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INTRODUCTION

To know Good, you need to know God.

The reason is simple: God possesses the most perfect names and attributes and He is the source of all goodness. Even though the concept of God itself varies from culture to culture, there is a basic understanding of God that most of us will arrive at if we use our minds. Even if people don't think deeply about it, most would naturally agree; God is one, unique, genderless, eternal and nothing like His creation. This is the description of God in the Quran:

“Say, ‘He is God, [who is] One, God, the Eternal Refuge. He neither begets nor is born, nor is there to Him any equivalent.’”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 112, VERSES 1 TO 4

Without God, the idea of ‘good’ would be nothing more than a social rule. Therefore, good deeds like “defending the innocent”, “feeding the poor” or “loving thy neighbour”, for example, would simply be rules based on our limitations; no different to saying you can't cheat in a game.

This is because God is the only foundation for goodness. God provides this foundation because He is external to the universe and is perfect. He is beyond human limitation and is perfectly knowledgeable, powerful and the source of all goodness. In other words, knowing God is knowing good.

To start your journey towards knowing God, you need to understand His names and attributes. This booklet lists the beautiful names of God taken from the Quran and the teachings of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him).

“He is God: there is no god other than Him. It is He who knows what is hidden as well as what is in the open, He is the Lord of Mercy, the Giver of Mercy. He is God: there is no god other than Him, the Controller, the Holy One, Source of Peace, Granter of Security, Guardian over all, the Almighty, the Compeller, the Truly Great; God is far above anything they consider to be His partner. He is God: the Creator, the Originator, the Shaper. The best names belong to Him. Everything in the heavens and earth glorifies Him: He is the Almighty, the Wise.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSES 22 TO 24

ALLAH

The name Allah derives from the words *Al*, meaning 'The', and *Ilah*, meaning 'Deity', or an object of worship.

Therefore, Allah is the only deity worthy and deserving of worship.

The name Allah is genderless and has no plural. From this we capture how unique and profound this name is. It refers to a being we should love and commit ourselves to; the one who is worthy of all praise and the only one to whom all worship is due.

This name is so powerful that it comprises of all the names you will come across in this booklet.

“Indeed, I am Allah. There is no deity except Me, so worship Me and establish prayer for My remembrance.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 20, VERSE 14

THE LORD OF MERCY

God's mercy is intense, powerful and immediate.
His extensive mercy encompasses all
people and things.

Ponder upon this. A child in the womb of its mother does not know its mother and, thus, does not love its mother. However, the mother already loves the child in her womb. She is already looking after its needs as she is cautious in her movement, careful in every way possible to protect her child and yet, the child is completely unaware of this. God's mercy and care is incomparably greater than this, as some from His creation refuse to acknowledge Him, even outright rejecting Him and yet, He still shows them mercy by giving them life and providing for their needs. The creation of Almighty God is constantly showered and enveloped by His intense, immediate mercy.

“...My Mercy encompasses all things.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 7, VERSE 156

THE GIVER OF MERCY

God is constantly bestowing his mercy on all of creation.

The Giver of Mercy refers to a special mercy for those who want to embrace it. Whoever chooses to accept God's guidance has essentially accepted His special mercy. This special mercy is for the believers and it is manifested in paradise; unending blissful peace with God.

*“The Lord of Mercy,
The Giver of Mercy”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 1, VERSE 3

THE UNIQUELY ONE

God is The Uniquely One. He is One, alone and unique in every sense.

He is uniquely one in His essence, attributes, and alone in His divinity. Nothing is like Him and He is unlike anything. He has no offspring, partners and nothing can be associated with Him.

“Say, ‘He is God, [who is] One.’”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 112, VERSE 1

THE LOVING

God is the One who is the source of all love and affection. His love is intense, constant and lasting.

His love is the purest and finest form of love. His love transcends the highest form of worldly love: a mother's love. When a mother loves, she does so because she needs to love and it fulfils her. However, God doesn't need to love, He is independent of any need, yet He loves. God is the one who deserves all love and affection. The more you know God, the more you will love Him.

*“Ask forgiveness from your Lord,
and turn to Him in repentance: my Lord
is merciful and The Loving.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 11, VERSE 90

THE WISE

God is the One fully wise. He has total wisdom and knowledge.

