



Glorious Qur'an

English Translation by Abdullah Yusuf Ali

Abdullah Yusuf Ali, (1872 –1953) was an Islamic scholar who translated the Qur'an into English. His translation of the Qur'an is one of the most widely-known and used in the English-speaking world. In his childhood, Ali received a religious education and could recite the entire Qur'an from memory. He spoke both Arabic and English fluently. He studied English literature and studied at several European universities. Yusuf Ali's best-known work is his book

The Holy Qur'an: Text, Translation and Commentary,

Surah Bald

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

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| 1. | I do call to witness this City -- |
| 2. | And thou art a freeman of this City -- |
| 3. | And (the mystic ties of) Parent and Child -- |
| 4. | Verily We have created Man into toil and struggle. |
| 5. | Thinketh he, that none hath power over him? |
| 6. | He may say (boastfully):
"Wealth have I squandered in abundance!" |
| 7. | Thinketh he that none beholdeth him? |
| 8. | Have We not made for him a pair of eyes? -- |
| 9. | And a tongue, and a pair of lips? -- |
| 10. | And shown him the two highways? |
| 11. | But he hath made no haste on the path that is steep. |
| 12. | And what will explain to thee the path that is steep? -- |

13. - (It is:) freeing the bondman;
14. - Or the giving of food in a day of privation
15. To the orphan with claims of relationship,
16. Or to the indigent (down) in the dust.
17. Then will he be of those who believe, and enjoin patience, (constancy, and self-restraint), and enjoin deeds of kindness and compassion.
18. Such are the Companions of the Right Hand.
19. But those who reject Our Signs, they are the (unhappy) companions of the Left Hand.
20. On them will be Fire Vaulted over (all round).



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