

# Sura 81 - The Cessation

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81. at-Takwir: The Cessation

- 1 When the sun is overthrown,
- 2 And when the stars fall,
- 3 And when the hills are moved,
- 4 And when the camels big with young are abandoned,
- 5 And when the wild beasts are herded together,
- 6 And when the seas rise,
- 7 And when souls are reunited,
- 8 And when the girl-child that was buried alive is asked
- 9 For what sin she was slain,
- 10 And when the pages are laid open,
- 11 And when the sky is torn away,
- 12 And when hell is lighted,
- 13 And when the Garden is brought nigh,
- 14 (Then) every soul will know what it hath made ready.
- 15 Oh, but I call to witness the planets,
- 16 The stars which rise and set,
- 17 And the close of night,
- 18 And the breath of morning
- 19 That this is in truth the word of an honoured messenger,
- 20 Mighty, established in the presence of the Lord of the Throne,
- 21 (One) to be obeyed, and trustworthy;
- 22 And your comrade is not mad.
- 23 Surely he beheld Him on the clear horizon.
- 24 And he is not avid of the Unseen.
- 25 Nor is this the utterance of a devil worthy to be stoned.
- 26 Whither then go ye ?
- 27 This is naught else than a reminder unto creation,
- 28 Unto whomsoever of you willeth to walk straight.

29 And ye will not, unless (it be) that Allah willeth, the Lord of Creation.

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