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... in the motions of the winds...

MY "RELIGIOUS CONTRIBUTION"





O mankind! We created you from a single (pair) of a male and a female, and made you into nations and tribes, that you may know each other...

Qur'an - Chapter 49, Verse 13



For We assuredly sent amongst every people a messenger...

Qur'an - Chapter 16, Verse 36



... and there never was a people, without a warner having lived amongst them (in the past).

Qur'an - Chapter 35, Verse 24



... in the change of the winds, and the clouds which they trail like their slaves between the sky and the earth – (here) indeed are signs for a people that are wise.

Qur'an - Chapter 2, Verse 164



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Why, why, o why?

The real work all began with watching clouds drifting in the sky forming shapes which looked like complete human faces...

What did I find out?

1. Being muslim is not about believing you are guaranteed Paradise while saying everyone else is doomed to hell.

Hadith - Bukhari 4:538, Narrated Abu Huraira: Allah's Apostle (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "A prostitute was forgiven by Allah, because, passing by a panting dog near a well and seeing that the dog was about to die of thirst, she took off her shoe, and tying it with her head-cover she drew out some water for it. So, Allah forgave her because of that."

It's about realising there are positive things that can lead you to Paradise and negative ones that can lead you to hell.

For a muslim it means you try to stay with the good and keep away from what has been identified as 'bad' for your own safety. You strive to use the positive and avoid the negative. You learn to use tools towards achieving your goal.

Only God knows who ends up where (someone you think is going to hell might do something in his/her life leading him/her elsewhere and the same thing for someone you think is going to Paradise).

Yeah, so this is another trick to make people think about the "religion of peace" when "muslim fanatics" are killing themselves and other people around the world?!

Nah, I wouldn't bother about that - it's just like also arguing democracy is not about peace nor for it being the people if you look at events taking place around the world.

Humans will always be imperfect no matter what. I only wrote this to explore how the muslim society organises itself, develops knowledge about the world around it and guides itself into fitting into the world, as harmoniously as possible, using set laws and principles.

2. One way to look at the world would be to see it the way Neo, in the film *The Matrix*, did when he began to see the Matrix's codes. "Codes" are originating from a Source point and moving around interacting with our senses to create all the contents and attributes of the world we exist in (from the microscopic in detail to the vast visible splendours of the Universe). The big question is - where are they all coming from? (I began writing all this 3 years before the Matrix film).
3. If the codes we receive right now come in mixture of "positive" and "negatives", what happens if they become "cleaned up" into clear separate forms? The muslim tries to always keep the positive in this world balanced with the positive of the next.
Negative may seem pleasurable in this world, thus appearing positive, but with

everything in its clear separate form in the next world, it becomes painful. And vice versa.

4. Is there even the slightest chance of there being some way of causing the flowing codes of our existence to re-arrange our bodies "nano"-piece by "nano"-piece thereby causing the restart of life after one death? Read on for my "theory".
5. A lot of the things mentioned in the Qur'an sound similar to (and some being exactly the same as) those mentioned in the teachings of Judaism, Christianity and other religions. This is actually supposed to be, because based on the information in the Qur'an since we all came from the same Source, the knowledge given to all nations of people via special vessels (prophets) has always been the same. Differences occurred when time past and people forgot some things. In terms of differences appearing in similar texts in the Qur'an, Bible and Torah it would seem the main cause was in the way the information was gathered together and stored in the form of books to be read. For muslims, the information in the Holy Book had to be exactly what was revealed directly to the special vessels amongst humans, the prophets, and not via ordinary people who were not given the same special qualities and thus bound to human imperfections (errors or personal explanations and the like).
6. It is clear that religion is not to be forced upon anyone because it is only of use when you understand it (*Qur'an – Chapter 2, verse 256*).

Come to think of it, going back to the verse about the movement of the winds (*Qur'an – Chapter 2, verse 164*) being part of the signs for people with understanding, if you cared enough to understand such signs you'd be doing some weather forecasting (just like using stars for navigation).

FOREWARD

Peace unto you.

Some years back I wrote an article based on my readings of English translations and commentaries on the Holy Book of muslims, the Qur'an. It was essentially a look at the basics of muslim beliefs derived from the Qur'an. I placed the work online and it turned out to be rather popular with readers so I decided to revise it and produce a free PDF eBook version which could be downloaded and read at the user's leisure.

I hope the readers enjoy this as well, I have gone through the chapters, made revisions and even added a few more references from the Qur'an. As I mentioned in the original online article, yours truly is not some renown religious authority, just another regular person who happens to enjoy reading and writing (I am quite fond of writing funny short stories). If you are looking for expert advice on matters of Islam, I suggest you contact the nearest religious scholars to you (though you can contact me if you've anything to say about this work – maybe I made some silly-silly-boy mistakes somewhere that I ought to correct).

Well, I hope my work turns out to be useful to you. The original article can be found on this website address:

<http://www.geocities.com/iisule/inthemotionsofthewinds.html>

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A: THE THINGS THAT MOTIONS DO

SOME TERMS:

Motion – the act or state of moving.

Force – something which acts upon a body to make it move faster (accelerate) or change the moving body's direction.

Pattern – the specific order in which some things have been arranged.

Source - the place, person, circumstance thing, etc. from which anything begins or comes forth or originates.

Existence – the state of something being real or actual (to human beings especially).

Since this is a quest to discover knowledge and new information, we have to make some assumptions to guide our reasoning (just like scientists do before coming out with their theories) which we can later put to the test and come up with logical conclusions. Muslims believe all perfect knowledge belongs to the Creator and humans may err and correct themselves from time to time, thus one would have to make assumptions that one's information is as accurate as possible.

The first assumption

For anything at all to exist, to humans at least, there must be some form of motion or the other occurring.

Take an orange and slice it into half. Doing so makes the fruit, which had been held together as one whole to have its structure moved in separate directions dividing it into two separate halves. One could go on to slice one of these halves into two, giving two quarters. The smaller pieces could further be sliced and divided on and on until, let's say, only a drop of orange juice is left. Suppose one had an instrument "sharp" enough to again slice this drop into smaller and smaller "pieces" until one had an only an atom left. And, what's an atom? – the smallest part of an element, the smallest thing anyone can imagine, invisible to the naked eye and most microscopic devices.

What does an orange in pieces show us? Simple, before you had sliced the thing into such minute pieces, it had been a whole fruit. The whole fruit had

been made up of all the minute pieces. This means for it to have existed as the orange fruit we know, all of the pieces must have been moved into place and held together in that particular form.

Thus, motion was required for the orange to exist as an orange to a person. Mere acknowledgement of the orange's size, colour, weight, texture and taste would require various motions of light, impulses and signals, and other sensations.

Motion is needed for light, eyesight, hearing, free thought, darkness, pain, taste, sand, air, stimulus, heat, cold, the notions of fear and attraction, water, space, planets, rocks, fire, electricity, and anything else one can think of, to exist to human beings. Even if one were to take a look at an atom, the way in which it has been described and/or assumed to be spherical in structure, it comes to one's mind that that spherical body could also be broken down into smaller parts. It would mean that these smaller parts would have been initially moved together to form the atom's structure. Hmmm, further break down one of these parts and you discover motion had been necessary in the bringing together of the various "fragments" making up that part. And it goes on and on – motions, motions, and motions ... The world is made up of them.

The second assumption

Something causes the occurrence of motion, that is, movement from one point to another.

For the sake of this study that something shall be referred to as a '**force**'. The term '**energy**' could have been used, but that gives the impression of some kinds of motions within, around, or radiating from a body.

Slicing our orange in separate pieces required some force from our bodies transferring energy into our slicing object, say a knife, so it moved the pieces apart. The knife had to be forced into motion for the required action. Looking at it from the other way around, some force was needed to put the pieces into motion and arrange them in the form of the fruit.

Force causes motion.

The third assumption

A force tends to 'stay', 'start', or 'originate' from somewhere. It has a source.

The force transferring kinetic energy to the knife that sliced our orange, originated from the person wielding the knife.

From the assumptions given, we can deduce some important statements.

1. Existence to mankind requires motions, motions need forces, and these forces all originate from somewhere. To those called "the religious" the Source, the Originator and Creator of these forces and, likewise the motions, is God – Almighty Allah to muslims. This implies that God is the Originator and Creator of all existence.
2. ...Yes, yes, no one knows what God looks like...
3. Right, all things man acknowledges in the universe are as a result of motions. But things are not all identical in this universe. Shapes, tastes, sounds, smells, textures, colours, forms and all other attributes of these things vary. Why? Well, one could say that motions making up these forms or elements in the universe tend to occur in different **patterns** and, as such, these differences amongst them result. Different **motion patterns** (specific orders, combinations or arrangements in which motions occur) result in the formation of different structures and forms.

Let's take a look at those things referred to as "creations" in this world to illustrate the last point above (face it, even the theory of evolution requires quite a lot of motions taking place). Shall we? Oh good...

"God created everything" would be a simple way of describing the universe. A simple explanation, but that dude sipping cold, refreshing orange juice with a "dangerous" laptop and massive textbooks on quantum physics and nanotechnology on the desk before him (he's wearing a bandana on his head and is dressed in only a pair of massive shorts and rubber slippers on his feet) would just go " Mm-hmm, I believe you, baby.....You've told me a thousand times . Mm-hmm, oh yep, yep, yep..."

I don't blame him, man (pronounced *mehn*).

Dude, imagine infinitely minute particles moving together to form that spherical structure of an atom. Only a specific motion pattern for the formation

of a spherical shape occurs so the particles do not form cubical atoms. Specific motion patterns again cause the atoms to be arranged in a particular order giving rise to the formation of a molecule. Molecules move and combine together to form other structures. The process keeps on going until structures more easily seen with the naked human eye are formed.