Everything He decrees is in line with Divine wisdom. There is no deficiency or error in His wisdom. He has the 'picture', His servants have just a 'pixel'.

*“And He is the Wise,
the Acquainted [with all].”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 6, VERSE 18

THE TRUTH

God is the truth and truly existing.

He is the One through whom the truth is revealed.
His actions, speech and promise are true.

*“So exalted is God, the Sovereign,
the Truth; there is no deity except
Him, Lord of the Noble Throne.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 23, VERSE 116

THE LIGHT

God is the light of the heavens and earth.

He is the One who illuminates the hearts of people with knowledge of Him, belief in Him and guidance.

“God is the Light of the heavens and the earth.

The example of His light is like a niche within which is a lamp, the lamp is within glass, the glass as if it were a pearly [white] star lit from [the oil of] a blessed olive tree, neither of the east nor of the west, whose oil would almost glow even if untouched by fire. Light upon light. God guides to His light whom He wills. And God presents examples for the people, and God is Knowing of all things.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 24, VERSE 35

THE PROTECTIVE FRIEND

God is the loving and protective friend to all that turn to Him. He befriends, aids, assists, guides and grants success to the believers.

“God is the Protecting Friend of those who believe. He brings them out of the depths of darkness and into the light.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 257

THE SOURCE OF ALL GOODNESS

God is good to His creation, bestowing upon them life, health, wealth and love. He is the doer of good and all good comes from Him.

“He is the Good, the Merciful One.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 52, VERSE 28

THE CREATOR

God is the One who created everything that exists without effort.

He created everything within the cosmos and beyond, living and inanimate, out of nothing and without precedence. He also creates from pre-existing things which He originally created out of nothing. He invents, innovates and designs as He pleases, and all His creation points to His existence and creative power.

“He is God, the Creator, the Inventor, the Fashioner; to Him belong the best names. Whatever is in the heavens and earth is exalting Him. And He is the Exalted in Might, the Wise.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSE 24

THE SOURCE OF ALL PEACE

God is the One who grants peace and security to His creation.

He is the source of peace, safety, tranquillity and spiritual contentment. True lasting inner peace is guaranteed to those who remember and submit to Him. He is free of any imperfection, deficiency or flaw.

“He is God: there is no god other than Him, the Controller, the Holy One, Source of Peace, Granter of Security, Guardian over all, the Almighty, the Compeller, the Truly Great; God is far above anything they consider to be His partner.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSE 23

THE GENEROUS

God is The Generous One. He is the cause behind every good. Everything that we have is from Him.

“O mankind, what has deceived you concerning your Lord, the Generous... ?”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 82, VERSE 6

THE MOST GENEROUS

God is matchless in His perfect generosity.
He even bestows favours upon those
who disobey and reject Him.

*“Recite, and your Lord is the
most Generous.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 96, VERSE 3

THE FORGIVER

God is the One who forgives the sins of His servants again and again whenever the servant repents, and who hides the sins of His servants and does not expose them.

*“Unquestionably, He is the Exalted in
Might, the Perpetual Forgiver.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 39, VERSE 5

THE ALL-FORGIVING

God is the One who covers up the sins of His servants to an extent that cannot be comprehended. He forgives them so that His servants are not affected by the consequences of their sins.

“The heavens almost break from above them, and the angels exalt [God] with praise of their Lord and ask forgiveness for those on earth. Unquestionably, it is God who is the Forgiving, the Merciful.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 42, VERSE 5

THE EVER-LIVING

God is The Ever Living One who always remains without any beginning or any end, with perfect and everlasting life. He never dies nor passes away, and neither sleep, nor slumber overtake Him.

“God - there is no deity except Him, the Ever Living, the Sustainer of [all] existence.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 255

THE SUSTAINER

God is the One upon whom everything depends. The One who sustains everything that exists and has no need for anything.

“God - there is no deity except Him, the Ever-Living, the Sustainer of all existence.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 255

THE FIRST

He is the first, who has no beginning.

*“He is the First and the Last; the Evident
and the Hidden; He has knowledge
of all things.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 57, VERSE 3

THE LAST

God is the last, without any end.
His existence is perpetual.

