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# Tadabbur Surah Al-Hadid Using the Quran Tadabbur Digital Application: A Critical Analysis

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#### **Abstract**

The tadabbur of the Qur'an is an interaction process on the universal Qur'an. There are various advantages and benefits of incorporating tadabbur when reading the Qur'an. The Qur'an tadabbur process can be performed by using smartphone application facilities. However, the manner of smartphone facilities being utilized by society today is worrisome where they tend to waste time for entertainment purposes and spend less time on beneficial things, prefer to surf entertainments on social media compared to religious slots and facts that can expand their knowledge. Hence, this study aims to expose one of the methods to tadabbur The Qur'an via smartphone application "Aplikasi Quran Tadabbur Digital" by focusing on Surah al-Hadid as preliminary findings and research examples that can be performed on other applications and surahs. This study implemented an observation method and content analysis to identify the application's usage as one of the approaches to tadabbur the Qur'an's holy sentences. This study's findings found that the tadabbur method used via this application only comes into contact with the sentence's literal meaning, and does not touch on its in-depth debate. It is in line with the objective of this application's invention which is to provide information and simple understandings to society that tries to mingle with the tadabbur of the Qur'an sentences. Therefore, the usage of smart phone's application, the "Aplikasi Quran Tadabbur Digital" as a route to tadabbur the Qur'anic sentences is being encouraged to make use of smart phone's function in a good way.

**Keyword**: Qur'an, *Tadabbur*, Smartphone Application, Qur'an Digital *Tadabbur*, Surah Al-Hadid

# Introduction

The speed of technology facilitates access to information at your fingertips via smartphones in particular, whether accessing things that are neglected or things that are beneficial. According to Wan Norina (2013), the use of such technology causes the moral collapse of today's teenagers. Adolescents tend to spend less time entertaining and less productive, spending time on social media in the form of entertainment (Mawaddah & Abdullah, 2008) compared to religious slots and knowledge discourses that can add knowledge (Ab. Halim &

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Zarin, 2006). This situation causes the community to less and less appreciate and scatter the contents of the Qur'an.

Thus, the need to use media and technology, especially smartphones to *tadabbur* the Qur'an, is becoming a necessity in accordance with the development of knowledge and technology (Monika, 2016). The *tadabbur* application that is downloaded makes it easier for the community to *tadabbur* of the Qur'an, understand, practice and then return to a generation close to the Qur'an as happened in the time of the *al-Sahabah*.

The objective of this study is:

- To expose one of the methods to tadabbur The Qur'an via smartphone application "Aplikasi Quran Tadabbur Digital"
- To apply the study of Surah al-Hadid using the application
- Reveal preliminary findings and research examples that can be performed on other applications and surahs.

## **Research Method**

This study uses observation and content analysis methods. This study searched the android's 'play store' using the word *tadabbur*. Results showed that 15 applications relating to the *tadabbur*. The researcher further filters search results by placing the criteria *tadabbur* in Malay, through the method of assessment, encompass the whole Qur'an, and instead of *tadabbur* in certain surahs. Next, this study selects an application that has a *tadabbur* part of the sentence, not a mere sentence interpretation. Of the fifteen applications, only one application meets these criteria, namely the Qur'an Tadabbur Digital. The data obtained were analyzed and reported by explaining the level of *tadabbur*, methodology and advantages of the Qur'an Tadabbur Digital application.

# The Concept of Tadabbur

According to Ibn Manzur (nondated), the original word *tadabbur* is *dabbara* which means to see something and think about it over and over again. *Tadabbur al-Qur'an* is a method used in understanding the meaning of each word of the Qur'an and think about the clues from the contents of the verses of the Qur'an with a humble heart (*khusyuk*) (Ibn Kathir, 2002). There are four clues from the *tafsir* of the Qur'an on the word *tadabbur*, namely the mind and heart that are united with the recitation (Qur'an, 5:83), which touches the emotions (Qur'an, 9:124), a sense of slavery (Qur'an, 17:109), increase faith in Allah (Qur'an, 8:2).

In terminology, the meaning of *tadabbur* is to think and ponder the verses of the Qur'an in order to understand it, to delve into its meaning and wisdom and to know its contents (Khalid, 2004). According to Abas Asyafah (2014), *tadabbur* involves reading, listening, understanding, feelings, accept the truth, and the response to the Qur'an as shown in Figure 1.

