

November 17

We created the heavens
with great power and abundance
so that the Universe continues to expand.

We also spread out the earth like a bed for your comfort,
for We are the finest designer.

And We created all living things in pairs,
so that you all may remember and reflect on this.

Therefore, seek refuge in God,
for I [Muhammad] am sent to clearly witness to you.
I am sent also to warn you
not to worship other deities as partners to God,
who is the True One.

51:47-51

November 18

People have only their deeds [good or evil],
to commend them [before God],
Who alone will compensate everyone fairly,
For all people will finally return to your Lord.

It is God who makes us laugh or weep,
Who brings life and causes death,
Who gives wealth and riches.

And God created humans in pairs,
male and female,
beginning with a simple cluster of cells,
made [from the joining of ova and] flowing semen.
And it is up to God alone to recreate the Universe.

53:39-48