Idgham shafawi: meem sakinah before م

When a meem sakinah is followed by another meem, the two merge into one doubled meem with a 2-count ghunnah.

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1 Understand

Look for a sakin م followed directly by a vowelled م, in the same word or across two words.

2 Spot it

The first meem vanishes into the second, which carries the shaddah: لَهُم مَّا is read “lahum-ma”.

3 Read it

Keep the ghunnah for about 2 counts. This is called idgham mithlayn saghir, since the two letters are identical.

م

The idgham shafawi letter

idgham shafawi (meem into meem)

فَأَتبَعُوهُم مُّشْرِقِينَ

Surah 26, verse 60

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أَفَرَءَيتُم مَّا تُمْنُونَ

Surah 56, verse 58

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فَوَٰكِهُ ۖ وَهُم مُّكْرَمُونَ

Surah 37, verse 42

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إِنَّهَا عَلَيْهِم مُّؤْصَدَةٌ

Surah 104, verse 8

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وَلَهُم مَّقَٰمِعُ مِنْ حَدِيدٍ

Surah 22, verse 21

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