

O IT'S A CALL TO LIFE MANKIND!

Summarized Pictorial Presentation Featuring
Al-Rajihi Mosque in Riyadh
Saudi Arabia



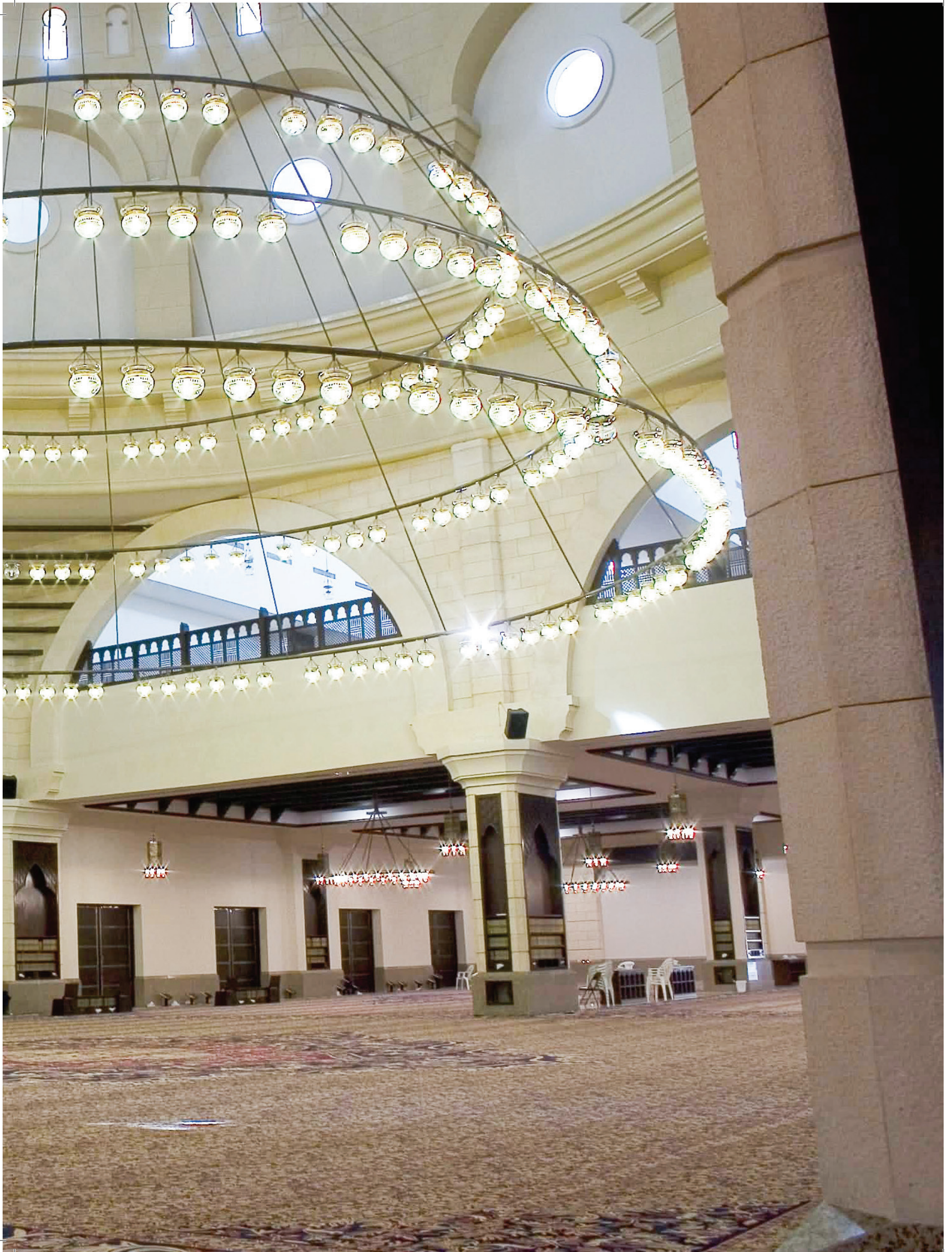
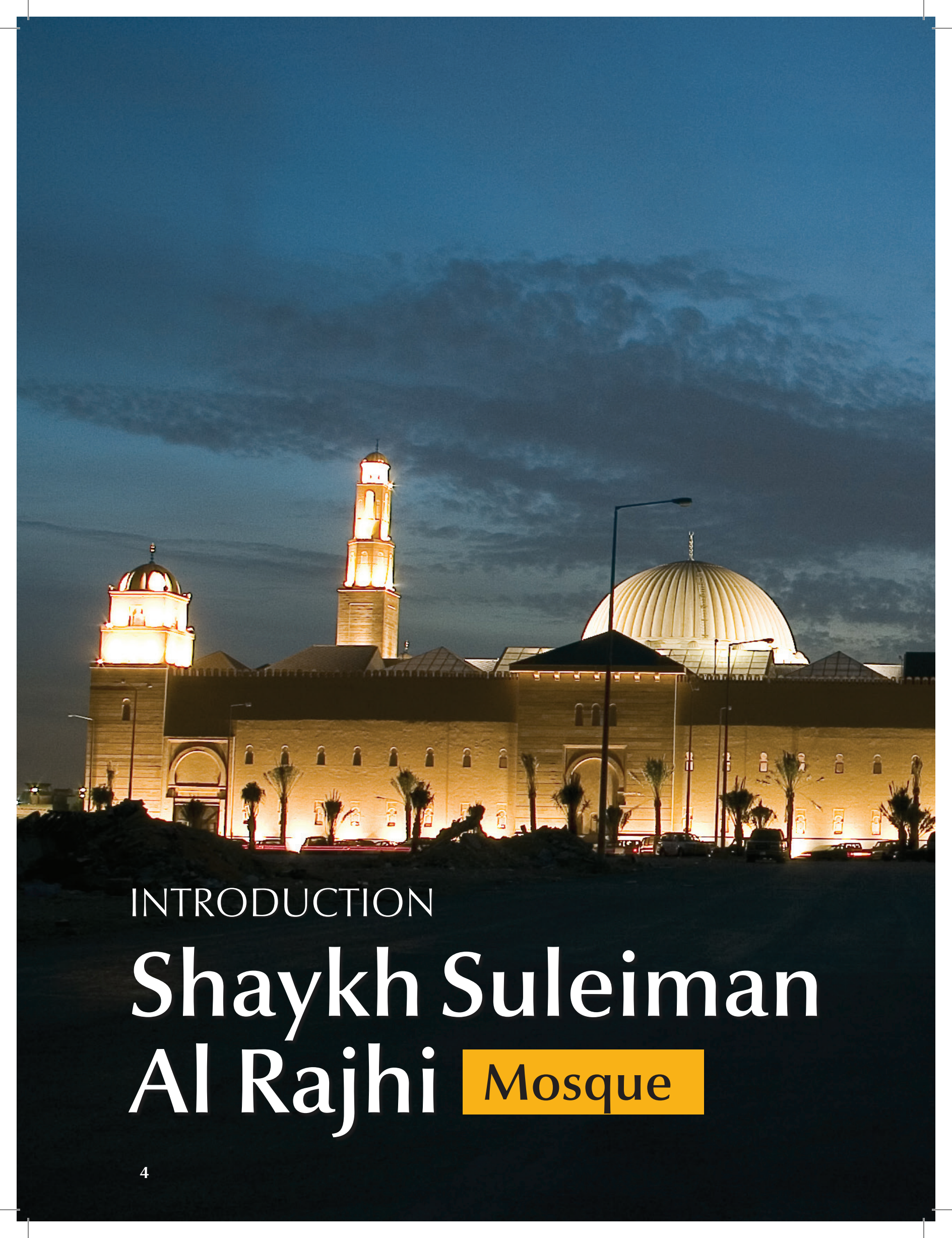




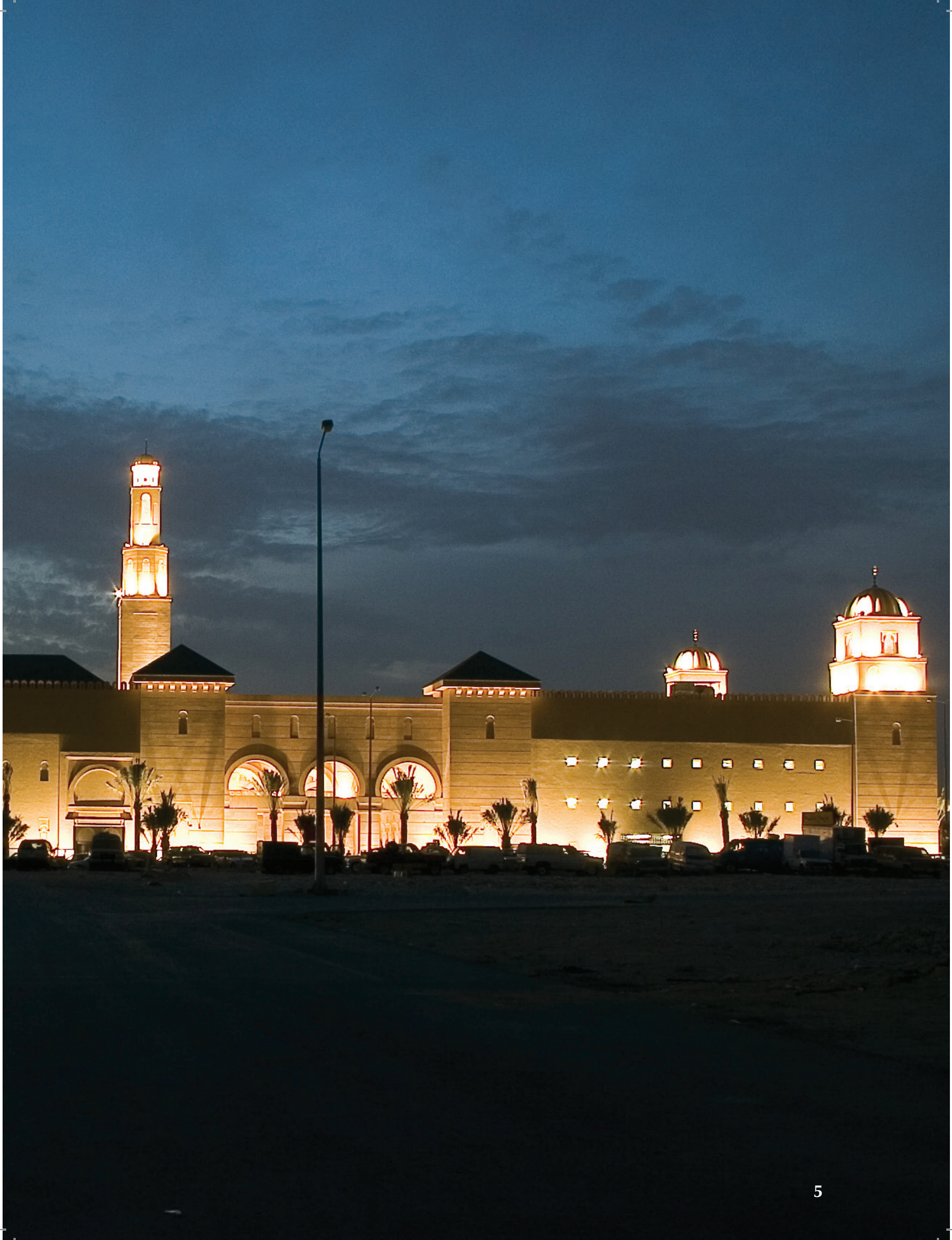
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INTRODUCTION

Shaykh Suleiman Al Rajhi Mosque





The largest mosque in Riyadh, a prominent landmark, and one of the largest mosques in the Arab world.

Opened in 2004, the mosque encompasses an area of **13,260m²**, and can accommodate more than **20,000** congregants.

The mosque has a dome with a height of **28.8m** and two minarets with a height of **55m**.



Activities

- Quran Memorization Classes
- Hadith Memorization Classes
- Islamic Studies Programs

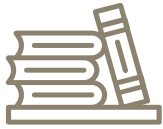




Shaykh Suleiman Al Rajhi
Mosque



Services



A public library with more than **18,000** titles and **50,000** volumes. It can accommodate **100** readers.



A hall for seminars and lectures that can accommodate 150 people and a reception hall to receive VIP visitors.



A mortuary that can accommodate 11 funerals.







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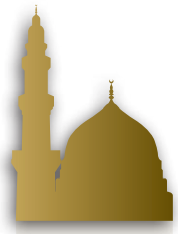




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Chapter

THE MOSQUE IN ISLAM



The Mosque in ISLAM

The mosque was the first institution established by the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ in the first Islamic state after he migrated to Medina.

The Prophet's Mosque served not only as the place of worship where Muslims performed the daily prayers but also as a center of learning and teaching, spiritual and behavioral education, and a place for receiving delegations and managing all affairs of Medinan society. Thus, the mosque became the cornerstone of the Muslim community.

