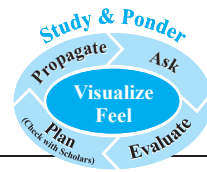


Qur'an Lesson-15d: Don't say Ra'ina

(Al-Baqarah: 104-105)



Lesson Outcomes

- Do not say: “رَاعِنَا” (*Ra'ina*) but say: “أَنْظُرْنَا” (*Unzurna*).
- Show respect to the Prophet ﷺ and listen to him.
- Allah chooses whom He wills for His mercy.

Recitation and Explanation

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَقُولُوا رَاعِنَا وَقُولُوا	أَنْظُرْنَا	وَأَسْمَعُوا				
2 and listen.	'Unzurna'	and say	1 'Raina'	"(Do) not say	believe[d]!	who O you
وَلِلْكَافِرِينَ	عَذَابٌ	أَلِيمٌ 104	مَا يَرَوْنَ	الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا	مِنْ	
and for the disbelievers	(is) a punishment	painful.	(Do) not like	those who	disbelieve	3 from
أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ وَلَا	الْمُشْرِكِينَ	أَنْ	يُنزَّلَ عَلَيْكُمْ	مِنْ خَيْرٍ		
(the) People of the Book and not	those who associate partners (with Allah),	that	(there should) be sent down to you	any good	4	
مِنْ رَبِّكُمْ وَاللَّهُ يَخْتَصُّ	بِرَحْمَتِهِ مَنْ يَشَاءُ ٥	وَاللَّهُ	ذُو الْفَضْلِ	الْعَظِيمِ 105		
from your Lord.	And Allah chooses	And Allah	(is the) Possessor of [the] Bounty	[the] Great.	5	

- 1 When the Prophet ﷺ used to address Muslims, the Jews used to interrupt and say: Excuse us! The word in Arabic is *Ra'ina* (Take care of us). But they used to stretch it out of mischief and say *Ra'eena* (our shepherd).
 - They wanted to insult the Prophet ﷺ and disturb the gathering. Allah prevented Muslims from using that word and gave them another word *أَنْظُرْنَا* (Look upon us).
- 2 If they listened well, they wouldn't need to ask for anything to be repeated because the Prophet ﷺ used to speak very clearly.
 - “*Kafir*” is the one who rejects the truth after realizing it.
- 3 The Jews of Madinah were jealous of the Muslims; they did not want any good for them and wanted to disturb the gatherings by addressing the Prophet disrespectfully.
- 4 “*خير*” (*Khayr*) means anything beneficial such as the book, the messenger, the victory for Islam and Muslims; and any material provisions.
- 5 Don't worry about others. It is Allah who gives mercy and bounty. Just beg Him because He is the Possessor of all bounties.

- When Allah mentions His bounties and mercy, we can immediately ask for them. For example, we can say: **اَللّٰهُمَّ اِنَّا نَسْئَلُكَ مِنْ فَضْلِكَ وَرَحْمَتِكَ** (O Allah! We ask You for Your bounty and Your mercy).

Hadith: The Qur'an is such a magnificent gift that we can reach the heights by following it. 'Umar bin Al-Khattab RA reported: The Prophet ﷺ said, "Verily, Allah elevates some people with this Qur'an and abases others." (Muslim: 817a)

Imagine & Feel: Imagine what happens when people are unhappy and carry a grudge against someone. They will try to harm the person and his message.

Think & Ponder:

- Be sincere in the learning process, respect the teacher, and avoid using derogatory language in addressing others.
- When we witness such ill-mannered behavior, we should correct such people in a friendly and soft manner so that they understand the right way.

Du'a: O Allah! Give us Tawfeeq to study the Ahadeeth of the Prophet ﷺ.

Evaluate: How do we behave with our teachers, parents & elders when they tell correct us or suggest something good.

Plan: Insha'Allah! I will make a plan to study the book of Hadith & Seerah.

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 ماضٍ	Root	Code
to see	نَظَرَ	مَنْظُورٌ	نَاطِرٌ	اَنْظُرْ	يَنْظُرُ	نَظَرَ	ن ظ ر	ذ
to disbelieve	كَفَرَ	مَكْفُورٌ	كَافِرٌ	اَكْفُرْ	يَكْفُرُ	كَفَرَ	ك ف ر	ذ
to be great	عَظِمَ	-	عَظِيمٌ	اَعْظِمْ	يَعْظُمُ	عَظِمَ	ع ظ م	ك
to will	شَاءَ	مَشِيءٌ	شَاءٌ	شَأْ	يَشَاءُ	شَاءَ	ش ي أ	خا
to choose	اِخْتَصَصَ	مُخْتَصَصٌ	مُخْتَصِّصٌ	اِخْتَصِصْ	يَخْتَصِصُ	اِخْتَصَصَ	خ ص ص	إخ*

Nouns		
Meaning	Plural	Singular

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. What is the meaning of رَاعِنَا and اَنْظُرْنَا?
2. How did the Jews twist رَاعِنَا?
3. What is the meaning of وَاللّٰهُ يَخْتَصُّ?

School Project:

“Respect for Elders”: To teach "Respect for Elders", organize different programs in a week in your school. During this week, visit all classes and share 3 – 5 minutes of how to respect elders. Discuss benefits and losses. During the interval, each one talk to 5 friends on how to deal with elder respectfully.