*“He is the First and the Last; the Evident
and the Hidden; He has knowledge
of all things.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 57, VERSE 3

THE EVIDENT

God is evident. He made Himself evident without being visible. What He creates is a self-evident sign for His existence.

“He is the First and the Last; the Evident and the Hidden; He has knowledge of all things.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 57, VERSE 3

THE HIDDEN

God cannot be seen in the way creation can be seen. He is the One from whom nothing is hidden and He knows the inner states of all things.

“He is the First and the Last; the Evident and the Hidden; He has knowledge of all things.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 57, VERSE 3

THE TURNER OF HEARTS

God is the turner of hearts, He can guide and misguide whoever He wills. His misguidance is in line with Divine wisdom and His guidance is from His mercy.

“Our Lord, do not let our hearts deviate after You have guided us. Grant us Your mercy: You are the Ever Giving.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 3, VERSE 8

THE MOST HIGH

God is the One who is above everything.
He has power and control over all things and the
One who is exalted above every deficiency.

*“Exalt the name of your Lord,
the Most High.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 87, VERSE 1

THE ALL-SEEING

God is the One whose sight encompasses everything, hidden or apparent. He sees the black ant, crawling on a black mountain on a moonless night.

*“...Indeed He is, of His servants,
Acquainted and Seeing.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 42, VERSE 27

THE ACCEPTOR OF REPENTANCE

God guides His servants so that they repent to Him. He accepts their repentance again and again, even if they committed the worst of sins, innumerable times.

“...indeed, God is Accepting of Repentance and Merciful.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 49, VERSE 12

THE COMPELLER

Whatever He decrees will be; whatever He does
not, will not.

Everything that exists submits to His will. He is irresistible. He
mends broken hearts and rectifies the affairs of His servants.

He brings comfort to the weak and those who turn to
Him and seek His refuge.

*“He is God, other than whom there is no deity, the Sovereign,
the Pure, the Perfection, the Bestower of Faith, the Overseer, the
Exalted in Might, the Compeller, the Superior. Exalted is God
above whatever they associate with Him.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSE 23

THE PROTECTOR

God alone is the One who guards and protects
the entire cosmos and whatever it contains.
It is He who protects His servants from
destruction and evil.

*“...But God is the best guardian, and He is
the most merciful of the merciful.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 12, VERSE 64

THE BRINGER TO ACCOUNT

God is the One who is sufficient and takes care of His servants and records all their actions. There is not the smallest action, belief and word that is not taken into account by God.

“...And sufficient is God as Accountant.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 4, VERSE 6

THE GUARDIAN

God preserves and protects the entire cosmos and everything it contains.

“...Indeed my Lord is, over all things, Guardian.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 11, VERSE 57

THE ORIGINATOR

God is the One who created the universe out of nothing and originated everything that exists.

“He is God: the Creator, the Originator, the Shaper. The best names belong to Him. Everything in the heavens and earth glorifies Him: He is the Almighty, the Wise.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSE 24

THE BENEVOLENT

God is the One who is ever kind to His servants and ever responding to their prayers and supplications.

“Abraham said, “Peace on you! I will pray to my Lord to forgive you. He is indeed ever Benevolent to me.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 19, VERSE 47

THE MANIFEST

God is the clear and manifest truth. He makes the truth evident and His oneness is clear for His sincere servants.

“On that day, God will pay them their just due, and they will know that God, He is the Manifest Truth.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 24, VERSE 25

THE JUDGE

God never wrongs anyone and is never oppressive, He is the only true judge; no one can overturn His judgment and no one can ever appeal His decree.

A famous scholar once said, "If I had to choose between God and my mother to judge me on the Day of judgement, I would choose God."

"Is not God the most just of judges?"

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 95, VERSE 8

THE FORBEARING

God is lenient. He is not provoked by people's disobedience, wrongdoing or disbelief.

He does not allow any punishment to be immediately inflicted on His servants for their sins and their unbelief. Rather, He gives them the opportunity to repent and change. God does not want to punish people; punishment is the spiritual consequence of insisting in removing oneself from God's mercy and guidance.

