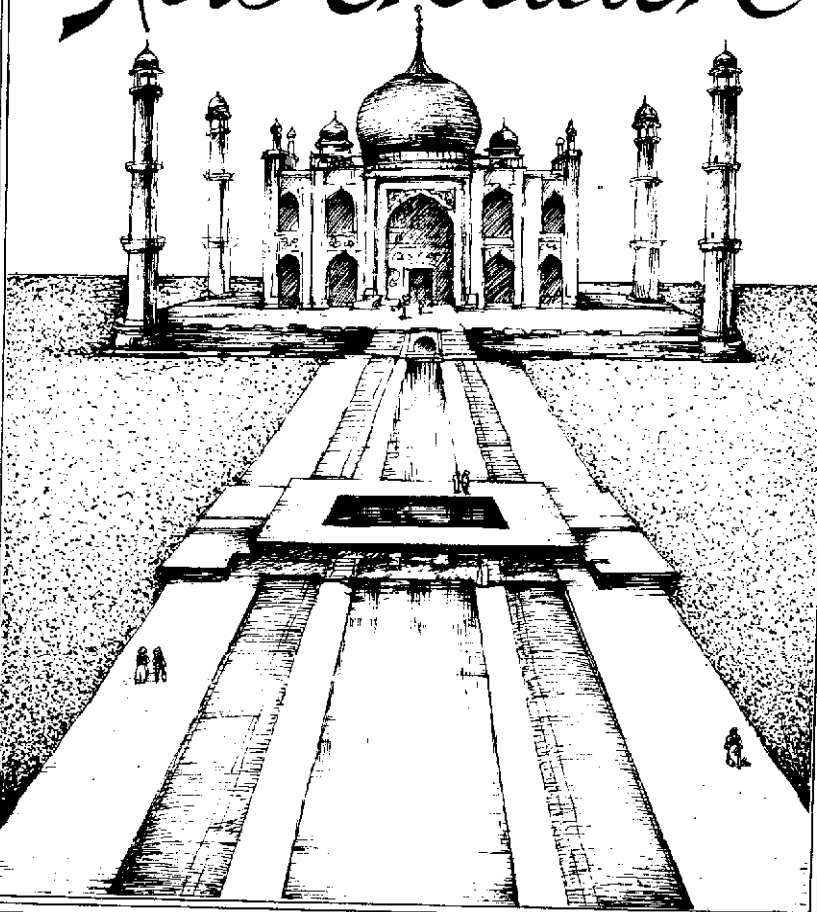


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Allah knows where you live

and so do *Shaitan* and the evil *jinn* (demons).
This was proven to a man of God
in modern times.

This is a true story.

A PRAYER IS MIRACULOUSLY ANSWERED

The man of God was calling out to Allah one morning
to bring more people to the *jami'* (congregation).

He was on his face before Allah
and he was supplicating *du'a* very loudly
alone in a tiny apartment.

This was the only *masjid* (place of prayer)
the people had for their meetings
because the godless leaders,
more sensitive to politics than to Allah,
had thrown the congregation
out of a public meeting hall.

But praise be to Allah who hears and answers
when we call on Him!

There is none like the Lord our God,
praise be unto Him.

He says somewhere,

"Before they call I will answer;

and while they are yet speaking I will hear.”
 In fact, the request of the man of God
 had been answered *weeks before* he made his petition.

HOW GOD HAD BEEN PREPARING TO ANSWER PRAYER

Here is the true story:
 A young man and his wife
 had been travelling for several days
 looking for the man of God.
 Allah had led them on a spiritual pilgrimage,
 for Allah foreknew both the prayer and its answer,
 which He was now effecting.

We will call these two *muridun* (aspirants)
 Isha and Ahmad.
 They had long heard of the spiritual *'ilm* (knowledge)
 of the man of God,
 though they had never met him personally.
 And so they went out like *Ibrahim* (Abraham),
 “who by faith obeyed
 when he was called to go out to a place
 which he was to receive as an inheritance;
 and he went out,
 not knowing where he was to go.”

Like Ibrahim, the man and wife wanted to seek
 the straight path,
 the path of the just,
 and they sought to do this
 under the *huda* (guidance) of the man of God.

The man and woman wanted to submit their lives to Allah
 and find the path of life in His Word,
 as it says,
 “Make me to go in the path of thy commandments,
 for therein do I delight.”

However, Isha and Ahmad did not know in which village
 the man of God lived,
 nor the street location of his dwelling.

But praise be to Allah
for it says,
"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path."

THE MIRACLE OCCURS

On the very night before the miracle happened,
Ahmad and Isha happened to take a room in a hotel
a very short distance from the place
where the man of God dwelt.

On the very morning
when the man of God
was petitioning Allah so earnestly to send more people,
Isha had taken her baby for a walk
and she was going down the street.

She was walking along,
and when she came to the building
where the man of God was on his face
crying out to God
(even though there was no sign on the building
nor any way in the world to know
the man of God was inside)
Isha stopped and asked a lady passer-by
if she knew of any *jami'* (*gathering*)
for *du'a* (free-prayer) in the area.

The lady passer-by happened to be a *murid* (novice believer)
who belonged to the persecuted flock of Allah
that met in the dwelling of the man of God.

Not only that,
the women happened,
in the providence of Allah,
to pass each other
right in front of this very house *masjid* (place of prayer)!

"The Lord orders the steps of a righteous person"
is the saying.
Many err with their doctrine

knowing neither the Scriptures nor the power of God,
 nor the love of God, which passes all understanding.
 What Allah foreknows He forewills
 "to work together for good for those
 who love Allah, who are called according to his purpose,"
 who are blessed, because they "are not offended at His Word."

At this exact moment, then,
 just as the man of God finished his petition
 with the words, "Send us more people, Lord"
 —there was a knock on the door!

The man of God had no idea who Isha was.
 "Do you know where my husband and I
 could find a congregation?" Isha asked.

"Yes," the man of God said, flabbergasted.
 "Praise to Him," Isha said,
 "because we've been seeking
 to find a certain man of God,"
 and then she gave his name.
 "Do you know where I could find him?"
 "I'm he," the man of God said.
 "Oh..." Isha was shocked.

So the man of God saw his prayer
 answered so suddenly and miraculously.

God had led the woman to the man of God.
Al-Hadi (The Guide) knew where he lived!
 For *Al-Hadi* is *Al-'Alim* (The All-Knowing).

Right after that the congregation started to grow again,
 despite the opposition of the godless.
 And both Isha and her husband Ahmad
 submitted to the death *ghusl*
 of New Creation Islam in the ocean,
 calling on Allah to cleanse their inner being
 with "the *wudu* (washing) of *tajaddud* (regeneration)
 and the renewing of the Eternal Spirit of Allah."
 That was nearly ten years ago.
 Then the man of God moved to another place.

YEARS LATER ANOTHER MIRACLE HAPPENS

Would it take a miracle
to show you the difference
between a true Islamic teacher
and a pseudo-Islamic teacher?

Very recently Ahmad called the man of God
long distance on the telephone to tell him
that Isha wanted a divorce.
They had been having marriage problems
and she had turned to a man for help,
a fraud who claimed to be a good *murshid* (spiritual guide)
but who was in reality
a pseudo-Islamic *shaman*
trafficking in the realm of spells
and charms and sorcery,
witchcraft, talismans and familiar spirits,
divining, saint worship, and demons,
fortune-telling, incantations and the evil eye.

It says somewhere,
"Acquaint now thyself with Him (Allah)
and be at peace;
thereby good shall come unto Thee."

But some people want to get more acquainted
with *jinn* or demons rather than the Word of Allah,
as it says,
"My people perish for lack of knowledge of Thy word,
for they have rejected the knowledge of thy Word."

The *haram* (forbidden) demon procurer
whom Isha consulted
promised her peace
and even dramatic out-of-the-body psychic experiences;
he claimed to offer her direct access
to "Spiritual Masters" who make their appearance
as "light-being entities."

Such counterfeit guides, as this man, are like

the devils with whom they commune.
 They are unclean religious peddlers
 disguised as servants of Allah.
 There is nothing unexpected about such frauds
 if, as it says,
 “*Shaitan* himself goes disguised as an angel of light
 seeking whom he may devour.”

