



AL-SHAMS - THE SUN



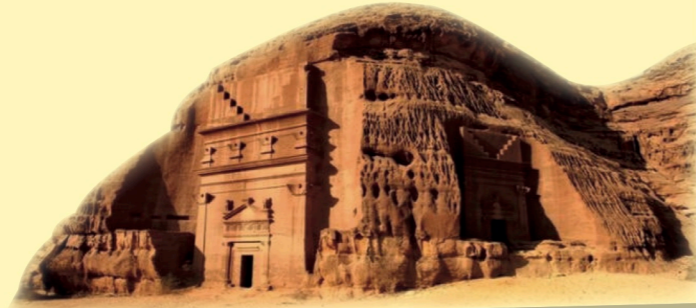
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THE PEOPLE OF THAMUD

Tangible historical anecdote of the people of Thamud who failed to liberate their souls by showing contempt for the truth with their rebelliousness and rejection of Prophet Salih (pbuh)



Ayaat 11-15

SUCCESS AND FAILURE OF THE SOUL

The human being programmed to discern between wretchedness and God consciousness

Success through purification (nurturing the divine seed) and failure through its corruption (weighed down with attachments)

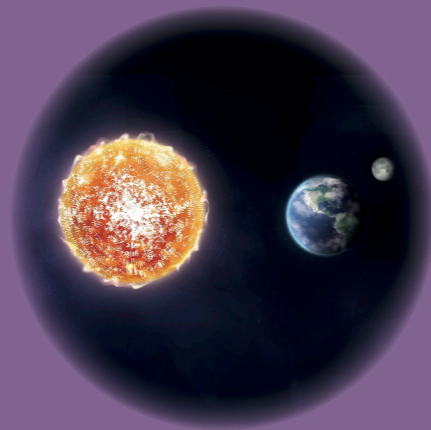


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Ayaat 8-10

7 OATHS - 6 PHENOMENA REVOLVING AROUND THE SUN PAVING THE WAY FOR THE EXISTENCE OF THE HUMAN BEING (7TH OATH)

1. Brightness of the sun
2. Moon following it
3. Day revealing it
4. Night veiling it
5. Sky and its construction
6. Earth spread out
7. PERFECTION OF THE SOUL



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Ayaat 1-7

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DID YOU KNOW?

SURA AL SHAMS IS RECITED IN THE SECOND RAKAA'A OF EID SALAA FOR IT DEALS WITH THE HUMAN BEING'S SPIRITUAL JOURNEY TOWARDS DIVINITY IN THE QUEST FOR PERFECTION

SELECTED AYAAT

- 91:1 Al Shams (The sun)
91:7 The one who perfected the soul

NARRATIVE

THE CHAPTER BEGINS WITH SEVEN OATHS; SIX PHENOMENA TO DO WITH THE SUN PAVING THE WAY FOR THE EXISTENCE OF THE HUMAN BEING IN THE SEVENTH. .

ALLAH SWEARS BY THE SUN'S BRIGHTNESS, THE MOON THAT FOLLOWS IT, THE DAY THAT REVEALS IT, THE NIGHT THAT HIDES IT, THE SKY THAT HOLDS IT, THE HEAVENS AND EARTH, AND THE PERFECTION AND COMPLEXITY OF THE SOUL. THERE IS AN ABILITY TO CHOOSE BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL. THE SOUL CAN SUCCEED THROUGH GOOD AND FAIL THROUGH EVIL.

A HISTORICAL EXAMPLE OF THE PEOPLE OF THAMUD IS GIVEN WHO REJECTED THE TRUTH BECAUSE OF THEIR ARROGANCE. THE WHOLE COMMUNITY SUFFERED AS A CONSEQUENCE.