

blew into Adam from My spirit” (15:29, 38:72). The creation of Jesus, on the other hand, took place on earth, and Gabriel carried God’s “word” to Mary. The plural form is consistently used when referring to the creation of Jesus (21:91, 66:12).

When God spoke to Moses directly, without the mediation of angels, we see that God is speaking exclusively in the singular tense: “*I am* God. There is no other god besides *Me*. You shall worship *Me* alone, and observe the regular contact prayers (*Salat*) to commemorate *Me*.” (20:12-14).

Whenever the worship of God is mentioned, the singular tense is used (51:56).

Appendix 11

The Day of Resurrection

The horn is blown, whereupon everyone in the heavens and the earth is struck unconscious, except those spared by God. Then it is blown a second time, whereupon they rise up. [39:68]

All generations of humans and jinns will be resurrected on this earth; about 150 billion of them. But we will not be earthbound. God teaches us through the example of the caterpillar; it turns into a pupa in the cocoon (grave), then exits the cocoon as an airborne butterfly. Similarly, we live here on earth, and when we exit the grave on the Day of Resurrection we will not be earthbound; like the butterfly (101:4).

The earth will shine with the light of God (39:69) as He comes to our universe, together with the angels (89:22). Since our universe is a temporary dominion for Satan, it cannot stand the physical presence of God (7:143). As the Almighty approaches, the stars will crash into one another (77:8, 81:2), and the earth will shatter under our feet (69:14, 89:21). These horrors will not worry the believers (21:103).

The High Heaven

Upon arrival of Almighty God, all the humans and jinns will be automatically stratified according to their degree of growth and development. Those who nourished their souls through worshiping God alone, believing in the Hereafter, and leading a righteous life will be strong enough to stay close to God; they will occupy the highest ranks (see Appendix 5).

The Lower Heaven

Those who developed their souls to a lesser degree, as well as those who die before the age of forty, will move downward to the Lower Heaven. They will go to the location where they can be as close to God as their degree of growth and development permits them to be.

The Purgatory

There will be people who nourished their souls just enough to spare them Hell, but not enough to enter the Lower Heaven. They are neither in Hell, nor

in Heaven. They will implore God to admit them into the Lower Heaven (7:46-50). God will have mercy on them, and will merge the Purgatory into the Lower Heaven.

Hell

A new, eighth universe will be created to house those who run away from God due to their weakness; they failed to nourish and develop their souls (69:17). God does not put a single being in Hell; they go to it of their own volition (Appendix 5).

Appendix 12

Role of the Prophet Muhammad

The Prophet's sole mission was to deliver Quran, the whole Quran, and nothing but Quran (3:20; 5:48-50, 92, 99; 6:19; 13:40; 16:35, 82; 24:54; 29:18; 42:48; 64:12).

Delivering the Quran was such a momentous and noble mission that the Prophet did not have any time to do anything else. Moreover, the Prophet was enjoined in the strongest words from issuing any religious teachings besides the Quran (69:38-47). He was even enjoined from explaining the Quran (75:15-19)—God is the only teacher of the Quran (55:1-2) and the Quran is the best *Hadith* (39:23 & 45:6).

These Quranic facts are manifested in the historical reality that the words and actions (*Hadith & Sunna*) attributed to the Prophet did not appear until the second century after his death. The Quran has prophesied the fabrication of *Hadith* and *Sunna* by the Prophet's enemies (6:112-115). The Quran teaches us that it was God's will to permit the invention of *Hadith* and *Sunna* to serve as criteria for exposing those who believe only with their lips, not in their hearts. Those who are attracted to *Hadith* and *Sunna* are proven to be false believers (6:113). Ironically, the books of *Hadith* report the Prophet's orders to write down nothing from him except the Quran! Shown below are two such *Hadiths* taken from the Hadithists' most reliable sources, Sahih Muslim and Is-haah Ahmad Ibn Hanbal:

عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ : قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ : «لَا تَكْتُبُوا عَنِّي شَيْئًا سِوَى الْقُرْآنِ . مَنْ كَتَبَ شَيْئًا سِوَى الْقُرْآنِ فَلَيْمَحْهُ» (١) .

The Prophet said, "Do not write down anything from me except the Quran."

[Ahmed, Vol. 1, Page 171, and Sahih Muslim]