existed. And He will always exist. Everything else will perish.

To show the beauty of the Quran, Kalaam Allah and its divine nature:

- Zam is : 40 + 7 = **زم** = 47
- What is the name of Chapter 47 in the Quran ? **MUHAMMAD** (ﷺ).
- In the water from **Zam-zam** there are healing qualities. In the Quran there are healing qualities.

Zam-zam was made available to Ismaeel (ﷺ) and his descendants as a Mercy from Allah. The Quran has been revealed as a Mercy and Healing for the Believers. But

Muhammad (ﷺ) has been sent as a Mercy to all the worlds from Allah, the Rabb (Lord) of all the worlds.

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا رَحْمَةً لِّلْعَالَمِينَ

107 We Sent you as a Mercy to all the worlds
[Quran: Al Anbiyaa Chapter 21]

Because Muhammad (ﷺ) is **Zaeem ul Anbiyaa** - Chief of the Messengers (ﷺ) of Allah.

RETURNING TO THE NUMBER 7

- Finally, let us look at the number 7 the numerical value of Za (ز).
 - What is so special about the number 7 ?
 - Why do most people feel that the number 7 is Lucky ?
 - One of the reasons is that there are 7 openings in the human head.
 - Subconsciously most people associate the number 7 with those openings in the head without realising.
 - It is through these 7 openings we tend to take in the majority of information. The information can be good or evil.
 - We have to guard ourselves against the evil.
 - That is the physical aspect for this world. And this is explained by Allah in the Quran as follows :
- **42 "For over My servants no authority shall you have except such as put themselves in the wrong and follow you."**
 - **43 And truly Hell is the promised abode for them all!**
 - **44 To it are seven Gates: for each of those Gates is (special) class (of sinners assigned).**
[Quran: Al Hijr Chapter 15]

How does Shaytan try and lead us astray ?

- By making us use our 7 openings in the head for evil purposes.
 - Everything in the Quran has relevance to this world and there is a spiritual side to the meaning of the Quran in the next world.
 - There are 7 other gates (or openings) that Allah has given to the Muslims.
 - **That is the Al Fatihah, Chapter 1 of the Quran.**
- **87 We have given you seven of the most repeated (verses) and the great Quran.** [Quran Al Hijr Chapter 15]

Salah - The five daily prayers are not accepted by Allah unless we recite these 7 most repeated verses in every Rakah.

And finally how do we do Sajdah (prostrate) to Allah ?

By touching 7 parts of the body on the ground.

The toes of both feet, both the knees, the palms of both hands and the forehead which

include the tip of the nose.

And after each Rakah, there is double Sajdah. Or a pair of Sajdah. That is touching the 7 parts of the human body on the ground. That is 2 x 7 parts of the body touching the

ground. We are back full circle to PAIR OF ZA (ج).

May Allah have Mercy on us all and guide us to the **Sirat al Mustaqeem** - The Straight Path. **Ameen.**

Only Allah Knows Best.

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ALLAHUMMA SALLI ALA MUHAMMADIN WA ALA ALI MUHAMMADIN KAMA SALLAITA ALA IBRAHEEMA

WA ALA ALI IBRAHEEMA INNAKA HAMEEDUM MAJEED

ALLAHUMMA BARIK ALA MUHAMMADIN WA ALA ALI MUHAMMADIN KAMA BARAKTA ALA IBRAHEEMA

WA ALA ALI IBRAHEEMA INNAKA HAMEEDUM MAJEED

NAMES OF ALLAH

STARTING WITH THE LETTER ZA

Zakkee

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