

This Book Belongs To:

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FOREWORD

All of us want to get to know our Lord. How will we get to know Him? By learning His names, of course!

Our Prophet (s) said, "**Allah has ninety-nine Names. Whoever memorizes (and acts upon) them will enter Paradise.**" This book explains those 99 names, which are called the Asma Allah al-Husna.

Asma Allah al-Husna means, "The most beautiful names of Allah"


Who would like to learn the beautiful names of Allah and get to know and love Him even more?

Hekimoğlu İsmail



ALLAH

الله



There could never be a building without an architect, a wall without a mason, a machine without an engineer, or a painting without a painter. So, there must also be a master of this great kingdom called the Universe! That master is Allah! There is a beautiful order in everything, from the elements in the soil to the Sun in the sky, from the organs in our bodies to the little microorganisms that we can only see with a microscope. **This order is clear evidence of Allah's existence. The most clear and concise name for our Creator is Allah. This name is only for Him. It could never be given to anyone else. All of the meanings of the Asma Allah al-Husna are gathered**

together in this one name.
In prayer, we address our
Lord the most with this
name.

"My Allah,

You are closer to me than
everyone and everything.
You run all of the activi-
ties of our cells and our
bodies. My Allah, fill my
little heart with Your love, and let me love and be
loved. Amin."



AR-RAHMAN
AR-RAHÎM
الرَّحْمَنُ الرَّحِيمُ

Ar-Rahman means the Compassionate. This name
means Allah gives countless blessings upon all crea-
tion without reservation. Ar-Rahim means being the

Merciful, and it means Allah gives to His servants even more countless blessings in the Hereafter, more than those given in this world.

Allah, Who is ar-Rahim, is so merciful that he has made children in their mothers' wombs,

Roots in the ground,

Fish in the sea,

Birds in the sky,

And people in the world

All very comfortable.



All of the believing and non-believing people in the world live on the Earth and breathe the air. The two can enjoy the riches of the sunshine, the rivers and the Earth high and low. For all these things, Allah's servants know Him by the name ar-Rahman. We could never finish counting His blessings.

Allah will reward those who use these blessings well. He will also reward those who get to know Him, who give thanks to Him, and who have faith and are obedient to Him. Allah, Who is ar-Rahim, expresses His mercy in the Hereafter.



AL-MALIK الْمَلِكُ

Allah is the Sultan of all worlds, seen and unseen.
Al-Malik means, "the King."

Our world has been put in a perfect place so that it does not burn up and it does not freeze. It isn't a coincidence that it has been protected from crashing into other planets and stars. If the Earth weren't on a tilted axis, we would not have seasons. If the wind didn't blow, then pollution in the air would hurt lots of living things. If it rained all the time then all the plants would drown and the world would be flooded.

Snow falls slowly, one snowflake at a time. If the snow fell like an avalanche, it would be dangerous.





Come, and let's have a look at the human body. Our bodies have veins that carry blood, a lot like a city's plumbing system. Our nervous system works a lot like telephone lines. What a disaster it would be if one of our nerves or veins were cut! It is not surprising that our spinal cord is so well protected. If something happens to our spinal cord, we could be paralyzed from the waist down! Every organ has its own job to do. Just as a manager owns a factory, a mayor governs a town,

a general commands an army, a teacher guides a class, and a president runs a state, Allah is the director and owner of the cosmos.



AL-QUDDUS

الْقُدُّوسُ

Since Allah is al-Quddus, He is far from making any mistake or being unaware. Al-Quddus means He is perfectly clean and pure.

People make the Earth dirty. Allah washes the Earth with snow and rain. Later He dries the forest, fields and roads with the Sun. Allah raises water up into the atmosphere in the form of vapor. Then the wind sends it to where it needs to go in the form of rain.



When it rained, my mother used to say, "It's raining mercy." Just as Allah cleans the world with the rain, He cleans our hearts and our faith with the Holy Qur'an. When we were born, we were as clean as angels. As we get older, Allah, Who is al-Quddus, cleans our dirtiness with Wudu, our sins with repentance and teaches us how to be clean. In autumn, the forests are covered with colorful leaves even though in the spring we can't see a single colored leaf. Birds, bugs and other things that we can't even see clean the leaves.