“...God is Forgiving and Forbearing.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 3, VERSE 155

THE PRAISEWORTHY

All praise and thanks belong to God under all circumstances. Everything within the cosmos is glorifying Him in some form.

*“Indeed, He is Praiseworthy
and Honourable.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 11, VERSE 73

THE ALL-AWARE

The One who is perfectly aware of everything; the inner and outer aspects of all reality. God is intimately aware of His creation, He knows what is hidden and what is apparent.

“...and he replied, ‘The All Knowing, the All Aware told me.’”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 66, VERSE 3

THE CONSTANTLY CREATING

God constantly creates and adds to His creation as He pleases in a perfect manner. He created all matter from nothing. From this matter He brings forth new creations.

*“Indeed, your Lord - He is the
Knowing Creator.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 15, VERSE 86

THE MOST KIND

God is kind to His creation and His compassion, affection and tenderness are beyond comprehension.

“...For God is to all people most surely full of kindness, most Merciful.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 143

THE PROVIDER

God is the One who creates and provides abundantly. He provides and nourishes all in accordance with His perfect wisdom. This includes the means of support and growth, for the body, mind and soul.

“...And provide for us, and You are the best of providers.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 5, VERSE 114

THE EVER-WATCHFUL GUARDIAN

God is the One whose hearing, seeing and knowledge encompass everything and from whom nothing is hidden. He is closely watching and guarding over His creation.

*“And ever is God, over all things,
an Observer.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 33, VERSE 52

THE ALL HEARING

God is One who hears everything.

*“...There is nothing like unto Him, and
He is the Hearing, the Seeing.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 42, VERSE 11

THE APPRECIATIVE

Every good deed done is rewarded by God as He is The Appreciative. We should appreciate the blessings of God in our lives so that those blessings are increased.

“Why should God make you suffer torment if you are thankful and believe in Him? And God is ever Appreciative, Knowing.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 4, VERSE 147

THE GRATEFUL

God gives abundantly in response to little.
He is grateful for the smallest deeds and
rewards everything good that is done. He
never lets anyone's good deeds go to waste.

*“Those who recite God’s scripture, keep up the prayer,
give secretly and openly from what We have provided for
them, may hope for a trade that will never decline: He will
repay them in full, and give them extra from His bounty.
For He is Forgiving, Grateful.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 35, VERSES 29 TO 30

THE WITNESS

God is the One who witnesses everything
and knows it in detail.

The One from whom nothing is hidden. From the rising and setting of the Sun, to the fall of every single droplet of rain from the skies. He is the ultimate witness on the day of judgement.

“...and sufficient is God as Witness.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 4, VERSE 79

THE ABSOLUTE

God is Absolute, free of all needs.

He is independent, while all else is dependent upon Him. He is the One who satisfies needs with wisdom. When in trouble, distress or facing adversity, man realises that he is helpless and so turns to the source of all goodness and mercy; God the Absolute and the Eternal.

“God the Absolute.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 112, VERSE 2

THE ALL-KNOWING

God is the One whose knowledge is not acquired through learning, nor preceded by ignorance, nor followed by forgetfulness.

Nothing is beyond His knowledge, He knows the unseen and the seen, the hidden and the apparent. Not a leaf falls except that He knows. His knowledge encompasses the past, what is happening in the present, what will happen in the future and what was never meant to be. He is the ultimate source of all knowledge.

*“...Indeed, God is All-Encompassing
and All-Knowing.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 115

THE ALMIGHTY

God is the One who overpowers everything and cannot be overcome. He is invincible and nothing can prevent Him from fulfilling what He wills. He is the One who has honour and gives honour, love and respect.

*“ ... Know that God is Almighty
and Wise.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 260

THE TREMENDOUS

God is the One who is the greatest, mightiest and above all. His might and grandeur is surely beyond our grasp and He deserves to be exalted with our hearts, tongues and limbs.

*“...He is the Most High,
the Tremendous.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 255

THE EVER PARDONING

God is the One who continues to pardon the sins of His servants and refrains from punishing them. He can forgive sins, errors, mistakes and completely wipe them out as if they never existed.

