CHAPTER I
INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the Study

As a Muslim, surely the researcher believes that Quran is a holy book that serves as a warning and guidance from Allah Subhanahu wa Ta'ala. Therefore, Allah revealed Quran directly through His last prophet, Muhammad (peace be upon Him). Quran is revealed not only for some people but also for all humans in the world until hereafter. It has been maintained from the authenticity and perfection without any changes and addition at all. Moreover, Quran contains many histories and emphasizes moral important of life.

Furthermore, communication is a process of interaction among someone and several people, groups, organizations, or communities in creating and using information to connect with others in the social environment. In general, communication is carried out verbal or can use bodily gestures that are called nonverbal communication and can be understood by one another.

According to Austin (1968), Commissive utterance is one of speech act that commonly used, especially in illocutionary act to produce utterances in human communication. There are several types of utterance that are included in commissive utterances; those are promising, threatening, warning, offering, refusing utterances (Searle, 1969). Commissive utterance is interesting to be analyzed because it is mostly found in English translation of the Noble Quran. In this research, we can know what the implication from promising, threatening, warning, and many more about commissive utterances.

So, the researcher intends to analyze the secret of the Noble Quran, especially in Surah Al-Waqi’ah. Surah Al-Waqi’ah is a part of the Noble Quran which consists of 96 verses. This Surah describe about the Occurrence (Waqi’ah) that is the names of the day of Resurrection. The researcher focuses on types and politeness strategies of commissive utterance. Some phenomenon related to commissive utterances in English translation of Surah Al-Waqi’ah.
For example:

"These will be the nearest (to Allah). (Al-Waqi’ah: 11)"

In the Gardens of Delight. (Al-Waqi’ah: 12)

A multitude of those will be from the first ones. (Al-Waqi’ah: 13)

And a few of those will be from the later ones”. (Al-Waqi’ah: 14)

Through the verse 11-14 of Surah Al-Waqi’ah above, the meaning of those verses above, Allah states that the foremost of the close believers are a multitude among the earlier generations and a few from the latter generations who are on the Gardens of pleasure, asserted that in the era of Islam began to emerge, until the end of the day, many Muslims became experts in the heaven refer to Prophets and true believers in the verse number 11-14. The utterances show the type of Declarative in commissive utterances and Promising is the intention which is used of those utterances.

The current research of commissive utterance has been done by many researchers, such as: Nourzad (2015), Ali Ahmed and Gunawan (2018), Natkare (2015), Altikriti (2016), Al-Shaer (2013), Arlischa (2018), Ichsanira (2018), Safriani (2016), Hening(2014), Muslihatun (2013). The current researchers analyzed the types of J.L Austin and Politeness Strategy of Brown and Levinson, some of which focus on the pragmatics function of locution, illocution, perlocution acts of the speeches and most of researchers analyzed about interpretation, implicature, function of locution, politeness and etc. The researcher is describing the types and finding out the politeness strategies of the commissive utterance in the Noble Qur’an Surah Al – Waqi’ah.

Based on the phenomena above, the researcher is interested in analyzing types and kinds of commissive utterances in the Noble Qur’an of Surah Al –Waqi’ah because it will enrich the theories of pragmatics, especially in speech act of commissive utterances in the English translation of the Noble Quran of Surah Al-Waqi’ah. So, the researcher conducts the research entitled COMMISSIVE UTTERANCES FOUND IN ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF THE NOBLE QUR’AN OF SURAH AL-WAQI’AH.
B. Problem Statement

The research problems are:

1. What are the types of the sentences found in Surah Al-Waqi’ah?
2. What are the intentions of the commissive utterances found in Surah Al-Waqi’ah?

C. Objective of the Study

The objectives of the study are:

1. To identify the types of the sentences found in Surah Al-Waqi’ah.
2. To describe the intentions of commissive utterances found in Surah Al-Waqi’ah.

D. Significance of the Study

In this study, the researcher is expected that it will give benefit for the reader both practically, theoretically and other researcher:

1. Theoretical Benefit
   
   This study will help the reader to get more information about the analysis of the Noble Qur’an of Surah Al-Waqi’ah. Besides, this study can be used as a reference to other researchers in commissive utterances.

2. Practical Benefit
   
   This research is expected to be beneficially for:
   
a. English teachers and lecturers
   
   The result of the study can be used by the teachers and the lecturers to give explanation and example about pragmatics in speech act analysis of commissive utterance.

b. Future researcher
   
   The result of the study can be used as an additional reference by other researcher to conduct further research relates to pragmatics in speech-act analysis of commissive utterance.