Think of fertilizer. It is something that looks like waste, but when it is mixed into the soil, it is very valuable for plants. A cat constantly cleans itself. Animals often clean their homes.



Allah, Who is al-Quddus, gave creation the ability to clean and be cleaned.

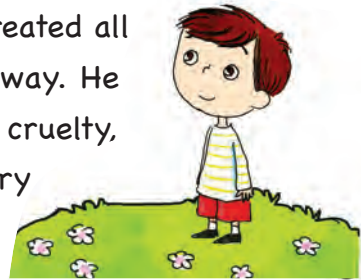


AS-SALAM

الْسَّلَامُ

As-Salam means that Allah is the Source of Peace. He is not evil, troublesome, shameful, defective and is free from every kind of fault. It also means He protects His servants from every type of danger and keeps them safe.

Allah protects the fish in the sea, birds in the air, trees' roots in the soil, and plants in space. He also protects things in the universe and keeps them safe. Allah protects the organs in our bodies, the brains in our skulls, the lungs in our rib cage, and the blood in our hearts and veins. Allah created all things for peace in the best way. He does this while being far from cruelty, excess, ugliness and from every kind of flaw.



Our Lord, Who is as-Salam, will invite His faithful and obedient servants into Heaven and address them by saying "Peace be upon you."

AL-MU'MIN

الْمُؤْمِن

What if my brain were to leave my head?

What if my organs were to switch places with one another?

What if my feet couldn't hold me up and I could never walk again?



Oh no! What if the Sun doesn't rise again?

What if the world flies out of orbit and gets flung off into space?

Wouldn't our lives be so difficult if we had to constantly worry about these things?

We know that the world will continue on in its orbit. We can be sure that the organs in our bodies will continue doing all of their different jobs while we go about our business. How beautiful it is to seek refuge in Allah, Who is al-Mu'min. Al-Mu'min means He keeps us from living with these fears, and protects us from every other kind of harm and danger! **With the name al-Mu'min, Allah grants us the feelings called faith, happiness and peace in Him.** The name al-Mu'min can be used for people as well. When it is used for people it means, "believer."