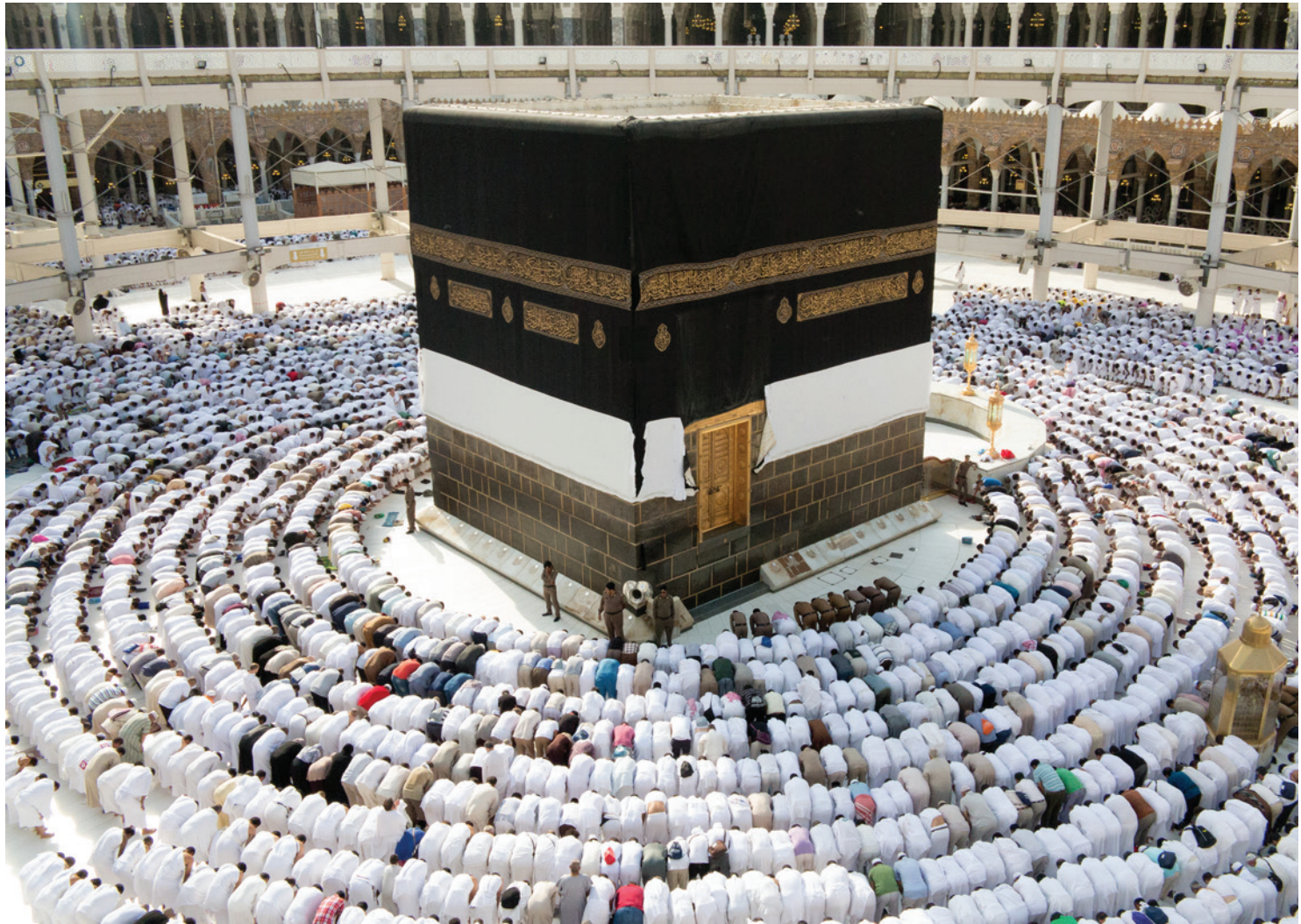


The First Mosque in Islam

When the Prophet ﷺ migrated from Mecca to Medina, he stayed in a small town near Medina called Quba. In that town, he built the first mosque in Islam: Quba Mosque.

The Best Mosques in ISLAM

The best mosque of all is called the Great Mosque of Mecca, which contains the Kaaba, followed by the Prophet's Mosque (peace be upon him) in Medina, followed by the Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem.



The GREAT MOSQUE

The Great Mosque is located in Mecca and contains the Kaaba, the direction all Muslims face in prayer. It was built by the father of the prophets, Abraham ﷺ, with his son Prophet Ishmael ﷺ

Its Significance

The Great Mosque is the best place of worship in Islam. It is the holiest spot on earth for Muslims. Many things permitted outside the Mosque's sanctuary are forbidden, such as hunting, cutting trees, and the entry of non-Muslims. Praying in the Grand Mosque is equivalent to 100,000 prayers in other mosques.

The PROPHET'S MOSQUE

Located in Medina, it was built by the Prophet ﷺ when he first arrived in Medina after migrating from Mecca.

Its Significance

It is the second-best mosque in Islam. The Prophet's Mosque and its surroundings (known as the Madani Sanctuary) have the same sanctity as the Meccan Sanctuary; hunting, cutting down trees. Prayer in the Prophet's Mosque is equivalent to 1000 prayers elsewhere, with the exception of the Great Mosque of Mecca.



AL-AQSA MOSQUE

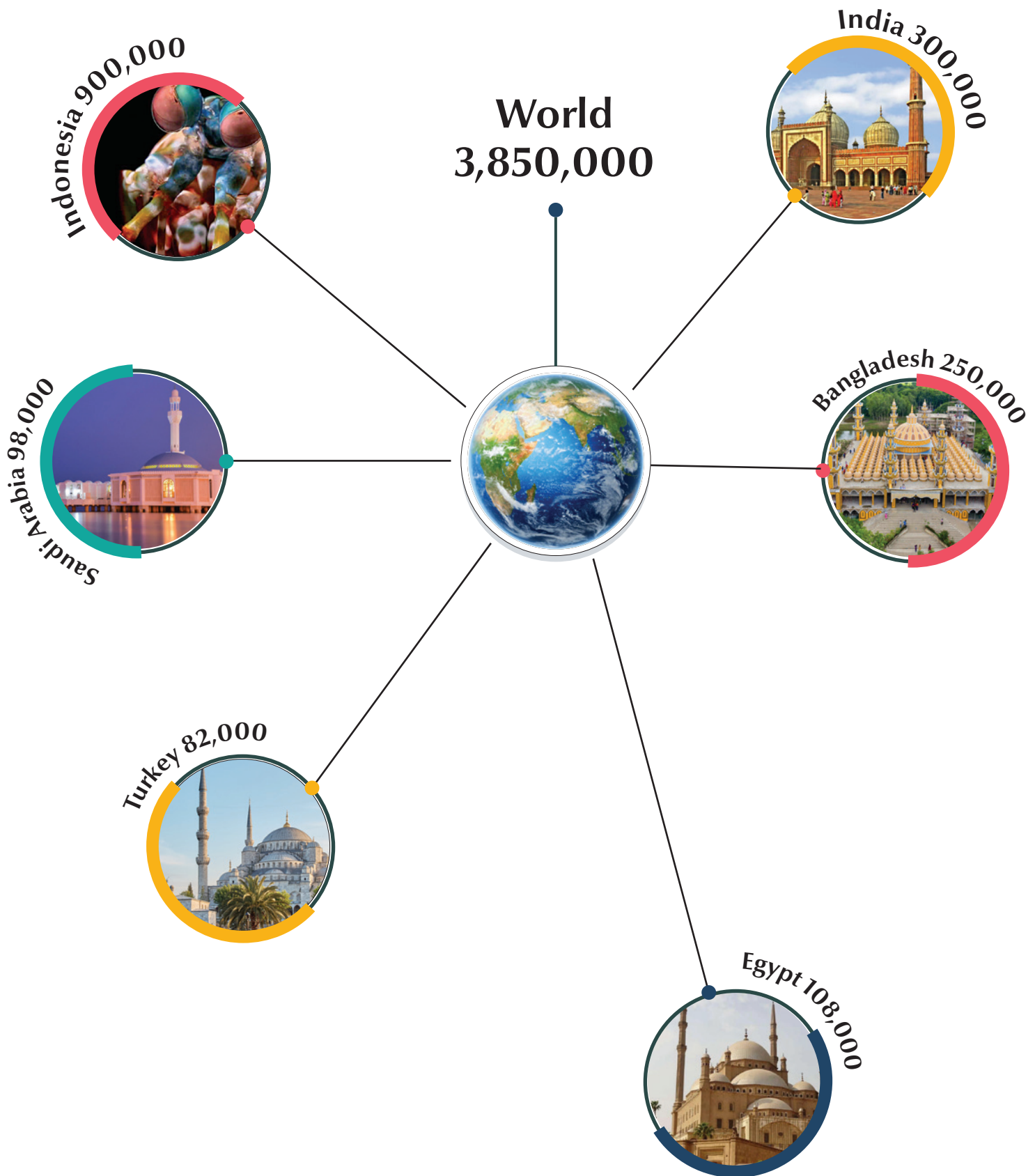
It is located in the city of Jerusalem in Palestine. It was built 40 years after the construction of the Great Mosque of Mecca.

Its Significance

Al-Aqsa Mosque was the first direction that Muslims prayed to before Allah changed the direction to Mecca. It is the third-best mosque in Islam. From it, the Prophet ﷺ was led to heaven on the famous journey known as Isra and Mi'raj. Prayer in Al-Aqsa Mosque is equivalent to 500 prayers elsewhere, except in the Great Mosque of Mecca and the Prophet's Mosque in Medina.



NUMBER OF MOSQUES (2019)



OLDEST MOSQUES



The Great Mosque of Mecca

Mecca - Saudia Arabia During the time of Abraham (peace be upon him)



Al-Aqsa Mosque Jerusalem
40 Years After the Building of the Grand Mosque



The Mosque of the Companions Eritrea
620 CE



Quba Mosque Medina
622 CE



The Prophet's Mosque Medina
622 CE



The Great Mosque Yemen
627 CE



The Umayyad Mosque Syria
637 CE



Ibrahimi Mosque Palestine
637 CE



Amr ibn Al-A'as Mosque Egypt
642 CE



Great Mosque of Kairouan Tunisia
672 CE

THE LARGEST MOSQUES

by Congregation



The Great Mosque of Mecca Mecca
2,000,000 Congregants



The Prophet's Mosque Medina
698,000 Congregants



King Faisal Mosque Pakistan
300,000 Congregants



Al-Aqsa Mosque Jerusalem
250,000 Congregants



Istiqlal Mosque Indonesia
200,000 Congregants



Great Mosque of Algiers Algeria
120,000 Congregants



Hassan II Mosque Morocco
105,000 Congregants



Badshahi Mosque Pakistan
100,000 Congregants



Jama Mosque of Delhi India
85,000 Congregants



Grand Çamlıca Mosque Turkey
50,000 Congregants

MOSQUES & UNIVERSITIES



Al-Zaytuna Mosque and University Tunisia 737 CE

The oldest university in the Islamic world and one of the oldest universities in the world.



Al-Qarawiyyin Mosque and University

Morocco 859 CE

The 3rd oldest university in the Islamic world after Al-Zaytuna and Al-Qarawiyyin.



Al-Azhar Mosque and University Egypt 970 CE

The oldest institution of higher education as well as the first university to grant a degree in medicine in the world.

MOSQUES BY SIGNIFICANT EVENTS



Great Mosque of Cordoba- Spain

It was completed in its final form within two centuries, starting in 785 CE. In 1236 CE, it was converted into a church.



Great Mosque of Kairouan- Tunisia

It has the oldest surviving minaret in the world (built 836 CE).



The Great Mosque of Djenné- Mali

The largest clay-built mosque/religious site in the world.



Cambridge Central Mosque- Britain

The first environmentally-friendly mosque in Europe (2019).

THE ADHAN

(Call to Prayer)

The adhan is a call to the monotheism of Almighty Allah and the prophethood of Muhammad ﷺ. The adhan is how Muslims know that the time of an obligatory prayer has started, which they perform five times throughout the day and night. The Callers to Prayer proclaim the adhan.

Words of the Adhan

Allah (Arabic word for God) is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest.
Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest.

I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah.
I testify that there is no deity except Allah.

I bear witness that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah.
I testify that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah.

Come to the Prayer. Come to the Prayer.

Come to Success. Come to Success.

Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest.

There is no deity except Allah.

Significance of the Adhan (Call to Prayer)

The Adhan is one of the major symbols of Islam because it is a proclamation to perform the Prayer, which is the second pillar of Islam after the Declaration of Faith. When the Callers proclaim the call to prayer, everyone that hears him will testify to his call on the Day of Resurrection.

He will be forgiven to the extent his voice reaches. If a Muslim repeats after the Caller and then supplicates to Allah afterward, Allah will answer their prayer.

