

Can a woman recite Surah Kausar during her menses?

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Question

What do the scholars of Islam say about the following matter: Can a woman recite Surah Al-Kausar during her menses with the intention of praise?

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

الْجَوَابُ بِعَوْنِ الْمَلِكِ الْوَهَّابِ اللَّهُمَّ هِدَايَةَ الْحَقِّ وَالصَّوَابِ

It is not allowed for a woman to recite Surah Al-Kausar during her menstrual cycle, and it is a sin. This is because the wording of this Surah is in the first person (Mutakallim), which shows that the words of this Surah are specific to the Quran, and it is not allowed for a woman to recite the Quran while menstruating.

Regarding a 'Junbi' (person in the state of extreme impurity) and menstruating woman reciting Quran, it is stated in *Jami' Al-Tirmizi*:

عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم قال لا تقرأ الحائض ولا الجنب شيئاً من القرآن

Translation: It is narrated from The Blessed Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم that he has stated: "A menstruating woman and a Junbi should not recite anything from the Quran." (Jami' al-Tirmizi, Vol.1, p.236, Egypt)

It says in *al-Jawharah al-Nayyirah*:

ولا يجوز لحائض ولا جنب قراءة القرآن لقوله عليه السلام لا يقرأ الجنب ولا الحائض شيئاً من القرآن

(Al-Jawharah al-Nayyirah, Vol1, Pg30, Publ. Matb'ahal-Khayriyyah)

It says in *Fatawa Razawiyyah*:

سورة کوثر کہ بوجہ ضمائر متکلم انا اعطینا قرآنیت کے لئے متعین ہے۔

Translation: Due to the pronoun "انا اعطینا" from Surah Kausar being in the first person, it is specific to Quran. (Fatawa Razawiyyah, Vol.1, Pt.2, p.1,114, Publ. Raza Foundation, Lahore)

It says in *Fawaid al-Razawiyyah*:

جنب کو وہ آیاتِ ثنابہ نیتِ ثنا بھی پڑھنا حرام ہے، جن میں رب عزوجل نے اپنے لئے متکلم کی ضمیریں ذکر فرمائیں۔

Translation: It is Haram for a Junub to read the verses which include Sana, though with the intention of Sana (praise), in which Allah Almighty has used first person pronouns for himself.” (Fawaidal-Razawiyah, Vol.1, Pt.2, p.1,114, Publ. Raza Foundation, Lahore)

وَاللَّهُ أَعْلَمُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ وَرَسُولُهُ أَعْلَمُ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

(Allah Almighty knows best and His Messenger صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ knows best.)

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