



The Miracles of Al-Quran: Al-Quran as a Grace and Guidance of Muslims

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Abstract

This paper aimed at explaining the functions of the Al-Quran as a blessing and guidance for mankind, especially for Muslims in this world. It is the duty of the scholars at any time to find the existing arguments and process them with the right to provide legal certainty to problems that arise in time. To know the law of a problem based on the most appropriate arguments, it is necessary to update the right one, namely the Al-Quran because it has covered all problems in life. The result of this study showed that the Al-Quran is a light that appears in the hearts of Muslims, which breaks the flower of faith, appears in life so that it becomes light, rises to the heavens of mankind so that a plan of peace and guidance appears to humans to introduce their status and obligations, then lead to the straight path. This statement means that Al-Quran is guidance for humans. The function of Al-Quran globally is as a principle of the Islamic religion, in which there is the principle of every science in human language past and present and the future. Al-Quran is more than just a Holy Book, it is also a very useful book or a perfect reference.

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INTRODUCTION

Al-Quran is a Holy Book of Muslims that contains the sayings of Allah SWT, there are several functions of Al-Quran. Started from function of Al – Quran in Islamic religion, Al-Quran function in human life, and function of Al-Quran as sources of sciences (Anwar, 2009).

The Quran is also the basics of Islamic law and the source of Islamic law that has benefits for Muslims (Ikhwan, 2020). The Prophet Muhammad was a messenger who was believed to have received the *mukjizat* Al-Quran and was to

convey, practice, and interpret the Al-Quran to all of human in this world especially for Muslims. Al-Quran was revealed using Arabic and it has meaning from Allah SWT. Until now, the authenticity of the Al-Quran has been preserved and is continuously recorded in Arabic. Currently, Al-Quran also has been translated into various foreign languages, especially Indonesian. The aims are to make Al-Quran easier for Muslims to understand and study. However, the original language of the Quran, namely Arabic, has been preserved to maintain its authenticity (Muslih, 2014).

Al-Quran is a very great book. It is a complement of several books. But in essence the Al-Quran neither the writing nor the reading contained in the 30 *juz* of Al-Quran, 114 chapters, and 6666 verses. The writings or readings contained in the Holy Book are not different from ordinary reading books, but the contents are full of guidance from God. So if humans have faith in writing or reading it is not just the same as believing in mortal things, but for eternal life.

Islam is based on the Quran and Al-Hadith as guidance. For Muslims, it has a function not only to regulate in terms of worship but also to regulate the people in making demands in the matter in question with work (Thaib, 2014). It has been explained that Islam encourages its people to work, live in glory and not be a burden to others. Islam also gives freedom in choosing a job that suits everyone's inclinations and abilities (Thaib, 2014). However, Islam regulates boundaries, lays down principles, and sets values that must be upheld by a Muslim, so that his work activities are truly seen by Allah SWT as an activity of worship that provides multiple benefits in the world and heaven.

Al-Quran for Muslims is the Holy Book 'which is always upheld and maintained its sacredness (Muslih, 2014). Many efforts in this direction have been done, including with various kinds of respect, both formative and normative forms (Hakim, 2014). As the Holy Book, Al-Quran has a very significant role in the lives of its people. In various ways, Muslims always return all the problems they face to the Al-Quran (Latif, 2014). Therefore, Al-Quran for Muslims is a

spirit of struggle that cannot be lost. The loss of the Quran means that the people have lost their souls and it is meaningless.

We need to emphasize from the start that the Quran is not only the Holy Book of Muslims but is also the starting point of Islamic history (Syarifudin, 2016). The Islamic conceptualization of existence begins with God's decree which requires the creation of nature which is symbolized by *kalām* (word): "*Kun fayakūn*" (be, then be). Revelation in Islam also indicates the beginning of Islamic history which began with the word of God (Syarifudin, 2016).

METHOD

This research used a qualitative approach. Then the research method uses descriptive methods. According to Mukhtar (2013), a qualitative descriptive research method is a method used by researchers to find knowledge or theories about research at a certain time. By conducting descriptive research, a description will be obtained from an Islamic perspective. The data collection technique used is library research (literature study). Literature study is an effort to collect information related to theories related to the problems. Researchers use data analysis techniques in the form of content analysis to sort and select data and information in various library materials under study. By using this technique, it is hoped that researchers will be more objective and systematic in describing the problems discussed.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The Quran is a light that rises in the hearts of Muslims, which breaks the flower of faith, rises in life so that it

becomes bright, rises in the heavens of mankind so that it diffuses peace and guidance, rises in humans to introduce their status and obligations, then lead to a straightway. This statement strengthens that Al-Quran is a guide for humans (Latif, 2014).