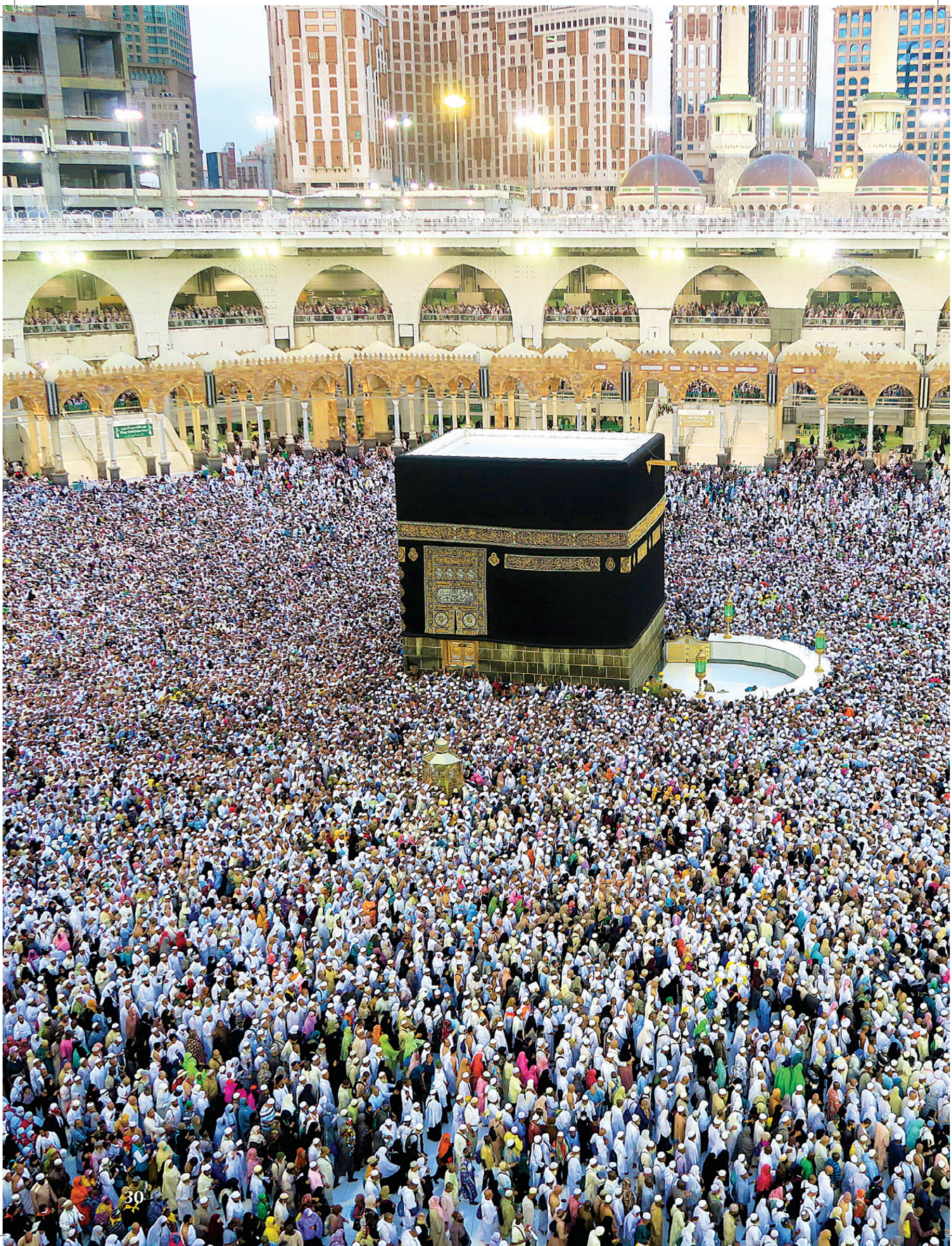
The First Mu'addhin of Islam

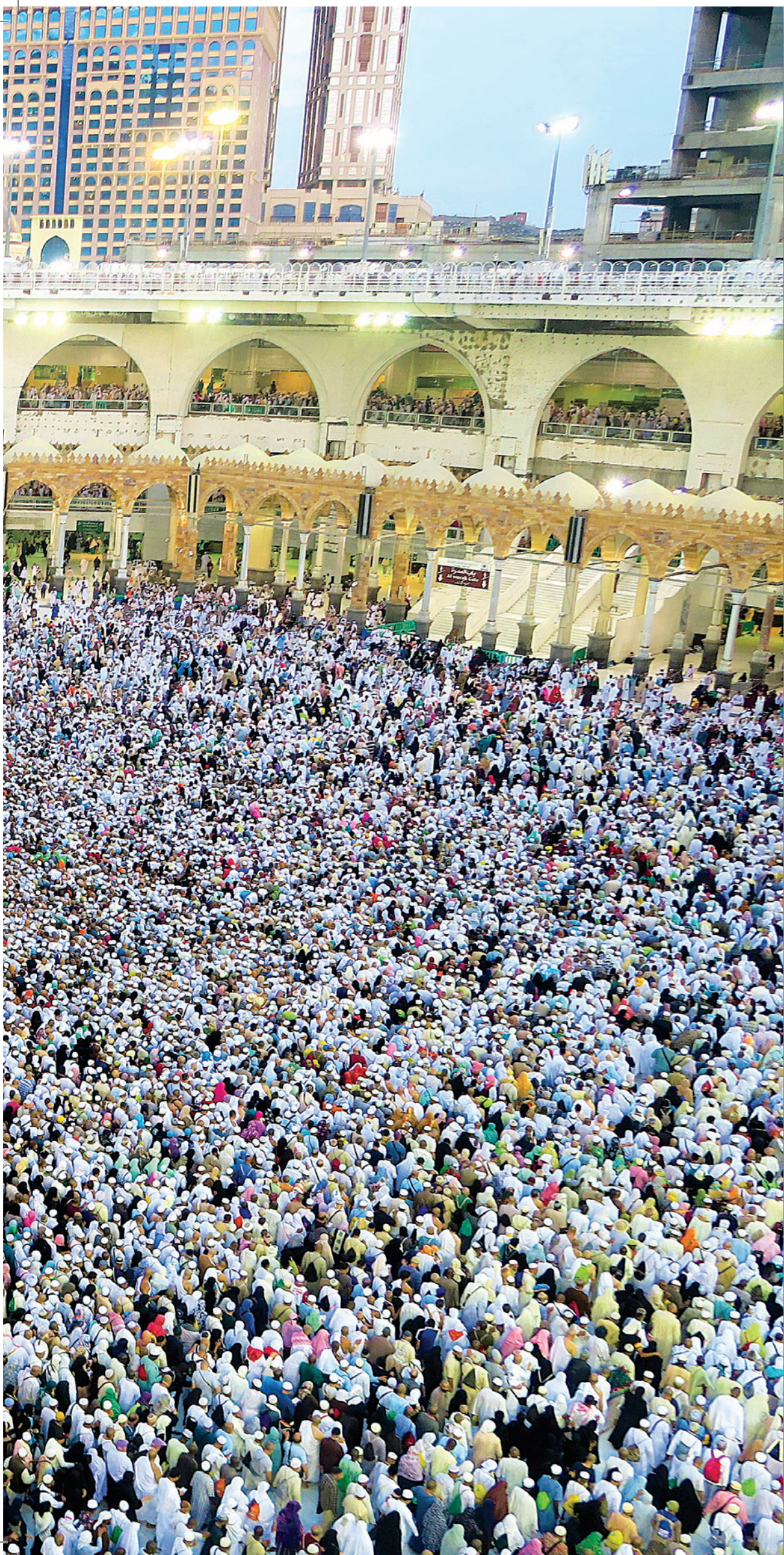
An enslaved black man from the people of Abyssinia believed in Allah and the prophethood of Muhammad (peace be upon him). As a result, his master subjected him to various forms of torture until he was about to die. So Abu Bakr, the companion of the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him), bought him and freed him. Years pass, and the Call to Prayer is legislated.

He attained the distinction of being the first to proclaim the Call to Prayer in Medina. More years pass, and Mecca is conquered. He becomes the first human to ascend atop the Kaaba and proclaim the Call of Prayer from it.

This man's name is Bilal bin Rabah (may Allah be pleased with him), the first muaddhin (Caller to Prayer) in Islam.







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Chapter

ABOUT ISLAM

The Simplest definition of ISLAM

Islam is the religion of monotheism that contains a universal Message and the final divine Book from the Creator of people to all people. When embraced, it becomes a prosperous way of life and a universal civilization.

Religion of Monotheism

Universal Message

Final Divine Book

Way of Life

Universal Civilisation

Faith & Rites of Worship

ISLAM

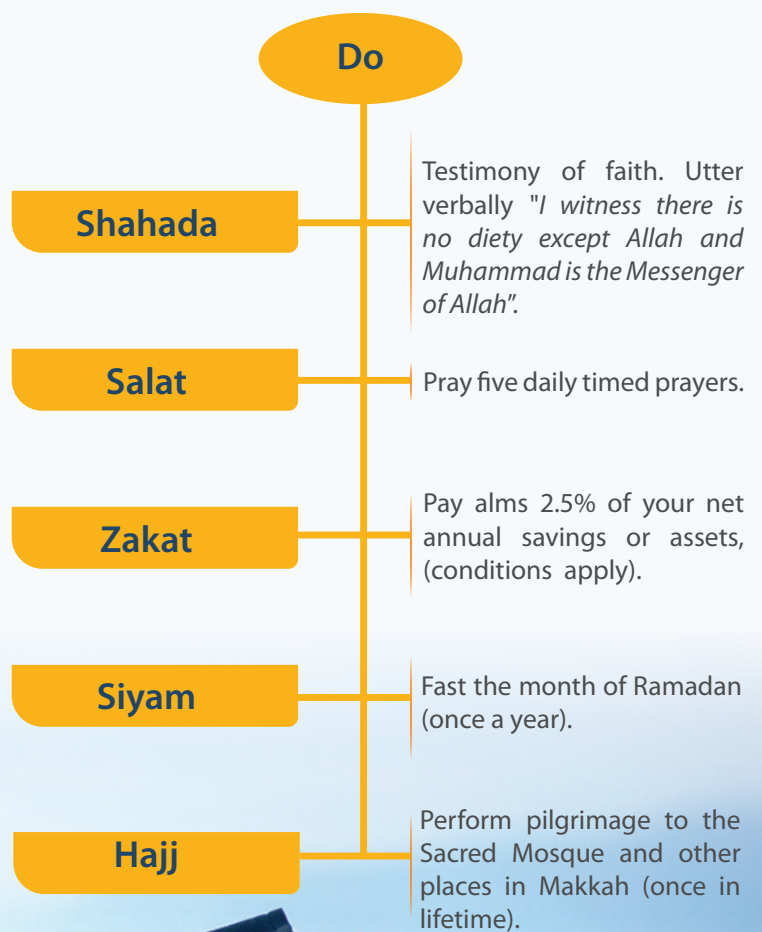
The Six Articles of Faith

The Islamic Creed



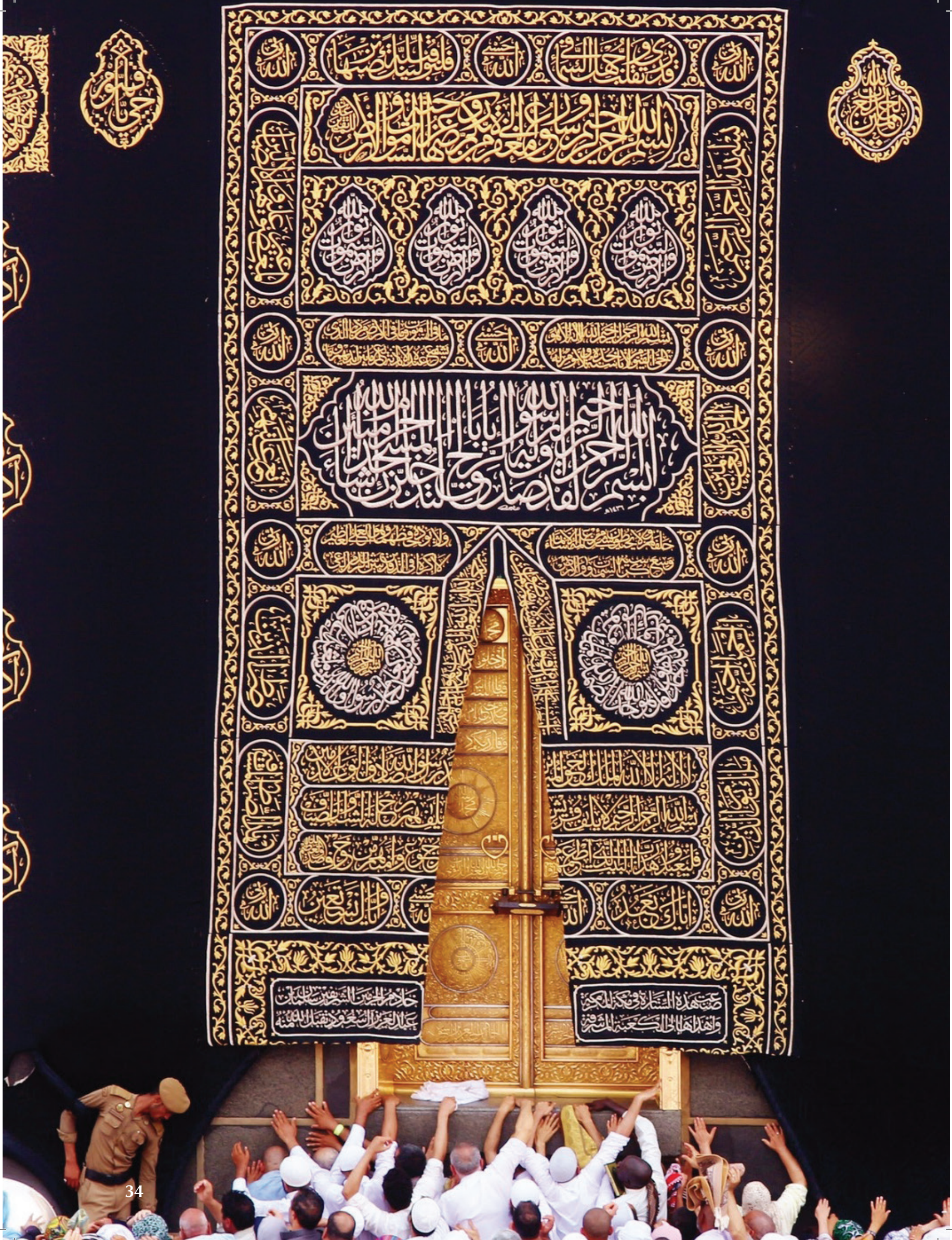
The Five Pillars of Islam

The five mandatory rites of worship



Embracing
Islam





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ISLAM

General Meaning

Islam, in general, means to surrender and submit to Allah.

All of the prophets, including

Adam, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Aaron, David, Solomon, Jesus, and Muhammad, among others, are considered Muslims because they surrendered and submitted to Allah.

Specific Meaning

- Islam, with its specific meaning, is the final revelation from Allah to humanity.
- Its holy scripture is the Quran.
- Its prophet is Muhammad ﷺ.
- The advent of Islam and descent of the Final Testament marked the conclusion of revelations from heaven to humanity.

Relationship Between the Two Meanings of Islam

The Prophet ﷺ said:

Verily, my example and the example of the prophets before me is like a man who built a house and adorned it except for a brick in the corner. So people begin circling this building in admiration, questioning: Shouldn't a brick be put there?

He said, "I am that brick, for I am the Seal of the Prophets. (Al-Bukhari and Muslim)





WORSHIP IN ISLAM



Worship is an act by which a Muslim draws closer to Allah.

■ Forms of Worship in Islam

The concept of worship includes a set of main devotional acts called the “Pillars of Islam.” It includes other forms of worship advocated by Islam, like goodness toward creation, not only human beings but also animals.

■ The Broader Concept of Worship

The concept of worship extends to include the ordinary actions that a person performs during the day and night:

Going to work, studying, eating, drinking, sleeping, etc., can all turn into acts of worship if they meet two conditions:

It is a permissible act The Muslim intends to get closer to Allah through it or worship Him better. Allah says to His Prophet Muhammad ﷺ:

﴿Say, “Verily, my prayer, my offering, my life, and my death are for Allah, Lord of the worlds. (162) He has no partner. This is what I have been commanded, and I am the first to submit to Allah﴾

[Al-An’am: 162, 163].



PILLARS OF ISLAM

They refer to the five main acts of worship in Islam.



Shahadah (The Testimony of Faith)

The testimony that there is no deity except Allah and that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah. These are the keys to entering Islam and attaining admission into Paradise.



Salah (Prayer)

There are five obligatory prayers during the day and night.



Zakat (Charity)

It is an obligatory percentage of money the rich give to the poor once a year.