THE MAN OF GOD DECIDES TO TEACH ISHA AND AHMAD
 ABOUT MARRIAGE IN TERMS OF THE KINGDOM

“Blessed be He in whose hands is the Kingdom....”¹
 And blessed indeed are the hands of Him
 into whom all the power of the Kingdom
 is given: the Word of Allah.
 Yet the Kingdom of Allah
 is not in word,
 but in power
 —not the words of dying men,
 nor the might of fleeting worldly power.
 Did not the living Word of Allah himself declare,
 “My Kingdom is not of this world;
 if my Kingdom were of this world,
 then would my servants fight *jihad*”.²
 The Kingdom of Allah is in the power of His Word.
 And what does His Word say?
 The whole story swept through the mind of the man of God...

ALLAH HAS ACTED MIGHTILY TO BRING US TO HIS KINGDOM

From the good beginning
 mankind has swerved
 from the straight path
 of Allah and his Word.

From the first commandment

¹Kingdom 67:11. All Quranic references in English are from A. Yusuf Ali: *The Holy Qur'an*, first published in 1934.

²*Jihad* means to strive in the way of God. What is often called “holy war” is only one meaning of the term.

given beneath the tree
of the knowledge of good and evil
mankind has acted shadily
toward Allah and his Glory.

And what is Allah's Glory
if not the Word of his Power?
And what is his glorious Power
if not the Word of his Presence?
One of your prophets has said rightly:
"The Messiah, Isa, Jesus son of Mary,
was the Messenger of Allah, and his Word
that he bestowed on Mary."¹

But His Word that He bestowed on Mary
went forth from His mouth
at the creation of the world.

For in the beginning
was the Word
and the Word was with God
and the Word
was God.²

The Power and the Presence was
Allah's Only Eternal Word;
and everything was made
by the Word,
and without the Word
was nothing made.

Then the Word
came on the scene
as a human being
who is true Man
on the straight path
to the tree of life.
And his disciples beheld his glory,
glory as of the only
personal and eternal Word of Allah,
full of grace and truth.

¹Women 4:171

²John 1:1

What blasphemer would breathe the name of Mary here
as one of the “gods in derogation of God”?¹

Are you so slow in understanding
that you think we believe Allah got married?
What blasphemy!

Who could believe that Allah would take a wife?
Do you think we mean that the Word of Allah
is His Son in that literal sense?
Not at all!

Mary was nothing but a loaner of flesh!²
For Allah has neither wife nor mother nor partner
nor did He ever need a human being at all
to be what He has always been—one!

Allah always existed with His Everlasting Word
and His Everlasting Spirit as *tawhid* (one).
What blasphemer would assert otherwise?
Would you be so foolish as to say
that Allah once existed without His Eternal and Living Word
and without His Everlasting Spirit?
Would you have Allah at one time mute
and unable to utter a living Word?
Would you have Him at one time Spiritless,
without His Eternal Spirit?

¹Qur'an 5:116 is against the worship of Mary, which Epiphanius tells us the Collyridians practiced in Arabia. Sura 5:77/73 and similar references are against tritheism—three gods—a doctrine true believers have always rejected. God is one, but He has always had personal distinctions within Himself that included His Word and His Eternal Holy Spirit. See Sura 4:171 for a reference to “His Word” Isa or Jesus and see 5:110 for a reference to His Holy Spirit.

²This teaching cannot be overemphasized. The terms “Father” and “Son” are human analogies or metaphors to give some understanding of God as He relates personally to His Word and as His Word relates personally to Him. These terms do not indicate polytheism as the daughters of God did in Sura 53:19-21. In Sura 9:30 the title “Son of God” is objected to because it is seen as reflecting the earlier polytheism too. Nor should the title imply physical paternity, a concept opposed by Sura 6:101. The word “Father” is metaphorical as in the Arabic name *Abu 'l-Barakat*, the Father of Blessings. Likewise the word “Son” is metaphorical in the Quranic designation Ibn al-Sabil, son of the road, hence traveler. Sura 2:215

Such blasphemers would do to the imaginary God they worship
what they would not dream of doing to themselves
—namely, cut out all living utterance and life
to be left with a mere speechless, lifeless being.
If only these dreamers would wake up from such nonsense
and shut their mouths to save their souls!
Instead they pride themselves
that their speechless, Spiritless deity has no ‘partners’!

When Allah speaks His mind He speaks His Word,
for His Word is the revealed mind of Allah.
And we can have His mind in all things
if we die to our own way of thinking
and come alive to His living Word.

The man of God reflected on Isha and Ahmad
and how they must learn
to think the thoughts of the mind
revealed to us in the sacred pages of the Word.
For it was in His image that we were created
and it is from His glory that we have fallen,
having become futile in our thinking
and darkened in our senseless minds.

But if we are now more like brute beasts
(because of the ignorance that is in us
and the blindness of our hearts),
it is not because He made us so.
For Allah gave us not an animal mind
but a mind like His,
a rational and a creative mind
capable of communion with Him in Holiness.

OUR RELIGION CLOAKS OUR DARK GUILT

However, our sinful nature has separated us
from our Holy God
and, obeying the voice of the Evil One,
we ourselves have become evil,
though we love to hide our guilt
under the cloak of religion.
But Allah is not mocked.

All things are naked and opened
unto the eyes of Him
with whom we have to do.
He who made the eye,
can He not see?
And even the scoffers know
that we are of our father the devil
if the lusts of our father we do.

Only the Word of Allah
can speak into our hearts
a new creation nature!
As long as we place our trust
in anything apart from the living Word,
that "anything" becomes our real god
and we become its slaves.
No matter how religiously
we observe religious rules and laws,
that idol "anything" has usurped
the living Word's place in our hearts
and will lead us to corruption.

Now religious do's and don'ts
were the rudimentary guardians
of our spiritual childhood, it is true.
But the time has come
for us to outgrow the tutelage
of mere religious formalism
and to receive the spiritual adoption
of mature heirs.
When the living Word
takes up residence within us,
we receive a filial spirit of obedience;
we become the spiritual people of Ibrahim,
and God becomes our Father.
For God sent his living Word
into our hearts to restore us
in his likeness and for his fellowship,
that we might walk naturally with Him as our Father,
and not hobble like aliens under the cold prod of laws.

THE MAN OF GOD THINKS ABOUT HOW TO SAVE ISHA'S
MARRIAGE

The man of God thought about Isha
and how she must learn to understand God's forgiveness.
It is not that we love God and serve him with such grace
that we can be assured of forgiveness
based on what we have done for God.
No, it is that God loves us and has served us with such grace
that the Judge of sin has taken the whole weight
of our guilt and condemnation upon Himself.
The Word of Allah's eternal Judgment became also
the Word of His eternal Mercy!

But how?

In the person of His Word, Isa al-Masih.
Thus it is that we can be assured of forgiveness,
based on what God has done for us,
in giving us a new mind with His Word,
and a tender conscience with His Eternal Spirit.

Allah has always reflected upon Himself with His wisdom,
and His wisdom is His Word.¹

Isa al-Masih Himself *is* that Word!
He is the everlasting Word
whose words will stand forever.²
The *Kitab* (Book) of Isa is Genesis to Revelation,
infallibly accurate in its teaching about him,
and Isa is the hidden source and subject of each *sura* (chapter)
for those who can read with the eyes of the Eternal Spirit.

As a word reveals the hidden mind of a father,
so Allah intended this mind to be in us

¹No true prophet before Isa ever claimed to know God, just to have heard from Him or caught a glimpse of Him. In Matthew 11:27 Isa claims what only the personal Word of God can claim: fullness of knowledge of God. This is significant to readers of the Qur'an, since nowhere in the Qur'an does it say that the Injil has a faulty text.

²Matthew 24:35

that was also in his Word.¹

But the mirror of our reflection of His holiness
has been shattered,
and the whole human race has distorted itself
in mocking pride and rebellion
against the humble and obedient Word.

As a sin-fallen race
we still possess a vestige of the mirror of conscience.
Like a looking-glass before the mind,
the conscience tells the human race
how good we might have been
had Man not warped himself
in the refractive beams of Man's proud self-love.
Therefore, we are without excuse when we reject
any measure of truth we receive.

Our sin-prone race is like someone
who once was commanded to peer
at his Ideal in a full-length mirror
and then disobediently walked away
and forgot what he looked like.
Isa the Word of Allah is that Ideal.
And the fatherly heart of Allah
out of whom the Word spoke in the beginning
has been stirred to speak again
to the lost family of Adam:
"I reared sons, I brought them up,
but they have rebelled against me."

