

SURATUNNAṢR (110)

The *Suratunnaṣr* succeeds the *Suratulkaafiroon* as the logic of declaring war against polytheism and its advocates, with emigration following it as the necessary consequence.

The Messenger and the companions started struggling, without cease, to regain the Holy House which Abraham had raised up for His prayer, but where idol worship was being indulged in with impunity. Medina became the hub and centre of the Islamic struggle against the usurpers of the Holy House.

It lasted for ten years, after the emigration and then, the help and victory concretized into the Conquest of Makka and the dislodgement of the usurpers.

Allah's help and victory, promised to the Messenger and his companions, occur, firstly, in clear terms in the thirteenth verse of the *Suratuṣṣaff*, "And (there is) one more (thing) that you love __ Allah's help and the conquest close by; and announce good news to the believers." It was, also hinted at in the tenth verse of the *Suratulḥadeed*. But its clear promise finds mention, only, in the *Suratunnaṣr* revealed to the Messenger before the Conquest of Makka and the end of polytheism.

The Surah is a forthright declaration of Allah's help for the Messenger and the consequent Conquest of Makka. Hence, the Surah is in the nature of glad tidings and fulfilment. The Messenger has, therefore, been enjoined in the Surah which is a single sentence, to declare his *Rabb* free from imperfections with His glory and seek His forgiveness for He turns forgivingly to whoever turns to Him seeking forgiveness. The Holy House was, consequently, liberated, Abraham's mission fulfilled, the obligatory prayer re-established, and polytheism came to an end for good. Last but not the least, when the greedy and exploitative leadership of the Makkan polytheists was dislodged, people from all the tribes started embracing Islam by troops as the Surah asserts.

SURATUNNASR

In the name of ALLAH, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

1. When Allah's help and victory come
2. And you see the people entering into (the folds of) Allah's *Deen* (way of life) in troops,
3. You must, then, declare (Him) free from imperfections with glory (abiding praise and thanksgiving) to your *Rabb* and seek His forgiveness; He, certainly, turns forgivingly.

سُورَةُ النَّصْرِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

إِذَا جَاءَ نَصْرُ اللَّهِ وَالْفَتْحُ ﴿١﴾

وَرَأَيْتَ النَّاسَ يَدْخُلُونَ فِي دِينِ اللَّهِ

أَفْوَاجًا ﴿٢﴾

فَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ وَاسْتَغْفِرْهُ إِنَّهُ

كَانَ تَوَّابًا ﴿٣﴾