Siyam (Fasting)

It is abstaining from food and drink –intending it as an act of worship– from dawn to sunset in the month of Ramadan of each year.



Hajj (The Major Pilgrimage)

It is a visit to Mecca during the Hajj season – once in a lifetime – to perform specific rites of worship.

PILLARS OF FAITH

Faith increases through pious deeds and decreases through sins.

Faith consists of six pillars that every Muslim is obligated to believe.

1 Belief in Allah

We believe that there is no Creator, Sustainer, Owner, or Manager of the universe except Allah -may He be Exalted- so we worship Him alone and do not involve anyone in worshipping Him.

2 Belief in the Books

It is the word of Allah that He sent down to His Messengers to guide people. They include Abraham's Scriptures, the Torah, the Psalms, the Gospel, and the Quran.

3 Belief in the Last Day

It is a day when Allah will resurrect all creation from death and hold them accountable for their deeds.

4 Belief in Angels

They are real beings created by Allah from light and responsible for the work that Allah has appointed them with.

5 Belief in the Messengers

They are humans chosen by Allah, and His Books were revealed to them to guide people.

6 Belief in Divine Decree

We believe everything in this universe can only happen with Allah's prior Knowledge, Will, and Judgment.



القرآن الكريم

The Final Divine and Eternal Message to Humanity

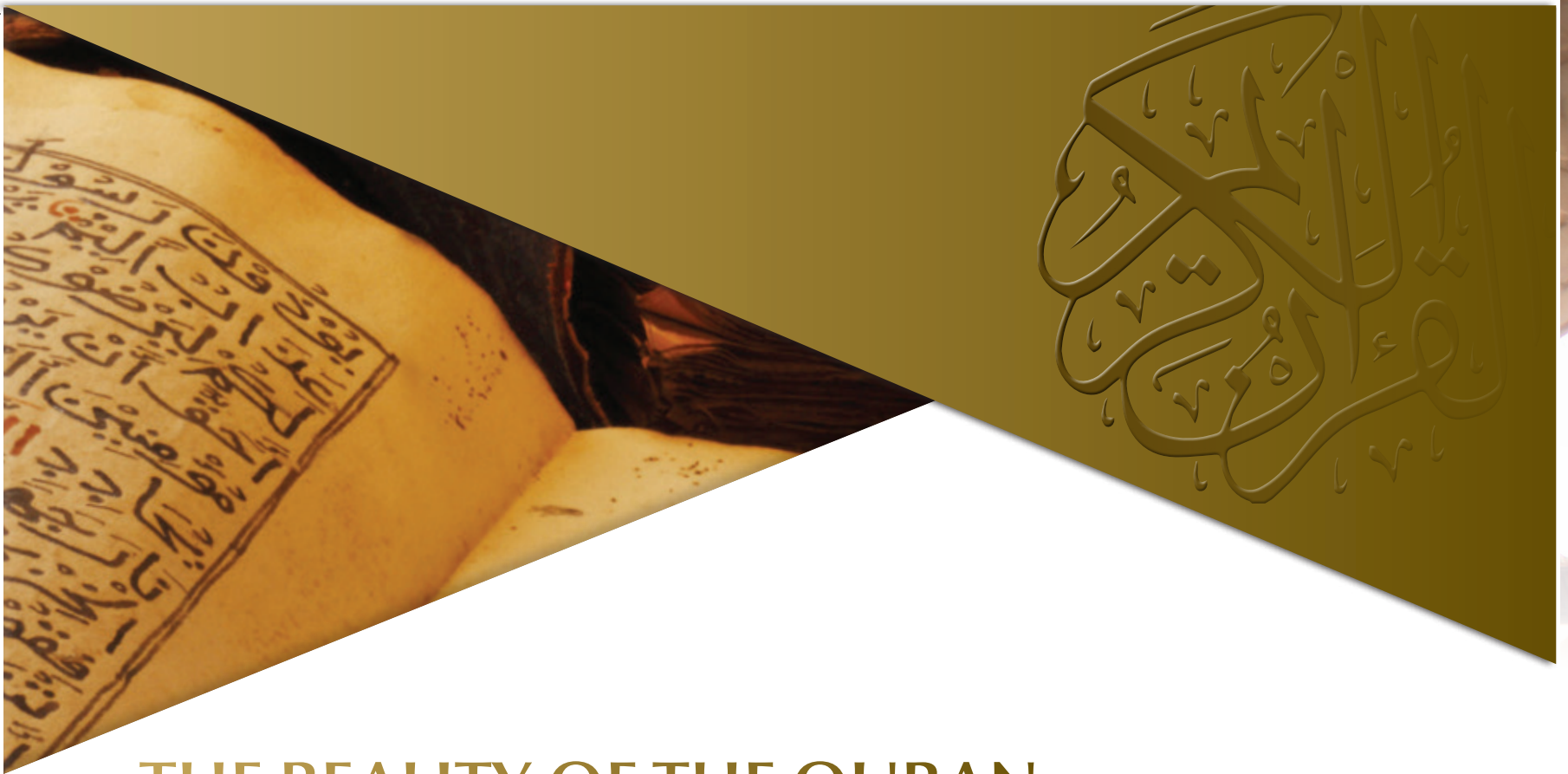




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Chapter

ABOUT QURAN



THE REALITY OF THE QURAN

The Quran is the final scripture that descended from heaven to earth; no other divine scripture will be revealed after it.

It is the word of Allah; He revealed it to the Archangel Gabriel, who communicated it to the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, and the Prophet relayed it to us as it is.

Topics within the Quran

The Quran is the first constitution of Islam and consists of multiple topics including:

Foundation of Faith

Worship

Transactions

Moral behavior

The Miracle of the Quran

The Quran is a divine miracle; Allah challenged humanity and the jinn alike to come up with a linguistic miracle like it, which they were unable to do and will never be able to do.



23
YEARS

Duration of the Quran's Revelation

The revelation of the Holy Quran to the Prophet lasted 23 years.





PRESERVATION OF THE QURAN

Allah ensured that the Quran would be preserved, unable to be distorted or altered until the establishment of the Day of Judgment.

■ Muslims' Commitment to the Quran

Countless Muslims memorized the Holy Quran within their hearts, passing it on generation after generation from the time of the Prophet until now. They also took care of writing down the Quran in books with the highest level of precision and accuracy.

■ The Quran's Memorizers

Tens of millions of people memorize all 604 pages of the Quran word-by-word, young and old, men and women, Arabs and non-Arabs alike.

■ A Few Stats

1.6 million memorizers of the Quran live in Morocco. **1 million** memorizers live in Libya, where the entire population is **6 million!** **320 million** copies of the Quran are in print around the world. There are **1000** translations of the Quran's meanings in more than **154** languages.

■ Are there variations between the copies of the Quran?

There are no varying copies of the Quran. The Quran is the same from the east of the earth to the west.

■ The Largest Printing Press of the Quran

King Fahd Holy Quran Printing Complex is the largest printing press of the Holy Quran in the world. 18 million copies are printed there per year.

■ The Language of the Quran

The Quran was revealed in Arabic, and Muslims can only engage in certain acts of worship by reciting it in Arabic. The translations of the Quran only serve to help non-Arabic speaking individuals understand its meanings and are not called the Quran.

SELECTED VERSES FROM THE HOLY QURAN:

{O people, worship your Lord who created you and those before you,
that you may be pious.}

[Al-Baqarah:21]



{Say: O people, I am a messenger of Allah (sent) to you from the One to whom belongs the kingdom of the heavens and the earth. There is no Allah but He. He gives life and brings death. So, believe in Allah and His Messenger, the unlettered prophet, who believes in Allah and in His words, and follow him so that you may find the right path.}

[Al-A'raf:158]



{Have those who disbelieved not considered that the heavens and the earth were a joined entity, and then We separated them and made from water every living thing? Then will they not believe?}

[Al-Anbiya:30]



{It is We Who have sent down the Reminder [i.e., the Quran],
and it is We Who will preserve it.}

[Al-Hijr:9]



{We will show them Our signs in the universe and within their own selves
until it becomes clear to them that this [Quran] is the truth. Is it not
enough that your Lord is a Witness over all things?}

[Fussilat:53]



{O People: We have created you from a male and a female and
made you into nations and tribes so that you may recognize
one another. Indeed, the noblest of you before Allah is the most
righteous among you. Indeed, Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware.}

[Al-Hujurat:13]



{Say: 'If all humans and jinn were to come together to produce something
similar to this Quran, they would not be able to produce the like of it, even
if they collaborated with one another.'}

[Al-Isra:88]

كَلِمَاتٍ
الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ
عَلَى كُلِّ
شَيْءٍ حَكِيمٍ

Hobok

The Cosmic Web of Forces and Magnetic Fields

The universe is held together with huge gravitational and momentum forces as well as a complicated web of magnetic fields. However, The Quran 51:7 precisely describes the sky that it is formed of "Hobok", an Arabic word that means the perfectly knitted or interwoven fabric. Modern science confirms the universe has a fabric of gravitational and magnetic forces. To learn more about the cosmic web or "Hobok" watch this video.

Watch me!

Hobok: The cosmic web

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Quran and Science

The creation of the universe

In Muhammad's day, ideas of the formation of the universe and the motion of the planets and stars was minimal and based on limited information. Fourteen centuries ago, the Quran refers to the origins of the universe, the motion of the sun and the moon, and the rotation of the earth in ways that suggest parallels to modern scientific views.

Our current scientific understanding of the origins of the universe is known as the Big Bang Theory, which is supported by observational and experimental data gathered over decades.

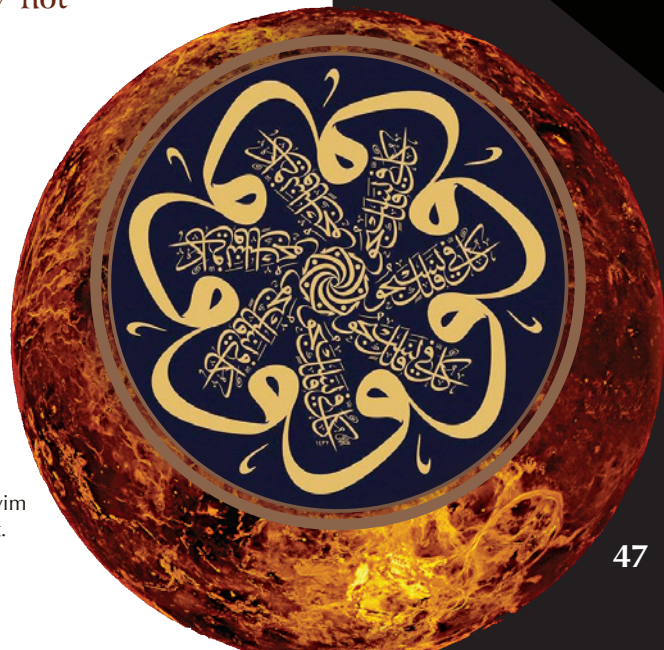
The expansion of the universe

In 1925, American astronomer Edwin Hubble provided observational evidence that stars are moving away from each other which implies that galaxies and the whole universe is expanding. Also, it is an established scientific fact that planets move in elliptical orbits around the sun and rotate around their axes. One will be surprised at the similarities between the modern scientific discoveries and the following verses in the Quran, which were recited by Muhammad more than fourteen centuries ago and preserved until now.

”Do not the unbelievers see that the heavens and the earth were joined together [as one unit of creation], before we clove them asunder? We made from water every living thing. Will they not then believe?” The Quran, 21:30

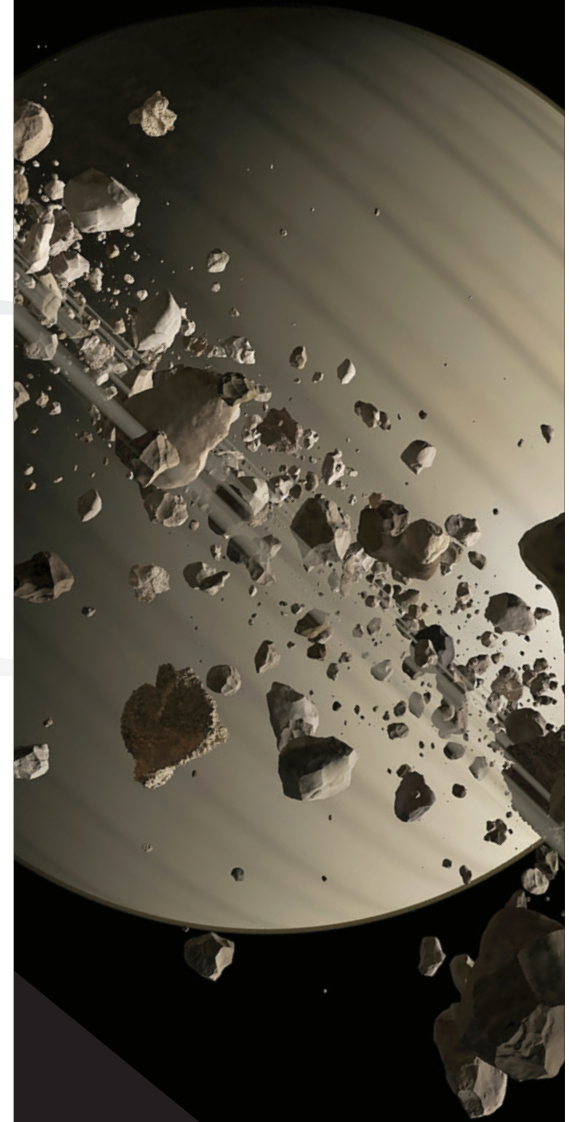


Say (unto them, O Muhammad):
Are those who know equal with
those who know not?
The Quran, 39:9



They (sun and moon) swim
(float) each in an orbit.
The Quran, 36:40

Big Bang



And a "Sign" for them is the night.
We remove from it the light of the day,
so [people] are left in darkness.

And the sun runs on course toward its stopping point.
That is the determination of
the Exalted in Might, the Knowing.

And the moon - We have determined for it phases, until it
returns [appearing] like the old date stalk.

It is not for the sun to reach the moon, nor does the night
overtake the day, but each, in an orbit, is swimming.