For the Word became
the One who was to come,
the heavenly Son of Man,
the *Bar Nasha* (Aramaic for Son of Man).²

¹Philippians 2:5

²The "Son of Man" is the name the prophet Daniel gave to the Messiah-figure Allah showed him in a vision. This One Daniel saw was given the divine authority to judge the whole world and yet the figure in the vision looked like a human being. Isa used the term "Son of Man" as a description

The prophet Daniel saw him
in the clouds of glory and wrote:
“After this I saw in the night visions
and, behold, one like the Son of Man
came with the clouds of heaven...
and he was given...a kingdom...
that all people, nations, and languages
should serve him.”¹

The Word that was in the beginning with God,
the Word that was God,
this same Word was made flesh
and dwelt among us,
telling his disciples,
“Verily, verily, I say unto you,
Hereafter you shall see heaven open
and the angels of God
ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”²
For the Word of Allah had come
to speak into a new existence our dying humanity.
And just as Man had gone down to death
in the Garden of Eden
as one conquered by Satan and sin,
so now Man may ascend again to life
from the empty Garden tomb
through One who overcame for us,
through One who conquered as our *imam* (leader) ,
our representative,
our exemplar,
—a human being who is that
and yet more than human,
sharing in the wholly other quality of God,
the eternal personal Word of Allah,
God the Word from God the Lord,

of himself. It was his favorite messianic title. The 1947 discovery of the two thousand year old Dead Sea Scrolls contains several passages from Daniel. These passages are scientific proof that Daniel's prophecy was not lost in erroneous scribal transcription and that our copies of this prophecy are reliable.

¹Daniel 7:13-14

²John 1:51

Light from Light,
Very God from Very God.

Since this is true
—that the Word who is
and was
and is to come,
the Word who is
the express thought of God,
the perfect image of God,
the creative voice of God
—since this very Word
descended so that He might dwell
in our hearts by faith
and make us like Him,
restoring us in the image of His Father
that we might call on His Father as sons,
that we might ascend with Him,
passing beyond the angels
(Do you not know that we shall judge angels?)
—since this is true,
should it not teach us that,
denying ungodliness and worldly lusts,
we should live sober,
righteous, and godly lives
in this present world?
Since the Word Himself revealed to us
perfect surrender to Allah and
total submission to His will,
only through Him and His *iman* (faith),
once for all delivered to the holy ones,
do we know what is possible to man
in the path of obedience to the one true God.

Thus the man of God reflected on the straight path
and on Isha and Ahmad
and on their battle against *Shaitan*.

ALLAH BOUND UP THE EVIL ONE

The man of God knew that the Kingdom of God

is an *ummah*, (community)¹
a house to be entered
by the narrow gate and the narrow door.
But a "strong man" has usurped power in God's House.
Iblis (an evil prince) has held men captive
in the house of Allah,
and *Iblis* must have his goods plundered
before men can be set free from his sway.
The power of *Iblis* is death,
for all men who are tempted and sin
die as punishment.
Sin pays its fearful wage—death.
Death is the fearful wage of all those
whom *Shaitan* has led to work for him in sin.
Therefore, only by plundering the goods of the strong man,
—that is, by taking away his power
to enslave men in the fear of death
and his power to tempt men to destruction,
according to the law of sin and death
—only by plundering these goods
could the Word of Allah defeat *Iblis*.
Thus it says of the Word of Allah, Isa,
that "by his death he could take away all the power of the devil,
who had power over death."

The Good News that the man of God proclaimed
is this very power,
the power of spiritual life over spiritual death,
the power that delivers us from every evil
and will soon rescue us from the presence of wickedness
when all things shall be subdued unto the Word of Allah
and the Word Himself also shall be subject unto Him
that put all things under His Word,
that Allah may be All in All exalted.²
But when the Word of Allah, Isa, returns,
shall He find faith on the earth?

¹The messianic *ummah* is the one people of Allah who are the new creation sons of Ishmael and Abraham in one family, the redeemed spiritual community of God and hence the citizens of the Kingdom of God.

²See I Corinthians 15:27-28.

For many of the Jewish people did not believe his report;
and since the Word of Allah did not reign in their hearts
he was despised and rejected as their king,
and they esteemed not his kingdom.

“But when they said (in boast)

‘We killed Isa al-Masih,
the son of Mary,
the Messenger of God,’
they killed him not,
nor crucified him,
but so it was made

to *appear* to them...”¹

It only *appeared*

that *men and not God* determined His death.

For “it pleased *the Lord* to crush Him!”

Allah it was “who caused him to suffer,”

as the prophet foretold.²

Isa al-Masih Himself confessed and denied not,

“No *man* taketh my life from me,

but I lay it down of my own free will,

and as it is in my power to lay my life down,

so it is in my power to take it up again.” (John 10:18)

Did you not know that the Word of Allah willingly died?

For this end was He born

and for this cause did He die

and for this alone did Allah send Him into the world:

Allah so loved the world

that He gave His only living Word

as a sin-covering sacrifice,

“a momentous sacrifice,”

as it reads in the saying,

“Behold! Allah said:

‘O Jesus! I will take thee

and I (raise) thee to Myself...’ ”³

Have you not read that the Jewish people promised Allah

¹Women 4:157

²Isaiah 53:10. The entire book of Isaiah has been incorruptibly preserved in the Dead Sea Scrolls, leaving no doubt that this text is not a forgery but the very Word of Allah!

³Family of 'Imran 3:55

“not to believe in a Messenger
unless He showed us a sacrifice”¹?
And have you not read that Allah
who is rich in mercy,
for His great love wherewith He loved us
even when we were dead in sins
(like sheep led to the slaughter,
like Ibrahim’s son led to the slaughter),
that Allah so loved the world
that he ransomed Ibrahim’s doomed progeny
—“and We ransomed him
with a momentous sacrifice”²?

Are you ignorant of the prophecy of Isaiah
(sealed incorruptibly in the Dead Sea Scrolls
and fulfilled 700 years later
in the death of Isa al-Masih):
“Yet it was the Lord’s will to crush him
and cause him to suffer,
and though the Lord makes his life
a sacrifice offering for sin,
he (the Masih) will see his (spiritual) progeny,

¹Family of 'Imran 3:183

²Ranks 37:107 Some may say that this verse is being quoted out of context, since it originally referred to Ibrahim, his son, and the ram. However, Isa himself said that “these same Scriptures—meaning the Torah accounts including this story about Abraham—refer to me.”(John 5:39) Everything written about him (Isa) in the Law of Moses had to be fulfilled, according to Isa’s own words in Luke 24:44. The interpretation of the Messiah himself was that Noah, Joseph, and Ibrahim’s son, etc., are all properly interpreted to be prophetic foreshadowings of Isa. Therefore, if the Qur’an refers to stories or characters in the Law of Moses, then since the original context in the Taurat refers prophetically to Isa, it is arbitrary and wrong to exclude this meaning from the Qur’an. A true prophet does not go beyond what is written (1 Corinthians 4:6). If Isa is present in the original Biblical context, Isa cannot be erased in any subsequent reference to that context, whether in the Qur’an or elsewhere. Notice that in this Qur’anic reference we are talking about a substitutionary sacrifice. Qur’anic commentators who disagree can be dismissed because they are not prophets and their comments do not carry prophetic authority. This is true also of their Qur’anic interpretation that says Isa did not die.

he shall prolong his days,
 and the will of the Lord
 will prosper in his hand.
 After the suffering of his soul,
 he (the Masih) will see the light of (resurrection) life
 and be satisfied;
 by his knowledge my righteous servant¹
 will make many just,
 taking their faults on himself.”²

Are we, then, not that doomed progeny of Ibrahim?
 “No indeed.

