

Glorious Qur'an

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Abdullah Yusuf Ali, (1872 –1953) was an Islamic scholar who translated the Qur'an into English. His translation of the Qur'an is one of the most widely-known and used in the English-speaking world. In his childhood, Ali received a religious education and could recite the entire Qur'an from memory. He spoke both Arabic and English fluently. He studied English literature and studied at several European universities. Yusuf Ali's best-known work is his book

The Holy Qur'an: Text, Translation and Commentary,

Surah Takathur

(Emulous Desire)



1	أَلْهَاكُمُ التَّكَاثُرُ
	The mutual rivalry for piling up (the good things of this world) diverts you (from the more serious things),
2	حَتَّى رُّمُ تُمُ الْمَقَابِرَ
	Until ye visit the graves.
3	كَلَّاسَوْنَ تَعْلَمُونَ
	But nay,
	ye soon shall know (the reality).
4	ثُمَّ كَلَّاسَوْفَتَعُلَمُونَ
	Again,ye soon shall know!

5	كَلَّالَوْ تَعْلَمُونَ عِلْمَ الْيَقِينِ
	Nay, were ye to know with certainty of mind, (Ye would beware!)
6	لَّتَرَوْنَّ الْجَحِيمَ ِ
	Ye shall certainly see Hellfire!
7	ثُمَّ لَتَرَوْهُما عَيْنَ الْيَقِينِ
	Again, ye shall see it with certainty of sight!
8	ثُمَّ لَكُسُأَ لَنَّ يَوْمَئِذٍ عَنِ النَّعِيمِ
	Then, shall ye be Questioned that Day about the joy (ye indulged in)!



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