The Quran, 36: 37-40

وَالْيَسَابِقِ وَالنَّهَارِ وَكُلِّ فِي فَلَكٍ يَسْبِقُونَ

Muslims were motivated by their faith to seek knowledge from the cradle to the grave, and to go in quest of knowledge even unto the end of the world. Today, many Muslims turn to the Quran and see in certain verses hints of modern scientific findings.

"With power and skill We created the heaven and We are continuously expanding it."

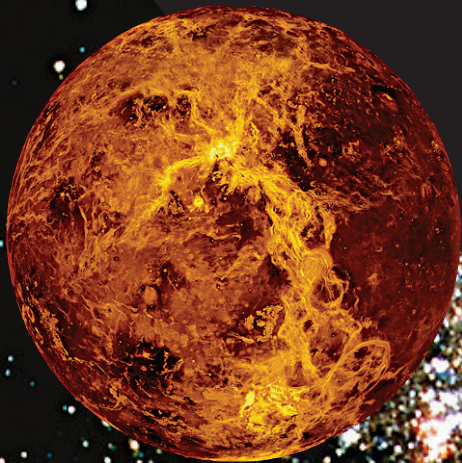
The Quran, 51:47

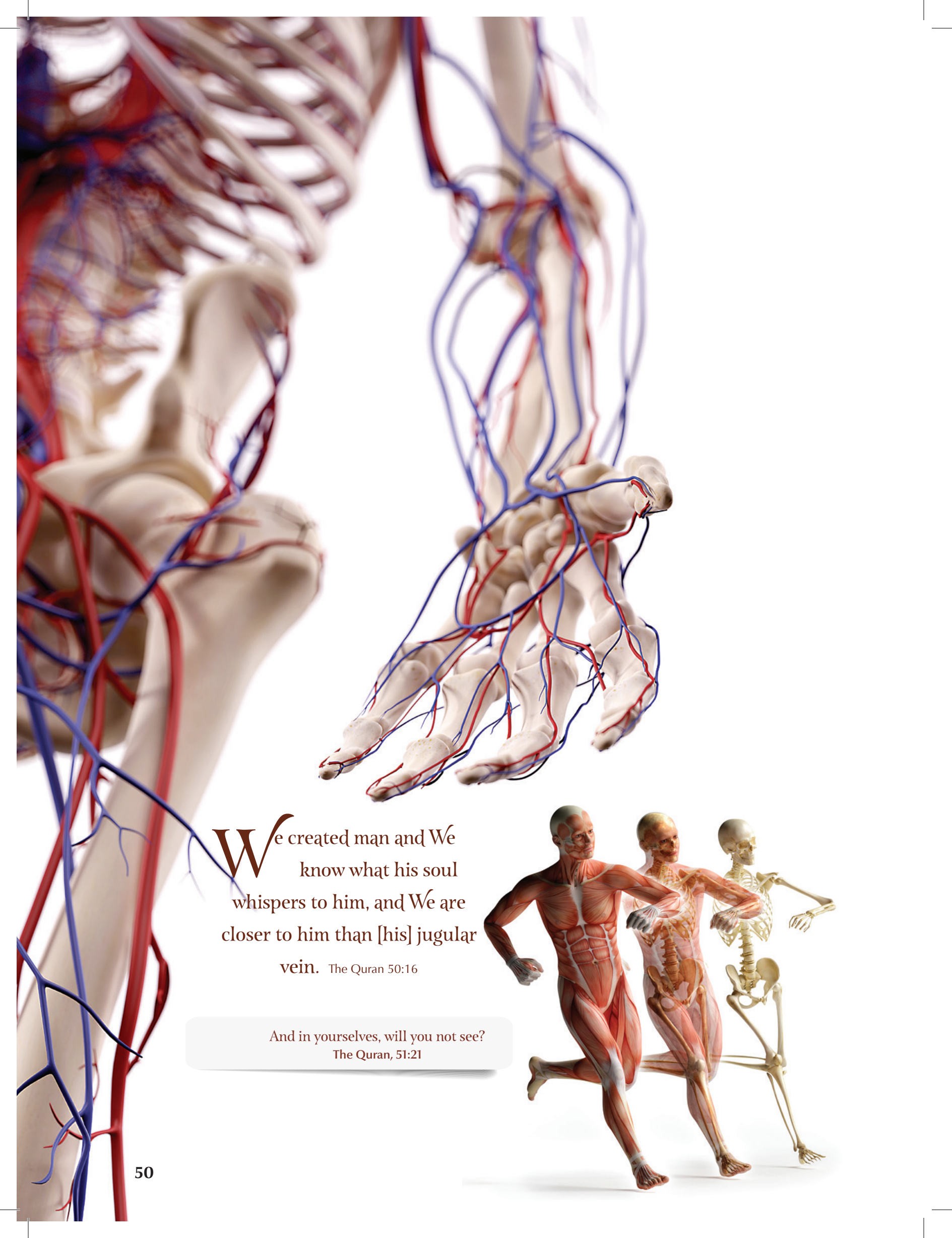
"And it is He Who created the night and the day, and the sun and the moon. All [the celestial bodies] swim along, each in its rounded course."

The Quran, 21:33

He, [God] turned to the heaven when it was smoke and said to it and to the earth: come together willingly or unwillingly, they said: we come together in willing obedience."

The Quran, 41:11





We created man and We
know what his soul
whispers to him, and We are
closer to him than [his] jugular
vein. The Quran 50:16

And in yourselves, will you not see?
The Quran, 51:21



The Miraculous Creation of the Human Being



The human being is the most complex creature on the planet. Every person has a distinctive identity. This identity is characterized by a unique fingerprint, distinctive eye print and exclusive DNA which carries most of the genetic instructions used in the development, functioning and reproduction of the human being. If uncoiled, the DNA in all the cells in your body would stretch 10 billion miles, from the Earth to Pluto and back.

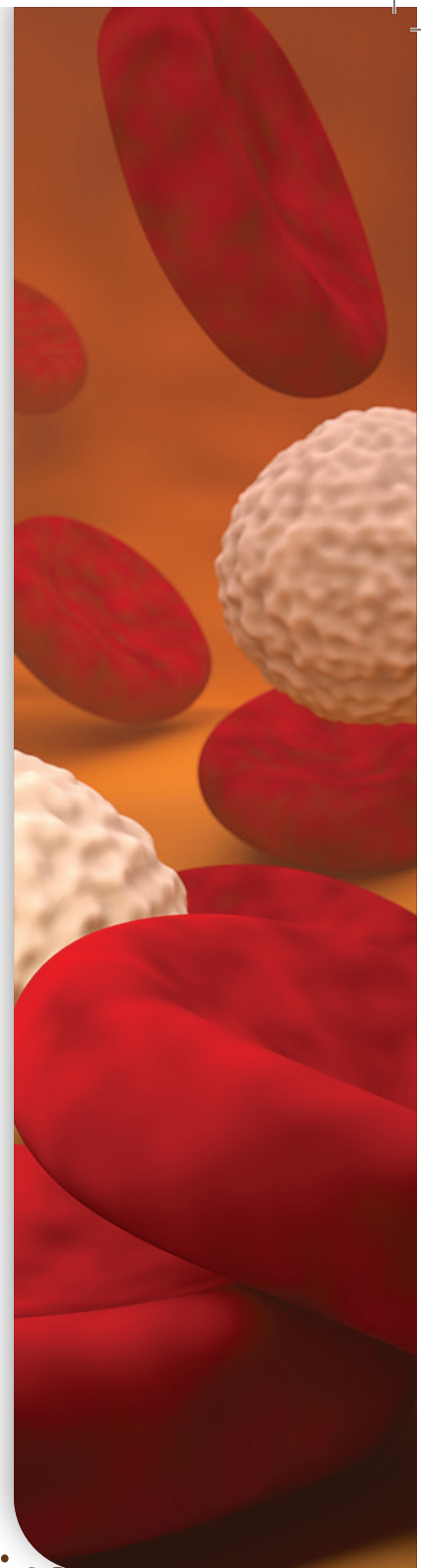
Verily We created man from clay then We placed him as a drop (of sperm) in a safe lodging; Then We made the sperm into a clot of congealed (solid) blood, then of that clot We made a fetus lump, then We made out of that lump bones then covered the bones with flesh, and then produced it another creation.

The Quran, 23:12-14

That is the Knower of the unseen and the witnessed, the Exalted in Might, the Merciful. The one who perfected everything He created and began the creation of man from clay.

Then He made his posterity out of the extract of a liquid disdained. Then He proportioned him and breathed into him from His soul. And He made for you hearing and vision and hearts; little are you grateful.

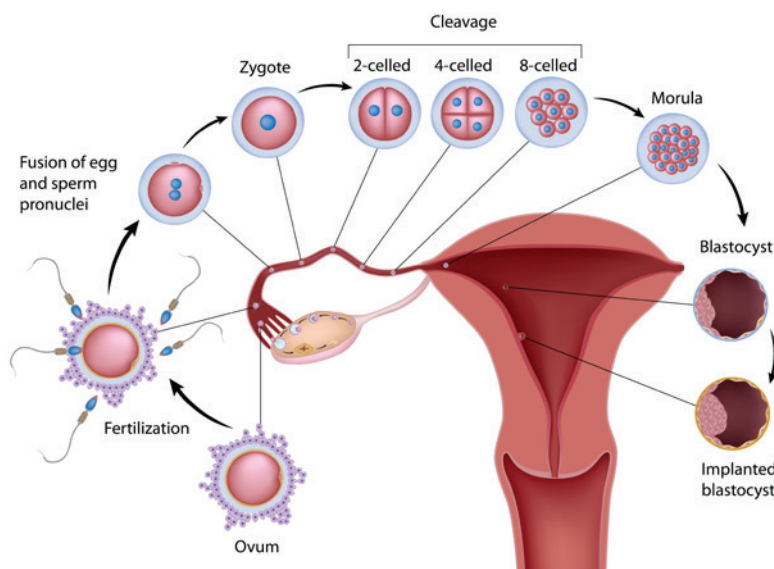
The Quran, 32:6-9

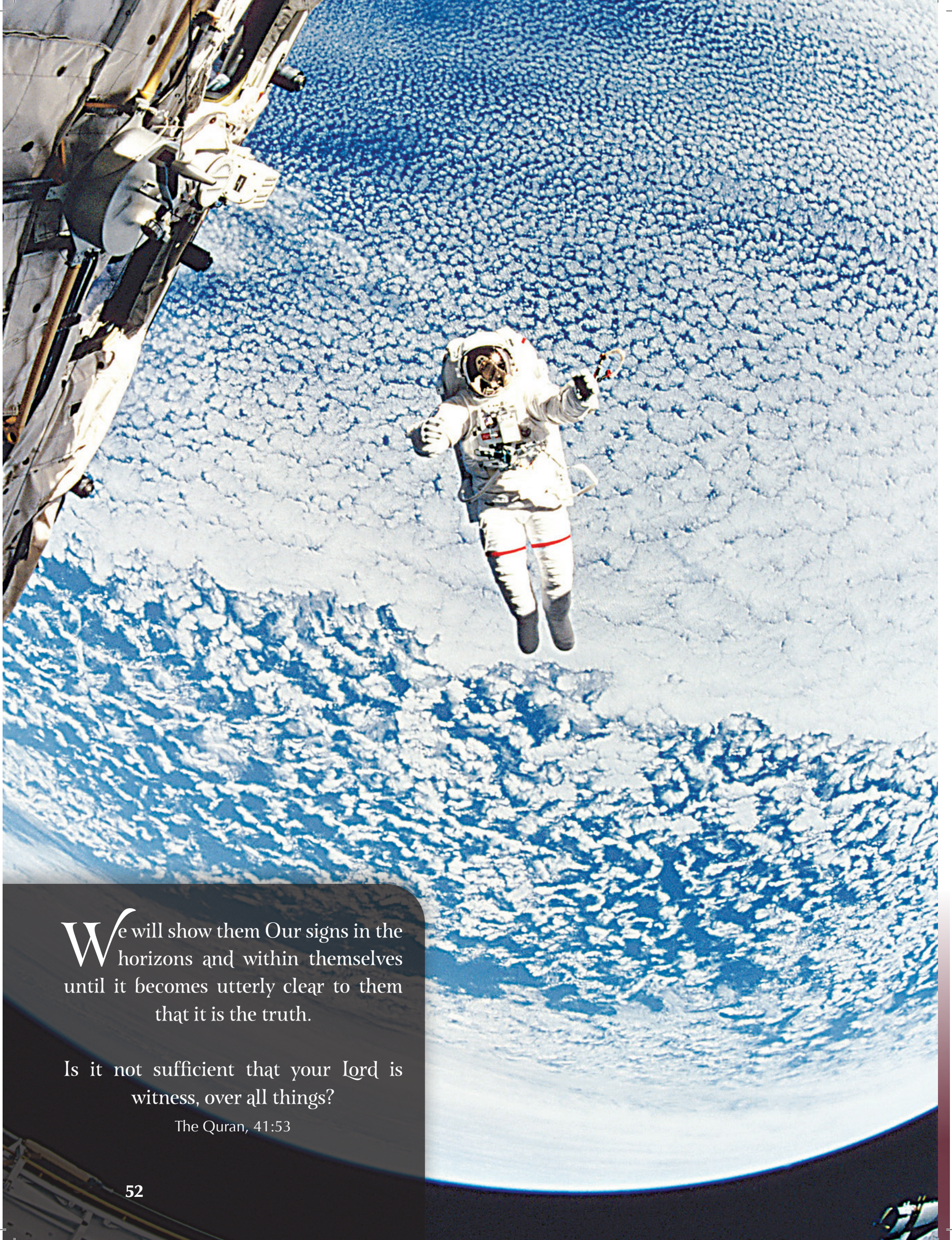


Zygote is the Beginning

Fertilization occurs when the sperm cell successfully enters and fuses with an egg cell (ovum). The genetic material of the sperm and egg then combine to form a single cell called a zygote and the germinal stage of prenatal development commences.

Embryogenesis covers the first eight weeks of development and at the beginning of the ninth week the embryo is termed a fetus. The scientific description of the development of the embryo is identical to the above verse.





We will show them Our signs in the horizons and within themselves until it becomes utterly clear to them that it is the truth.