Allah raised him (Jesus) up unto Himself...”³
 And Allah has brought us
 spiritually alive together with Isa
 (by grace we are saved)
 and has raised us up together
 as the spiritual progeny of Ibrahim
 and made us sit together
 in the triumph of his eternal *ummah* (community).
 Therefore, when the iniquity
 of this present world is complete,
 this same living Word
 who was taken up to heaven
 shall also come again
 in like manner as He went.
 And then it shall be as it says,
 “The Day the heaven is split asunder with the clouds,
 and the angels are sent down in ranks,
 that day, the kingdom, the true kingdom, shall belong
 to the All-merciful, and it shall be a day harsh
 for the unbelievers”...⁴
 “And (Isa) shall be
 a Sign (for the coming of) the Hour (of Judgment):

¹“Isa said:‘I am indeed a servant of Allah...’ ”Mary 19:30

²Isaiah 53:10-11

³ Women. 4:158

⁴Criterion 25:25-26

Therefore have no doubt about the (Hour)"...¹
"And thy Lord shall come with angels,
rank on rank." (Daybreak 89:22)

On that day the Word of Allah will fight.
That will be the day of his *jihad*, his holy war.
And the Word of Allah will slay *al-Masih al-Dajjal*,
the False Messiah, and his lying prophet,
together with all who have lying visions
and all who consult them
or have come bringing a different doctrine
that is not the teaching of Isa al Masih.

On that day it shall be as was seen
by *Yahya*, (John) one of Isa's *hawari rusul* (apostles):
"And I saw heaven opened,
and behold a white horse;
and He that sat upon it was called
Faithful and True,
and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.
His eyes were as a flame of fire
and on his head were many crowns;
and he had a name written,
that no man knew, but he himself.
And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood:
and his name is called
The Word of God." (Revelation 19:11-13)
This same Word is coming again
with the armies of the angels of God.
He is coming to punish the unbelieving wicked
and to save the faithful who endure to the end.
So then the Kingdom will be the Lord's.

Therefore, if death entered humanity
by the sin of the first man,
life from the dead entered humanity
by the righteousness of the new man,
the Word of Allah,
who came as a man

¹Ornaments 43:61

to bind *Shaitan* and plunder his goods
by offering a death that would free all men
from the fear of death,
from the power of death,
from the realm of death,
from the law of death.

For whoever believes in Isa the Word of Allah
will not see the death
reserved for *Shaitan*,
the second death,
in the lake of fire.

For since one man died in the place of all
all then died in that one man,
and *Shaitan* now has no dominion over those
who overcome him by the blood of the Word of Allah,
Isa al-Masih.
Such are they who overcome *Shaitan* by the good confession
of their testimony to the grace of Isa al-Masih
who saves us from the second death in the lake of fire.

It was then that the man of God saw the mystery
of how to fight *Shaitan*.
This is the mystery of the narrow door
into the House of Allah.
This is the small gate
into the Kingdom of Allah.
It is the blood of the Word,
it is the death of Isa al-Masih
and few there be who find it.

For Isa Himself said,
"Enter through the narrow gate.
For wide is the gate
and broad is the road
that leads to destruction,
and many enter through it.
But small is the gate
and narrow the road
that leads to life,
and only a few find it." (Matthew 7:13)

ALLAH SHOWS THE MAN OF GOD HOW TO FIGHT SHAITAN

After Ahmad telephoned the man of God
to tell about Isha consulting the false *murshid* (spiritual guide)
and his "Spiritual Master light beings,"
the man of God went to bed and fell into a deep sleep.

About three o'clock in the morning
a voice spoke to the man of God.
It spoke so loud the man of God woke up instantly
and was wide awake.

It was a deeply resonant, masculine,
and yet feminine-sounding voice
and it said only one short syllable,
an ugly little word
the man of God didn't recognize.
Nevertheless, it blasted in his ears
and woke him up.

The man of God opened his eyes,
and the whole room where he had been sleeping
was pulsating with a scarlet light,
as brilliant as a strobe light.
The room was normally pitch black
at three o'clock in the morning
but now everything in the room was brightly visible.
The man of God stood up
to make sure he was awake.
The awesome light of this
definite supernatural visitation continued.

Then the Lord seemed to speak
to the man of God in a very still small voice,
"This is the demon she prays to.
Cover yourself with the blood of my Word Isa."¹

¹What this idea refers to is the authority Isa al-Masih has over the demonic principalities and powers because of the victory He won on the cross as the Word of God. For he provided a death for us that takes away Satan's power over us, the fear of death resulting from sin. But though sin and death

The man of God instantly saw the nature
of the spritual struggle:
the demon was attacking the man of God
because Isha was his property
and this devil was protecting his goods.

The man of God said these simple words with faith,
"I cover myself with the blood of Isa."

Immediately the pulsating light faded.

"Resist the Devil," it says somewhere;
"overcome him by the confession of your faith in Isa
and by the blood of Isa,
and he will flee from you."

The man of God lay down and closed his eyes.
Immediately he saw
with the vision given him by the Eternal Spirit of Allah
a package in the house of Isha and Ahmad.

The indwelling Spirit of Allah
impressed on the mind of the man of God
that he should call Ahmad on the telephone right then
and tell him to go back into his house,
taking dominion over it room by room,
covering the realm of his dominion
with the blood of Allah's *halifa* (agent in charge),
Isa the Word of Allah.

It was especially impressed on the man of God
that Ahmad was to cover his wife Isha
with the blood of the Word of Allah
and get that horrible package of occult materials
out of their house.

Whatever was in that package,
whether it was charms made out of pieces of writing
or hair-cuttings or nail-trimmings or the hand of Fatima

caught us in a Devilish cycle, righteousness and life come to us through
faith in the Word of God and His death and resurrection for our salvation.
See Hebrews 2:14-15; James 1:14-15; Colossians 2:15; Ephesians 6:11-12;
Revelation 12:11.

or knots or magic or material for sorcery
or any other wicked thing,
whether it was any curse or blessing
thought to ward off the evil eye,
any practice or object that grieves the Eternal Spirit of Allah
—these must all be curtailed and destroyed;
as it says,
“Thou canst not stand before thine enemies,
(until) ye take away the accursed thing from among you.”¹
Whoever puts his hand to the plow
but then keeps looking back at this Satanic wickedness
is not fit for the Kingdom of Allah.
It would be better to enter heaven with nothing
than to enter hell with all these filthy possessions.
For without holiness no man will see God.
And if you leave the door open by keeping this filth
in your possession,
any demon that is cast out will go and find seven other demons
and come back to drag you down to hell.

The man of God obeyed the Lord.
Even though it was not yet four o'clock in the morning,
the man of God called Ahmad and woke him up.
The man of God covered him
with the blood of the Word of Allah
and called out to God, interceding for him on the telephone.

When Ahmad heard what had happened to the man of God
he realized that this demon who had taken over his house,
who was destroying the peace of his family
and unsettling his children,
this demon who was oppressing his wife,
this same demon was trying to frighten the man of God away
from saving their home.
Ahmad also promised the man of God
that he would not sign the divorce papers
that very day as his wife had requested.

¹Joshua 7:13

The admonition is clear:
 "Pray at all times in the Spirit."

To pray in the Spirit means to pray in the power of the Spirit,
 with the gifts of the Spirit potentially in evidence.
 When the man of God saw the package,
 it was by means of a gift of the Eternal Spirit of Allah;
 namely, supernatural "knowledge" ¹
 —that is, supernaturally provided knowledge
 that he could not acquire by means of his natural mind.

"For we are not battling
 against personalities made of flesh and blood,
 but against beings without bodies
 —the evil overlords of the unseen world,
 those mighty demonic beings
 and great evil rulers of darkness who dominate this world;
 and against hordes of wicked spirits
 in the spirit world."²

HOW TO ADMIT THE INFALLIBLE RELIABILITY OF THE WORD

We must receive a new spirit,
 a spirit like the Eternal Spirit.
 For God will be faithful
 only with the faithful³ and His pure light
 will shine forth from the Word only for the pure.
 With the wicked who fail to tremble at His Word,
 God is angry every day⁴
 Like many long ago who were quick
 to accuse Isa al-Masih of error
 but were slow to see error in themselves,
 so today these vile unbelievers are quick
 to do the same with His written Word.

¹I Corinthians 12:8

²Ephesians 6:12

³Psalms 18:26. But see also II Tim. 2:13.

⁴Yet God is long-suffering to us, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. See II Peter 3:9.