At some point in time such motions occurred, scattered all over available space, forming different kinds of structures on the planet Earth, indeed, within the entire universe and 'existence' as we know it. A process of "**creation**" was taking place. Atoms would be arranged as molecules, molecules arranged as new structures and so on until one had a world full of "creations".

However, a motion occurring in one "creation" but not in another results in differences in the patterns or features of these "creations" (even if just very minute and unnoticeable).

Motion patterns making up an atom or a molecule in creation **A** but absent in creation **B** lead to a slight difference between the two but a very strong resemblance between them. Then comes creation **C** with some motion patterns absent or present in it making it quite different from creation **A** but only slightly different from creation **B**, thus, creation C bears a stronger resemblance to creation B than to creation A.

With such a process of "creation" taking place, the earth would have been full of creations resembling each other in gradual, diminishing degrees. A world crammed up? No, history teaches us how so many different species of creatures have already gone extinct ("survival of the fittest" it is sometimes termed). Naturally, this seems to 'create more space' in the world, but much wider gaps in resemblances between the creations result. Do some tree trunks look like human torsos with arms? Do worms look like snakes? Do apes resemble humans? Cases of resemblance are abundant and all over this world discovered archaeological remains reveal "creations" which had once existed in this world but soon either became extinct gradually or were wiped out by sudden disastrous events catching them unawares. These "creations" long gone still bear resemblances to those still existing today.

The process of "creation" did not last indefinitely and soon some of the motions making up the process began to diminish and cease to be or take on new, different patterns. The rampant volcanic eruptions and continuous rains or even the ice age, we have learnt from scientific theories and observations, which at one time were said to have ravaged the earth also were made up of various motions and they soon ceased to be. If the process of "creation" did not stop after some earlier period in time, then you'd probably be opening your door one

morning to see different and entirely new "creations" appearing every second and walking past your home .

The exact process might have ceased to be, but similar motion patterns, on much weaker and less precise scales, still occur causing similar processes in the world around us today.

- a. Take the clouds in the sky, for instance. Motion patterns cause tiny droplets of water to be formed and they then slowly move together to form clouds (air motions also play a part). These clouds move around and become shaped to look like gigantic faces in the sky. Faces with eyebrows, eyelids, foreheads, noses, lips, cheeks, and chins. But such motion patterns causing the shaping of the clouds lack the preciseness and "intensity" to cause accurate formation of human faces in the correct sizes and proportions with skin, skin colour, flesh, blood, bones, hair follicles, and so on. *Coincidences and tricks of our imagination?*
- b. Africans, West Africans anyway, are very familiar with yams, which make up some of their favourite dishes. Yam tubers grow under the soil and when they are dug out during harvest some of them tend to look like massive human hands – they even have the (pudgy) four fingers and thumb in the correct positions in relation to each other. Nah, those couldn't be yams whose earlier ancestors later evolved into human hands... Motion patterns resulting in the growth of such yams still lack the preciseness and "intensity" of those of the "creation" process so actual human hands in the correct sizes and proportions along with all the other relevant attributes are not formed in the soil.



Could tubers of yam have evolved into human hands over billions of years? No! ... But, they do taste good – the yams, that is...

The "creation" process is made up of motions in certain patterns, motions that are caused by certain forces, the forces themselves that come from a certain

origin. Muslims say Allah is the Originator and Creator of all things on Earth, in the entire universe and existence, as we know it.

Groups of motion patterns could interact with each other in such a way that an organism, for example, might have motion patterns making up its body structure altered in their arrangement by others of stronger influence (just like we did with the orange).

This would lead to the **mutation** of the organism – but a mutated horse remains a mutated horse and does not have to become a tiger (noting the theory that all living organisms evolved from one common, single organism).

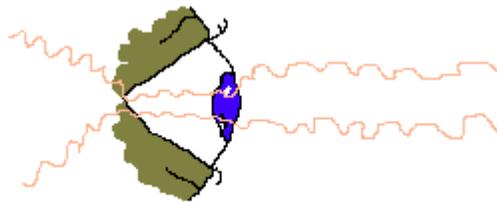
All motions from all forces would have to have a single source because otherwise

- they may as well occur in forms totally inconsistent and incompatible with each other (every different source having its own unique style of causing and sending out motions as well as causing their patterns)
- all the water in the entire universe would cease to exist one day, all of a sudden, should motions required to be patterned as water for some reason or the other fail to be released by one source responsible for this task out of the many others.

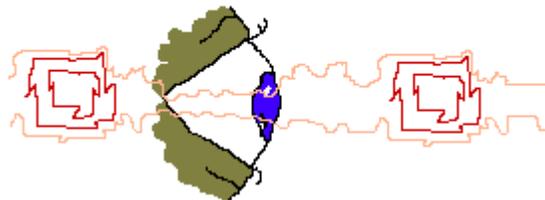
How do we acknowledge the presence of things around us?

People and animals tend to *know* their environment through their five senses – **sight, hearing, smelling, tasting** and **feeling**. Each of these senses exists as part of the person or animal's body structure, that is, each sense consists of defined motion patterns which fit together with the other patterns making up the rest of the person or animal's body. When the motion patterns of a person's senses come into contact with those making up the surrounding environment, they are made to become sort of "distorted" or "re-arranged" into a new order. Since the senses have motion patterns linked to those of the brain in the body, the brain is able to detect the "distorted" or "re-arranged" change in the initial form of the motion patterns of the senses (through its own special motion patterns giving it its capabilities). These "extra" patterns causing the changes are then taken aside by the brain and interpreted into the size, shape, colour, texture, temperature, taste, smell, or the like which characterize the new object(s) the senses had come into contact with.

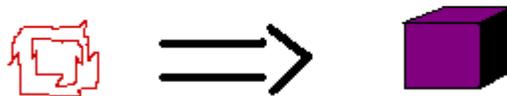
Take a simple example – suppose the motion patterns of eyesight (light moving to the eye, light moving around the eye, impulses moving from the eye to brain, movements in the brain in response to the impulses, etc.) for a person standing in an empty lighted room just consist of some wavy lines. A box whose motion patterns consist of, say, square-shaped, jagged lines is placed in the room. Once the box is *seen*, it means there has been some sort of contact between the wavy lines of eyesight motion patterns and square-shaped jagged lines of those of the box. For the box, no other important motions occur, but to the person seeing the box and acknowledging its presence, the supposed wavy lines of his/her eyesight become distorted and adjusted to now also contain square-shaped jagged lines (of the box) within them. The person's brain immediately detects this change and pays attention to the new lines added so it interpretes them letting the person know he/she is looking at a box.



EYESIGHT MOTION PATTERNS IN AN EMPTY ROOM.



'DISTORTED' EYESIGHT MOTION PATTERNS WITH MOTION PATTERNS OF A BOX NOW IN THE ROOM.



BRAIN INTERPRETES 'EXTRA' PATTERNS AS A BOX.

Yet, it is not all motion patterns our senses can interact with so we detect their presence. Some motion patterns may be so "weak", "fine" and undetectable that when they come into contact with motion patterns of our senses, the changes or distortions they cause are so small, so minute that the brain may consider them negligible. However, if such a contact were to be boosted, changes or distortions become adequate enough for detection and interpretation in and by

the brain. Special devices (such as microscopes, telescopes or computers) can act, as intermediaries whose motion patterns are more "sensitive" and able to detect those too "weak" or "fine" for the human brain. They create representations of these patterns, which the senses can then interact with more easily and the brain is now able to detect and interpret resulting distortions. This way we are able to detect the microscopic presence of cells, bacteria, viruses, and the like.

Some motion patterns may be so "fine" that until similar such patterns are made to come together in aggregates, we fail to detect their presence. For example, one may be unable to detect a tiny fraction of a clay particle, but a countless number of them brought together to form a mud brick can be easily seen or touched.

"Finer" motion patterns, still, fail to be detected even in aggregates, not until special devices are made use of. Take, for example, the difficulty in detecting individual particles making up the air or viruses.

Extremely "fine" motion patterns (probably to an infinite degree) would be impossible to detect but still, they would exist. Such motions and their patterns impossible for humans to detect could be categorized under the term "spiritual". [NOTE- detecting, where possible, the effects of these kinds of motion patterns would be a very different thing from detecting these patterns themselves.]

Imagine still being alive but with all the motion patterns of the five senses absent from one's body . You would be unable to see nor able to hear anything. You would still be breathing but unable to smell and unable to feel the air and breaths you are taking . The sense of touch, of feeling, would be gone. One could be fed, but the food taken would not be felt nor would it be tasted. Now, how would one prove one actually owns a thick cotton sweater? How do you figure out if you are actually sitting in a *Porsche* doing 100 km per hour or if somebody else is about to run you over with it? Is her favourite diamond necklace around her neck or in the gloved hands of a stealthy thief?

If the motions and their patterns forming the five senses come from forces and from a source like all other motions and their patterns, then it means it is through their provision that we are enabled to have notions of actually acknowledging the presence of things around us and being able to "own" them. So, it would go without saying that the Originator and Creator is the actual owner of all things.

ALLAH KNOWS BEST.

Take special note, in the Qur'an, of the 164th verse of the second chapter from which the title of this work is derived.

