## Universal Signs in the Glorious Qur'an

All praise is due to Allah, Lord of the Worlds, Who says, "We will show them Our signs in the horizons and within themselves until it becomes clear to them that it is the truth." I bear witness that there god deserved to be worshipped but Allah; and I bear witness that our master Muhammad (PBUH) is His slave and Prophet; may Allah's Peace and Blessings be upon him, his family, and whoever follows his guidance to the Day of Judgment.

Careful readers of the Qur'an would find it replete with the universal signs that clearly indicate the Omnipotence, the All-Perfection, and All-Creativity of Allah – a fact that is recorded in the Quran, "[It is] the work of Allah, who perfected all things."

The entire universe testifies to the greatness of the Creator and His Oneness. However, only those people of sound minds are the ones who benefit from these universal signs in a manner that promotes their faith and strengthens their certainty - a fact recorded in the Quran, "And your god is one God. There is no deity [worthy of worship] except Him, the Entirely Merciful, the Especially Merciful. Indeed, in the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and the day, and the [great] ships which sail through the sea with that which benefits people, and what Allah has sent down from the heavens of rain, giving life thereby to the earth after its lifelessness and dispersing therein every [kind of] moving creature, and [His] directing of the winds and the clouds controlled between the heaven and the earth are signs for a people who use reason" and "Indeed, in the creation of the heavens and the earth and the alternation of the night and the day are signs for those of understanding. (190) Who remember Allah while standing or sitting or [lying] on their sides and give thought to the creation of the heavens and the earth, [saying], "Our Lord, You did not create this aimlessly; exalted are You [above such a thing]; then protect us from the punishment of the Fire."

The universal signs of Allah are of great beauty and perfection, a fact that is crystal clear in the following verses of the Quran, "Have they not looked at the heaven above them - how We structured it and adorned it and [how] it has no rifts?", "[And] who created seven heavens in layers. You do not see in the creation of the Most Merciful any inconsistency. So return [your] vision [to the sky]; do you see any breaks?", "And the heaven We constructed with strength, and indeed, We are [its] expander" and

"And We made the sky a protected ceiling, but they, from its signs, are turning away."

One of these signs whereby Allah, the Most High, decorated the heaven is the sun – that burning lamp that warms the atmosphere and seas and that runs regularly in a creative manner. Another universal sign is the moon that Allah makes it serve as a burning lamp and luminous item and determines its phases for it so that we will know the numbers of years and the account of time. On that, He, the Almighty, said, "And the sun runs [on course] toward its stopping point. That is the determination of the Exalted in Might, the Knowing. (38) And the moon - We have determined for it phases, until it returns [appearing] like the old date stalk. (39) It is not allowable for the sun to reach the moon, nor does the night overtake the day, but each, in an orbit, is swimming." He, the Most High, also beautifies the heaven with stars that guide us in darkness, a fact recorded in His Saying, "And it is He who placed for you the stars that you may be guided by them through the darknesses of the land and sea. We have detailed the signs for a people who know."

Those who carefully contemplate the creation of the earth and the signs it includes will fully realize the Omnipotence and All-Wisdom of Allah, as He made it stable, paved for His creation, inserted therein for creatures roadways, fixed it with the mountains, blessed it, determined therein its [creatures'] sustenance, and made it tame for them so that they could walk in its slopes and eat from His, the Most High, sustenance. Furthermore, He, the Almighty, created orchards and different kinds of food though being watered with one water. On that, He, Glorified is He, said, "It is He who made the earth tame for you - so walk among its slopes and eat of His provision - and to Him is the resurrection"; "And it is He who spread the earth and placed therein firmly set mountains and rivers; and from all of the fruits He made therein two mates; He causes the night to cover the day. Indeed in that are signs for a people who give thought. (3) And within the land are neighboring plots and gardens of grapevines and crops and palm trees, [growing] several from a root or otherwise, watered with one water; but We make some of them exceed others in [quality of] fruit. Indeed in that are signs for a people who reason"; "And of His signs is that you see the earth stilled, but when We send down upon it rain, it quivers and grows. Indeed, He who has given it life is the Giver of Life to the dead. Indeed, He is over all things competent" and "O People, if you should be in doubt about the Resurrection,

then [consider that] indeed, We created you from dust, then from a sperm-drop, then from a clinging clot, and then from a lump of flesh, formed and unformed - that We may show you. And We settle in the wombs whom We will for a specified term, then We bring you out as a child, and then [We develop you] that you may reach your [time of] maturity. And among you is he who is taken in [early] death, and among you is he who is returned to the most decrepit [old] age so that he knows, after [once having] knowledge, nothing. And you see the earth barren, but when We send down upon it rain, it quivers and swells and grows [something] of every beautiful kind."

Modern science has actually proved the authenticity of all the glorious verses mentioned in the Quran concerning the quivering of the particles of the soil when water is poured down upon it. So, the question to be asked here is "Who taught our master, Prophet Muhammad, this scientific fact more than 1400 years ago?!" It is none but Allah, Lord of the Worlds.

All praise is due to Allah, Lord of the Worlds; and may Allah's Peace and Blessings be upon the Seal of all the Prophets and Messengers, our master Muhammad (PBUH), his family and companions.

It goes without saying that the universal signs indicating the All-Perfection of Allah, the Almighty, in the creation of human beings offer conclusive evidence on the Existence and Omnipotence of the Creator - a fact recorded in the Saying of Allah, the Most High, "We have certainly created man in the best of stature"; " And certainly did We create man from an extract of clay. (12) Then We placed him as a sperm-drop in a firm lodging. (13) Then We made the sperm-drop into a clinging clot, and We made the clot into a lump [of flesh], and We made [from] the lump, bones, and We covered the bones with flesh; then We developed him into another creation. So blessed is Allah, the best of creators"; "O mankind, what has deceived you concerning your Lord, the Generous, (6) Who created you, proportioned you, and balanced you? (7) In whatever form He willed has He assembled you" and "Yes. [We are] Able [even] to proportion his fingertips."

Allah, the Exalted, has mentioned the fingerprints in particular because their formation is one of the signs indicating Allah's Omnipotence, since there are not two persons who have the same fingerprint since the very creation of the heavens and the earth up till now, and even to the end of time.

O Allah! Make us of those people of sound minds who ponder over your verses and universal signs and benefit from them.

O Allah! Protect our country and the entire world from all evil.