The natural man cannot understand the words of the Spirit;
they are beyond him,
they are foolishness to him.
How can anyone understand
what is eternal and spiritually discerned
if he lacks the Eternal Spirit?
Reading is not enough;
the words are straight but the reader is crooked.
The reader must be reborn and be set on the straight path,
not by mere human resolve but by the will of God.¹

A WORD ABOUT JUDAS AND THOSE LIKE HIM

How can anyone read what is godly
if he himself is devilish?
Could Judas "read" Jesus?
Even though Judas sat next to the Word of Allah
eating his bread at the Last Supper,
all Judas could read were "errors."
Judas had frequently heard Jesus say
that it was necessary for the Messiah to die
as a sacrifice for the sins of the world,
but Judas "read" this solemn declaration as an error.

"The Messiah must be strong to rule us,"
Judas thought, "not weak."
"How can he be anybody important
if he's going to die instead of lead an army?
His errors will get us *all* killed, not just himself!"
Isa had enough love to die for Judas' sins
but, like the rest of unregenerate humanity,
Judas saw error in this and in everything else
except in his own black heart.

Bitter sons of the devil!
Black-hearted traitors against God
who take sides with Judas
against the infallibly accurate Word of Allah!

¹John 1:13

But some fools are even more perverse!
 Who is more truly a liar
 than the one who would make this devil Judas
 who committed suicide in shame and utter ignominy
 the one who was crucified in Isa's place?¹

Such a one will surely go the way of Judas
 for agreeing with him
 that God's account of things cannot be trusted.
 Only a *good* man like Isa could cry out
 while hanging on the *khashabah* (wood) in the agony of death,
 "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"
 A traitor like Judas would know the answer to that question!

Isa said of Judas, "It would have been better
 if that man had never been born."
 And if like Judas we think ourselves wiser
 than the Word of Allah,
 it would have been better
 if such an error as us had never been born!
 Isa was willing to die that same day for Judas
 but Judas refused to pick up his cross and die,
 if necessary, with Isa.
 Judas saw an error in that.
 What craftiness this fool had!
 He saw he could save his own life
 and even make some money
 just by betraying Isa
 to the wicked priestly rulers who were looking to kill him.
 But whoever tries to save his life will lose it.²
 Only those who lose their lives in *islam* (surrender) to Isa
 will find their lives and keep them for eternity.

Judas was the first apostle to lose his life,
 and he also lost his soul,
 as it says,

¹Note that this is only one Muslim interpretation and not all Muslims have believed this lie.

²Matthew 16:25

“Let his habitation be desolate.”¹

He missed seeing the Messiah’s resurrection by only a few hours!

But his fall was predicted

by the prophet *Da’ud* (David) in the *Zabur* (Psalms) as part of the sufferings to be endured by the Messiah:

“Yes, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread,

hath lifted up his heel against me.”²

But the Word of Allah who delivered this prophecy to *Da’ud*

a thousand years before it happened

also knew that Judas would fulfill it.

Isa al-Masih the Word of Allah said,

“I assure you, one of you will betray me,

one who is eating with me.”³

Over 500 years before this,

the Word of Allah had enabled the prophet Zechariah

to foresee what God would cause to happen:

Isa would be betrayed

for thirty pieces of silver,⁴

which actually happened

when the priests paid Judas that amount of money

to purchase unwittingly

the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

“I am going to strike the shepherd

and the sheep will be scattered,” Zechariah predicted.

The Word of Allah had even inspired

the prophet Daniel to foresee

not only the death of the Messiah

but also the subsequent destruction of the Temple:

“After this period of 434 years, the Messiah will be killed,

but not for himself,

and the people of the prince that shall come

shall destroy the city and the sanctuary.”⁵

¹Acts 1:20; Psalms 69:25

²Psalms 41:9

³Mark 14:18

⁴Zechariah 11:12

⁵Daniel 9:26

The manner of the Messiah's atoning death
 which will not be "for himself"¹
 but for the sins of the whole world
 is clearly described in the *Zabur (Psalms)*:
 "They pierced my hands and feet."²
 But Judas had no taste for the Word of God.
 He did not treasure these words in his heart.
 Isa warned that man cannot live by bread alone
 but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.
 Yet Judas thought he could mock the grace of the Lord
 and lie to the Eternal Spirit of Allah.
 Judas fooled only himself.
 The Word of God could read the traitor's inmost thoughts.
 Isa didn't need anyone to tell him what was in a man.
 Isa knew what Judas would do.
 He allowed him to do it
 so that the Scriptures might be fulfilled.
 But woe to the man who fulfilled them!

Judas didn't run far.
 When all his treachery was over,
 he found himself totally alone
 and only Satan wanted his detestable company.
 So Judas committed suicide.
 Now he is in hell.
 How do we know?
 Because Isa said it would have been better
 if he had never been born.
 Never having been born
 would be like annihilation;
 but there is no annihilation in hell,
 only conscious eternal anguish,
 as it says, "And these shall go away
 into everlasting punishment."³
 Isa himself warned about the eternal reality of hell
 more solemnly and emphatically than anyone.
 Therefore, if you want to think like Judas

¹ibid.

²Psalms 22:16

³Matthew 25:46

and harbor treacherous thoughts that the Word of God is error
and harden your heart's gratitude
against Isa's sacrifice for you to save you from hell,
then there definitely will be room in hell for you with Judas.
But it would be better for you if you had never been born.
The moral judgment of God will require
that every living rebel
will be abandoned forever in the conscious state of his rebellion
as eternal just retribution.

Who could be a bigger fool
than the one who scoffs
at the sacrificial love of the Word of God
who died and rose to speak eternal life into our hearts
and to breathe on us the Eternal Spirit?

This state could have been avoided
had he judged himself and repented of this wickedness,
believing that the Word who is the Judge from Allah
came to die to take the penalty for our crimes.

Who is more worthy of judgment
than the one who rejects the Judge's merciful act
of taking, though himself innocent,
the culprit's penalty of judgment on himself?
Who is more worthy of judgment
than the one who would have the Judge
thus suffer and die in vain?
Who is more worthy of judgment
than the one who would go on, his life unchanged,
wickedly refusing to believe
even after he had heard
of this merciful and loving Judge from Allah?

Who could be a bigger fool than the one who,
being on the side of men and not God,
sells his own soul to eternal torment
for a few fleeting rags in this life?
Judas was an apostle!
He was among those selected for the privilege
of governing the Kingdom of Allah
at the side of the Messiah Himself!

But an upright man can in fact give up
 his privileged status before God
 and can choose to enjoy for a time the pleasure
 of not listening to the true Isa,
 of not sharing in the sufferings
 that arise because of Isa's words.

(The true Jesus is that one who bled
 and died for sin and rose again!).
 Any Judas can choose to avoid the trouble that comes
 because of the Word of His blood
 and of His Judgment
 and of His giving of the Spirit.
 Any privileged man can betray his own integrity
 and can copy a devil like Judas.
 Who does this more truly
 than the one who has no respect for God's law
 and says the Book is now a corrupt pile of errors
 and not to be trusted or taken seriously?
 Is God's Book in error?
 Is it not rather you who are in error,
 you who know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God?
 Will you judge the Word in error
 or will the Word of God judge *you* in error?
 Which will it be?
 The folly of your judgment of the Word?
 Or the judgment of the Word on your folly?

Oh the horror of this betrayal of the Word of God!
 The horror of hell is that God allows us
 to attain what our wicked hearts demand:
 the lie of *al-Dajjal* (Anti-Christ) which we love
 rather than the truth of Messiah
 which we love to call error.
 Judas wanted it this way
 and the horror is that God allowed him his way.
 Only God can take this treachery out of our minds;
 it was there from the time that the first human being
 rebelled against the holy commandment.
 That spiritual treachery is still there today
 when the Word of God is read by skeptical rebels.

Only the Lord can remove this treachery from our hearts.
The Lord did this for Peter,
an apostle who also denied the Lord
and also refused to die with him.
The Lord removed Peter's treacherous unspiritual nature
and gave him a new spirit,
so that he would never deny the Lord again
but would take up his cross
and even be willing to die for the Lord.
Only the Lord can remove this treachery
and He does it when we turn to him.
But if we refuse, note well:
fury grips the Lord when He sees
the wicked treacherously abandoning His Word.
Do you want to call His Word error and make him angry?
Are you stronger than the Lord?