From the Qur'an:

- Chapter 59 , verse 24
- Chapter 21 , verse 33
- Chapter 2 , verses 116 to 117
- Chapter 2 , verse 164
- Chapter 51, verses 1 to 4
- Chapter 6 , verse 95
- Chapter 56 , verses 62 to 77
- Chapter 55 , verse 29
- Chapter 67 , verses 1 to 2
- Chapter 6 , verse 1
- Chapter 82 , verses 5 to 9
- Chapter 67 , verse 23
- Chapter 32 , verses 4 to 9
- Chapter 6 , verse 46
- Chapter 22 , verse 64
- Chapter 5 , verse 123
- Chapter 112 , all verses
- Chapter 12 , verse 105

- Chapter 23 , verse 92
- Chapter 91 , verses 7 to 8
- Chapter 34 , verse 3
- Chapter 23 , verse 92
- Chapter 57 , verses 1 to 3
- Chapter 65 , verse 12
- Chapter 64 , verses 1 to 4
- Chapter 6 , verse 59
- Chapter 59 , verse 22
- Chapter 3 , verse 137
- Chapter 3 , verse 6
- Chapter 90 , verses 8 to 9
- Chapter 75 , verses 1 to 4

B: THE *NAFS*

1. The bodies of human beings and animals have many similar features – flesh, eyes, noses, skin, blood, and so on. Seeing how the process of "creation" caused combinations of motion patterns with several differences between creations, humans differ to quite some degree from other animals. Certain motion patterns lead to the presence of some structures in human bodies, which are, absent in other animals. The most eminent of these differences greatly distinguishes humans from even those creatures with whom they share the closest resemblance – the apes.
2. Animals use motion patterns of their senses in co-operation with those of their brains to live their lives in the best possible manner ensuring survival. Without being taught, once they come into the world as young offspring, most animals tend to directly obey the "programs" running in their brains telling them the best way to behave, fit into their environment and exist. This we call their doing things via their "**instincts**". A very young kitten, for example, without necessarily observing the adults to imitate them, eases itself on sand left for it in the corner of a room and then afterwards proceeds to cover the excreted waste with the sand.

In the early stages of their lives, human beings also exhibit the use of their instincts in their actions and behaviours. However, as they grow older and their bodies develop, so also their special "extra" motion patterns. These "extra" motion patterns tend to have the ability to "block" those of the brain's "programs" for a while before the individual acts upon them. The development of the "extra" motion patterns tends to take place gradually. So, when a baby's brain tells it to get rid of waste material from its body, it does just that regardless of wherever it finds itself. Usually the baby cries as well. A six-year old may do the same but refuses to cry in discomfort while a fifteen-year old would just wait until his friends leave or he is able to nick off to a toilet to do his.... ehem.... business – not soiling himself nor crying out aloud. The individual now possesses the strong will and ability to make "choices", have "freewill", "self-consciousness" and "intellect". That is to say that the individual has the ability to reason and make decisions on many of the things his/her brain tells him/her to do, as is necessary to it for ensuring "survival". For example, while a cow obeys its brain's "program" to seek grass and feed in order to take care of the hunger it is feeling, the human being could

decide to ignore his/her brain's "program" and decide to fast or go on hunger strike instead.

3. To be able to do the things it does, such a combination of "extra" motion patterns in human beings would have to be far much "finer" than motion patterns of the brain (energy, signals, impulses, etc.) and the five senses (these senses which, however weakly or strongly, tend to make up human emotions) in order to escape being overwhelmed and influenced or controlled totally by them. These "extra" motion patterns could, thus, be categorized under those of the fine "spiritual" type. Where they exist, exactly, in the body is unknown.
4. These extremely fine "extra" motion patterns in the human body are what make up what is referred to as a person's *nafs* or "soul". Information about this *nafs*/soul (from the Qur'an) include:
 - a. its "spiritual" nature
 - b. its ability to stop a person following his/her brain "programs" immediately , but instead stop think and make a choice or decision – this thereby enables it to be able to "prompt" the person to do some certain things , at times , in what could be described as an "irrational" (perhaps "wrong", "unnatural" or "dangerous") manner
 - c. its ability to "remember"
 - d. its proneness to "corruption" and also "purity"
 - e. its ability to acknowledge the truth about "good/right" and "bad/wrong"
 - f. its linkage to the state of consciousness of a person.

Due to its nature, the *nafs*/soul is free from the influence and control of the five senses. This means that, unlike the brain, it remains unaffected by **biases** arising from emotions (here assumed to be caused by these senses). Though the brain is generally "in charge" of all other parts of the body, the senses to some degree still influence its activities. Take a look at the nature of **memories** in our brains. Specific motions in the brain enable us to maintain and recall memories of actions and occurrences in our lives. However, our senses make us able, also, to attach "sensations" or "feelings" of emotions to these memories. Thus, we talk about "happy", "sad", "funny" or "frightening" memories. Such are the emotional "biases" mentioned earlier.

A blind man (who of course is alive) has a *nafs*/soul. A blind, dumb and deaf man also has a *nafs*/soul. A blind, dumb and deaf leper also has a *nafs*/soul. Well then, a live blind, dumb and deaf leper without the senses of smell and

taste would also have a nafs/soul. So the nafs/soul can exist separately from the five senses and the emotions arising from them.

Since the nafs exists separately from the senses and emotions, and it also gives one the power to make choices, it means whichever "memories" it tends to carry with it would be free from the "bias" of emotions. It would know the truth about the actual intended nature of one's actions. The "real truth", man.

Memories, as you'd recall, are as a result of specific motion patterns in the brain which can be affected even by the minutest of emotions caused by motion patterns of the senses added or "fitted" together with them. "Memories" patterned unto the extremely fine motion patterns of the nafs would maintain their original forms for they are able to escape control and influence by the less fine motion patterns making up the senses. The nafs carries a "pure" copy of our memories

"Oh yep, yep, yep, you're losing me here."

Say, a man sees his neighbour's wallet on a table and he 'faps' (steals) some money from it. He uses the money to buy himself some drinks at a shop. He is an average, sane man in the society and he knows in his mind that: "I stole my neighbour's money". But he can excuse the pangs of guilt in his mind with: "I just used his money to enjoy some delicious drinks, that's all. Besides, he has more money at home." The memory in his brain (mind) of the act of stealing his neighbour's money is now patterned together with those of emotions of a "lovely time had" and the "soothing" ones of the assurance of his neighbour having more money at home (trying to soothe away the feelings of guilt for one's actions). In his nafs, on the other hand, there are only those motion patterns of the memory "I stole my neighbour's money" coupled with the fact that the nafs also bears the knowledge of "feeling guilty because I've wrongfully taken someone else's earned money without her consent – something which rightfully shouldn't be mine" – and the nafs would know that such a memory indicates "bad".

Now,

- the guy has a "fun time" where his body and mind are put to rest about guilt and they enjoy the drinks he was now able to afford

while

- the guy (even from the "guilty conscience" he chooses to ignore) has "bad" acknowledged and patterned into "memory" in his nafs .

"Bad" in its literal sense implies something negative. The man has given his nafs "negative" motion patterns meaning that the overall state of those motion patterns making up his nafs is also "negatively" affected. He is described as having "**corrupted**" his nafs (so many quotation marks in this thing...).

All it takes to have such "negative memories" patterned into a nafs appears to be the knowledge of the true nature of one's actions and their consequence which one then goes ahead to ignore – "If I don't help grandmother in the garden she may sprain her ankle again just as she did last week – oh, it would just be a sprain not her death let the old woman be, I've got to finish this fantastic film on TV", "If I add pepper to our meal it'd hurt my friend because he's allergic to pepper, but who cares , I enjoy the taste of pepper in my food and he won't even know" , etc.

You've the ability to do the "right" thing, given alternative choices from your nafs blocking your immediate execution of your brain's "programs", but you decide to go on and do the "wrong" thing.

Cases where the nafs does not keep "memories" as "good" or "bad" (especially), doing its work of identifying the real truth of matters include:

- i. in infants and children whose nafs/souls have not yet fully developed along with their bodies and minds
- ii. in sleeping or unconscious people where , in such states , the nafs/soul is not in the body (fully at least) to ensure full consciousness and this makes bodily actions , thoughts or dreams not to have their motions in full "contact" and interaction with the nafs/soul [you could say that this is why we tend to *reason* less in our dreams]
- iii. in mad or insane people with damaged or altered motion patterns of the brain and mind such that there is ineffective functioning between them and the nafs/soul, (but when you purposely drive yourself insane in order to do whatever you like , your nafs merely notes the "real truth" of the matter).

We can, therefore say that all actions are determined by intentions.

"So what, about a 'corrupted nafs'? I can't feel it to disturb my life about it now, can I?"

Once, guzzling plenty of good food was a sign of the good times. People would eat and eat all sorts of food – many people were especially fond of 'junk food' – just enjoying themselves. Soon arms would become flabby, necks practically hidden by mounds of flesh while bellies protruded, straining belts and making shirts tighter. All this was "kool", but pretty soon groups of people started going, "no, oh no-o-o-o" this wouldn't do at all. A good balanced diet in moderate amounts along with daily exercises and workouts were necessary for a healthy, trim body. Now that was "kool". Today many people go to gyms frequently or do their daily exercises at home, jog and take long walks so as to attain that funky look of "today's modern world". Obesity remains widespread and is not considered "kool" by most people.

While we were consuming all that delicious food, we couldn't feel the "corruption" to the motion patterns making up our bodies by the addition, in a negative manner, of all those other motion patterns. No, we couldn't.

Cigarettes (yes many of you 'bobos'/guys hear me talking now).

Some years ago, for a really "kool", funky look, you had to have your cigarette slowly smoking from one side of your lips with your slick suit on, shiny rings and watch adorning your fingers and wrist, and a hat pulled down over one eye. A "bass voice" added to the effect when you walked up to a *chick* and, "Hey, darling girlie, what's up baby? I just came back from my glamorous tour overseas, y'know. See this wonderful *wando* (trousers) of mine, I ...*gbehu – gbehu, koff, koff ...*I've swallowed my burnt out cigarette! *Gbehu! Gbehu! ...*" Then again some people turned up and began to make noises. Today it is accepted that 'SMOKING IS DANGEROUS TO HEALTH', 'SMOKING CAN CAUSE CANCER', and 'SMOKING KILLS' along with a whole other bunch of warnings. Many people still smoke, but it is not so "kool" anymore. Not smoking keeps you healthier. While the "bass voice", slick gent was smoking all those cigarettes and enjoying them, he could not feel the "corruption" he was causing the motion patterns of his body with the addition of those from all his smoking (like the possible damage to his lungs and liver).