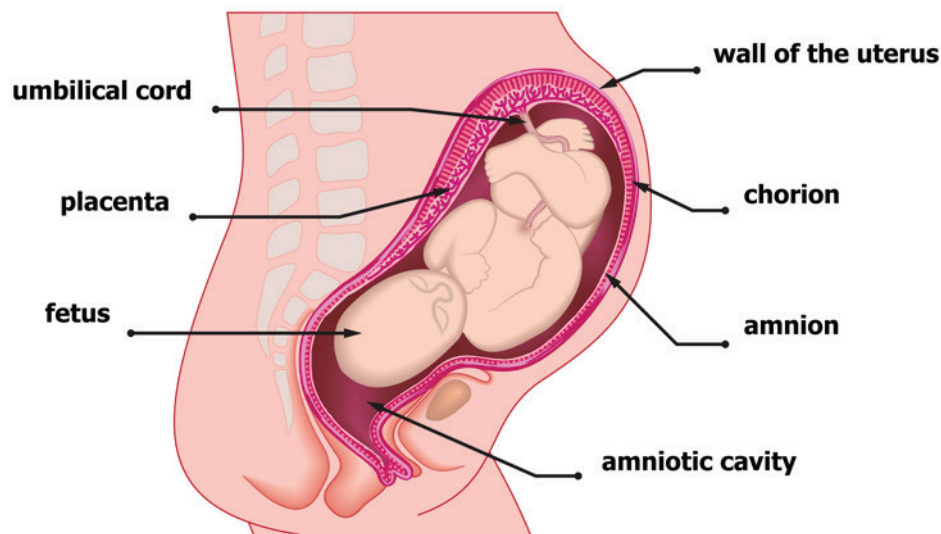
Is it not sufficient that your Lord is witness, over all things?

The Quran, 41:53

Three veils of darkness surround the fetus in the womb

Modern science explains there are three layers that surround the fetus in the womb and provide sturdy and powerful protection for the embryo:

- (1) Mother's interior abdominal wall.
- (2) The uterine wall.
- (3) The amino-chorionic membrane.



...He creates you in the wombs of your mothers, creation after creation, in three veils of darkness (threefold gloom). This is Allah, your Lord. The Sovereignty is His. There is no God except Him. How then are you turned away?

The Quran, 39:6



Has there not come upon man a period of time, when he was nothing, not even mentioned?

We created man from a sperm-drop mixture and We gave him the gifts of hearing and seeing.

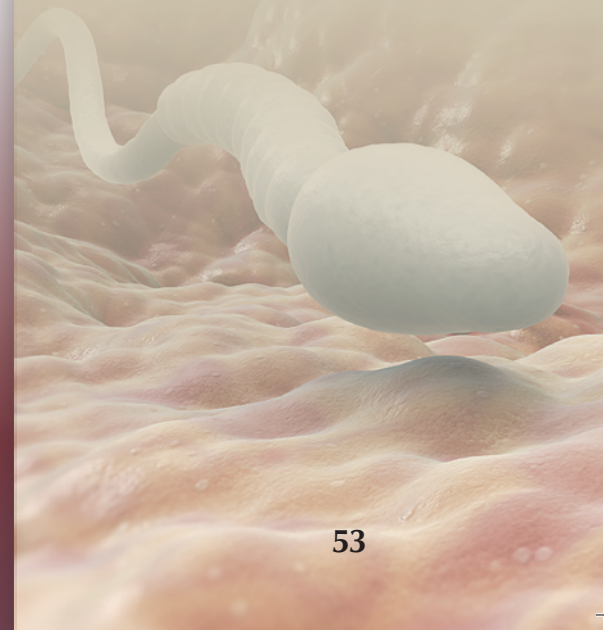
Verily, We showed him the right path and the wrong path so that We test him to see whether he would be grateful or ungrateful.

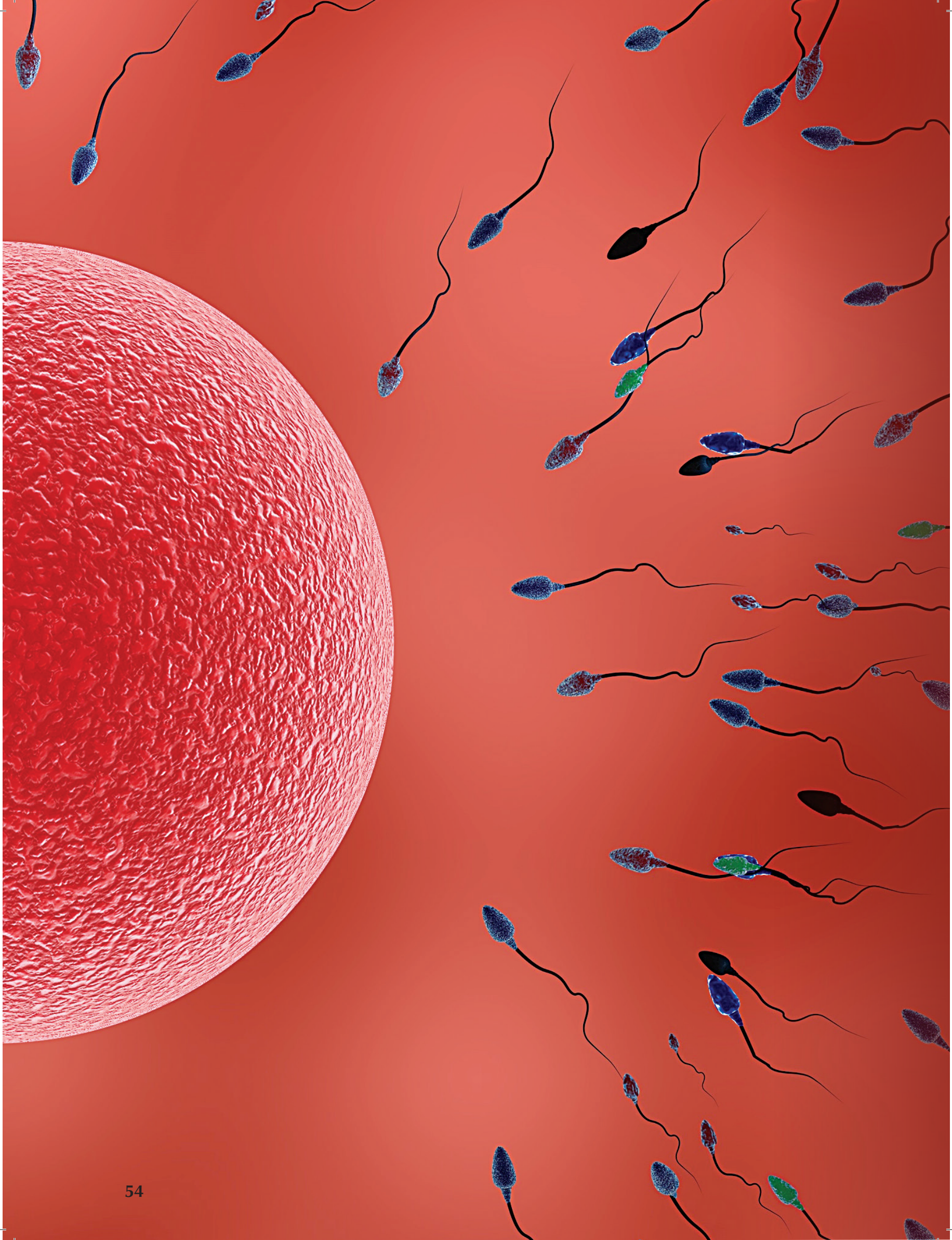
The Quran 76:1-3

There is not for man except what he strives for. And the result of his striving will be seen in the Hereafter.

Then he will be fully recompensed for what he did. To your Lord, all things will eventually return.

The Quran, 53:39-42





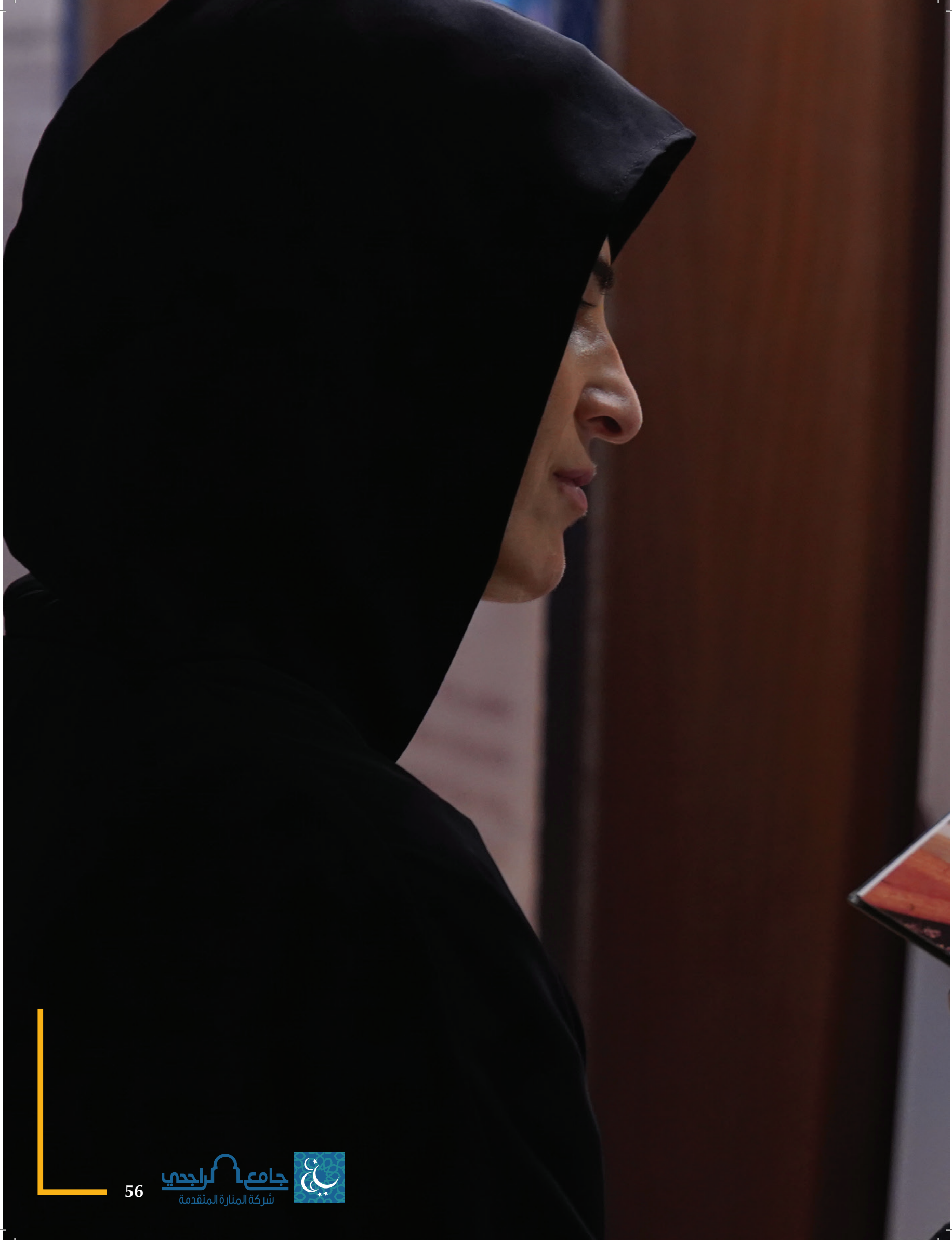
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O People!

If you are in doubt concerning the resurrection, then verily We have created you from dust, then from a drop of seed, then from a clot, then from a little lump of flesh formed and unformed that We show you our Power.

The Qurān, 22:5

And We settle in the wombs whom We will for a specified term, then We bring you out as a child, and then [We develop you] that you may reach your maturity. And among you is he who is taken in early death, and among you is he who is returned to the most decrepit [old] age so that he knows, after once having knowledge, nothing.



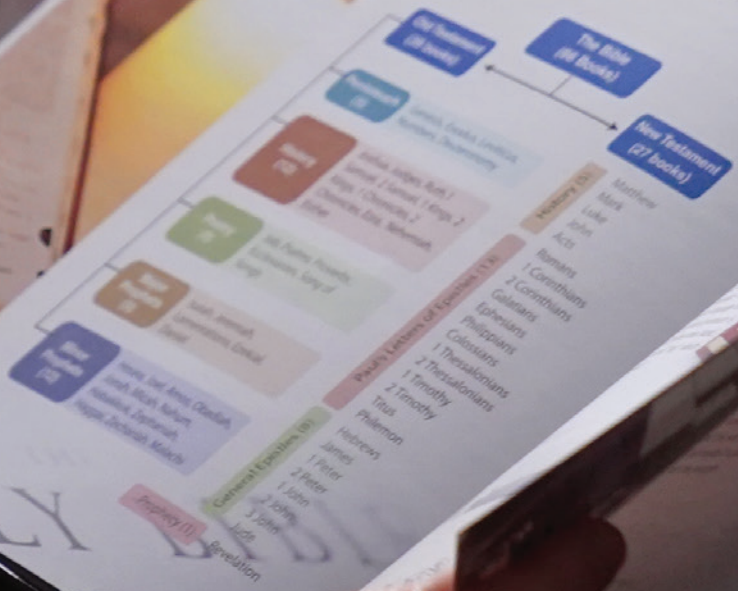
in the sight of Allah is the most
 righteous of you. Indeed, Allah
 is knowing and acquainted

Quran 49:12

The Quran and the Bible

The way we read about the origin of Christianity is that the New Testament does it more like the record of history in Islam with the Quran. Bible for Christians does it the record of God and the New Testament provides us with stories relating to the life of Jesus Christ.

The question of accuracy and authenticity of both scriptures is not an issue of religious studies. Scholars of all faiths routinely spend a great deal of time trying to understand the history of their scriptures, which are at a high level of accuracy. Biblical scholarship has taken a long time to reach a better understanding of the formation of the Bible and Quran scripture through what is known as "source criticism" of the text.







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Chapter

PROPHET MUHAMMAD





Brief Biography of the Prophet ﷺ

■ Before Prophecy

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was born in Mecca in the Arabian Peninsula in 571 CE. The Prophet ﷺ was not rich, but he was from a noble family, and he was of great character, to the extent that his people called him “the honest and trustworthy.”

