

17 Who created the creation?

QUESTION: How does the Quran use proofs to show the existence of Allah?

ANSWER: The first way that the Quran shows to the rational, thinking person that there must be a Creator is : to ask who created the creation? ¹

This is an idea which we mentioned a few emails ago – the idea that every effect has to have a cause.

We mentioned the idea that if a child is hit on the back of the head, he knows that someone or something has caused the pain in his head. He will not accept it if you tell him that “Nothing hit you”.

So the same is true of all the Universe visible around us.

Muslims cannot accept that all of the beauty and majesty of the Universe that we see could have suddenly occurred spontaneously at some point in the past, without any Being to create it - or even any obvious reason as to why it should have occurred at that point in time.

The verse from Surah at Tur was mentioned.

Were they created by nothing? Or were they themselves the Creators?

Surah Tur (the 52nd surah) ayah 35

The Quran makes this point on several occasions – that the God whose existence is ingrained into our inherent nature, no matter how much we may try to deny that He exists - He is the One who created the Creation.

This ability to create things from nothing belongs only to Allah, and not to any other being or force – not to any scientist, or king, or even to “Nature” or “Natural Forces”.

This is the Creation of Allah. So show me that which those (whom you worship) besides Allah have created.

Surah Luqman (the 31st surah) ayah 11

What have they created of the earth?

Surah Ahqaf (the 46th surah) ayah 4

¹ Refer to ‘aqeedah ut tawheed p36 of Shaykh Saalih al Fawzaan for more information

Those whom they call upon other than Allah have not created a single thing. (Rather) they are (themselves) created.

Surah Nahl (the 16th surah) ayah 20

Is the One who Creates (meaning – Allah) like the one who does not create? Will you not then remember?

Surah Nahl (the 16th surah) ayah 17

In fact, no one has ever claimed to have created life or in fact any new object. Rather what people do is to take created things which are already in existence (eg wood, oil, water) and then change them into other things. This, as is obvious, is not the same as creating these things.

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NEXT TIME:

The next type of proof that the Quran brings – the organisation and precise execution of all the affairs of the world.