

## Allah does not listen as attentively to anything as He listens to a prophet with a melodious voice

Abu Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) reported that the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) said: "Allah does not listen as attentively to anything as He listens to a prophet with a melodious voice chanting the Qur'an audibly." [Authentic hadith] [Narrated by Bukhari & Muslim]

This Hadīth urges us to beautify and raise our voices when reciting the noble Qur'an. We ought to recite it in a sad tone while believing that the Qur'an makes us self-sufficient and in no need for other sources of information. "Chanting the Qur'an" means beautifying one's voice in reciting, not singing the Qur'an like musical rhythms.

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