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Al-Masad

Lesson 11 · surah 111 · the rope of fibre

📖 **The story: Al-Masad**
Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – Designer clothes

Zakaria has a cousin, Anas, who always shows off. New trainers, an expensive jacket, the latest phone. “My father has money,” he says. “I don’t need to study.” Zakaria sometimes feels small next to him. At home he asks his father: “Is Anas better than me?” His father doesn’t laugh. He takes the Quran.

☆ **Money does not make a person better.**

show off = let people see how good or rich you are · **designer clothes** = expensive clothes from a famous brand

Part 2 – The Prophet’s uncle

His father reads Surah Al-Masad. “Abu Lahab was the uncle of the Prophet. He was rich and highly respected in Mecca. When the Prophet called his family to Islam, Abu Lahab shouted: Is that why you called us together? He and his wife hurt the Prophet a lot. She put thorns on his path.” Allah says: his wealth and what he earned did not help him. “Even being family of the Prophet doesn’t help,” says his father, “if your heart and your deeds are bad.”

☆ **Wealth and family do not save you: your deeds count.**

respect = people look up to you · **thorns** = sharp points on a plant

Part 3 – What counts

Zakaria thinks. He has no designer clothes, but he helps his mother, he studies, he prays. The next time Anas shows off, Zakaria says calmly: “Nice shoes. But I’d rather choose a diploma.” Anas laughs, but a month later he asks Zakaria for help with maths.

☆ **With Allah, your heart and your deeds count.**

diploma = paper that says you have passed · **maths** = calculating at school

💬 **Let’s talk:** Why do some people think money makes them better? What do you think?

💡 **Did you know? – Al-Masad**

- Al-Masad is also called Surah Al-Lahab. Lahab means flame.
- Abu Lahab’s real name was Abd al-‘Uzza. He was a brother of the Prophet’s father.
- Other uncles, like Hamza and Al-‘Abbas, did become Muslim and helped the Prophet.

📖 Surah Al-Masad

surah 111 · 5 verses · Mecca

1

تَبَّتْ يَدَا أَبِي لَهَبٍ وَتَبَّ

Tabbat yadaa abi lahabin wa tabb

Perish the hands of Abu Lahab, and perish he!

2

مَا أَغْنَىٰ عَنْهُ مَالُهُ وَمَا كَسَبَ

Maa aghnaa ‘anhu maaluhu wa maa kasab

His wealth and what he earned did not help him.

3

سَيَصْلَىٰ نَارًا ذَاتَ لَهَبٍ

Sa-yaslaa naaran dhaata lahab

He will enter a fire of flames,

4

وَامْرَأَتُهُ حَمَّالَةَ الْحَطَبِ

Wamra’atuhu hammaalatal-hatab

and his wife too, the carrier of firewood,

5

فِي جِيدِهَا حَبْلٌ مِّن مَّسَدٍ

Fi jidihaa hablum-mim-masad

with a rope of twisted fibre around her neck.

Al-Masad

Lesson 11 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. Who always shows off?

- ◯ Zakaria
- ◯ Anas

2. Who was Abu Lahab?

- ◯ the uncle of the Prophet
- ◯ a friend of the Prophet

3. What did his wife put on the path?

- ◯ flowers
- ◯ thorns

4. What did not help Abu Lahab?

- ◯ his wealth
- ◯ his prayer

5. What does lahab mean?

- ◯ water
- ◯ flame

6. What does Anas ask help with?

- ◯ with maths
- ◯ with football

☆ **Remember this:** Money and family do not save you: your heart and your deeds count.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. Why did his wealth not help Abu Lahab?

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2. What do you think really counts with Allah?

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Puzzles

Lesson 11 · Al-Masad

🔤 Word search

Find the words: from left to right and from top to bottom.

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A	A	A	P	E	H	R	A	U	E	E
E	H	O	H	D	E	E	D	S	E	A
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L	Z	A	K	A	R	I	A	A	D	T
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U	R	F	L	A	M	E	N	O	S	S

☐ ZAKARIA ☐ WEALTH ☐ THORNS ☐ MASAD ☐ LAHAB ☐ FLAME ☐ UNCLE

☐ DEEDS ☐ ROPE ☐ ANAS

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

Something is missing, bigger, smaller, turned or moved.