When you tell your five –year old sister not to, she does not listen – she creeps out of her room at midnight and watches the horror film *Zombie Bloody Entrails Special*, from hiding, with you. Next thing you know, she cannot go to sleep anymore. Memories patterned into her mind keep bugging her at night in the form of nightmares. The same thing also could happen to someone who stood to witness something nasty like a brutal murder or who decided to roast his pet cat alive. In the process of satisfying their curiosity (and the child

enjoying the thrill of disobedience), no-one guessed the motion patterns being added to those of the brain to form "negative" memories capable of causing great discomfort later on.

Likewise, when you keep on accumulating "negative memory" motion patterns into your nafs in the manner earlier discussed, you might be unable to feel the "corruption" caused but "negative" remains "negative" and soon the time would come when you'd have to bear the resulting pains and discomfort.

The safest thing to do would be for an individual to do his/her best to ensure the development and maintenance of healthy and fit (state of motion patterns making up the) body, mind/brain and nafs.

Human nature restricts any ordinary human being from being able to maintain a totally pure nafs free from "negative memories". One can only try and do one's best.

A person may, however, attempt to:

- outnumber "negative memory" motion patterns in the nafs with "positive" ones in order to achieve an overall more "positive" state
- counter and/or "neutralize" motion patterns of "negative memories" in the nafs with matching "positive" ones. These can be done via several means.

One could attempt to counter "negative memories" in the nafs in the following ways stated below.

- a. The individual engaging in as much "positive" deeds (for instance, being charitable and helpful and avoiding sources of "negative memories") as possible. Note that the nafs would truthfully see those deeds for what they really are either honestly "positive" or actually just for showing off or bragging to awe other people and make them feel bad which would all be "negative".
- b. The individual engaging in certain procedures and actions involving serious concentration on seeking the provision of adequate motion patterns which could be added to those of the nafs to take care of the negative ones. All motions, we have said, come from the Originator and Creator of all motions and their patterns. This means that one would be

"requesting" for the provision of such motions, which would either clear the "negative memories", erasing them or at least rendering them harmless from the Originator and Creator. Call this "seeking for forgiveness of one's wrongs". Serious concentration would be required for making such requests because one has to make sure that the nafs "memories" agree with one's actions (and not that they are created showing that one is engaging in the mentioned procedures and actions just for some other bogus reason like showing off). The procedures and actions referred to here are called "prayers". When you "pray", desiring food to feed your family with, your nafs is made to bear "memory" motion patterns of such a sincere desire. The "shape" of these patterns created then remains until such a time when adequate motion patterns occur and fit perfectly with them. This perfect fit means that you acknowledge that the desire has been satisfied. Actually getting what was desired causes that acknowledgement in one's mind. All it takes is patience for the adequate motion patterns to occur matching those of one's desires in the nafs "memory". Of course, if one hadn't concentrated on "praying" with any sincerity, it would mean that one's nafs simply has the motions of the "memory" it is going to bear patterned in such a way as to truthfully show that one was not really serious about "praying" for the provision of food for his/her family. This leads to the matching of these "memories" with any of the motion patterns which happen to arrive having the adequate characteristics enabling them to fit together – NO FOOD ACTUALLY SOUGHT AND GOTTEN.

The world can be said to be constituted of countless motion patterns like a jigsaw puzzle with a thousand pieces. The motion patterns you create in your nafs when you "pray" are like one jigsaw piece you pick and drop on a plain board. Patience is needed to go through all the other nine hundred and ninety – nine pieces to find the one which fits excellently with the one you picked, but the right piece is there somewhere. The right motion patterns to match those of your nafs "memory" are also out there somewhere, they will match yours sooner or later – "in this world or the next" as is commonly said.

When you make a sincere request in the form of a prayer, take it that it has been answered already. The response may or may not come as quickly as one anticipates, but when you apply medicine to a pimple on your face, for instance, the pimple may or may not disappear as quickly as you want it to. It depends on the medicine used, how it was applied, what kind of body you have and so on – but if you used the right

medicine, gradually the irritating swelling will go away when the time is just right.

It becomes clear the important role that "praying" can play in boosting the level of "positiveness" of a person's nafs.

Muslim prayers take a unique form:

- the necessary concentration and intentions required
 - "recitations" in Arabic are uttered (beginners can use translations of the "recitations" in their local languages) – the "recitations" and other utterances are in Arabic simply to maintain them in their original, "uncorrupted" forms as they were revealed to mankind ; motion patterns resulting in these "revelations" to mankind have also been made to occur in ways which lead to their existence in many other languages around the world, the ones in Arabic just happened to be those which have survived unaltered over the years [it is also important to learn the meanings of these Arabic "recitations" and to also understand the information they provide]
 - certain body movements and postures are involved to ensure the person "praying" humbles himself/herself before the Creator towards Whom he/she is concentrating on seeking help from ; the movements and postures also ensure all limbs, muscles and joints of the body are moved as they were created to as well as exercised daily to, at least, have some degree of physical fitness and health (the head, neck, jaws, shoulders, shoulder blades, arms, fingers, wrists, hips, legs, feet, toes, etc. are all involved)
 - personal supplications (*du'a*) can be said or offered in any language at certain points in the prayer, like at the end, - for the Originator and Creator of all motions and their patterns understands them all [makes them all possible], even when they occur in the form of sound motion patterns as languages.
- c. In some cases, motion patterns from "positive pain" and/or sincere "repentance" (as truly acknowledged by the nafs), that is, sincere regret, might be required to counter those of "negative pleasure" kept as "memories" within the nafs.

It is a good sign if you are able to realize your mistakes in life then turn about and try to mend your ways.

Beware of knowingly accumulating the "negative" memories with the intent of "repenting" afterwards. You can't trick your own nafs, it knows what you are really doing.

ALLAH KNOWS BEST.

From the Qur'an:

- Chapter 32 , verses 4 to 9
- Chapter 91 , verses 7 to 9
- Chapter 90 , verses 8 to 10
- Chapter 15 , verses 26 to 31
- Chapter 76 , verses 1 to 3
- Chapter 39 , verse 7
- Chapter 20 , verse 96
- Chapter 2 , verses 281
- Chapter 2 , verses 285 to 286
- Chapter 6 , verse 70
- Chapter 7 , verse 205
- Chapter 39 , verse 42
- Chapter 3 , verse 135
- Chapter 3 , verse 200
- Chapter 4 , verses 110 to 111
- Chapter 39 , verses 1 to 3
- Chapter 2 , verses 151 to 156
- Chapter 24 , verses 1 to 2
- Chapter 24 , verses 4 to 10
- Chapter 24 , verses 11 to 13
- Chapter 2 , verse 256

- Chapter 4 , verses 31 to 32
- Chapter 4 , verse 48
- Chapter 4 , verses 17
- Chapter 68 , verse 17 to 33

C: "RE-CREATION"?

1. When a person dies , the motion patterns making up his/her body structure tend to become broken down , loosened and separated into freer finer forms . First, the finest member of these motion patterns, the nafs/soul, is released. Next, the less fine motion patterns of energy, brain waves, impulses, and the like follow. Then come still less fine motion patterns of gases like oxygen and carbon dioxide. After these the more "solid" motion patterns of the body are broken down and lost, that is, the blood and other liquids and then the flesh, muscles and ligaments. Finally, the motion patterns of the bones are also affected.
2. Animals and/or plants, aiding in the break down and loosening of the motion patterns, may consume a dead person's body. His/her consumed flesh , for example , is broken down in plants' or animals' bodies into the finer motion patterns of energy or whichever chemicals may be desired while the rest comes out as broken down waste by-products excreted out. The waste by-products themselves are acted upon by micro-organisms which further break them down into much finer forms in their own bodies and the waste they pass out. Eventually, the dead body becomes scattered all around us, our environment, in the form of very fine motion patterns our senses cannot detect. **Note that it is motions making up substances we are talking about here.**
3. Two "trumpet blasts" or "shout". Earthquakes strong enough to shake and shatter "mountains to dust", "rainfall", "skies rent apart", "stars plucked out" and the earth "emptied of all its contents" . These events are stated in the Qur'an as those which would mark the "end" of not only the Planet Earth, but of the entire universe and man's existence.
 - a. A process of motions is started off, affecting the entire universe. All motion patterns become disorganized, disrupted and "scattered". We lose the skies, space, planets, stars, - everything around us.
 - b. The motions cause "mountains to be shattered into dust" and the earth to be "emptied of all its contents". One can imagine what such motions could do to humans, animals, plants, and other forms making up the earth's environment. All things would be scattered into separate motion patterns, no longer in their combined states as the structures they had earlier formed.