The function of Al-Quran globally is as religious principles of Islam, in which there are the principles of every knowledge with human language past and present and future. Al-Quran more than just a Holy Book, but also Al-Quran is a very useful book or as a perfect reference for humans (Hakim, 2014). Life with trust in Al-Quran will give us a better life and peaceful life. It is a miracle and grace of Al-Quran. Al-Quran becomes A grace for humans because in Al-Quran exist everything we need. These are the explanation about the miracle of Al - Quran, Al-Quran as grace and guidance of Muslims.

1. Miracle

The Miracle of Quran about Creating Human

Allah SWT said which means; "We have created you; then why don't you justify? Have you noticed the *Nutfah* (human seed) that you emit? Did you create it? Or are we the one who created it? "(Surah Al-Waqi'ah: 5 7-59).

Starting from the basic thing about human existence as a special creation of Allah. It is said to be special because when compared to other creations of Allah, only humans have reason and mind (two very important things). That way, humans also get special privileges from Allah SWT in the form of the right to choose; choose to have faith in Him (God), or choose to

renounce (Ikhwan, 2020). If humans choose to have faith, then that human will get a better degree than angels (God's creatures who only have a reason). On the other hand, if humans choose to disobey Allah, then they are on the same level as devils and demons (God's creatures who only have lust).

The advantages of creation possessed by humans make Islamic teachings view humans as the caliph of Allah on earth who is in charge of managing, building, and cultivating the earth as well prosper according to the instructions of Allah Ta 'ala this is according to His word as stated in the Al-Qur`an surah Al-Anam verse 165 (Kurniawati & Bakhtiar, 2018).

In 1978 a book entitled "The Bible, Al-Qur-an and Science", a scientist named Muirice Bucaille explained the phases of human development from embryo according to Al-Quran investigations of Biology and Medicine experts. Bucaille said humans came about by processes that were common and common to mammals (Kurniawati & Bakhtiar, 2018). This proves the truth of the Al-Quran as a miracle that can be proven by modern science.

The Miracle of Quran About Function of Brain

So far, we know that brain is the center of all our body systems. This is evident from the research of scientists which is then stated in textbooks at school so that we know that the function of the brain is the control of the body (Kurniawati & Bakhtiar, 2018). But it turns out, Allah SWT has explained all of

that in the Al-Quran, in Holy Quran which means;

"You know, really if he doesn't stop, then We will undoubtedly take his head, that is, the head of the denier, he is disobedient." (Surah Al-Alaq: 15-16).

The Miracle of Quran about Breast Milk

Breastmilk (ASI) is the most perfect food for a baby. Breast milk contains many nutrients and other nutrients that are needed for the growth and development of babies. No science rejects this because scientifically even breast milk has been proven to be of benefit (Hanafi, 2012). How special is this creation of Allah, not even the best possible source of food can be created by modern humans, even if nothing can match the greatness of ASI. The exclusive breastfeeding program, where breastfeeding mothers are prohibited from giving additional food to their babies until the age of 6 months and continue to provide breast milk until the baby is about 2 years old and then weaned, Allah SWT has explained it for hundreds of years ago in His word which means;

"And We command humans (to do good) to their mothers and fathers; his mother had conceived him in a state of increasing weakness and weaned him in two years. Give thanks to Me and your two mothers and fathers, only to Me is your return." (QS. Luqman: 14).

The increase in brain intelligence is caused by the nutritional content of breast milk, the method, and the duration of breastfeeding (Hanafi, 2012). The results showed that the content of Taurine, Docosahexaenoic Acid (DHA), and Arachidonic acid (AA) were very useful in

the formation of baby brain cells and accelerate the arrival of the stimulus from the receptor organs to the brain so that the response can be given in a fast time. Some formulas (from animal milk) have included the composition of these ingredients, but the content is not as stable as breast milk because the Taurine, DHA, and AA content in formula milk comes from fish (Hanafi, 2012).

The advice on breastfeeding in the Quran is mentioned in the QS. Al-Baqarah [2]: 233, QS. Luqman [31]: 14, QS. al-Ahqâf [46]: 15, and QS. Al-Talâq [65]: 6. Of the several verses, two of them mention expressly that breastfeeding is at least carried out for up to two years, namely QS. al-Baqarah [2]: 233 and QS. Luqman [31]: 14 (Hanafi, 2012).

