



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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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

So is one whose chest Allah has expanded to [accept] Islam and he is upon a light from his Lord [like one whose heart rejects it]? Then woe to those whose hearts are hardened against the remembrance of Allah. Those are in manifest error.

أَفَمَنْ شَرَحَ اللَّهُ صَدْرَهُ
لِلْإِسْلَامِ فَهُوَ عَلَى نُورٍ
مِّن رَّبِّهِ فَوَيْلٌ لِلْقَاسِيَةِ
قُلُوبُهُمْ مِّن ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ
أُولَئِكَ فِي ضَلَالٍ
مُّبِينٍ (39:22)