

# Unit 1

## Introduction to History

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Before you set on any journey you need to:



\* Set your intention, \_\_\_\_\_ Why are you on this journey?

And \_\_\_\_\_

\* While seeking \_\_\_\_\_ is a noble pursuit for a believer, we often miss out on maximizing the reward for this deed because we do not know how to make the right \_\_\_\_\_'s”.

How did the companions r.a. deal with their intentions?

It was said that the companions were \_\_\_\_\_ with their intentions, they had several intentions for one \_\_\_\_\_ deed, trying to have mountains of \_\_\_\_\_ collected in their book of \_\_\_\_\_ deeds with a single transaction.

And how can we improve our intentions?

\* If we consciously ponder upon the \_\_\_\_\_ behind our actions and try to have them \_\_\_\_\_ before we start gaining any knowledge (ie: Enrolling in a course, attending a \_\_\_\_\_, or listening to a podcast or lecture etc...) we will no doubt reap more \_\_\_\_\_ for our actions and see the difference in the quality and \_\_\_\_\_ of information we absorb and remember.

Hadeeth time

It is narrated on the authority of Amir al-Mu'minin (Leader of the Believers), Abu Hafs 'Umar bin al-Khattab (may Allah be pleased with him), who said: I heard the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him), say:

"Actions are according to \_\_\_\_\_, and everyone will get what was \_\_\_\_\_ Whoever \_\_\_\_\_ with an intention for Allah and His \_\_\_\_\_, the migration will be for the sake of \_\_\_\_\_ and his Messenger. And whoever migrates for \_\_\_\_\_ gain or to marry a woman, then his migration will be for the \_\_\_\_\_ of whatever he migrated for."

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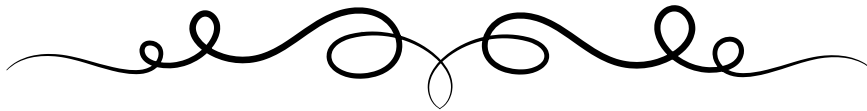
**Time to write your list of the intentions you have from studying History. See how many you can come up with:**

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_

## Quran Time

قَدْ خَلَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ سُنَنٌ فَسِيرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ فَانظُرُوا كَيْفَ كَانَ  
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Many were the Ways of \_\_\_\_\_ that have  
passed away before you:  
travel through the \_\_\_\_\_, and see what was the  
\_\_\_\_\_ of those who \_\_\_\_\_ truth.  
[Quran 3:137]



### What do they say?

- \* They say, people that do not have a history do not \_\_\_\_\_, since in it are the \_\_\_\_\_ of nations, they live with its presence and \_\_\_\_\_ without it.

### So, what is History?

- \* History = Greek ἱστορία, historia.
- \* Meaning= inquiry; \_\_\_\_\_acquired by inquiry or \_\_\_\_\_.
- \* History is the \_\_\_\_\_and the documentation of the \_\_\_\_\_, particularly \_\_\_\_\_ affairs.

## What does the study of history mean?

\* History study doesn't mean just looking at \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ events that have passed on \_\_\_\_\_ since his creation by \_\_\_\_\_ to this day, but it means more an in-depth \_\_\_\_\_ of these events trying to come up with lessons to \_\_\_\_\_ man in his current time and \_\_\_\_\_ he lives in.

## What did Ibn Khaldun say in His Muqaddimah:

\* "History is not a \_\_\_\_\_ of stories recounted for the sake of amusement and \_\_\_\_\_ as some people believe it might look \_\_\_\_\_".

\* "Since it appears to be nothing more than \_\_\_\_\_ about days and states, but in reality there is an \_\_\_\_\_, investigation and explanation of \_\_\_\_\_ events and figures as well as understanding of the modalities of the facts and their \_\_\_\_\_ Source: 1/282 المقدمة Al Muqaddimah

## What is the meaning of History?

\* The first meaning of history is " \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, "

\* The second meaning is "a \_\_\_\_\_ record of significant \_\_\_\_\_ events."

## What does the study of history mean?

\* What are the questions history answers?

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

## Why do we study history?

\* Whoever is \_\_\_\_\_ of history must repeat its \_\_\_\_\_, and most people fall into the same \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.

