



The Quran in English: with cautionary points to consider.

It is impossible to express the same wealth of ideas with a limited number of words in the English language. Comparing any translation with the original Arabic is like comparing a thumbnail sketch with the natural view of a splendid landscape rich in color, light and shade, and sonorous in melody. Scanty knowledge of classical Arabic would deprive anyone from appreciating the different shades of meaning rendered by the occasionally slightly different declensions of Arabic words.

The Blessed Month of Ramadan

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Beauty

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

It is Allah who made for you the earth a place of settlement and the sky a ceiling and formed you and perfected your forms and provided you with good things. That is Allah, your Lord; then blessed is Allah, Lord of the worlds.

اللَّهُ الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمْ
الْأَرْضَ قَرَارًا وَالسَّمَاءَ بِنَاءً
وَصَوَّرَكُمْ فَأَحْسَنَ صُوَرَكُمْ
وَرَزَقَكُمْ مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ ذَلِكَمُ
اللَّهُ رَبُّكُمْ فَتَبَارَكَ اللَّهُ رَبُّ
الْعَالَمِينَ (40:64)