Some declare they have light
but it is in fact a false knower's light,
like the light in the ancient heresies.
And if the light within you is darkness,
how great is that darkness!
These "knowers" in their wicked pride
go beyond what is written
and boast of "knowledge" higher than
the faith once for all delivered to the holy ones.
With brazen tongues and dead-looking eyes
these self-willed souls
refuse the knowledge that could bring them life.
Their arrogance knows no bounds;
like a raging wind that swirls and casts up dirt
wherever it flies,
so their minds rush
to call error the Word
and the Word error.
(Who are you to interpret the true Word,
you without true faith from Allah's Eternal Spirit?)

THE NEED FOR A NEW HUMAN NATURE

From such thinking came
the Primal Lapse:

when the first human ears
 were tickled with the taunt,
 "Hath God said...?"
 It was then that *Shaitan* (Satan),
 that ancient Gnostic,¹
 boasted of knowledge higher than
 the Word of Allah
 and tempted mankind to *islam* (submit) to *his* will
 rather than to the will of Allah.
 Thus mankind gave up
 the true and living Eternal Word
 for a death-dealing Satanic caricature—
 a false Word,
 a devilish Word,
 another Message.

It was then that a heart,
 made good by God,
 turned devilishly perverse.
 It was then that humanity,
 by presuming it could know good and evil
 and find life
 by some means other than *islam* (submission)
 to the true and living Word of God,
 fell.

Yes, humanity fell,
 and how great was the fall of it!
 So great indeed
 that those with fallen minds
 unrenewed by the Eternal Spirit
 and the personal Word of Allah
 are themselves blind to the Fall,
 even though their own warped thinking
 is part of the Fall's debris!

¹Broadly speaking, a *gnostic* is a heretic who ignores his creator Isa the Word of God and claims for himself a supposedly higher knowledge—the Greek word for knowledge is *gnosis*—leading to life and salvation. See Genesis 2:17; 3:5,22

What more evidence for the Fall do I need
than my own fallen life?
The heart of man is desperately wicked,
who can know it?
For the honest man who looks
within the depths of his soul
will say this:
I fail to carry out the good I know I should do
and I find myself doing the very things I hate.
When I act against my own intention
that means that I have a self that knows the good,
and so the thing behaving wickedly in me
must surely be my fallen nature.
I know of nothing good living in me.
My lower nature is my unspiritual self,
possessing only a faint and fickle wish
to do what is good
but not the effecting will
(only those who are new creations in Isa the saving Word
have the effecting will
with the tender conscience.)¹
What is the result then?
Instead of doing the right
I want to do,
I carry out the wicked wrong
I do not want.
When I act against my intention, then,
it is not I alone who am the agent,
but the fallen nature
that lodges in me.
Wretched rebel that I am,
who is there to rescue me out of this fallen flesh,²
this treacherous will,
this rebel nature doomed to death?
How can I become a true *muslim* (submitter) to Allah

¹I John 5:18-19; 3:21

²The term *nafs la-ammara bilso*, meaning "the sin-prone soul" is found in Joseph 12:53, and this is the closest Quranic term for the fallen flesh, which is the unredeemed nature of mankind that can only be changed by the miracle of regeneration and new birth unto eternal life.

and receive a new creation nature?
This is the question of all questions.

THE HARDENED HEART WITHOUT THE NEW CREATION IS
SHAMELESS

But some don't even ask the question.
Some people have no sense of shame.
The man of God learned this when,
having helped Ahmad save *his* marriage,
the man of God himself had marital tragedy.
We will call the name of the man of God "Hosea"
though he lived in modern times.

This is a true story.

One day he stood up in the house of God to preach.
But a supernatural word came to him,
not from the words of a paper book,¹
but from the Eternal Spirit of Allah.
What came to him is best described as supernatural knowledge.
The living Word that spoke to his heart
was as urgent as a shout
and as vivid as a vision.
The man of God saw in this miraculous manifestation
materializing before the eye of his mind
his wife in a bedroom many miles away.
The person he saw with her was in the act
of committing adultery.

The man of God stood before the congregation
and he could not begin the *khuṭba* (sermon),
because in his spirit he was in the bedroom
horrified at the sight of this evil

¹This gift of the Spirit is still for today—I Cor. 12:8. However, a true instance of supernatural knowledge never contradicts or in any way devalues the closed canon of the infallibly accurate written Word of God. The language used here is not meant to show a superiority of the charismatic power-encounter over against the written Bible, but over against non-canonical or non-Biblical writings.

Allah was showing him.
(When Allah gives supernatural knowledge
He never contradicts or goes beyond
His infallible written Word.)

The next morning the man of God
wanted to make sure this vision was true
and not just his own imagination.
He travelled to the house
and, finding no one home,
was able to examine the bedroom privately.
The evidence left by the careless lovers
(who thought the man of God would have to be preaching
at the hour of their rendezvous
and therefore could not possibly catch them)
showed unmistakably that the vision was from God.

The man of God confronted the adulterous woman.
She had no sense of shame.
“Why should she?” she thought.
No one had caught her in the act,
and as far as the man of God was concerned,
she thought his vision was probably just a lucky guess.

But had not God himself caught her?
Had he not used a gift of His Eternal Spirit,
the gift of supernatural knowledge,
to show the man of God
what only three in the world
—that is, the adulterous woman, her lover, and God—knew?
Had not God himself caught her in the very act of adultery,
a wicked act of treachery worthy of death?

But the woman had no sense of guilt before God.
Allah was very far off to her, *baaeed* (very remote and separate)
and often the thought of God left her cold,
like the thought of her husband.

THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD, EVEN THE RELIGIOUS PEOPLE,
ARE LIKE AN ADULTEROUS WIFE

The adulterous wife of the man of God

might speak of God in passionate terms
as she might speak of her husband,
but her rebellious heart was always sneaking off
after that which really excited her.
No, it was no part of her religious experience
to ever feel caught in shame before the believers
or to feel guilty of sin before God.
Her reasoning was that she was no worse than any one else.
Besides, she thought, couldn't she always do good
to counterbalance her sins?
She never thought of herself
as having a "fallen nature."
And since God did not seem close at hand
to catch her in this treacherous state,
 this adulterous nature,
 this unregenerate whorish heart,
she never felt a guilty dissatisfaction
with her own unspiritual self.
Nor did she ever feel a burning need
for a clean, new creation nature.

Just a bit more religion would do the trick, she thought.
For when she was with her co-religionists
involved in religion,
she could see she seemed to be at least
as good as those who did
her same supposedly merit-earning religious rituals.

Some people have no sense of shame.
They do not ask the question,
"Who can rescue me from this rebel nature?"
They do not ask,
"How can I become a *muslim* (true submitter) to Allah
and receive a new creation nature?"
They are like this woman,
without a sense of being caught in shame before a holy God,
a God who finds you guilty in your very nature,
not just in your sins
—a God who wants to give you a new holy nature,
one that has an effecting will not to sin;
with his Eternal Spirit giving you
the tender conscience of His Word.

But you say, "I am not like her.

I don't commit adultery.

I don't need a new nature."

Have you ever looked with lust at another person?

Don't you know that such looks

come out of an adulterous heart?

Don't you know that God wants to give you

a new spiritual heart,

one that recoils in revulsion at even the thought of sin,

a heart where the mind of Allah Himself is mindful?

Stop being satisfied with your unspiritual self

disguised under robe upon robe of religion!

Don't you know that you too must become a new creation?

Those who do supposedly merit-earning religious rituals

without a new creation nature from Allah,

and think they are pleasing Allah,

are going to be eternally surprised.

Somewhere He has called

such religious people "an abomination."¹

Unless your righteousness exceeds people like this,

you will not enter the Kingdom of Allah.²

For God is a covenant-loyal God,

a faithful and a holy husband,

but the people who are not a new creation

and are merely religious

are to Him those who have an adulterous heart worthy of hell.

They have the nature of a rebellious wife that makes God angry.

For the burning lake of hell fire and brimstone is reserved for

these:

those who claim to believe but who are offended when
persecution comes,

those who are untrustworthy in holding forth the true
witness,

those who are morally unclean in any way or detestably
idolatrous,

¹Isaiah 1:13

²Matthew 5:20

those with murderous hatred in their hearts,
 those who are sensually fixated or practice sex disallowed by
 Allah,
 those involved in magic charms, degraded religion or the
 occult,
 those who are covetously idolatrous or consult false
 prophets,
 those who do not live and tell the truth. (Revelation 21:8)

God takes no pleasure in the torment of the wicked in hell,
 and neither does a true prophet
 take pleasure in the death of the wicked.
 Who can preach these things without tears?
 Yet they must be proclaimed,
 for how can any be saved from destruction
 without a new creation nature spoken into existence
 by the living and eternal Word of Allah?