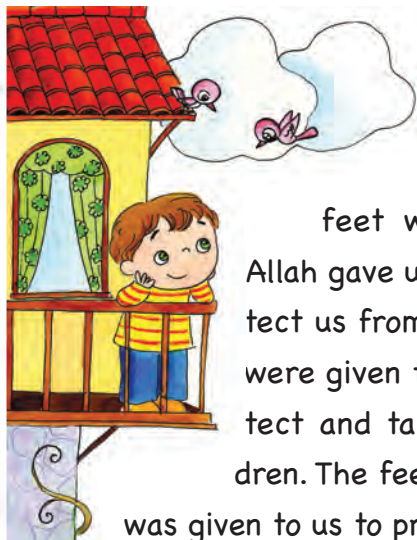
AL-MUHAYMIN

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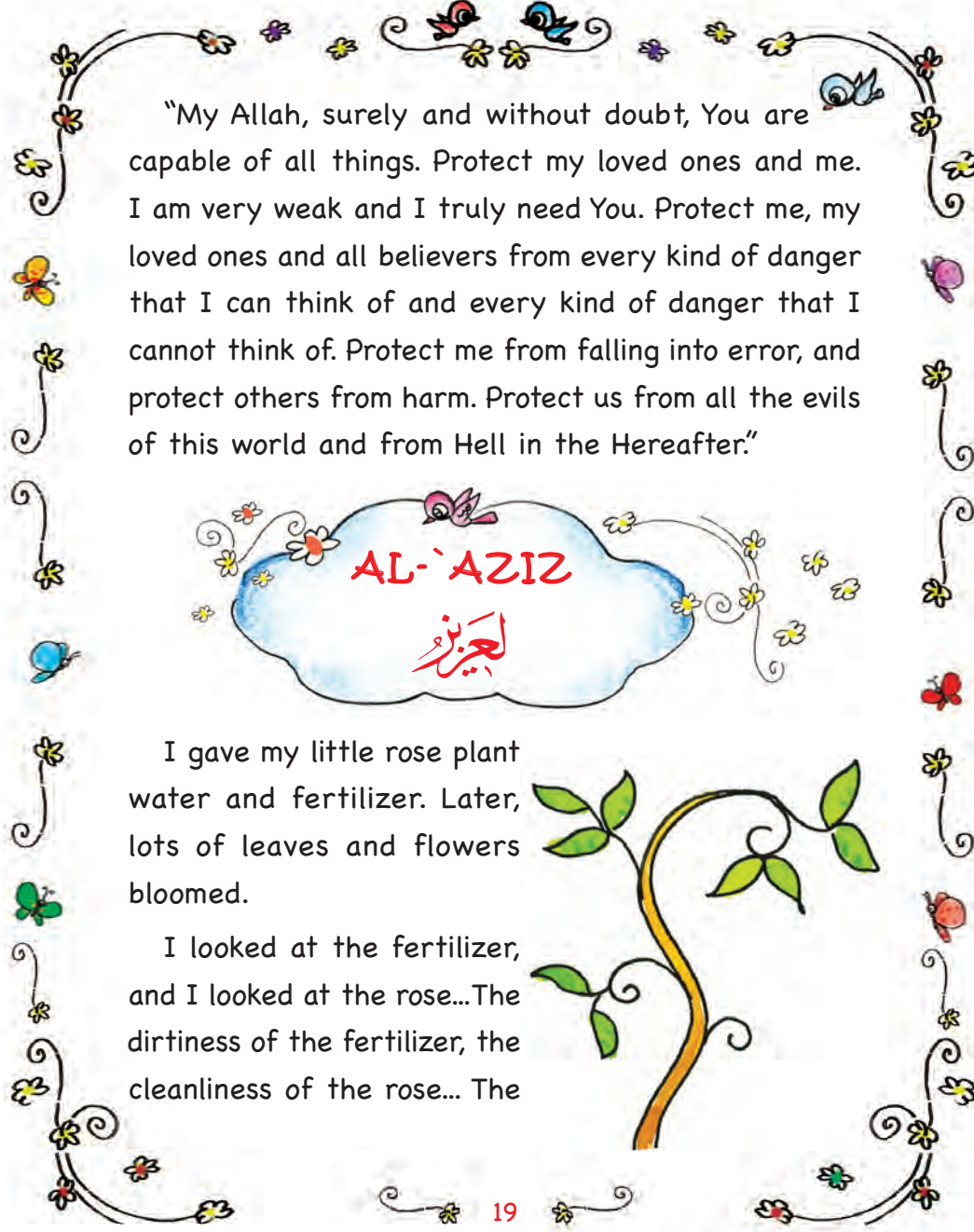


Allah, Who is al-Muhaymin, takes care of all of the things He has created. There are more things in existence than we can count. Allah created all of them. With the name of al-Muhaymin, He protects all of His creation. If He didn't protect

them, everything would be topsy-turvy and there would be no order in anything. We are under the protection of Allah at every moment. If we were not under His protection, even for a second, we would be lost. Everything would collapse and there would be chaos. We should give thanks to Him day and night, and pray to Him to protect us from every kind of evil. Think for a moment: Allah protects the little minnows in the ocean, the ants in the ground, and the little birds in the air. He can grow weak flowers in hard soil.



If Allah didn't protect us, we would get hurt all the time. Our hands wouldn't know hot from cold. Our feet wouldn't carry our bodies. Allah gave us the feeling of fear to protect us from dangerous places. Mothers were given the feeling of mercy to protect and take care of their little children. The feeling that doctors call reflex was given to us to protect our bodies from harm. When people look at their surroundings, they say,



"My Allah, surely and without doubt, You are capable of all things. Protect my loved ones and me. I am very weak and I truly need You. Protect me, my loved ones and all believers from every kind of danger that I can think of and every kind of danger that I cannot think of. Protect me from falling into error, and protect others from harm. Protect us from all the evils of this world and from Hell in the Hereafter."



AL-'AZIZ

العزيز

I gave my little rose plant water and fertilizer. Later, lots of leaves and flowers bloomed.

I looked at the fertilizer, and I looked at the rose...The dirtiness of the fertilizer, the cleanliness of the rose... The