*“...Indeed, God is ever Pardoning
and Forgiving.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 4, VERSE 43

THE EXALTED

God is high above all of creation. He is far beyond any thoughts, limits and ideals of mankind.

“He is the Exalted, the Tremendous.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 255

THE SELF-SUFFICIENT

The One who has no need whatsoever of the creation and who controls the treasures of this world and the hereafter. Whether we live a life of luxury and ease, or poverty and hardship, we are ultimately dependent on God.

“Your Lord is Self-Sufficient and full of mercy. If He pleased, He could remove you and put others in your place, just as He produced you from the offspring of other people.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 6, VERSE 133

THE OPENER

God is the One who opens the gates of mercy and provision, and who opens the eyes and hearts of His servants for them to see the truth. The One who aids and grants victory to His believing servants and who distinguishes truth from falsehood.

“Say, ‘Our Lord will gather us together, then He will judge justly between us; He is the Opener, the Aware.’”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 34, VERSE 26

THE FULLY ABLE ONE

God is the One fully able to do anything He wills.
Nothing renders Him incapable or wearies Him.

*“Do the disbelievers not understand that
God, who created the heavens and earth
and did not tire in doing so, has the power
to bring the dead back to life? Yes indeed!
He is the Fully Able One.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 46, VERSE 33

THE SUBDUER

God is the One who subdues His creation from above, to whom everything submits; none can repel what He ordains or depart from what He decrees.

“Say, ‘God is the Creator of all things: He is the One, The Subduer.’”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 13, VERSE 16

THE HOLY

God is holy and above everything.
He is free of any opposites, rivals, consorts,
children, deficiencies and imperfections.

*“Everything in the heavens and
earth glorifies God, the Controller, the
Holy One, the Almighty, the Wise.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 62, VERSE 1

THE ALL-POWERFUL

God is the One who has complete power over everything.

“To God belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is in the earth. Whether you show what is within yourselves or conceal it, God will bring you to account for it. Then He will forgive whom He wills and punish whom He wills, and God is All-Powerful.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 284

THE ONE WHO IS NEAR

The One who is near to His servants, He draws nearer to those who perform acts of worship and seek nearness to Him.

“And when My servants ask you, [O Muhammad], concerning Me - indeed I am near. I respond to the invocation of the supplicant when he calls upon Me. So let them respond to Me [by obedience] and believe in Me that they may be [rightly] guided.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 186

THE ONE PERFECT IN STRENGTH

The One who is fully able to do anything; none can overcome Him, none can repel His decree.

“God is Subtle with His servants; He gives provisions to whom He wills. And He is the One Perfect in Strength, the Exalted in Might.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 42, VERSE 19

THE OVERWHELMING SUBDUER

The One who alone subdues the whole of creation with His sovereign authority and power. Nothing occurs except with His permission, everything submits to Him. He subdues the most obstinate and renegade tyrants with His punishment, and subdues the whole of creation with death.

“He is the Overwhelming Subduer...”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 6, VERSE 61

THE INCOMPARABLY GREAT

The One who is greater than everything.
Everything else is insignificant before Him.

*“He knows what is not seen as well as
what is seen; He is The Incomparably
Great, The Supreme and Exalted One.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 13, VERSE 9

THE SUBTLE

The One who is fully aware of the hidden details of all affairs. He provides for people from where they did not expect.

“He is the All Subtle, the All Aware.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 6, VERSE 103

THE GRANTER OF SECURITY

The One who safeguards the believers
in this world and the hereafter.

*“The Holy One, Source of Peace,
Grantor of Security, Guardian over
all, the Almighty, the Compeller,
The Supremely Great.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSE 23

THE SUPREME AND EXALTED ONE

The One supremely exalted above everything.
He is free from the characteristics of creation.

*“He knows what is not seen as well as
what is seen; He is The Incomparably
Great, The Supreme and Exalted One.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 13, VERSE 9

THE SUPREME GREAT

The One who is greater than all of creation,
and who manifests greatness in all things
and in all ways.

“The Compeller, The Supremely Great.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSE 23

THE STRONG

The One mighty in strength, the powerful One whose strength does not end, and who does not experience any difficulty in His actions nor does He experience any tiredness.