The Miracle of Quran about the Atmosphere

Regarding the earth which consists of various layers of the atmosphere (Hidayat & Wijaya, 2017). in the Al-Quran, Allah SWT explains as follows:

"He is Allah, who made everything on the earth for you, and He wanted to go to the heavens, and then He made the seven heavens. And He is All-knowing everything." (Surah Al-Baqarah: 29).

Then He headed for the sky, and the sky was still smoke. So, He made it seven heavens in two times, and He revealed in each heaven its business." (QS. Fussilat: 11-12).

The Miracle of Quran about the Mountains

"And We have made on this earth strong mountains so that the earth (not) shaking with them ..." (QS. Al-Anbiya: 31).

As in the above verse of the Quran, indeed Allah Almighty has explained to us that in fact He created strong mountains to withstand the earth from shaking, which in this case we can interpret as one of the natural events. like an earthquake (Kurniawati & Bakhtiar, 2018). In fact, this can only be proven in modern geological times with sophisticated tools.

Allah SWT also said *"Have We not made the earth a stretch? And the mountains as stakes?"* (QS. An-Naba ': 6-7).

The Miracle of Quran about the Bottom of the Sea

In science, it is explained that in the depth of seawater about 200 meters, there is almost no light found (Purwaningrum, 2015). Even with a depth of 1 km or more, it is certain that no light will penetrate inside. This is known after doing research using modern tools that can dive deep into the ocean. In fact, if you look at the Al-Quran, Allah has explained the condition of this ocean as His word which means;

"Or like it is pitch black in the deep sea, which is covered by the waves, on which the waves (also), above (again) the clouds; the overlapping darkness, when he takes out his hand, he cannot see it, (and) whoever is not given light (guidance) by Allah does not have the slightest light." (Surah An-Nuur: 40).

Indeed, nothing can precede the knowledge conveyed by Allah SWT through the Al-Quran even the most sophisticated tools that humans can create (Purwaningrum, 2015).

The Miracle of Quran about the River Under the Sea

Some time ago we were shocked by the discovery of a river in the ocean. In general, we find it difficult to explain these phenomena, then consider them to be very extraordinary things that even a very skilled scientist is unable to explain (Purwaningrum, 2015). In fact, in the Al-Quran Allah has explained it as follows:

"We will show them as soon as possible, the proofs of Our truth in all corners of this world and to themselves, until it becomes clear to them, that the Koran is the truth. Is it not enough that your Lord witnesses everything" (Surah Fushshilat: 53).

"And it is He who let the two seas flow (side by side); this one is tasteless fresh and the other is still bitter; and He made between the two walls and boundaries that hinder." (Surah Al-Furqan: 53).

The Miracle of the Quran about the Reality of Time

Regarding the theory of the relativity of time, we may know a famous scientist named Albert Einstein as the originator. According to Einstein, time is determined by mass and velocity, in other words, time can change according to the situation and conditions (Hidayat & Wijaya, 2017). Allah SWT explains in the Quran that people sometimes feel that the time they are going through feels different. Sometimes a short period seems to slow down, or conversely, a slow time feels short (Hidayat & Wijaya, 2017). Allah SWT said which means;

"And they ask you to hasten the punishment, even though Allah will never

violate His promise. Surely a day with your Lord is like a thousand years according to your reckoning." (Surah Al-Hajj: 47).

"He governs the affairs of the heavens to the earth, then (affairs) it ascends to Him in one day whose level (duration) is a thousand years according to your reckoning." (QS As-Sajadah: 5).

"The angels and Jibril ascend (to face) to God in a day whose levels are fifty thousand years." (Surah Al-Ma'arij: 4).

Those are several examples of the miracle in this world that was writing in the Holy Quran. Allah SWT was to prove all of the verses in Al-Quran with his power.

