



Our'an Lesson-9d: The Cow story! (Al-Baqarah: 67-69)

Lesson Outcomes

- Bani Israel disrespected Allah and His prophet Musa (AS) by asking unnecessary questions.
- Musa's response to their questions.

Keyword: بَقْرَةٌ، هُزُؤًا، فَارِضٌ، بَكْرٌ، عَوَانٌ، لَوْنُهَا، صَفْرَاءٌ، فَاقِعٌ

Recitation and Explanation

وَإِذْ قَالَ مُوسَىٰ لِقَوْمِهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُكُمْ أَنْ تَذْبَحُوا بَقْرَةً ط

cow.	you slaughter	that a	commands you	Indeed, Allah	his people:	And when Moses said to
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قَالُوا أَتَتَّخِذُنَا هُزُؤًا ط قَالَ أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ أَنْ أَكُونَ مِنَ الْجَاهِلِينَ ط 67

from being among the ignorant.	I seek refuge in Allah	He said:	in ridicule?	Do you take us	They said:
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قَالُوا ادْعُ لَنَا رَبَّكَ ط يُبَيِّنُ لَنَا مَا هِيَ ط قَالَ إِنَّهُ يَقُولُ

He [Moses] said, "He [Allah] says,	what it is?	to make clear to us	to your Lord	Pray for us	They said:
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إِنَّهَا بَقْرَةٌ ط لَا فَارِضٌ ط وَلَا بَكْرٌ ط عَوَانٌ بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ ط فَافْعَلُوا ط مَا تُوْمَرُونَ ط 68

what you are commanded.	so do	but median between that,	nor young	neither old	'It is a cow
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قَالُوا ادْعُ لَنَا رَبَّكَ ط يُبَيِّنُ لَنَا مَا لَوْنُهَا ط قَالَ إِنَّهُ يَقُولُ

indeed He says,	He said:	what is her color?	to show us	to your Lord	Pray for us	They said,
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إِنَّهَا بَقْرَةٌ صَفْرَاءٌ ط فَاقِعٌ لَوْنُهَا ط تَسْرُّ النَّظْرِينَ ط 69

pleasing to those who see it.	bright in color -	a yellow cow,	'It is
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- This story shows how the Bani Israel were highly disrespectful to Allah and His great messenger, Musa (AS) when they ordered to slaughter a cow.
- Look at the patience of Musa (AS). He didn't say: Don't you have common sense? Instead, the first thing he said was: **أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ**. This is a model for us when bad people confront us.
- They continued in their misbehavior asking Musa (AS) unnecessary questions about Allah's command to slaughter a cow.
- Musa (AS) conveyed clear and simple instructions about what animal to be slaughtered, it's color, age, and everything.

Hadith: The Prophet ﷺ said: Verily Allah likes three things for you, and He disapproves three things for you. He is pleased with you that you worship Him and associate nor anything with Him, that you hold fast the rope of Allah, and be not scattered; and He disapproves for you irrelevant talk, persistent questioning and the wasting of wealth. (Muslim: 1715)

Tadabbur & Tadhakkur

- **Imagine & Feel:** Imagine how Musa (AS) was extremely patient with his explanation to Bani Israel. Here is a lesson for us: To be clear in your message especially where there is a chance of confusion.
- **Dua:** O, Allah! Give me Tawfeeq that I don't ever displease You for the rest of my life.
- **Evaluate:** How do we treat our parents and teachers?
- **Plan:** Every day, I will try to do the Zikr of Allah, praise and thank Him from the depth of my heart because He is so kind and merciful to me.

Nouns and Verbs: Below are some of the nouns and the verbs from the Ayaat of this lesson.

Verbs: Practice the six keys of verbs mentioned below with TPI								
Meaning	Name of action	اسم مفعول	اسم فاعل	فعل امر	فعل مضارع	فعل ماض	Root	Code
To order	أَمْرٌ	مَأْمُورٌ	آمِرٌ	مُرٌ	يَأْمُرُ	أَمَرَ	أ م ر	ن
To slaughter	ذَبْحٌ	مَذْبُوحٌ	ذَابِحٌ	إذْبَحُ	يَذْبَحُ	ذَبَحَ	ذ ب ح	ف
To be ignorance	جَهَالَةٌ	مَجْهُولٌ	جَاهِلٌ	إِجْهَلُ	يَجْهَلُ	جَهَلَ	ج ه ل	س
To be bright color	فَقْعٌ	-	فَاقِعٌ	اِفْقَعُ	يَفْقَعُ	فَقَعُ	ف ق ع	ف
To see	نَظْرٌ	مَنْظُورٌ	نَاطِرٌ	أَنْظُرُ	يَنْظُرُ	نَظَرَ	ن ظ ر	ن
To mock	هَزْءٌ	مَهْزُوءٌ	هَازِيٌ	إِهْزَأُ	يَهْزَأُ	هَزَأَ	ه ز أ	ف
To seek refuge	عَوْدٌ	مَعْوَدٌ	عَايِدٌ	عُدُّ	يَعُوذُ	عَادَ	ع و ذ	قا
To call	دُعَاءٌ	مَدْعُوءٌ	دَاعٌ	أَدْعُ	يَدْعُوءُ	دَعَا	د ع و	دع
To please	سُرُورٌ	مَسْرُورٌ	سَارٌ	أَسْرُرُ	يُسْرُرُ	سَرَّ	س ر ر	ظن
To show	تَبْيِينٌ	مُبَيَّنٌ	مُبَيِّنٌ	بَيِّنُ	يُبَيِّنُ	بَيَّنَ	ب ي ن	عدا ⁺

Nouns		
Meaning	Plural	Singular
Ignorant	جَاهِلُونَ، جَاهِلِينَ	جَاهِلٌ
Old	فَرَضٌ	فَارِضٌ
Young	أَبْكَارٌ	بِكْرٌ
Color	أَلْوَانٌ	لَوْنٌ

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. Explain the story mentioned in the above verses.
2. What were the questions asked by Bani Israel regarding the cow? What was the response of Musa (AS) to these questions?
3. What should be our response when we are confronted by bad people's questioning?