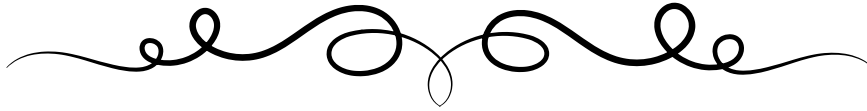
\* There is hardly an incident that does not have an \_\_\_\_\_ in history and it is unfortunate to see the \_\_\_\_\_ of history being repeated due to \_\_\_\_\_ of it.

\* The wheel of \_\_\_\_\_ and its events have similar beginnings and \_\_\_\_\_, yet humans \_\_\_\_\_ the same mistakes

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عَاقِبَةُ الْمُكْذِبِينَ ۝١٣٧

Similar situations [as yours] have \_\_\_\_\_ on  
before you, so proceed throughout the  
\_\_\_\_\_ and observe how was the  
\_\_\_\_\_ of those who  
[Al Imran 3:137]



## Stories in the Quran!

- \* If we look in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Allah s.w.t., there is something amazing! We find that the \_\_\_\_\_ of Al Quran is stories! It is a \_\_\_\_\_ method to teach through story telling \_\_\_\_\_ A unique “Godly” style of \_\_\_\_\_! And teaching!

## What do the stories in the Quran talk about?

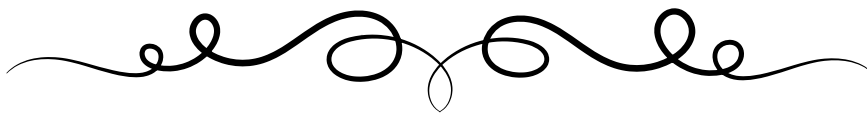
- \* Prophets Sent to \_\_\_\_\_ people all the way from the first Man \_\_\_\_\_ p.b.u.h.
- \* Righteous people, The people of the \_\_\_\_\_, the people of the \_\_\_\_\_, Luqman the wise ...etc
- \* Destroyed Nations Saba’, people of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and Lut ...etc
- \* Evil doers Fir’awn, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, Abu Jahl...etc

## Quran Time

فَأَقْصِبِ الْقَصَصَ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ ١٧٦

So, relate the \_\_\_\_\_ that perhaps they will  
\_\_\_\_\_ give

[Al A'raf 7:167]



### Why do we read historical stories?

- \* So when we read stories in general, and learn about \_\_\_\_\_ in particular, It has to be done with the intention of doing it for:
- \* Thinking = \_\_\_\_\_ = Pondering = Thinking = \_\_\_\_\_.

### Why do we study history?

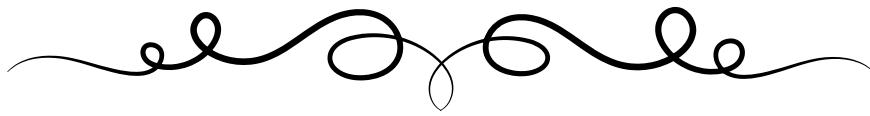
- \* Perhaps one of the most obvious benefits of studying History is \_\_\_\_\_ the news of the prophets and \_\_\_\_\_, and this benefit increases your \_\_\_\_\_, for belief in the messengers is their knowledge, and reading what has been \_\_\_\_\_ about them is among the relevant reasons for that.

## Quran Time

سُنَّةَ اللَّهِ فِي الَّذِينَ خَلَوْا مِنْ قَبْلُ وَلَنْ تَجِدَ لِسُنَّةِ اللَّهِ تَبْدِيلًا

This has been God's \_\_\_\_\_ with those who went \_\_\_\_\_ You will find no change in God's \_\_\_\_\_

[Al Ahzab 33:62]



### What do we learn from the Sunan of the creation?

\* When we study History, we should always ponder about the ways of Allah s.w.t. When you follow these \_\_\_\_\_, it will lead you to these \_\_\_\_\_ but if you take another path then the results will \_\_\_\_\_.

History amazingly \_\_\_\_\_ itself, so when you read History, it is as if you are reading the \_\_\_\_\_

The \_\_\_\_\_ of Allah s.w.t. in the creation are fixed to make life \_\_\_\_\_ for human beings, and therefore we should not build on the \_\_\_\_\_ in the previous examples as they are there to teach us that the \_\_\_\_\_ of Allah is beyond the \_\_\_\_\_ and to rely on Him \_\_\_\_\_!

*The End*