- c. Already in extremely fine and separate forms, the motion patterns of the nafs as well as those of "memories" patterned into them are released relatively unaffected. All other less fine motion patterns making up people's bodies, however, become broken down into finer forms and separated from each other. A person literally has his/her entire being "scattered" all over. The "break down" and separation of these motion patterns would also mean the removal of all 'foreign' patterns (like mutations or injuries). Everything in man's existence is affected.
- d. Another set of motions occur as the first "trumpet blast", 'seeping' through all the loosened and scattered motion patterns around and causing the process of "creation" to re-occur. A sort of reversal of the original process takes place. All the scattered motion patterns are caused to re-organize into their original combinations and forms – the alien motion patterns of the likes of mutations (which were not in the original combinations and forms) are not included here. This way, all structures and "creations" which had existed throughout the earth and the universe's being, are reconstructed in the states they had last been and exist again. **THERE WOULD BE NO EXCEPTIONS.**
 Any person you had known personally, only heard of or never even knew throughout the world's history (whether you had ever felt his/her skin, heard his/her voice or not), every human being shall have his/her body completely reconstructed.
 All motion patterns become re-organized and then **the difference between the Creator and the created stands out clear .**
- e. Although human beings have their bodies fully re-constructed by the "gathering" and "re-arrangement" of their scattered motion patterns, they would remain unconscious because the first "trumpet blast" is made up of motions which are not fine enough to interact with and influence the extremely fine ones of the nafs. Much finer motion patterns of a second "trumpet blast", however, occur which are able to affect the nafs' and cause them to be re-integrated with the other corresponding motion patterns making up the human bodies. People then "wake up". It should be remembered that the nafs would only fit back into those bodies containing the "shapes" and "spaces" which the motions of the nafs had caused to be patterned out in the bodies they had once "inhabited".
 It's a bit like making moulds with different objects, removing the objects then fitting each one back into its own particular mould. One person's nafs would be unable to inhabit another person's body (the nafs of one

clone would not be able to enter the body of the other because memories like those of which clone had stood or sat on the right and which had been on the left would be enough to cause the formation of different nafs "memories"). Muslims do not believe in reincarnation. It's just as we are told that each human being has a particular set of finger prints or patterns in the eyes.

- f. If everything is re-constructed and re-arranged in original forms and states, all that we regard as "positive" should then exist distinctly from all that are "negative". No mixtures.

The reconstructed human bodies are in the states they had been "created" before other foreign motion patterns got added to them in the world (mutations and so on). We can call that "positive" and these bodies would have to be included amongst the other distinct "positives" around. But there is a slight hitch – the fine nature of the nafs prevents the motions included in the first "trumpet blast" to affect it the way the other parts of the body are, meaning the nafs still bears with it all of a person's lifetime "memories". The body parts would even "testify" to a person's deeds, thus, going ahead to "remind" the nafs and further helping it to easily recognize the deeds. If there is a larger presence of "positive" nafs "memories" than there are the "negative" ones it means the entire reconstructed body is made to be more "positive" than "negative" (these are the "real truths" about the state of the body here, as noted by the nafs). If, on the other hand, the "negative" ones outweigh the "positive" ones with their presence, then that body on the whole would have to be more "negative" than "positive".

With everything "positive" in the universe now sifted out together on one side and everything "negative" on the other, the more "positive" human bodies blend in with the "positives" while "negative" human bodies go with the "negatives".

"Positives", these could be said to include states such as those of ease, comfort, calmness, peace, happiness, balance and so on.

"Negatives" might include states of pain, unrest, unease, discomfort, imbalance and so on.

They are no longer in a combined form for a person, whichever state his/her body and nafs fit with, so the person has to remain.

The "positives" we say constitute **Paradise**.

The "negatives" make up **Hell**.

Let's have another illustration of what is being explained here.

Have a 3cm long and 2cm wide figure "1" on a computer screen. Save it under a filename "1". What happens when it is stored and the screen is cleared? The "1" tends to become broken down into tiny "digital pieces" and these are "scattered" all over the magnetic field around the computer's hard disk which acts as a memory bank. Get a two-year old toddler. Prompt the computer to ask you to enter the relevant filename allowing it to retrieve your stored "1". Allow the toddler to keep punching away to his/her delight on the keyboard. Each time one or more keys are punched, press the ENTER key. Make sure the system keeps on prompting you to enter the filename. Soon the child hits the key with "1" and you press ENTER. Series of motions occur within the computer system - electronic signals and/or impulses as well as mechanical movements – and the "scattered pieces" on the hard disk's magnetic field are gathered, transported and re-arranged once more into the figure "1" on your screen. Pretend the whole computer system had been our universe "full of motions". The figure "1" represents a living individual while its storage represents the individual's death, burial and decomposition of his/her body. Let the toddler and his/her punches on the keyboard along with ENTER being pressed, be the random forces acting upon the universe. The remaining series of actions, which follow, would go on to demonstrate how it would not be difficult for a process of "re-creation" to occur.

Chances are one in a billion? We'll just have to wait, study and see.

After all, we won't really be going anywhere.

ALLAH KNOWS BEST.

From the Qur'an:

- Chapter 84 , verses 1 to 6
- Chapter 89 , verse 21
- Chapter 89 , verse 23
- Chapter 79 , verses 1 to 14
- Chapter 22 , verses 5 to 7
- Chapter 21 , verse 104
- Chapter 39 , verses 68 to 70
- Chapter 8 , verses 37 to 38
- Chapter 69 , verses 13 to 14
- Chapter 6 , verse 73
- Chapter 14 , verses 48 to 51

- Chapter 6 , verse 38
- Chapter 17 , verses 49 to 51
- Chapter 81 , verses 1 to 14
- Chapter 6 , verse 70
- Chapter 2 , verses 285 to 286
- Chapter 7 , verses 7 to 8

D: GENERAL INFO.

1. Superstition

When a person knows well enough that he lacks any good knowledge at all about the explanation for "strange" or even normal everyday occurrences or phenomena, but goes ahead to give and/or believe in any concocted "spiritual" explanation for them, all he does is just harm his own nafs. Earlier explanations show how it is virtually impossible for the average human being to detect the presence of extremely fine motion patterns of the "spiritual" kind with the senses. Saying one has a running nose because evil spirits dislike its large size would just be lying to oneself and/or others which is another "negative memory" to the nafs. Motion patterns of "revelations" which are really those patterns made to occur in the brain so accurate knowledge is formed via "natural" means (as shall be seen later with similarly affected children referred to as being "gifted") provide adequate information on "spiritual" matters – one of the many uses of the Qur'an. Superstition ought to be avoided.

2. Don't be a killer

'Blowing people away' without any reason is not a good way of maintaining a healthy existence. You cannot kill someone just because you are angry, you do not like him, his skin colour or way of life is different from yours, or because she "broke your heart".

- a. You would be creating harmful "memories" about yourself in your nafs and in your murdered victim's if you go on killing this way (even in war).
- b. You can kill a person a million times over if you wish, but come those motions of the process of "re-creation" and the person is restored with the same attributes which you might have disliked and killed him/her for – the killing would ultimately be a waste of time.

One only becomes forced to kill when there are no other viable means of ensuring a "positive" enough atmosphere to maintain a healthy body, nafs and life in. Even then extreme care must be taken before one carelessly winds up "corrupting" one's nafs and that would not be nice. Please, put those two pistols away...

3. What's *Post-marriage* got that *Pre-marriage* hasn't?

Someone sits and gawks continuously at a gorgeous lady or very

attractive man walking down the street ('gawk' is the word here not 'see'). As the person gawks, so he/she enjoys the emotions that arise along with the desires in the mind going "Oh, what I'd just love to do with those eyes, those lips, that chin, those arms..." Meanwhile, a voice from the knowledge of his/her nafs starts, maybe, saying things like "Yo, WARNING! Fears of possible attack from the person gawked at. These fears coming from the guilt gotten from the knowledge that the gawking might be disapproved of." Or something like that... 'Guilt' becomes recognizable as "bad". The person could ignore this "voice" with : "I can handle it".

And where nothing happens and the "fears" are laid to rest, emotions continue to be aroused and the brain is made to switch on a "program" for the complete use of the emotions. Thanks to the nafs, choices and decisions can be made with regards to the implementation of brain "programs". As was seen earlier, in our example on the development of the nafs in the human body, accumulation of waste material in the body leads to the activation of a brain "program" which demands one to excrete this waste out before it becomes toxic. Humans have the ability to ignore this "program" until such a time that great pain is caused or the death even results due to the toxic waste stored in the body. A nafs would not be needed to know that this is "bad". Likewise, once the arousing of sexual emotions lead to the activation of a brain "program" demanding their full use (the way they were created to be used) for a complete act or process of "reproduction and parenthood", human beings still retain the ability to ignore such a "program". The resultant effects might be similar to those from ignoring the "program" not to accumulate toxic by-products from digestion in the body. On the other hand, they might not, but problems could arise for various reasons.

- a. The person gawks, but is unable to or refuses to carry out the "reproduction and parenthood" process demanded by the activated "program". The arousal of related emotions make up the first phase of this process. Not going on to complete the rest of the process could be "bad" in the nafs if
 - the person gawking fully knows that carrying out the whole process with the other person would be disapproved of and so, impossible. Yet the gawking goes on along with the accumulation of the, now, "wasted" emotions.
 - the person knows he/she does not want to take any of the responsibilities that go with reproduction and parenthood,

and would unkindly abandon his/her partner should anything like pregnancy occur.

- And so on...
- b. These would just be "bad memories" in the nafs for gawking, but what if the individual actually goes on to touch, stroke and/or kiss the lady or man – still, the "reproduction and parenthood" process is not completed? "Bad" nafs "memories" result if this was due to reasons like those already mentioned.
- c. Humans, being what they are, are prone to these things.
NOBODY'S PERFECT.

These instances mentioned above all lead to the "corruption" of the nafs, but the "corruption" is, however, easily dealt with by the mere use of "positive" deeds or actions, "prayers" and sincere "regrets". These should adequately deal with the "negative memories" created in the nafs.

"Yeah, thank you!"

Hmm! You'd still have to practice some self-control otherwise your nafs knows you were not so sincere and were purposefully allowing the creation of more "negative memories" in it. That would constitute another form of "bad".

"What a life."

It's a free world.

"...And ill-health, baby. Man!"

Note that the "goodness/badness" of "memories" in the nafs could be to differing degrees and intensities.