*“God is the Provider, the Lord of Power,
the The Strong.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 51, VERSE 58

THE RESPONSIVE

The One who responds to those who call upon Him. God responds to those who submit to Him and those in dire need.

“And when My servants ask you, [O Muhammad], concerning Me - indeed I am near. I respond to the invocation of the supplicant when he calls upon Me. So let them respond to Me and believe in Me that they may be [rightly] guided.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 186

THE ALL-GLORIOUS

The magnificent One having the characteristics of glory, majesty, greatness and splendour. He is venerated in the hearts of His beloved servants.

*“Indeed, He is Praiseworthy
and All-Glorious.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 11, VERSE 73

THE ALL-ENCOMPASSING

God encompasses all things with His knowledge, power, mercy and dominion. Nothing is concealed from Him and nothing escapes Him.

“They try to hide themselves from people, but they cannot hide from God. He is with them when they plot at night, saying things that do not please Him: He is fully aware of everything they do.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 4, VERSE 108

THE BESTOWER OF FORMS

The One who forms and fashions His creation
however He wishes.

*“He is God the Creator, the Originator,
the Bestower of Form...”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSE 24

THE POWERFUL

The One whose power is absolute,
for whom nothing is impossible.
He does whatever He wills.

“...God has power over all things.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 20

THE ALL-POWERFUL MAINTAINER

The One who witnesses everything and provides each created being with the sustenance it requires.

“And God is the All-Powerful Maintainer.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 4, VERSE 85

THE KING

The sole absolute and true sovereign king.
Complete and perfect in His kingship, the
sovereign owner of everything who does
whatever He wishes, with nothing to prevent
or hinder Him– the King of all kings.

*“He is God - there is no god except
Him: The King”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSE 23

THE OWNER

God is the owner of all that exists and is fully able to do whatever He wishes. He has supreme authority and no one can overrule Him.

“Say, ‘O God, Owner of sovereignty, You give sovereignty to whom You will and You take sovereignty away from whom You will. You honor whom You will and You humble whom You will. In Your hand is [all] good. Indeed, You are over all things competent.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 3, VERSE 26

THE PATRON

God is the One who is the patron and the protector of all. He is the master of everything and should be trusted to provide help, support and protection whenever needed.

*“And He is the Protector,
the Praiseworthy.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 42, VERSE 28

THE EVER-WATCHFUL WITNESS

The One who witnesses all the deeds and sayings of his creation. He is the ever watching guardian.

“He is God: there is no god other than Him, the Controller, the Holy One, Source of Peace, Granter of Security, Ever-Watchful Witness, the Almighty, the Compeller, the Truly Great; God is far above anything they consider to be His partner.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 59, VERSE 23

THE HELPER

God is the one who strengthens, defends and aids the believers. There is no helper but Him.

“But if they turn away - then know that God is your protector. Excellent is the protector, and excellent is the helper.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 8, VERSE 40

THE ONE AND ONLY

The One who has no partner, no sharer
and no equal.

*“God is the Creator of all things: He is
the One, the All Compelling.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 13, VERSE 16

THE

INHERITOR WHO REMAINS FOREVER

The One who remains after everything else perishes away. He will inherit the earth and everything upon it.

“And indeed, it is We who give life and cause death, and We are the Inheritor.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 15, VERSE 23

THE ALL-EMBRACING

He encompasses the whole of creation with
His blessings, care, and kindness.

“God is All-Embracing, All-Knowing.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 115

THE

TRUSTWORTHY DISPOSER OF AFFAIRS

The One who takes care of the affairs of those who place their trust in Him.

“Yes, indeed, everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to God, and He is enough for those who trust in Him.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 4, VERSE 132

THE GIVER OF GIFTS

The One who continually bestows gifts,
favours and blessings upon all of creation.
He gives what is His to us without asking
for, or requiring anything in return.

*“Do they possess the treasures of
your Lord’s bounty, the Mighty,
The Giver of Gifts?”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 38, VERSE 9

THE BEAUTIFUL ONE

God is beautiful and everything
beautiful in creation is a result of Him.

“God is beautiful and loves beauty.”

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE MAGNANIMOUS

The One who gives liberally and generously.
He has prepared in paradise for His believing servants that which no eye has ever seen, no ear has ever heard and which has never been imagined by any heart.