Please understand that the intention
 is not to demean anyone,
 but to awaken everyone and see everyone delivered
 from the coming fury and the anguish that is forever.
 We treat all people with reverence and humility,
 and we discern in them some vestige of the image of Allah,
 not entirely faded, even from the vilest.
 For a glimmer of the goodness of the God who made him
 still shines from every man,
 making all accountable when,
 even though they hear,
 they refuse to obey the Word.

We treat all people with reverence,
 knowing that the Word of Allah himself
 thought every soul worth dying for
 and has ascended to the right hand of God
 where He is the universal Leader
 of our congregational prayers,
 our *Imam* (Leader),
 who makes intercession for the elect.
 And how can we be irreverent toward one
 about whom our *Imam*, Isa the Word of Allah,
 may Himself be interceding?

Oh the depth of the riches
both of the wisdom and power of God!
Our God is a consuming fire!
As His salvation is endless
so is His just judgment of torment for the wicked!

If you feel absolutely no shame or guilt before God,
not just because of the sin you have done,
but because of the sinner you are by nature,
then you may rest assured
that you are like the woman in this true story.

Why?
Because she feels exactly like you,
without shame or guilt before God.
For her, merit-earning religious ritual is enough,
because she has a corrupt mind and counterfeit faith,
having seared the tender conscience
the Eternal Spirit would give her.
She presumptuously thinks she can live any way she wants,
without a new nature,
and be continually forgiven as
she salutes a few religious rules
yet remains in her unregenerate, rebellious state.

Are you going to be like her?
—Not guilty or shameful enough
to feel the need for a new creation nature?

She thinks Allah will be pleased with her when she dies.
But that day will not mean what she thinks.
It will be a day of darkness and not light.
This deluded woman thinks her life is her own
to do with according to a few religious rules
(which she secretly breaks from time to time)
and she's very happy with herself
and with the rules she agrees to go by
and with the life she has made for herself,
with the life she has found for herself.

But whoever finds his life
will lose it;

Whoever loses his life
and receives the gift of a new creation nature
will find his life again
and keep it for eternity.

Does not the very honor of the husband
require that this adulterous woman
should be punished?
Or should she be allowed
to go on like this,
smugly thinking God does not see her,
even when a man of God
supernaturally tells her that God can see her?

Does not such ignorant stubbornness make you angry?
God has given her *years* to repent and reform,
but she has abused His patience and tolerance,
refusing to own up to the fact that His goodness
is meant to lead her to repentance.
She thinks God is like her,
and so she defiantly puts God's honor to the test.
With her brainless lovers and her inexhaustible adulteries,
she continually brings dishonor
not only on her husband's house
but also on her father's household,
and even on the household of God.

She and her lovers are a brood that God detests.
They are one-of-a-kind with the accursed children of Adam.
The first man, Adam, and his wife
were attracted and satanically seduced
by their own wrong desires when they believed Satan's lie
that the Word of Allah is error.
When they hardened their hearts against Allah and His Word,
they gave birth to a breed more wicked than themselves.
When they rebelled against His Word,
deciding they knew more than God,
they fell from the glory of His likeness.
Now the human race,
although it pays lip service to religion,
is steeped in unrighteousness, war, wrangling, murder,
depravity, maliciousness, arrogance, self-seeking,

vile speech, and treachery of every sort
—a community of snakes coiling around snakes!
And the leaders are the worst vipers in the pit!
They have hardened their hearts against the love of God,
and their wicked pride shuts up all remorse for their sin.
Sin? Their minds are always enterprising in it!
Fierce wolves in sheep's clothing,
the religious teachers
publish empty dreams and lying visions
that lead the Lord's lost sheep astray.
Not content with that,
they persecute the true shepherds
and murderously eat the flesh of the little lambs
and tear off their hoofs.
Don't they know that God loves people?
God wants all people to know who He is
and who they can become as submitters to Him!
Do these sleek religious wolves know God
or even care to know Him?
They do not!

Like Balaam's ass (that donkey prophet),
they see an angel and give a message.
And if even a man supported by a woman declares himself
to be *the* Messianic Prophet,
these wolves will become his fast friends
and sing his praises,
and want to kill anyone
who disagrees with their authority to be his butchers!
These false prophets preach a tinsel word,
an ear-tickling word,
a bloodless word
that cannot save.

Who is more wicked than the unregenerate prophet
who will not tell the way to regeneration?
They themselves will not venture out into the breach,
yet these butchers pour out the blood
of their own people without a qualm
and even dare to do this in the name of God!

Will the adulterous hypocrites who follow them
not be made as guilty and ashamed
as the treacherous hypocrites who lead them?
Does not the very honor of Allah
require that this pretentious brood
all be thrown into hell?
Yes, a rebel prophet with a lying vision
and all the rebels at heart
who love to listen to lies
will burn together.

A darkened race!
We cry out to Allah when in need,
but we forget Him as soon as He answers,
greeting His speedy abundance
with our not-long-in-coming pride.
He shows us great signs and wonders,
but the spiritually dense
are more impressed with themselves.

Be warned, you impotent leaders of the world,
you set of rebels ruling rebels:
submit to the Word of Allah
and kiss His death-conquering feet
or, despite the massive mutiny you mount against Him,
the blast of His anger will be a flame
you can never put out.

For the furious anger of Allah
has been revealed from heaven
against all the ungodliness of men
who hold the truth down
in their unrighteousness.
These enemies of God claim to serve Him,
but in the name of truth and religion
they crucify *al-Haqq* (the Truth) Himself
and, if possible, hold Him down forever
—but it is *not* possible, because Allah himself
has raised His Truth triumphant
over death, hell and murderous false prophets!

Such liars widen the mouth of hell
to gulp those like them down the more,
and so they cause in the land
a famine of hearing the true Word of Allah.
Allah is angry with the whole race of Adam.
He has vowed such accursed children of Adam
to His Word for destruction
and marked them down to His Truth for public execution.

Are you ignorant that Allah decreed
the death and rebirth of the whole human race?
Did you not know that the Word of Allah Himself
brought the decree?
The old race Allah nailed up naked and dying
and the new race He raised up clothed in glory.
The decree of death to the sinful dying race
and decree of life to the glorious holy race
came through the Word of Allah Isa al-Masih!
Did you not know that *al-Haqq* (the Truth)
came as Truth to bear witness to the Truth?
A Roman governor (Pilate) who put Isa (Jesus) on trial
asked him,
"What is Truth?"
This wicked soul did not know it was *he* who was on trial
and it was the whole brood of such as he
that Isa the Word of Allah would doom
in His own sacrificial flesh.

How, then, has God revealed his anger?
God sent His flaming Word
who will one day finally
remove the anguished wicked from His Presence;
God sent His burning, pure and sinless Word
into our fallen and wicked world
in a body as physical as any sinful body,
in order to publicly condemn
our fallen nature in the flesh.
God thus summarily put to death
the race of Adam,
and has been replacing it
with the new creation *ummah* (community)
of the Word of Allah,

as each new believer
hears, believes, repents,
and is spiritually born from above to have a holy nature
like that of Isa the Word of Allah.
For God is not willing that any should perish.
God is holding open the opportunity
for many to die
to their faithless life in Adam's race
and to come alive
to their pure and holy new life
in the race of the Word of Allah.

Why is the death and rebirth of the whole race of Man
necessary?
God could not let our sinful will go unpunished.
His honor could not allow it.

His justice demanded punishment
for our wickedness
and his honor demanded death
for our sin against His holiness.

However, God loves the world
and, like a heart-broken husband of an adultress
wooing back his faithless wife,
God by no means wants to destroy His creation.
So with an open palm of heavenly reconciliation
held out in the one hand,
and with a fist of hellish reprisal
threatening in the other,
God comes to this adulterous world
to get her decision:
will she or will she not
let Him make her into a new creation
and take her back honorably,
in covenant faithfulness and loyalty to Him,
her death-deserving sin and its blood debt paid.
He sent the Bridegroom of His Honor, His Word,
to enrobe Himself in our humanity
and to serve the death warrant of Allah
on our sinful race.
This was to save the honor of Allah.