- d. Suppose the person got to sleep with the lady or man. "Trouble?" Pleasure attained in the earlier two instances mentioned in "negative" manners is not to the high degree ('ecstasy' some call it) as is gotten in this case. More would be needed here in terms of handling the "negativity" with a corresponding amount of

"positive" treatment. Serious problems could arise in this case because

- intimate relations are carried out, but possible knowledge is borne of the attempts to "cheat" the process demanded by the brain's set off "program" (this causes a guilty conscience) by enjoying a major part of the process while dodging, guiltily, "reproduction" i.e. impregnation ("bad"); and the fact that pregnancy is undesirable for one knows one would not only be unsuited for parenthood and such responsibilities (you're "wrongly" suited? – "bad"), but would also get into trouble with other people
- intimate relations occur, but full reproduction is actively prevented due to one's feelings of guilt and the inability to deal with it the way it should be ("bad")
- intimate relations and full reproduction occur, but the process is left incomplete without the act of parenthood – knowledge could be borne of one's feelings of guilt, inability and unqualified status to act as a parent to offspring ("bad"); knowledge could be borne of the suffering caused to the offspring along with or without one's partner when one abandons them to survive on their own ("bad")
- intimate relations are carried out with the lady or man and there is a complete process of "reproduction and parenthood", but knowledge exists of the nature of human society and the jealousy and/or violence (both "negative") which would result once someone else feels he/she is also entitled to "have some fun with" (and even go ahead with another "reproduction and parenthood" process) with the same lady or man, after all, he/she is "free" to all who require his/her "use" – there could be violent resentments and, probably, careless loss of lives ("bad") and public challenges to one's claim that the lady or man is not free to all, which would not be satisfactorily accepted [you know how humans are] ("bad").

"But we're all animals, and animals do whatever they like, whenever they like and with whomever they like."

Y-e-s, but they don't have nafs/soul motion patterns to worry about like you do.

You could say the term "marriage" refers implies the sincere agreement and acceptance of responsibility, by a dude... a man and a lady, of freely sharing and using their emotions with the "reproduction and parenthood"

process, stimulated by their brains, in a "positive" manner. There is also a public recognition of this agreement and acceptance of the consequent responsibilities, as well as a public respect of the need for the couple to "reproduce" and "parent" (or not to) alone without outside interference. Something like that...

Anyway, married people face less stress because

- i. he/she can "gawk" at his/her spouse without (I hope) any fear of attack and where aroused emotions are not allowed to lead to the completion of the "reproduction and parenthood" process, no problem – he/she would just be taking his/her time (the same goes for touching, kissing, and whatever)
- ii. he/she can enjoy intimate relations without intentions of completing the "reproduction and parenthood" process because should unintended pregnancy result, no sweat, responsibilities for the pains of childbirth and parenthood are rightly borne without any unnecessary problems arising (everyone has a clear conscience)
- iii. the person's husband/wife has been publicly acclaimed as not being "free for use" by anyone else in the society so one can defend oneself when challenged and seek general social backing against anyone's actions deemed wrongful and agitating towards one in this respect.

4. Drink, drugs – intoxicants

Intoxicants are considered harmful – really harmful – to the body and nafs, most especially because they can cause interference in the normal pattern of motions between the brain and the nafs. An intoxicated person's mind is so fogged up that he/she would make decisions on the courses of actions to follow totally contrary to those he/she would have made when in a normal state of mind. Since one had the knowledge of such effects of intoxicants before deciding to indulge in them, all "negative" actions and deeds committed, in the intoxicated state, would just simply be patterned into the nafs as truly "negative memories". In a carefree state of intoxication, one can imagine the numerous "negative memories" that could be created from actions and deeds committed without a second thought.

"Yes, yes, yes, but that only happens when one takes too much of the intoxicants. Wine, for instance, in small quantities daily is said to be

good for the health. It's too much of anything that's bad for you. So, intoxicants, let's say alcoholic drinks not drugs, are safe when taken in small quantities. Individual differences amongst people determine the amounts to taken and considered as safe."

The quantity of alcohol a person drinks, alone does not show what matters here. There is also the fact that while a person is drinking, his/her nafs notes what is being drunk. You consume just a little wine and your nafs acknowledges the fact that you have consumed a small quantity of that "thing" which is capable of causing unwanted motion patterns to occur. It is these unwanted motion patterns which hamper the nafs effective functioning with the brain and ruining it with all sorts of "negative memories". Your virus-protected personal computer would not ignore the presence of a "small, safe quantity of a computer virus" within its system now, would it?

Health? If one had been told that fire or electric shocks can kill bacteria and one began to use fire or electric shocks in "small, safe quantities" to treat, say, his bacteria- infected arm, what do you think would happen? Of course, each time the arm is burnt or receives a dose of electricity, the body senses pain and jerks in an attempt to have the arm moved away from what is perceived as harmful. A reflex action – the body knows that such an application of fire or electric shocks is bad for its overall "health", be they in large or relatively small amounts. You can only just go ahead and ignore it, but the body will keep jerking.

Having small shots of whisky or brandy could just be as bad for the nafs.

Too much food causes what – stomachache, vomiting, loss of consciousness? Compare what that does to the well-being of your body and nafs with too much wine leading you to believe that your daughter is an evil alien from outer space who must be destroyed. Surely a glass of wine a day can't be the only thing available in this world to maintain your good health with.

It's safer to stay away from whisky, wine, vodka, beer and all that –
**UNLESS, OF COURSE, YOU CAN HAVE THEM WITH THE
INTOXICANT QUALITIES IN THEM ALL REMOVED.**

"What, no wine nor beer? What kind of a dull existence is that?"

Well, actually, it is your life and your "health"...

5. Ah, the ladies...

A lot of the knowledge and wisdom governing the lives of muslims around the world today came from the lips and deeds of muslim ladies.

For some reason or the other, nowadays, questions keep flying from all corners on the topic '*women*'. Right, here is the first thing to always remember: **WOMEN ARE HUMAN BEINGS WITH ALL THE HUMAN FEATURES AND QUALITIES THAT WE'VE DISCUSSED SO FAR, LIKE MEN.**

Ladies are not "inferior" to men, to the guys because all that have been created in this world are considered to have been created perfectly and not in vain. Who then would like to argue that God, the Originator and Creator has some "creations" bearing defects and flaws in their design? What are the corrections and how do you prove what you claim is valid?

- a. Muslim ladies are not "inferior" to their men folk because "they cannot be as knowledgeable as men". History shows that there have been numerous women who were well versed in different fields of knowledge, in some cases outdoing their male colleagues. The Mothers of the Faithful are well known to muslims, they were highly respected and information from them including their opinions on various matters were constantly sought.
They were "special" women?
But they did pass on the same knowledge they had to other women, did they not?
- b. Muslim ladies are not "inferior" to muslim men because the Qur'an refers to men as "protectors and maintainers of women". It means "men, you guys have to ensure that you're the ones doing all the sweating to prevent, as much as possible, all forms of hardship in society from befalling your ladies – when they want to relax, when they wish to work (free from disturbance and harassment from people, especially men), etc." Look at it this way, women are the ones who have to go through the pains of pregnancy, carrying a baby for months and coping with some of the accompanying effects like vomiting occasionally, going into labour and giving birth. While they bear all that, why should they bear more pains, at the same time, of looking after the men who would just be lazing about eating and watching television? **THIS IS NOT TO SAY THAT WOMEN OUGHT TO BE LOCKED**

UP AT HOME WITH NOTHING TO DO ALL DAY LONG – YOU CAN'T TREAT HUMANS THAT WAY. Everyone is free to do whatever he/she wishes so long as it is not going to cause any harm to anyone's health (the body and the nafs).

- c. Muslim women are not "inferior" to muslim men because the Qur'an says their share of inheritance is half of those of men. Most of the people in a society are expected to, at least, get married sometime in their lives. While it is obligatory for part of a husband's wealth to go to his wife none of hers is to go to him. What's hers is hers alone to use however she wishes (he ain't the "boss" to snatch anything from her whenever he pleases, he does the giving here). In a nutshell, when loaves of bread are been inherited in a certain village or town, D the boy gets two loaves in one case and Z the girl gets just one in another. D happens to get married to Z (aw, how s-w-e-e-t). D has to give Z one of his loaves but can't touch any of hers without her permission. Oh look, Z now has two loaves of bread, in the end, while D is left with only one.
- d. Muslim ladies are not "inferior" to muslim men because the Qur'an makes their testaments as witnesses "half", in value, of those of men in financial matters i.e. one male witness and two women so that if either of them forgets, the other will remember. First, one has to note the severity of intentionally giving false witness to the nafs' well being (according to the Qur'an). Second, one needs to ask why no one is required to remind men when they also forget? While the man has to bear all the strains and risks of forgetting or giving false witness all by himself, one lady has all such risks to the "health" of her nafs lessened for her through the aid of a companion there to help remind her of any thing she might have forgotten or wanted to give false testimony on. Going by the fact that the nafs "positive/negative" state in the end determines a person's final state of existence, one can see that the man is given proportionally more burdens and risks to bear, based on his generally stronger body structure and build-up, than the woman. Who says this is because women are the less liked and "inferior creations", hmm?
- e. Muslim women are not "inferior" to muslim men because of the hoods they have on and their style of clothing.

"Yes, about that – why should women be the ones covering their hair in public when men could have equally attractive hair?"

Muslim women being "sisters in hoods" is not just based on "the need to maintain morality". The term "women are equal to men" is frequently stressed in societies around the world. Check this – if a man has hair on his head and, according to his nature, has a beard that was exactly the same size, shape, colour and texture as his hair, which would be more attractive, the hair or the beard? He would be a "man", an equal citizen of the society.

If he decides to completely shave off this beard, altering the nature of his face, leaving only the hair on his head he would still be a "man", an equal citizen of the society.