“God is Most Generous and He loves generosity.”

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE MODEST

God's modesty is in no way similar to the modesty displayed by any of His creation. This is because it denotes His mercy, perfect grace, kindness and forbearance.

“Your Lord is Modest and generous and would never turn the hands of someone without gain when he raises them to him [in supplication].”

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE LORD

The one who nurtures and rectifies the affairs of His servants. He alone creates, commands, provides and guides.

*“Do they possess the treasures
of your Lord’s bounty, the Mighty,
The Giver of Gifts?”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 38, VERSE 9

THE MOST GENTLE

The One who is gentle, kind and lenient
with His servants.

*“God is gentle and loves
those who are gentle. He gives
for gentleness that which He does
not give for harshness.”*

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE SUPREME GLORIFIED

The One who is free of every deficiency. All of the creation glorifies Him day and night.

*“You are the Supremely glorified,
the Holy. You are the Lord
of the angels and of Gabriel.”*

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE MASTER

He is the Master that all creation depends upon.

“Say, ‘Only what God has decreed will happen to us. He is our Master: let the believers put their trust in God.’”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 9, VERSE 51

THE HEALER

The One who can cure all physical
and spiritual diseases.

*“It is He who guides me; He who
gives me food and drink; He who
cures me when I am ill.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 26, VERSE 78-80

THE PURE

The One who is pure and free from all deficiencies, shortcomings and imperfections.

“O people! God is Pure and, therefore, accepts only that which is pure...”

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE WITHHOLDER

The Withholder is the One who takes away souls, provision and whatever He pleases in accordance with His wisdom and subtle kindness.

“God is the One Who fixes prices and who withholds and gives abundantly.”

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE EXPANDER

The One who makes plentiful all that is needed.

*“And it is God that restricts and expands.
And you will be returned to Him.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 245

THE ADVANCER

God grants advancement to whatever He pleases.
No one can delay whatever He advances.

*“You are the One who puts forward and
You are the One who puts back.”*

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE DELAYER

The One who holds back and delays whatever He wills. No one can advance what He delays.

*“You are the One who puts forward
and You are the One who puts back.”*

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE DOER OF GOOD

The One who gives countless blessings
to His creation.

*“Good and evil cannot be equal.
Repel evil with what is better and your
enemy will become as close as an old and
valued friend, but only those who are
steadfast in patience, only those who
are blessed with great righteousness,
will attain to such goodness.”*

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 41, VERSES 34 TO 35

THE GIVER

No one can withhold what He gives, nor can anyone give what He withholds. There is no limit to what He gives.

“No one can withhold the blessing God opens up for people, nor can anyone but Him release whatever He withholds: He is the Almighty, the All Wise.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 35, VERSE 2

THE BENEFICENT

He is the One who shows kindness to His creation by bestowing His blessings upon them and providing them with everything they need.

“O God, indeed I ask You since all praise is due to You, there is none worthy of worship but You, the Beneficent, the Creator of the heavens and earth, O Possessor of majesty and honor, O Ever-Living, O Eternal, I ask of You.”

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE ONE AND UNIQUE

God is one, unique and incomparable.
He has no partner and no helper.

“Surely God is One.”

PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

THE DEITY

God is the One who alone is worthy of worship. This means we must know, obey, love and direct all our acts of worship to Him alone. These acts of worship include giving thanks, praying, fasting, giving charity and remembrance of God.

“And your god is one God. There is no deity [worthy of worship] except Him, the Entirely Merciful, the Especially Merciful.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 2, VERSE 163

CONTINUING YOUR JOURNEY

Now you know God, you truly know good.

Deep in our hearts, we all believe in the wrongness of evil and the rightness of good. God has put this understanding within us because of who He is. He is unique, powerful, loving and the source of all good.

To continue your journey, you need to realise that the greatest good is to worship the One who is the source of all goodness - Allah. To know how to worship Allah, we must follow His final messenger, Muhammad (peace be upon him).

“Say, ‘If you love God, follow me [Muhammad], and God will love you and forgive you your sins; God is most loving, most merciful.”

THE QURAN, CHAPTER 3, VERSE 31

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