Surat Al-Qadr (97)

بِسْمِ اللهِ الرَّحْمنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
إِنَّا أَنزَلْنَاهُ فِي لَيْلَةِ الْقَدْرِ {1}

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ {2}

لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ خَيْرٌ مِّنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ {3}

تَنَزَّلُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَالرُّوحُ فِيهَا بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهِم مِّن كُلِّ أَمْرٍ {4}

سَلَامٌ هِيَ حَتَّى مَطْلَعِ الْفَجْرِ {5}

*Innaa Anzalnaahu Fiy Laylatil Qadr (1)*

*Wa Maa Adraaka Maa Laylatul Qadr (2)*

*Laylatul Qadri Khayrum Min Alfi Shahr (3)*

*Tanazzalul Malaaikatu War Ruuhu fiyhaa Bi Idhni Rabbihim Min Kulli Amr (4)*

*Salaamun Hiya Hattaa Matla’Il Fajr (5)*

Surat Al-Qadr (The Night of Decree)

* Decree refers to something that has already been decided and will come to pass.

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| In The Name Of Allah, The Beneficent, The Merciful |

1. Verily, We have sent it (this Qur’an) down in the Night of Al-Qadr.
2. And what will make you know what the night of Al-Qadr is?
3. The night of Al-Qadr is better than a thousand months.
4. Therein descend the Angels and the Ruh by Allah’s permission with all Decrees,
5. There is peace until the appearance of dawn.

Laylatul Qadr is a night during the last ten nights of Ramadan.

* It’s a night that is better than a thousand months. Therefore, if we worship Allah swt on this night, we will get the reward of worshipping Him for a thousand months.
* We don’t have to stay up ALL night worshipping Allah swt, but the more the better. We could maybe do some worshipping and then go to sleep and then wake up during the last part of the night. During the last part of the night is the time that Allah swt descends to the lowest Heaven and accepts our prayers.
* There are many ways to worship Allah swt on that night. We could pray some voluntary or Nawafil prayers. You can do your Taraweeh prayers during the month of Ramadan nights. We could do I’tikaf, which is to spend the last ten days and nights of Ramadan in the masjid. We should constantly try to become better people. We need to do many good deeds. We could read the Qur’an or do Dhikr. There are many duas we can read on this blessed night.
* The Prophet saws told his wife Aishah (ra) to recite the following Dua on these great nights:
* “O Allah You are All-Forgiving, and You love forgiveness, so forgive me.”

Aisha, may Allah be pleased with her, said: I asked the Messenger of Allah: 'O Messenger of Allah, if I know what night is the night of Qadr, what should I say during it?' He said:

*Allahumma innaka 'affuwwun tuhibbul 'afwa fa'fu 'anni' "*   
[Ahmad, Ibn Majah, and at-Tirmidhi].

* As already mentioned, on this night, the Angels come down to the heavens and they bring with them an immense amout of mercy for us.
* There is only good on this night.
* The Angels spend this night praying for the good believers and giving them the greetings of peace until dawn.
* The exact time of this night is not known, therefore, the Prophet saws told us to search for this night in the last ten nights of Ramadan.
* How do we know exactly which night it is? The Prophet saws told us that it is one of the odd nights of Ramadan, that is the 21st, 23rd, 25th or the 29th.
* Muslim scholars say that Allah swt made this night unknown so people would worship Allah swt more and get even more rewards.
* On this blessed night, the Ruh, which means Angel Jibra’eel (as) also descends with the Angels.

IMPORTANT POINTS:

1. Laylatul Qadr falls in the month of Ramadan. Search for it on the last ten days of Ramadan (odd numbered night)
2. Surat Al’Qadr describes a very blessed and rewarding night.
3. The Ruh as descends with the Angels on this night.
4. By worshipping Allah swt on the night of Al-Qadr, we get rewards for worshipping Allah swt for a 1000 months.
5. Whoever stands in prayer during that night with faith and expecting to be rewarded by Allah swt, he/she will be forgiven for his/her previous sins.

Activity: Draw and colour a picture of what a very peaceful night looks like outside.