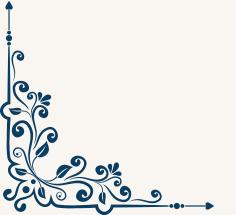
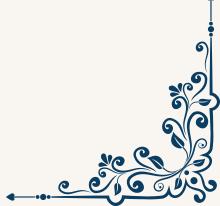


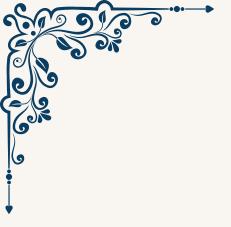
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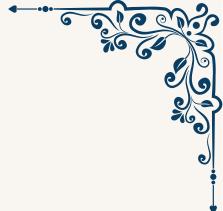
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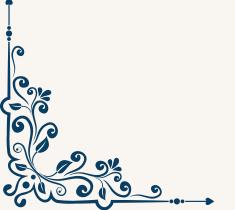
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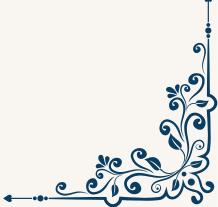
All praise is due to Allah, Lord of the Worlds. We praise Him, seek His help and forgiveness, and seek refuge in Him from the evils of our souls and the misdeeds of our actions. Whomever Allah guides, none can mislead, and whomever He leaves astray, none can guide.

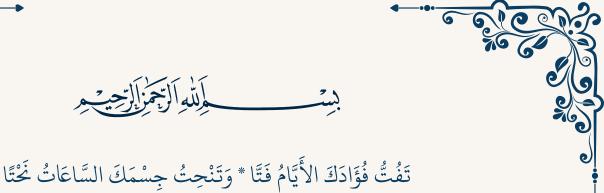
To proceed: This is the timeless poem Ta'iyyah by the righteous Andalusian scholar Abu Ismail al-Ilbiri—may Allah have mercy on him. This heartfelt and wise composition is a sincere admonition, urging reflection on the shortness of life, the deception of worldly pleasures, and the importance of righteous action.

With eloquence and clarity, the poem calls the reader to repentance, humility, and preparation for the Hereafter. It encourages seeking beneficial knowledge, avoiding heedlessness, and remaining steadfast upon the truth. Its verses serve as a mirror to the soul and a reminder to prioritise what truly matters—pleasing Allah and securing eternal success.

May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and his companions, all of them.







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And adhere to the Book of Allah and the Sunnahs which came from the Messenger of Allah — you will be saved and gain success.

And say: "The speech of our Sovereign is uncreated", with that the righteous ones professed faith and spoke clearly.

And do not be one who says "I withhold" regarding the Qur'an as did the followers of Jahm, who approved (of that statement).

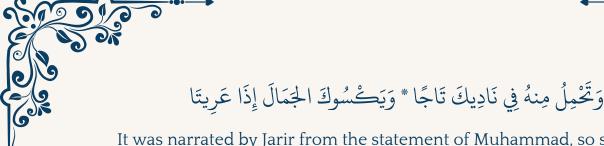
And do not say: The Qur'an is created, for I have recited it, for indeed, the speech of Allah is clarified through expression.

And say: "Allah will manifest Himself openly to the creation", just as the full moon is not hidden — and your Lord is more visible!

He is not born, nor does He give birth, and there is nothing like Him — exalted is the One glorified!

And the Jahmite may deny this, but with us there is a clear hadith confirming what we have stated.





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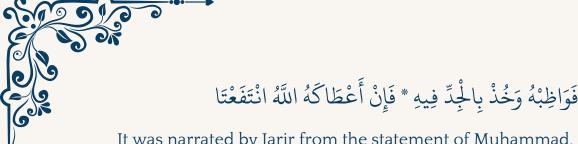
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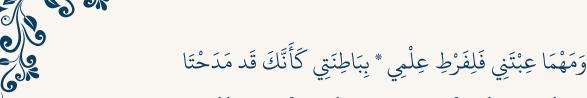
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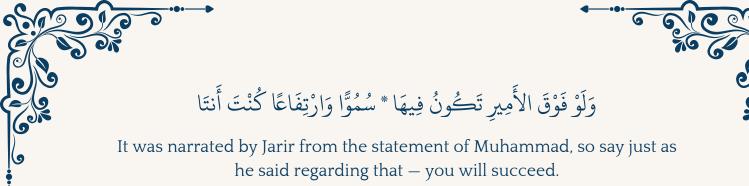
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