The Arabs worshiped idols in contradiction to the doctrine of monotheism, the religion of their father, Abraham ؑ. However, the Prophet ﷺ never worshipped idols.

📖 Revelation

At the age of 40, the archangel Gabriel came to the Prophet ﷺ in the Cave of Hira. It was there that the first verses of the Quran were revealed to him:

{Read in the name of your Lord who created (1) created man from a clinging clot (2) Read, and your Lord is the Most Generous, (3) Who taught by the pen (4) taught man what he did not know.} [Al-Alaq:1-5]





The Call to Islam

The Prophet ﷺ called his people to Islam, but only a few initially believed in him. Most of his people disbelieved in him, became his enemies, persecuted him, punished those who believed, and even killed some of them.



Emigration to Medina

After 13 years of suffering and sacrifice, the Prophet ﷺ and his companions migrated to Medina. Its people received him with the best of reception.



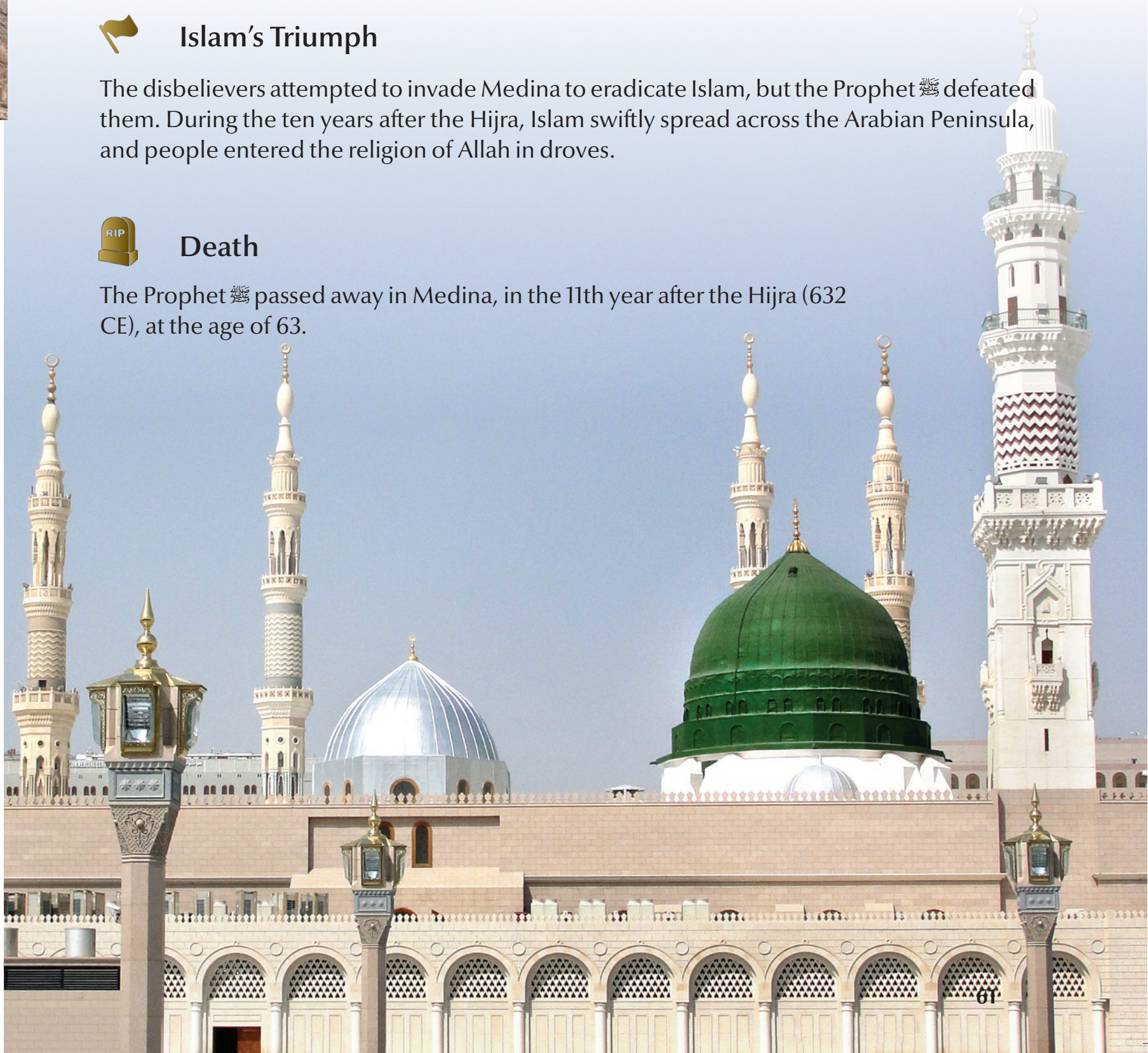
Islam's Triumph

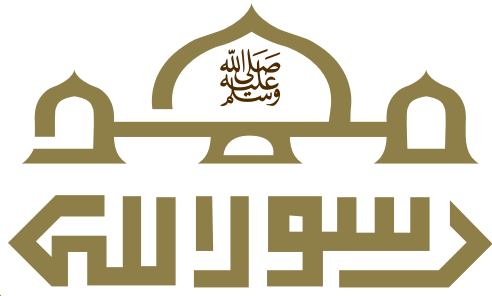
The disbelievers attempted to invade Medina to eradicate Islam, but the Prophet ﷺ defeated them. During the ten years after the Hijra, Islam swiftly spread across the Arabian Peninsula, and people entered the religion of Allah in droves.



Death

The Prophet ﷺ passed away in Medina, in the 11th year after the Hijra (632 CE), at the age of 63.





THE STATUS OF THE PROPHET'S HADITH IN ISLAM

■ Prophetic Hadith

Hadith refers to the words and deeds of the Prophet ﷺ, and it holds great significance in Islam.

■ Hadith is Revelation

The hadith of the Prophet is considered part of the revelation that Allah revealed to the Prophet ﷺ.

Allah says:

{Nor does he speak from [his own] desire. ﴿3﴾
It is but a revelation sent down [to him]}

[An-Najm:3-4].

■ Following the Prophet ﷺ

Allah commanded in numerous verses to obey the Prophet ﷺ

Allah says:

{And establish prayer, pay alms, and obey the Messenger,
so that you may have mercy} [An-Nur:56].

■ Hadith and Sharia

The Prophet's Hadith is the second source of legislation in Islam after the Quran.

Allah says:

{Obey Allah and obey the Messenger, but if you turn away,
then the duty of Our Messenger is only to convey the message
clearly.} [Al-Taghabun:12].

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Selected Hadiths From the Sayings of the Prophet ﷺ

“O People! Verily your Lord is One, and your father is one [i.e., Adam]. There is no superiority of an Arab over a non-Arab nor a non-Arab over an Arab, nor white over black and nor black over white, except in piety.”



“I was sent to perfect good character.”



“Beware of suspicion, for verily suspicion is the most untrue form of speech. Do not look for each other’s faults, and do not spy on one another. Do not trick people into buying something for more than what it’s worth (by pretending to buy it for more). Do not envy each other. Do not hate one another. Do not desert one another. Be slaves of Allah, brethren to one another.”



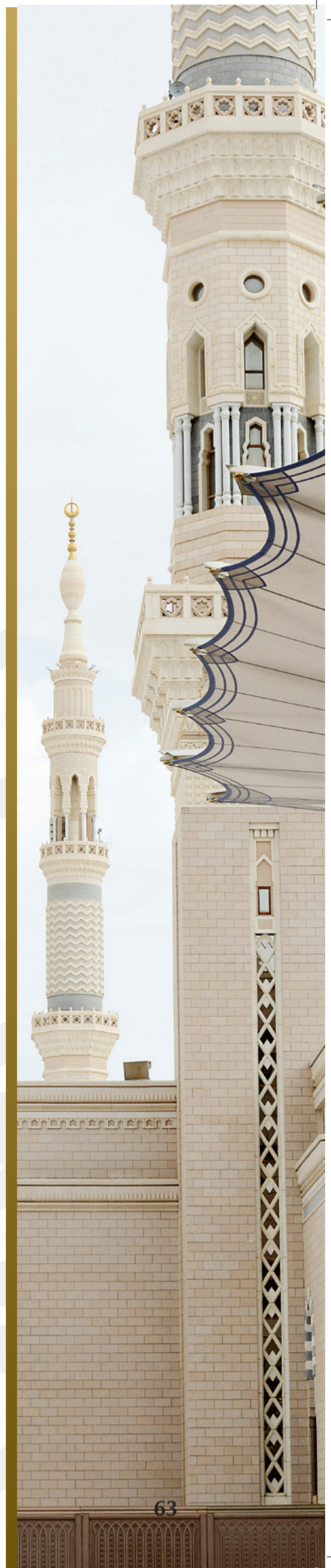
“He is not one of us who does not have mercy on our young and does not honor our elders.”



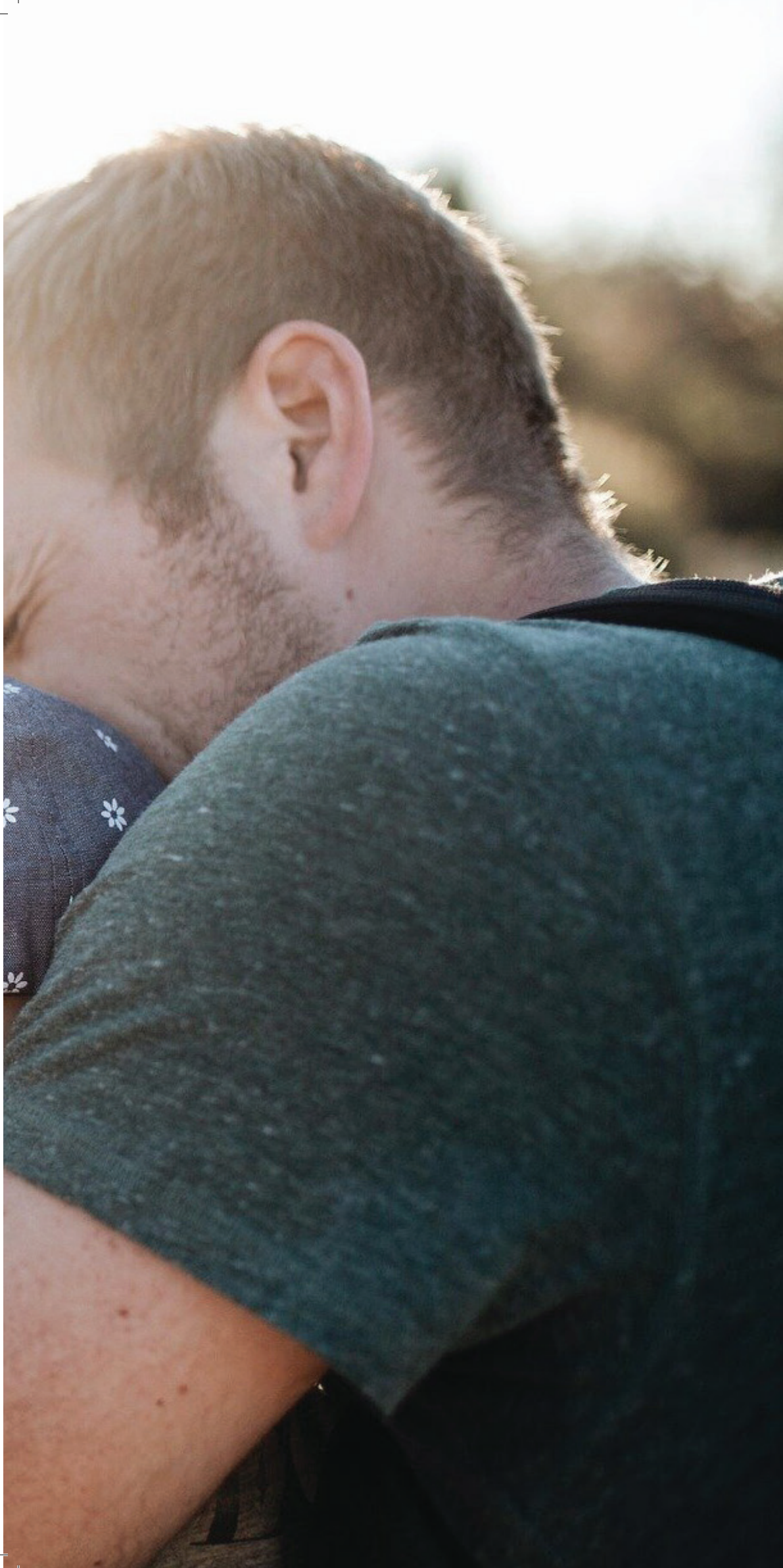
“Each of you is a shepherd, and each person is responsible for their flock: A leader is a shepherd; a man is a shepherd for the people living in his house; a woman is a shepherdess for her husband’s house and children. So each of you is a shepherd, and each of you is responsible for his flock.”



“A servant’s feet will not move on the Day of Resurrection before he is asked about his life, how he spent it, his knowledge and what he did with it, his wealth and how he earned it and spent it, and about his body and how he wore it out.”







5


Chapter

PURPOSE OF LIFE

WHERE DID ? WE COME FROM ?

Allah says:

Were they created from nothing, or are they the creators? ﴿35﴾ Or did they create the heavens and the earth? Rather they do not have certainty.