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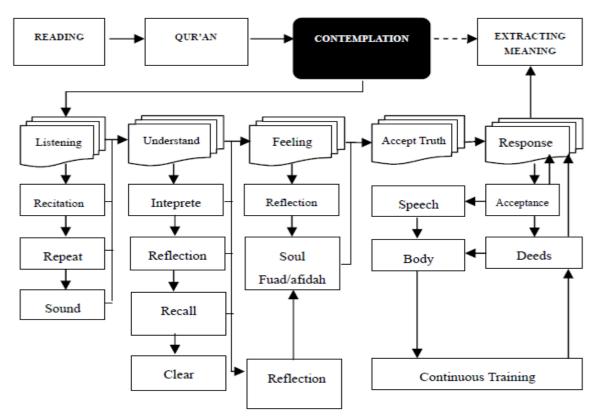


Figure 1: Tadabbur Process (Abas Asyafah (2014))

Sin (2002) perceived *tadabbur* as observation, research, reflection and study conducted on the meaning of the Qur'an. The fact of *tadabbur* occurs during the process of understanding the verses of the Qur'an. While deep understanding corresponds to the rate of one's ability to understand the interpretation of Qur'anic verses. This can be seen based on the knowledge mastered and the inspiration that Allah SWT bestowed.

# **Discussion and Conclusion**

In this section, this study explains the methodology used in respect of the application, as well as the *tadabbur* verses of surah al-Hadid. According to observations by researchers, there are six methodologies used in this application, namely:

- 1. Using Tafsir Ibn Kathir as the main reference for *tadabbur*. This application uses Tafsir Ibn Kathir as the main reference and does not use other references to prevent the discussion from becoming too long.
- 2. Removing the perceived unnecessary. This application does not include the introduction of the surah, the narration of the hadith related to the surah and the specialization of the meaning of certain words in the surah as found in Tafsir Ibn Kathir.
- 3. Translate sentences into easy-to-understand meanings. For example, in the word of God (Surah al-Hadid, 57:14): حَتَّى جَآءَ أَمْرُ اللَّهِ translated as 'until God decides death', while the meaning of the words of this verse is 'until the command of God comes'. The translation of the verse is done as a result of research on Tafsir Ibn Kathir and helps the reader understand the meaning of the verse more easily, thus making the process of *tadabbur* run smoothly.
- 4. Grouping the sentences into several parts. This application divides each surah into several parts to facilitate the *tadabbur* of the verse. For example, in surah al-Hadid,

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- there are five groups of parts of the whole surah. After the division of the group of sentences, sentences will be divided into smaller distribution scope. For example, in the third division in surah al-Hadid verses 12-18, verses of the Qur'an are divided into two smaller scopes namely the discussion of verses 12-15 and verses 16-18.
- 5. *Tadabbur* through word by word. Users can *tadabbur* word-by-word of the surah. Each sentence will be separated and translated one by one.
- 6. Propose methods of tadabbur the Qur'an. According to Qur'an Tadabbur Digital, there are two techniques of tadabbur the Qur'an, namely strategic methods and technical steps. Strategic steps include the steps that need to be done before reading and interacting with the Qur'an, which is related to manners. Among them is the intention for the sake of Allah, cultivate the purpose of reading for the sake of Allah, understand and memorize the Qur'an to straighten out belief in Allah, and speech with deeds in accordance with the will of Allah. In addition, it is necessary to have the intention to achieve the pleasure of Allah, keep away from small or large hadas when interacting with the Qur'an, concentrate and avoid futile things, facing the Qibla, and pray that Allah will make it easier to interact with the Qur'an. Technical steps are used when interacting with the Qur'an including the content, meaning, messages contained in the Qur'an including speech, thoughts and daily behavior. It also includes aspects of reciting the Qur'an in tartil, reading the meaning of the words of the Qur'an, and reading the verses written under the meaning of each verse. Readers are also encouraged to interact with the Qur'an through 'Qur'an Tadabbur Digital' two pages a day and do not have to rush, then try to interact with the Qur'an at least one page a day through the Tadabbur Methodology compiled in this application, and deepen it through other tafsir books such as Tafsir Ibn Kathir and Tafsir al-Tabari. Readers are also encouraged to have the habit of reading the Qur'an between one page to one juzu' a day. Besides, always practice the commandments and abandon the prohibitions of Allah SWT.

Based on the researcher's observations, it is found that most of the *tadabbur* methods used touch the outward meaning of the sentence and do not touch the debate too deeply. This coincides with the purpose of this application was established, which is to provide an initial overview of the results of *tadabbur* for those who have just learned *tadabbur* al-Qur'an. The existence of online Qur'an *tadabbur* digital especially smartphones makes it easy for users to access it regardless of time and place. This situation is a step to bring the community closer to the Qur'an. It is hoped that such applications will be improved in terms of *tadabbur* delivery and multiplied in the future to produce a generation of the Qur'an that adheres to the Qur'an and the *Sunnah*.

This research adds to the existing knowledge by examining tadabbur al-Qur'an using a specific application, i.e. *Applikasi Quran Tadabbur Digital* while previous studies have examined tadabbur al-Qur'an without studying tadabbur Al-Quran using applications. This is significant in the context of *tadabbur al-Qur'an* because during this IR4.0 digital era, the usage of technology is important and *tadabbur al-Quran* should fully utilize media and technology.

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