2. Grace

As a revelation that is considered so valuable, Al-Quran with levels its sacredness has brought understanding without limits. This understanding can be traced based on several events that develop in the social context of society, and the context seems so tied to empirical signs (verses), such as humans are sometimes ready to accept something that has the truth (*tashdiq*) or sometimes ready to reject as falsehood (*takhdhib*). These two forms can be considered as grace and the antidote for humans. Even the signs referred to in the Quran, which by Allah is a concrete expression aimed at guiding (*ihtida* ') humans to the right way, and not as a curse to his servant (Anwar, 2009)

Not only there are many miracles in Al-Quran Allah SWT also gives us his graces through the Holy Quran. Allah SWT wrote everything in Quran such as science, medicine, the laws, etc. Those all in order to Muslims do not feel in trouble

because do not know about something (Latif, 2014). All of the law was written in the holy Quran perfectly. Because of that Al-Quran also calls as grace for humans because with Al-Quran our life will easier. Allah SWT said in holly Quran that means:

And remember) the day (when) We raised up in each people a witness against them of their own and We bring you (Muhammad) to be a witness over all mankind. And We sent down to you the Al Kitab (Al Quran) to explain everything and guidance as well as grace and good news for those who surrendered. (An – Nahl: 89)

One example of grace is human resources, The Indonesian state needs human resources in quantity and quality sufficient as the main support under construction. To meet human resources, education has a very important role. The thing this is following the provisions of Article 3 of Law no. 20, 2003 concerning the National Education System which states that national education functions to develop abilities and shape character as well dignified nation civilization within order to educate the nation's life (Hidayat & Wijaya, 2017).

This matter also was explained in Al-Quran. human resources are the greatest strength in processing all the resources that exist on earth. Humans were created by Allah Almighty. as khalifah on earth to manage the earth and the resources that are in it for the sake of the well-being of mankind itself, creatures, and the entire universe, because all of God's creation that is on this earth is deliberately created by God for the benefit of mankind (Kurniawati & Bakhtiar, 2018). This is

very clearly confirmed by Allah in the Al - Quran surah Al-Jatsiyah / 45 verse 13 which means:

"And He has subjected for you what is in the heavens and what is on the earth all, (as a grace) from Him. Lo on that thus there are really signs (power of Allah) for people who think." (Al – Jatsiah :45)

From the explanation above, we know that Al-Quran more than just a holy book, but also Al – Quran is a very useful book or a perfect reference for humans. Life with trust in Al-Quran will give us a better life and peaceful life. It is a miracle and grace of Al-Quran. Al-Quran becomes A grace for humans Because in Al-Quran exist everything we need.

3. Al-Quran As Guidance

Besides as a grace Al-Quran also has a role as guidance, after the explanation above that explained the miracles and grace of Al-Quran it just was not enough because Al-Quran is a very great miracle ever (Ridho, 1994). Now in this part, the researchers will try to explain Al-Quran as guidance for humans. Allah SWT said in surah Al – Israa: verse 9 that means:

"in fact, this Koran shows a straighter way" Al –Israa: 9

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The scholars always must explore existing propositions and process them

with the right to provide legal certainty against problems that arose in their day. To know the law of a problem based on the most appropriate argument, hence the need for proper guidelines, namely al-Quran because al-Quran has covered all the problems in life (Latif, 2014).

Al-Quran also has several names, one of which is Al-Huda which means guidance, In the al-Quran there are three categories regarding the position of the Al-Quran as a guide (Ridho, 1994). First, guidance for humans in general. Allah Almighty said,

"Moon Ramadhan is the month when the Quran was revealed serves as a guide for humans and an explanation of the instructions ... " (Surat al-Baqarah [2]: 185).

Second, al-Quran is a guide for those who be righteous. Allah Almighty said:

"This Book of the Al-Quran does not exist doubt in it; a guide for those who fear." (Surah al-Baqarah [2]: 2) and described in Surat Ali Imran [3] verse 138.

Third, the instructions for the people have faith. Allah Almighty said:

"... say: 'al-Quran is the guide and the antidote for the believers ... " (Surah Fuş-şhilat [41]: 44) and it is also mentioned in the Surah Yunush (10) verse 57.

Al Burhan also other names of holy Quran, which means information about the truth from Allah to His servants (Ridho, 1994). Al-Quran contains arguments or clear and strong truths about something, both its meaning and essence, both in faith or other life problems. The function of al-Quran globally is as a religious principle Islam. There are the principles of every

knowledge with human language past and present and future.

CONCLUSION

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The function of al-Quran globally is as the religious principle of Islam, there are the principles of every knowledge with human language from past, present, and future. Al-Quran more than just a Holy Book, but also Al-Quran is a very useful Book or as a perfect reference for human. Life with trust in Al-Quran will give us a better life and peaceful life. It is a miracle and grace of Al-Quran. Al-Quran becomes A grace for humans Because in Al-Quran exist everything we need.

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