[At-Tur:35-36]

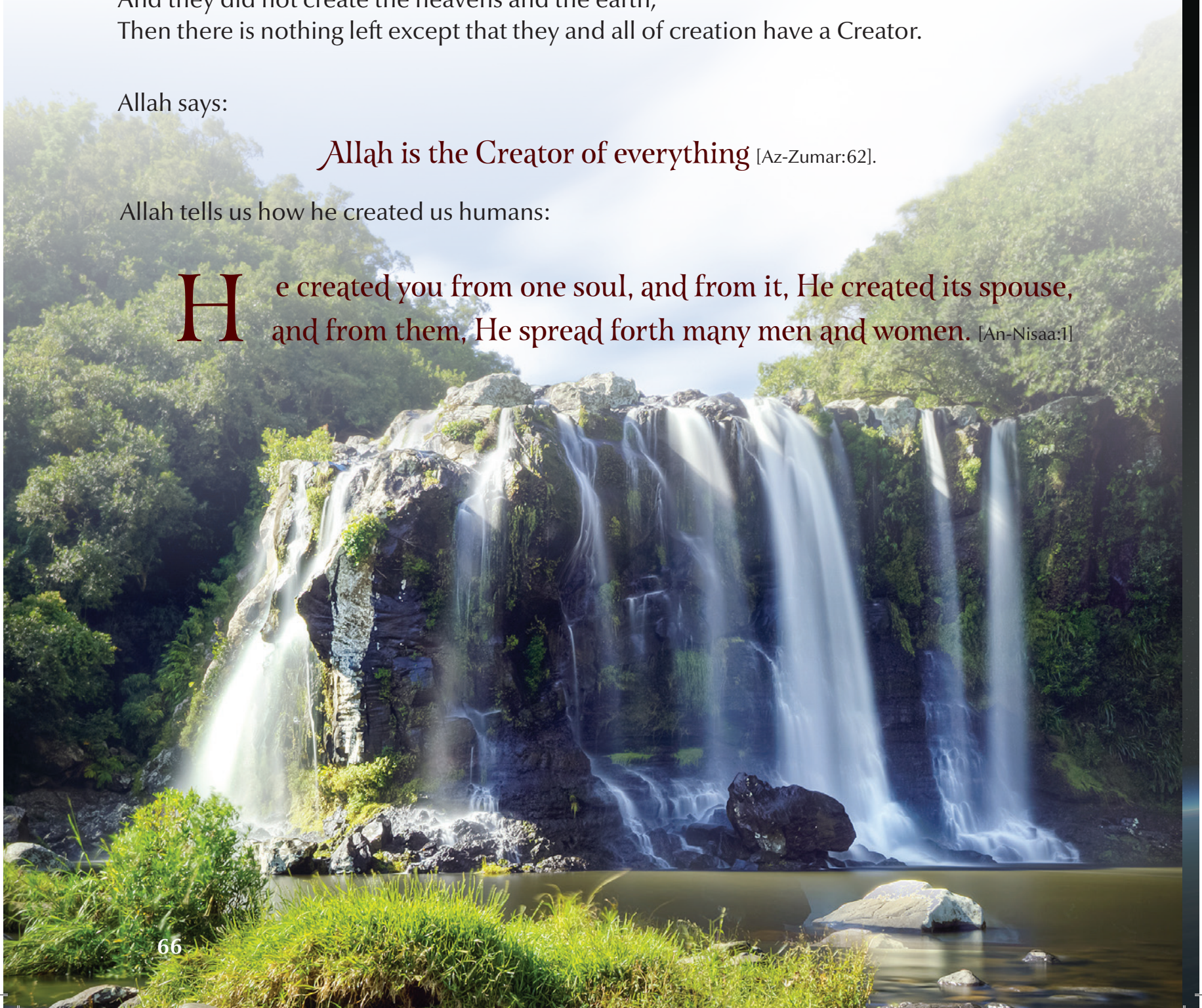
If they did not come into existence from nothingness,
And they did not create themselves,
And they did not create the heavens and the earth,
Then there is nothing left except that they and all of creation have a Creator.

Allah says:

Allah is the Creator of everything [Az-Zumar:62].

Allah tells us how he created us humans:

He created you from one soul, and from it, He created its spouse,
and from them, He spread forth many men and women. [An-Nisaa:1]



WHERE DID ? WE COME FROM ?

■ Our Beginning

Allah tells us in the Chapter of Al-Baqarah (The Cow) that Adam and Eve were both started in Paradise (Verses 35-36):

And We said: O Adam, Live you and your wife in Paradise

And Allah allowed them to eat from all its trees except one

And eat from it (i.e., Paradise) abundantly from wherever you both want, but do not approach this tree

■ Our Descent from Paradise

And Allah tells us that Satan tempted Adam and Eve, and they ate from the forbidden tree. As a result, Allah brought them all down to earth.

He instilled enmity between Satan and his descendants and Adam, his wife, and their descendants.

{Then Satan tempted them and drove them out of what they were in. And We said: "Go down [to the earth], as enemies to one another. You will have upon the earth a place of settlement and provision for a time.}

■ Our Journey

Since that time, humanity's journey on earth began:

A journey that will end with some returning to Paradise once again!

WHY ARE WE HERE ?

Allah clearly tells us in the Quran that what is required from us is to worship Allah alone:

And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me. [Dhariyat:56]

Whoever does good deeds -male or female- while being a believer, then those [are the ones who] will enter Paradise. [An-Nisaa:124]

But...

How do we worship Allah?

And what are the good deeds that lead us to Paradise?



■ Why are we here?

God (Allah)

He is the Creator of human beings. And He knows better what will benefit them and what will not benefit them.

■ Sending Messengers as Mercy

From Allah's Mercy upon the children of Adam is that He sent messengers to them and sent down books with them to guide humanity to the path of virtue and bliss in this world and the Hereafter

on the way to Paradise

Does He not know who He created when He is the Most Subtle, the All-Aware?

[Al-Mulk:14]

O Children of Adam: When there come to you messengers from among you, reciting My verses to you – then whoever fears Allah and mends his ways, they will have no fear, nor will they grieve.

[Al-A'raf:35]

We have sent revelation to you [O Prophet] just as We revealed to Noah and the prophets after him. We also sent revelation to Abraham, Ishmael, Isaac, Jacob, his descendants, and Jesus, Job, Jonah, Aaron, and Solomon. And We gave David the Psalms ﴿١٦٣﴾. There are messengers whose stories We have already mentioned to you and messengers We have not mentioned to you. And Allah spoke to Moses directly ﴿١٦٤﴾. These messengers were sent as bearers of glad tidings and warners so that the people may have no excuse before Allah after [the coming of] the messengers. For Allah is All-Mighty, All-Wise ﴿١٦٥﴾.

[An-Nisa:163-165]

Among the noble messengers:

Noah and Abraham And from the children of Abraham: Isaac and Ishmael And from the descendants of Isaac: Jacob, Joseph, David, Solomon, Moses, and Jesus (peace be upon them all). And from the descendants of Ishmael: Muhammad ﷺ He is the Seal of the Prophets, and his sacred law is the final divine law sent to humanity.



WHY ARE WE HERE?

■ A Global Message

Each messenger was sent specifically to his people, and Allah would give him proof of the truth of his prophecy for those people.

However, Muhammad (pbuh) was sent as a messenger of all creation: humanity and jinn, Arabs, and non-Arabs, from the day of his prophethood until the Day of Resurrection.

Allah says:

Say: O People, Verily I am the Messenger of Allah to you all

[Al-A'raf:158]

■ The Eternal Miracle

When Allah wanted to seal the prophets with Muhammad ﷺ He gave him a miraculous proof that will remain until the Day of Resurrection It's the Holy Quran: Allah's immortal words. It contains accounts about former nations and accounts about the future It includes scientific facts that humanity did not discover it until centuries after the Quran's revelation. It contains fascinating legislation covering all aspects of life.





■ Proof of the Quran's Authenticity

As a demonstration of the truthfulness of the Quran, Allah challenged anyone to come up with anything like it:

Say: 'If all humans and jinn were to come together to produce something similar to this Quran, they would not be able to produce the like of it, even if they collaborated with one another.'

[Al-Isra:88]

He gave people a criterion by which to test the authenticity of the Quran's divinity:

Do they not then reflect upon the Quran? If it had been from anyone other than Allah, they would have surely found many discrepancies within it.

[An-Nisa:82]

■ The Quran and Previous Scriptures

Allah made this Quran abrogate all of the divine scriptures that came before.

We have revealed to you [O Prophet] the Book with truth, confirming the scriptures that came before it and as a criterion over them

[Al-Maidah:48]

Therefore, it is necessary to believe in the religion it brought.

Whoever seeks a religion other than Islam will never be accepted from him, and he will be, in the Hereafter, among the losers.

[Al-Imran:85]

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

Not in vain!

The earth is filled with many forms of oppression and injustice:

theft...murder...rape

destruction and burning

displacement and torture

racism and persecution

Is it fair that criminals get away with their crimes?

If criminals can truly get away with their crimes, this life becomes kind of futile and absurd.

And Allah is far above absurdity and futility:

Did you think that We created you in vain, and that you would not be brought back to Us? [The Believers:115]

Justice and Mercy

It is from Allah's infinite Mercy and Justice that that He created the Day of Resurrection: The Day when all of humanity will rise from their graves so that Allah can hold them accountable for their deeds. It is one of the most salient and robust manifestations of divine justice.

Today, every soul will be compensated with what it earned; there is no injustice today. [Ghafir:17]

Where are we going?

Death is the ultimate, inescapable reality
Islam informs us about the beginning and it urges us to frequently think about the end and it clearly shows us what we should do between them.

For the afterlife is the only true, present reality.
But it is absent in the lives of many people.

O humankind, fear your Lord and fear a Day when no father will avail his son, nor will a son avail his father anything. Indeed, the Allah's promise is true, so do not the worldly life delude you and be not deceived about Allah by the Deceiver [i.e., Satan]. [Luqman:33]





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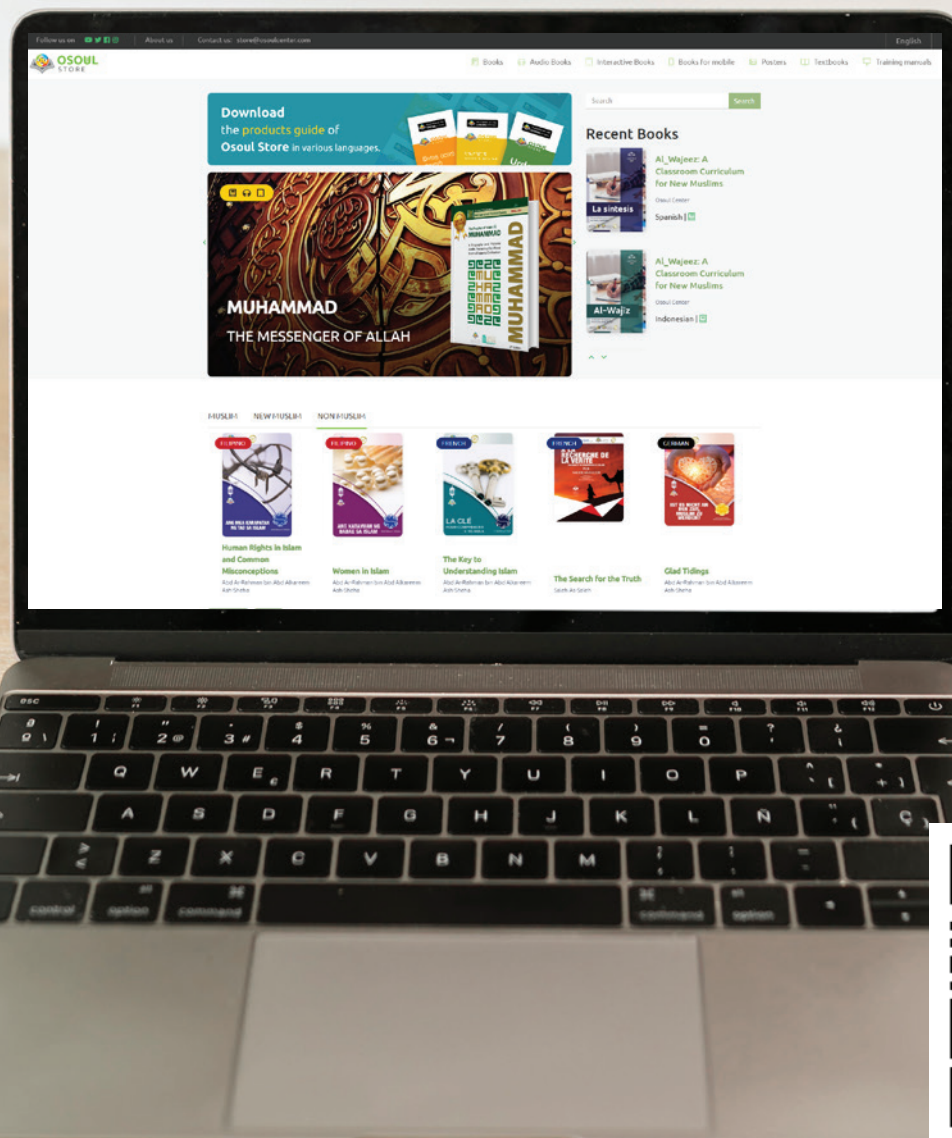
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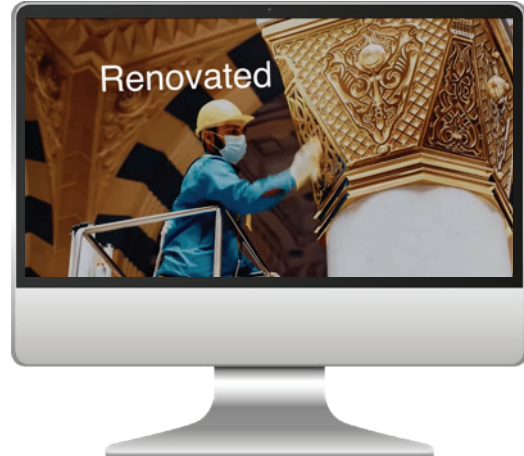


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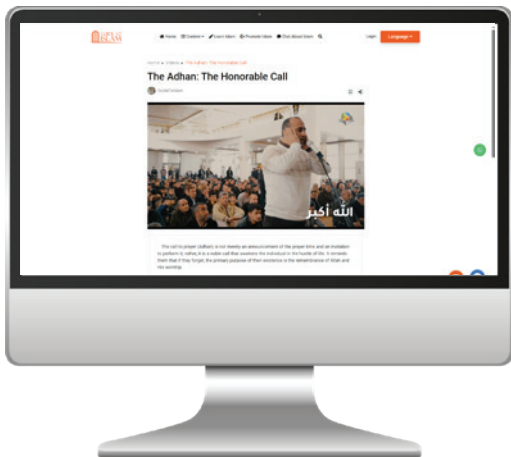




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deity except Him, Lord of the Noble Throne.

The Quran, 23: 115 - 116

