

Surah al-Jinn

Hadija, had died, his first and only wife then, and the uncle who protected him from the Meccans who disbelieved. So he traveled from his home in Mecca to the city of Ta'if, and his message was rejected and some people of that city told their children to throw stones at him while he left. One evening, thereafter, while he was meditating alone, the prophet Mohammed—peace be with him—was visited by the angel Jibreel (Gabriel), and the angel said unto Mohammed—let us mind, if we can, that the Muslims of his day and those who knew of the faith of Mohammed, understood him to be an illiterate engaged in a game of telephone with the poetry of the Lord... The angel said unto Mohammed that God had said that Mohammed should say to his people, so that they like he could memorize—I've tried to be accurate. Forgive me, I cannot speak for God:

In the name of Allah,
The Compassionate,
The Wholly Compassionate:

Say: It was told to me
a party of jinn listened in.
They said, we have heard
a remarkable set of recitations.
It leads to maturity.
And we will not conjoin
our god with anyone.
And the exalted elder,
our god, has taken
neither partner nor child.

And among us were some ribalds
who used to make forbidden
claims against Allah.
And we thought that never
should jinn or men
speak falsely of Allah.

And there were people of the humankind
who sought refuge with people of the jinn,
so their burdens were increased.
And they thought, as you had thought,
Allah would not send anyone.

And we tried to reach empyrean
but found it filled with stern guardians.
And we used to sit there in positions
to hear, but those who listen now
find fire bursts waiting in surveillance.

And we know not whether malady
is planned for the people of the earth
or whether their god intends
to provide them with rationality.
And among us are the pious
and among us are those not so.
We approach by different methods.

And we thought we could not cause
Allah disruption on the Earth.
We cannot and will not
escape God by fleeing.
And when we heard its guidance,
we believed in it, and those
who fear their god fear
neither poverty nor burden.
And among us are those
who have surrendered
and among us are those
who have not surrendered,
and those who have surrendered
have sought rationality.
And those who have not surrendered
they will be as firewood for Jehenna
And if they had stayed the Way,
we would have refreshed them
with water in abundance.
We may deny those who flaunt
their refusal to remember,
insatiably, their god; their way
will be uphill and arduous.
And in the masjids, places you bow
to Allah, bow to no one with Allah

And when the servant of Allah called
his god, they crowded around him
so they seemed as if a unity.

Say: God is not claimed by anyone involved
Say: I have for you neither hurt nor rationality
Say: Indeed, I cannot protect myself
from Allah, nor will I find refuge
anyplace but in god.

Of Allah, I have only messages
and those who revolt against Allah
and his messenger have the fire
of Jehenna without end
until they witness what they are promised
and recognize who is frailer in helpers
and fewer in number.

Say: I do not know whether
what you promised nears
or whether God has appointed it
for another time.

The All-knowing knows alone
the unknown and does not
share its mysteries with any
except for those apostles chosen and guarded
from front and from rear
to know they have told the message
of their God and counted every number.