Sura Y.S. (Ya Seen)

Some Background
Sura (Chapter) Y.S. is one of the 20 initiated suras in Quran. The first verse of this sura consists of Arabic letters "Y" and "S." Obviously, the name of the sura comes from these letters. As in the case of other initiated suras, the total occurrence of the letters preceding this sura is a multiple of 19. The letter "Y" occurs in this sura 237 times, while the letter "S" occurs 48 times. The total of both letters is 285. Please refer to Dr. Rashad Khalifa's book "QURAN: VISUAL PRESENTATION OF THE MIRACLE" (Islamic Productions, 1982) for the count of these letters.

Sura Y.S. is the 36th sura in the Quran. If we take the initiated suras only, starting with Sura 2, then Sura 3, then Sura 7, and so on, we find that Sura 36, Ya Seen, occupies position number 19.

Verse 3 of this sura says "Surely, you are one of the messengers." Dr. Rashad Khalifa was told (through the angel Gabriel) that this verse referred to him.

The first 6 verses of Sura Y.S. talk Almighty, Most Merciful. Sister Ismaa Ibrahim discovered that these 6 verses consist of 19 Arabic words. Furthermore, she found out that the sum of gematrical values of each letter in these 9 words is 19 x 19 or 361 which is a multiple of 19 (19 x 19).

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The Quran is characterized by a unique phenomenon never found in any human authored book. There are some suras that are prefixed by initial letters. These suras are part of the mathematical system of the Quran, and that their numbers as reported by Dr. Rashad Khalifa are indeed correct. This mathematical phenomenon will be repeated again below.

Let us take all 114 suras in Quran, and write down the following in this order:
1) Sura number,
2) The number of initials in that sura,
3) The gematrical value of each initial in that sura.

If a sura does not have any Quranic Initial, we put a zero for the number of initials for that sura and go to the next sura. For example, Sura 1 is written as 1 0, because it does not have any initials. Sura 2, on the other hand, is written as 2 3 1 0 40, where 2 is the sura number, 3 is the number of initials, 1 0 40 are the gematrical values of each initial, L M, which occur in that sura.

The total gematrical value of the initials occurring throughout that sura. In order to get the last item in the list, take the frequency of each initial in a sura and multiply them by the corresponding gematrical values of the initial. For example, Sura 2 has 3 initials, A, L, M, which occur in that sura 4502, 3202, and 2195 times, respectively. The total gematrical value of those initials is 188362.

We then write the entire number in abbreviated form as shown below. Note that if a sura has no initials, we do not have to change anything.

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The above number is 488 digits long and is a multiple of 19. Now, let us take this number and add another feature to it, by writing for each initial sura the following in the order:
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The above number is 725 digits long and is a multiple of 19. Again, let us take this number and add another feature to it, by writing for each initial sura the following in this order:
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The above number is 582 digits long and is a multiple of 19. Now, let us take this number and remove the total gematrical values of each initial from it. Thus, we write for each initial sura the following in this order:
1) Sura number,
2) The number of initials in that sura,
3) The total frequency of the initials occurring throughout that sura.

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The above number is 367 digits long and is a multiple of 19. Now, let us take this number and add another feature to it, by writing for each initial sura the following in this order:
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2) The number of initials in that sura,
3) The total frequency of the initials occurring throughout that sura.

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The above number is 382 digits long and is a multiple of 19. Now, let us take this number and remove the total frequency of the initials with the frequency of each initial. Thus, 9899 for Sura 2 is replaced by 4502 3202 2195, the frequency of the initials A, L, M, and so on. Then we write the entire number in abbreviated form as shown below, using the same guidelines as above. The resultant number is 711 digits long, and again is a multiple of 19. These mathematical phenomena are further assurance that the frequency of the initials reported by Dr. Rashad Khalifa in his English translation of the Quran is indeed correct. See QURAN: THE FINAL TESTAMENT, Islamic Prophecies, Tucson, 1989.

In conclusion, there are three stages we go through. We first learn to form opinions and hold on to them. This is ignorance. Then we learn to discuss, listen, and accept the best opinion. This is wisdom. Finally, we realize that our opinions do not matter—only God’s opinion matters. This is guidance—God’s guidance. In Him we trust.

**A WORD ON UNITY**

Unity is a great and wonderful blessing from God upon the believers, more so than anything good about someone, then shut up. Discuss matters face to face. Only the gullible or the ignorant say things behind someone’s back.

We must not take things personally if we are being criticized. If we are wrong, it does not mean that we are inferior, insincere, or lack self esteem. It means that our opinion was wrong. Our opinion does not matter anyway. Only God’s opinion matters.

The Quran says in Verse 10:18: “The people used to be one congregation, until they disputed.” The people disputed over their opinions. They were not satisfied with the opinion of God and His messenger. The Quran gives us a very clear message in Verse 49:1. “O you who believe, do not place your opinion above that of God and His messenger…” If we disregarded this commandment, then we would become divided like the previous communities.

"The people used to be one community, until God sent the prophets, as bearers of good news, as well as warnings, and He revealed through them the scripture, truthfully, to judge among the people in their disputes. But those who received the scripture rejected any new scripture, despite clear proofs, due to jealousy on their part. God guides those who believe to the truth that is dispensed by others; Wills. God guides whomever He wills in a straight path.” (2:213)

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