If a lady, according to her own general nature, has only the hair on her head, of course, she too is a "woman", an equal citizen of the society. However, should she alter the nature of her face (in an equal manner to the way the man did) and grow a beard which was exactly of the same size, style, shape, colour and texture as her hair, which of them would be more attractive? Suddenly society regards her as "weird", "abnormal", "trying to copy or imitate the men", "ugly" and every other word and description except for that term "equal" (after all the man could alter the nature of his face).

Whether or not a guy has his entire chest covered by a thick, dense mass of hair, it doesn't matter; he'll always be a funky, "allright", and "equal" member of the society.

A girl with a chest that's bare will always be an "equal" member of the society, but should she happen to have a chest also covered by a thick, dense mass of hair, like the guy she's supposed to equal to in society, "equal" no longer features as prominently as "weird", "abnormal", "ugly", and so on.

So, just what is wrong? According to the information available to we humans, at some time in past people (male and female) had some kind of 'body covering' something which prevented them from noticing each other's nakedness and feeling embarrassed (covering of which sort, one doesn't know exactly) before certain series of motions set off mutations that would alter the initial

nature of all people and "creations" in the universe. The 'body covering' was lost.

It appears that many native African, Asian, European and even American cultures knew of this secret of the male and female clothing.

Thus, friends, whenever you see muslim "sisters in hoods", you know that they are **TOTALLY EQUAL MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY**. In their styles of clothing (be it of jeans material or whatever), mark them as very, very, very "kool" and "equal", but never, never, never ever as "inferior". All that is needed now is a little more science and technology to improve the comfort and efficiency of these clothes with the hoods (especially to prevent too much heat to the wearer while not foregoing their functions). Besides, they are clothes only to be put on at certain instances like when one is going out and that sort of thing.

ALLAH KNOWS BEST.

Okay.

"Some of you make people dislike good deeds..."

- Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)[quoted from Sahih al Bukhari, volume1, chapter 63, Hadith number 670]

From the Qur'an:

- Chapter 23 , verse 117
- Chapter 4 , verse 29
- Chapter 5 , verse 32
- Chapter 8 , verse 39
- Chapter 8 , verses 61 to 63
- Chapter 2 , verse 219
- Chapter 4 , verse 43
- Chapter 5 , verses 90 to 91
- Chapter 4 , verse 34
- Chapter 38 , verse 27
- Chapter 4 , verses 11 to 12
- Chapter 2 , verse 282
- Chapter 7 , verse 27
- Chapter 24 , verses 30 to 31

- Chapter 33 , verses 58 to 59
- Chapter 3 , verse 195
- Chapter 6 , verse 139 to 140
- Chapter 16 , verse 97
- Chapter 9 , verses 71 to 72

E: WE'RE LEARNING

1. Seeking knowledge is very important for a more meaningful life. One is expected to take interest in one's surroundings and ponder at the marvels of the world. As you ponder, so you realize the greatness of the Creator (increasing your knowledge thus) as well as the beauty and complexity of all the forms created around you. It is also for ensuring that one does not just remain a 'dormant follower', always agreeing with what someone else has told one regardless of the fact that he/she is human and humans are bound to err. Knowledge is needed in discovering existing mistakes and misconceptions in order to improve general knowledge in the society and make for better standards of living.
2. Mankind is expected not only to make use of the earth (and even the universe's) resources, but to manage them properly as well. How do you do that without getting as much knowledge about them as possible first?
3. Like all other things in existence to humans, "knowledge" and "understanding" occur when there are precise patterns of motions, in the brain. This implies that wherever these motions come from, from the Originator and Creator, there would be an abundance of similar motions and their patterns. This makes the Originator and Creator possess limitless knowledge while we humans would have only a limited knowledge of things based on whichever motion patterns are made to occur within our brains or minds. Again, we know where to seek knowledge from through "prayers" and patience. The unaltered "revelations" in Arabic – the Qur'an – also provide us with further understanding of the motions all around us, through which the "revelations" themselves were even received by mankind (making them bear exact 'copies' of the motions they emerged from i.e. the "truth" of things). So, the Qur'an can be adequately used in the earnest search for knowledge as has so far been attempted to be shown with this article.
4. Noting all that has, thus far, been said, one can see how the scholar or scientist can go about seeking as much knowledge and information as he/she possibly can, bearing in mind the notion of motions and their patterns making up our existence; the recognition of the Originator and Source of all such motions; remembering that we do not really "own" things the way we think we do with our senses; the use of "prayers" and patience to concentrate, calm ourselves and cause the arrangement, in our brains (out of sincere desire), of motion patterns ready to receive and

fit with others which would optimally satisfy our need to acknowledge the attainment of the things we seek; the need not to have our efforts hampered by superstition; and also the importance of maintaining a healthy body and nafs whatever we do. In addition to all these, he/she must realize that while "creations" may be made use of, they are not to be tampered with – causing damage while fiddling about with something one has absolutely no knowledge of nor control over. There are also warnings in the Qur'an telling people not to concentrate on giving false interpretations to some of the information in the Qur'an which tend to be allegorical in nature. Some people, lacking the full understanding of such information, would simply be more than pleased to create false interpretations on them which satisfy their own selfish ends. For the sake of his/her nafs and those of others, the scholar or scientist must avoid all this and concentrate on the acquisition of true, useful knowledge only.

5. Right, we can see all the extra practices and activities one may go through in the pursuit of attaining as much rich knowledge and total safety to one's overall health as possible. More careful means of getting the knowledge can be used as discussed above in addition to the practices and methods used by contemporary scholars and scientists around the world. Go for more refined material and results. At least this gives more options to be explored – that's science, education and progress, no?
6. How does one go about determining the different natures of motion patterns, let alone study them for the sake of knowledge? Whereas strong motion patterns such as those of wind direction could be easy to observe, other finer ones might turn out to be relatively more difficult to handle. Various means would have to be formulated and adopted for their careful observation and study (remembering the important roles played by "prayers" and patience). Again, one should note that **WHILE MAN'S INVENTIONS AND DEVICES COULD DO THINGS A BILLION THINGS FASTER THAN MAN, WITH PATIENCE, MAN COULD DO THINGS A BILLION TIMES BETTER THAN THEM – AFTERALL, WHERE DO NEW IDEAS COME FROM?**

It is possible that the following approaches could be employed in studying motions and their patterns all around us (thereby studying our environment and learning to make the best, safest use of it):

- a. A substance or structure for study is immersed in some liquid – water or a chemical – in order to repeatedly and carefully observe

the ripple motions and distortions that result. Different substances or structures could turn out to be distinguishable by their distinct ripple motions and distortions, which occur whenever they are immersed in the particular liquid used. This method might be used in reference to the knowledge that all living things were "created out of water".

- b. The material for study is exposed to a carefully controlled sound frequency to determine any consistent pattern of "echoes" it gives back, which could then be used, for identifying it, as its own distinct attribute. All "creations" are said to have been formed from a mere "Be" command from the Originator and Creator. Using this method would not be with the intention to "compete", which is impossible, but to use out of "inspiration".
- c. The material for study, where its parts are easily and more physically detectable to our senses, may have its motion patterns distinguished from others by virtue of the use of relative proportions – weight, length, shape, size, and so. All things created are "well-proportioned".
- d. One could also use colour. Different colour combinations resulting from motion patterns are used to observe and categorize them. These distinct colour combinations could be gotten from placing the object of study in a certain medium such as light, a gas or a chemical (liquid or solid). All things created for use by people are of "various hues/colours".
- e. A combination of some or all of the methods mentioned above is used.
- f. Consequently, more studies would reveal more methods available for use. Devices like microscopes might be required as well during the studies.

Motion patterns have been observed, now, how are the observations and findings to be preserved for future use?

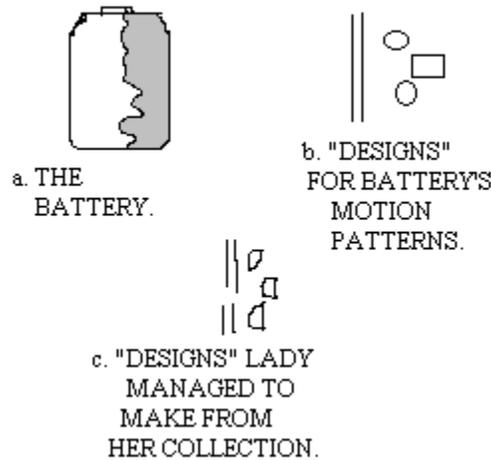
- a. It is possible, in some cases, to memorize the simple patterns of motions observed. The human brain can store a reasonable amount of information.

- b. Where they are difficult to memorize, careful representations of them can be made using drawings, words, numbers or symbols arranged in specific orders on paper or some other similar medium. These arrangements would make up "designs", each "design" representing a particular pattern of motions observed. Take having a "design" consisting of the various colours observed from a pattern of motions, for example. The task may seem strenuous, but it is not impossible. SIMILAR COMPLEX, INTRICATE FLORAL AND GEOMETRICAL DESIGNS ARE HANDWOVEN UNTO PERSIAN, MOROCCAN AND TURKISH RUGS AND CARPETS. And how about the complicated art of calligraphy in Arabic, Japanese and other text? How easy is all that?
7. Devices and equipment can be, perhaps, produced by scientists and engineers (or whomever can) sensitive enough to detect the minutest of sound "echoes", proportion differences, ripple motions and distortions, or colour combinations under observation. These would electronically convert the observations into data, inputted into a computer system and stored in the form of electronic "designs". These "designs" are then displayed on the computer's monitor and/or printed out whenever needed.

How does one go ahead to make use of the motion patterns observed?