Then His Word came to life again
to vouchsafe Allah's promise to a new forgiven humanity
who would leave their old corrupt minds
and receive the mind of Isa
to be spiritually raised to life with him.
This was to save the honor of believers.

Praise be unto Allah for His Eternal Word Isa!
Then, honorably unburdened of their wicked past,
all those who had longed to obey the Word of God
could be given the gift of a blessed future
and, as new creations, could become true submitters to Allah.
If the honor of Allah
or the honor of your own life before Allah
means anything to you,
you can come today to the kind of godly shame
and righteous sorrow for sin
that leads to salvation.
You can receive the living Word of Allah
through faith by calling out to Him now.
You can become part of His new humanity today.

But you say,
"I have many questions.
You have discussed evil at length;
why does Allah tolerate the wicked at all?
Why are they allowed to prosper?"

Since the present is but a brief preparation
for a more demanding future,
the seeming prosperity of the wicked
is really their curse,
in that he who is muddled by money
is ill-prepared for imminent coming judgment,
and so his "prosperity" seals his doom.

We are just one heart-beat away
from death and eternal judgment.
When we die we will become aware
of standing before the judgment throne
of the eternal Word of Allah—the Word who took the judgment
(by his death in our place)

of those who have faith in him
 and forsake all boasting
 in dead religious works.
 The more wickedness a man does
 and the more reward he seems to acquire from it,
 the more lulled he is into being caught
 in his wicked condition,
 which is a state worthy of eternal damnation.

THE MERCY OF THE MESSIAH TOWARD THE UNFAITHFUL

The following true story
 illustrates both the justice and the merciful love
 of Allah's eternal Word, Isa al-Masih:
 "At daybreak Isa appeared in the Temple again;
 and all the people came to him,
 and he sat down and taught them.
 The legalistic teachers and some members of the legalistic sect
 brought a woman along who had been caught committing
 adultery
 and making her stand there in the middle they said to Isa,
 'Teacher, this woman was caught
 in the very act of committing adultery.
 Now in the *Taurat* (Torah) Musa has ordered us
 to stone women of this kind.
 What do you say about her?'
 They asked him this as a test,
 in order that they might have some charge
 to bring against him.
 But Isa bent down
 and started writing on the ground with his finger.
 And as they persisted with their question,
 he straightened up and said,
 'Let him who is without sin among you
 be the first to throw a stone at her.'
 Then he bent down and continued writing on the ground.
 When they heard this they went away one by one,
 beginning with the eldest,
 until the last one had gone and Isa was left alone
 with the woman standing before him.
 Isa again straightened up and said,
 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?'

'No one, sir,' she replied.

'Neither do I condemn you,' said Isa.

'Go and sin no more.'¹

The woman in the story knew that she was as good as dead because two witnessess (the prescribed number) had caught her in the very act of committing adultery, of which the Torah's penalty was death. Isa could have treated her with loathing, as men all too often act toward women. Instead, he gave her new life and enabled her not to sin anymore but to surrender to Allah as a New Creation Muslim. This is God's will for all people, male and female, for Allah is the merciful giver of new life.

THIS IS THE CONCLUSION OF THE MATTER

In the beginning God
thought
and by His creative Word spoke.
The divine Word called a universe out of nothing.
And by nothing but His Word
are the revolving stars held together.
Of all the created beings,
man alone has a reasonable word,
an utterable word,
a human word
—and a self-seeing spirit.
For humanity is not made in the likeness of an animal,
but in the likeness of Allah
who is Eternal God with-His-Eternal-Word-and-His-Eternal
Spirit.
He it is who is the true God.

And this one God alone
makes mankind into a new creation
that reflects His glory
because the mankind He makes new
is Man-with-renewed-mind-and-regenerated-spirit.

¹John 8:1-11

We lose the old rebellious selfhood but not the self.
 We lose our old independent identity but not our identity.
 We are not swallowed up into religious mysticism.
 We need no occultist techniques or exercises to approach Allah.
 All we need to do is to repent
 and bring every thought captive to obey the Word
 by yielding to the power of the Eternal Spirit,
 so that the mind that was in Isa al-Masih is in us
 as we live and speak and act in inner communion with Him.

THE *TARIQA* (WAY) FOR NEW CREATION MUSLIMS

Shaitan (the Devil) is ultimately not able
 to overpower a person
 who is on the right path.
 The beginning of the right path is Allah's living Word,
 not a paper book sent down to be worshipped as a fetish
 but a living personal Word sent down
 that we might have life
 and have it more abundantly
 through a new and living *tariqa* (way)
 found only in Isa's inerrant written words.
 Isa said, "I am the *tariqa* (the right path),
 the *haqiqah*, (truth)
 and the *hayat* (life).
 No one comes to the Father
 but by me"
 (there is no other mediator,
 no prophet who can supercede him,
 no other name under heaven
 whereby we must be saved).

The center of the right path is *Iman* (right Faith) ,
 not in a righteousness of our own
 which is of law-keeping and works,
 nor of *din* (religious practice) nor *ih-san* (rightdoing).
 but that which is through *iman* (faith) in the Word himself,
 who comes to us from Allah in the power of the Spirit
 both to will and to do his good pleasure,
 effecting in us a righteousness which is of God
 by faith and not by works,
 lest anyone should boast.

The beginning of the way through is *tawba* (repentance).
This means continually confessing and putting to death
what is prone toward evil within us,
that is, the *qalb* (heart) of a *fasiq* (sinner).
If we say we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves
and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins,
he is faithful and just
to forgive our sins,
and to cleanse us
from all unrighteousness.

The inclination of all humanity
—not individually necessitated by Allah
but nevertheless personally and freely chosen
by all Adam's children—
is to sin and therefore to die.
Thus, we must die to self (*al-Junaid fana*).
We need to put to death in ourselves that which
shares the same sin-prone nature as the old mankind
(we need to die to the *umma* , community, of Adam),
and we must be recreated by the Word of God
(we need to be born anew
into the spiritual *ummah* of the Word of God).

The mystery of the right path
is that the Word of Allah
who is the likeness of the invisible God (Col. 1:15),
became *al-Insan al-Kamil* (the Perfect Man) Isa al-Masih
and died a death to cure the guilt
of the *qalb* (heart) of every *fasiq* (sinner),
so that we can become assured
of our eternal inheritance as new creations,
being daily renewed and perfected.

This mystery is Allah's temporary secret
now made publicly known,
that is, that Isa al-Masih
is the past, present and future pattern of mankind,
and whatever utopia or myth men hope for is unreal
except as the real is seen in Him alive from the dead.

The center of the way through is *inaba* (returning)
to *al-Insan al-Kamil* (the Perfect Man).
To as many as received him (Isa)
to them gave he power to become the heirs of Allah,
and we know that when he shall appear
we shall be like him.

The end of the way through is to submit
in total obedience to Allah
in the *marifah* (knowledge)
of His costly and holy *ishq* (love)
with which He has loved us,
even with the love of a Father.
This is the love God has for us,
the same fatherly love He had for Ibrahim
(whose former name Abram means 'Exalted Father').
Ibrahim himself returned this type of love to Allah
by his willingness to sacrifice to God
his only heir.

The end of the right path
is to daily do the *al-arkan* (right duties)
by the direction and empowering of the Eternal Spirit.
This step is *uhudiyah* (service)
and cannot be done by might
nor by power,
but by His Eternal Spirit.

YOU CAN PRAY THIS PRAYER

"Allah, the merciful and forgiving One,
I confess and agree with your Word
that I have had a sinful will
and have sinned
and need a new will.
I believe the Word of God who is Isa,
is the very expression of your will and can make me pure
as, by the power of your Eternal Spirit,
I am enabled to be like him.
May I never forget the great cost of his blood
to effect the atoning sacrifice
that takes away the penalty for my sins.

I call on you now and every day
to deliver me from my sins,
which offend you and have caused
the separation between us.
Come into my heart and life,
Isa, the risen Word of Allah,
and fill me with your love
that I might submit to
and follow your commandments
sent down through you
in the *Taurat* and the *Injil*
by the inspiration of the Eternal Spirit.
Lead me on the straight path to the new creation.
On the basis of what Isa al-Masih has done,
I offer this request to you, praise be unto you,
and believe in my heart that through Isa your Word
it is granted. Amen.”