Say an old Mongolian lady had collected, over the years, thousands or millions of "designs" representing an equal number of carefully observed motion patterns. These were all gotten from the study of structures and materials (chemicals, plants, microorganisms, minerals, etc.) available in her local environment. One day, she decides to study a lead cell battery produced locally in Norway (let's assume their batteries have some special qualities differentiating them from all other lead cell batteries). The old lady details out as many "designs" as she can make of the battery's motion patterns. Studying these "designs", she begins to make comparisons between them and those in her collection. She finds the "designs" or combinations of them amongst her collection that, as closely as possible, match the battery's. What she has done is find those motion patterns in her local environment that show the structures or materials and resources around her she could use in producing her own battery. The structures or materials and resources might be used individually, or they might have to be combined and processed first. By the end of the day, the old Mongolian lady produces something with a

rate of performance less than, equal to or greater than that of the battery from Norway. The main thing is that she has produced her own battery. She has to remain patient. If the "designs" for her own battery fail to produce anything that works at all, she will just have to study the other battery more closely to obtain more details. See the illustration below.



So, that's all about the imaginary Mongolian. There are lots of other places around the world – China, Japan, Oman, Singapore, Turkey, Brazil, Jamaica, Ireland, the USA, England, Nigeria, Indonesia, etc. – and there are people everywhere, young and old.

Today we live in the Information Age where nations thrive and basically survive on the generation and use of knowledge. Information gathering is essential for science and technology. Information is of no use, though, if one cannot understand nor use it. The beauty of the world we live in today is that knowledge can come from different sources and used achieve targeted goals. The way one person designs his engine may be different from another's but at the end of the day, both engine designs can be used to run any car. Likewise, going by the example given above, understanding our environment and making the best use of resources available to us do not necessarily mean everyone obtaining his/her own information in the same way. What matters is what we intend to achieve at the end of the day. The human brain is an amazing thing. We can solve our problems in many different ways. A microprocessor might seem a very difficult thing for someone to reproduce without the use of advanced machinery and technology, but with human determination, a poor peasant could dedicate a lot of time and effort observing and studying it then recreating its functions using other materials more easily available to him/her.

So, anyone interested in testing such possible use of motion patterns and

"designs" (let's see if all this actually makes sense)? Come on, somebody meet this challenge!

The challenge? I don't know how to actually do it, but who can attempt the following?

- a. Observe the motion patterns of a dry cell battery and as many as possible of others in one's local surroundings.
- b. Record all observations in the form of "designs" memorized, stored on paper or stored on a computer.
- c. Compare the "designs" and determine those ones from the local resources around you which best match, in detail, the battery's.
- d. Use directly or in combination, those resources you would then convert into a battery of your own – less than, equal to or greater than the battery you studied in performance.

"Is that all? Give us something tougher, man!"

- Follow the same steps mentioned above, but produce your own microchip processor instead.

"C'mon, more. More! More!"

- Determine (doctors only, please) the motion patterns of the body of a person considered healthy and those of a person suffering from... over exposure to radiation or... some illness. Comparing "designs" from the two, which motion patterns ought to be added, in your opinion, safely to the ill person's body to improve his/her health? No 'mad scientist' experimenting, please!
- Develop devices and "local technology" to aid your work.

How would one use the information (from motion patterns studied) gathered, into developing local industries churning out needed products and further boosting knowledge (science and technical know-how) within the community?

Is one to make use of:

- raw human labour and skill, in which case hundreds or thousands of paid workers or volunteers (working for free) would be needed along with the

tools and equipment they'd all be using (blow torches, hammers, microscopes, etc.) – in this case human power would essentially be used in place of machinery, but as time goes by, mechanical solutions replacing human labour would gradually be developed to make work easier and more efficient (countries like China started out using their large human labour force to their best advantage in developing themselves without the fear of being teased as being “backward” by other more developed nations)

- or, modern technology – robotics, computers, and so on, which in this case can be readily obtained from other more advanced nations thereby enabling one to skip all the discovery/learning process, time and human labour which led to their development – for faster and, at times more accurate work, for these tasks?

‘Speed’ and ‘quality’ are not really of essence at this point for grading the work and results gotten. Accomplishment of the desired goals, one way or the other without compromising safety and health, is the main objective. Improvements can be made later.

Know how to build a phone the size of a shoebox first before thinking of reducing it down to the size of a matchbox.

One must always strive for more knowledge.

[Hadith] Sahih al-Bukhari, Volume 5, Book 57, Number 78: Narrated Urwa: Aisha said, "A Qaif (i.e. one skilled in recognizing the lineage of a person through Physiognomy and through examining the body parts of an infant) came to me while the Prophet was present, and Usama bin Zaid and Zaid bin Haritha were Lying asleep. The Qa'if said. These feet (of Usama and his father) are of persons belonging to the same lineage." The Prophet was pleased with that saying which won his admiration, and he told 'Aisha of it.

ALLAH KNOWS BEST.

From the Qur'an:

- Chapter 96 , verses 1 to 5
- Chapter 12 , verse 105
- Chapter 2 , verse 255
- Chapter 2 , verses 30 to 33
- Chapter 6 , verse 165
- Chapter 43 , verse 12 to 13
- Chapter 28 , verse 77
- Chapter 4 , verses 119

- Chapter 3 , verse 7
- Chapter 3 , verse 190
- Chapter 6 , verse 73
- Chapter 21 , verse 30
- Chapter 24 , verse 45
- Chapter 87 , verses 1 to 4
- Chapter 16 , verse 13
- Chapter 30 , verse 22
- Chapter 13 , verse 4
- Chapter 67 , verses 3 to 4

F: THE PROPHETS

1. We have heard about and come across "gifted" children who, many a times, without having to be taught first, amaze their peers and adults alike with the incredible amount of knowledge and understanding they possess. All this, usually, at young tender ages. A six-year old boy who knows how to solve complex mathematical problems all in his head without having to use a calculator the way adults do or memorize the answers first. Or maybe a five-year old girl with a talent for, somewhat, being able to understand what lizards are "saying" to each other. To the average person such children would appear amusing and, to some, even frightening, but so they have been created to be. Motion patterns resulting in certain kinds of knowledge in the brain just happen to occur very easily in these children's granting them, in lesser time, the same thing others of their age or even older take perhaps years to comprehend. We can then assume that the fact that there still exist so many of them in the world today means a process of motions, being patterned in specific orders so we have these children "created" amongst us, also exists. Growth, nourishment and development of the human body, mind and nafs all consist of particular motions. The constant occurrence of these motions keep the human world going and give us a process or phenomenon, made up of the constant motions, that ensures we live, grow and develop the way we do.
2. However, what we do not have is a process or phenomenon consisting of motions and their patterns which give us the "creation" of people of extraordinary talents and abilities, enabling them to be just like perfect human beings in this world. Their brains and minds ('bio-computers') would be of such superb quality that their true comprehension and natural use of all motion patterns around them, including those of the "spiritual" type, is far beyond the capacity ordinary humans could even perceive. Many people would believe they were magicians or the like. History, however, documents the existence and activities of such people. They were known as the "prophets", but unlike "gifted" children, their abilities were far more extraordinary. One could probably say that "gifted" children might have only the tiniest fraction of some of the abilities possessed by the "prophets".
3. Like the "gifted" children, the phenomenon causing the existence of "prophets" occurred globally AFFECTING ALL HUMAN SOCIETIES i.e. there would have been a "prophet" for every society. Despite all this,

- the phenomenon gradually came to an end like the process of "creation" did. This meant that the frequency of the occurrence of "prophets" amongst societies became lesser and lesser until there were no more of them.
4. The things they said and did made these "special" people stand out in society so they became well known, remembered and documented in human history. Their higher levels of perception made it easy for motion patterns of excellent knowledge and comprehension to be patterned into their brains. From here they received the "revelations" which they did their best to pass on to the rest of us. The Qur'an is one of such collections of knowledge at our disposal.
 5. There existed many of these individuals and those of them documented include the likes of Nuh (Noah), Yusuf (Joseph), Ibrahim (Abraham), Suleiman (Solomon), Musa (Moses), Isa (Jesus), etc. All of them bore vast amounts of knowledge and teachings they passed on to humanity. The only problem, it seems, is that humanity tended to be unable to preserve the information provided in their pure forms. And soon people were left with only altered versions resulting from portions being forgotten and lost over generations or being purposely altered for whichever reasons (you know what humans are like).
 6. The phenomenon of "prophets" around the world gradually began to come to an end and fewer prophets appeared over the years until soon they were all gone. But, this was not before there was one more occurrence of the phenomenon in the world. It occurred amongst the Arabs. This was the prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him – on all of the prophets as well). He was given the motion patterns of knowledge, which make up the Qur'an we've been using for study so far. All we've acknowledged so far from a man who had no formal education and could neither read nor write. Information over a thousand years old and still this useful.
 7. This prophet was made to know that he would be the last of his kind and true enough there have been no more occurrences of these "special" human beings around the world.
 8. The Qur'an, since it was received by the prophet and others around him, has been preserved in two ways - in the minds of those who memorized it and in writing. This way we now have millions of the written copies around the world. These can be checked for any discrepancies via

comparison with the memorized form available in millions of human minds and vice versa. It is important to have the Qur'an in its "original motion patterns" as was received from the prophet so we comprehend exactly all he was trying to show us.

ALLAH KNOWS BEST.

From the Qur'an:

- Chapter 16 , verse 36
- Chapter 2 , verse 213
- Chapter 43 , verses 6 to 7
- Chapter 43 , verses 1 to 8
- Chapter 5 , verse 19
- Chapter 3 , verse 137
- Chapter 38 , verses 86 to 88
- Chapter 34 , verse 50
- Chapter 14 , verse 4
- Chapter 7 , verse 158
- Chapter 33 , verse 40

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