

Arabic: The Revealed Language

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Allah Almighty is the sole Creator, Cherisher and Sustainer of all the worlds. He created the man and bestowed him with the capability of expression. Allah says in the Quran.

﴿ خَلَقَ الْإِنْسَانَ عِلْمَةَ الْبَيَانِ ﴾ (1)

He created man. He taught him distinctness.

In these verses the creation of the man has been narrated contiguous to the conferment of the faculty of speech to him, which discloses vividly that the man had the ability to express his sentiments, experiences and knowledge since the day of his inception. It is also a matter of fact that expression without a language is merely impossible. Therefore علمه البيان encompasses the meanings of علمه اللسان. It is also established that expression of inner feelings or knowledge gained by experiences is possible by two means: Verbal and inscriptive. Therefore علمه البيان includes endowment of both skills of expression; speaking and writing, of human being by Allah. In Surah Al-Alaq, the Quran informs explicitly:

﴿ أَقْرَأَ بِأَسْمِ رَبِّكَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ الْإِنْسَانَ مِنْ عَلَقٍ وَقَرَأَ وَرَبُّكَ الْأَكْرَمُ الَّذِي عَلَّمَ بِالْقَلَمِ ﴾ (2)

Recite thou in the name of thy Lord who has created everything. Has created man from a clot and thy lord is the most bountiful. Who has taught man by the pen.

It is evident from these verses that the first man of the universe was well versed in reading and writing since the beginning, as the words اقرأ and علم بالقلم describe. Consequently, we can infer that the first language was revealed divinely to the first man; Adam ﷺ.

Now the question arises that what was the first revealed language. Thorough study of the Quran and the Hadith leads towards the fact that the language revealed to the first man was Arabic. The manifestation of the Quran and Sunnah will be rendered to invigorate the current debate.

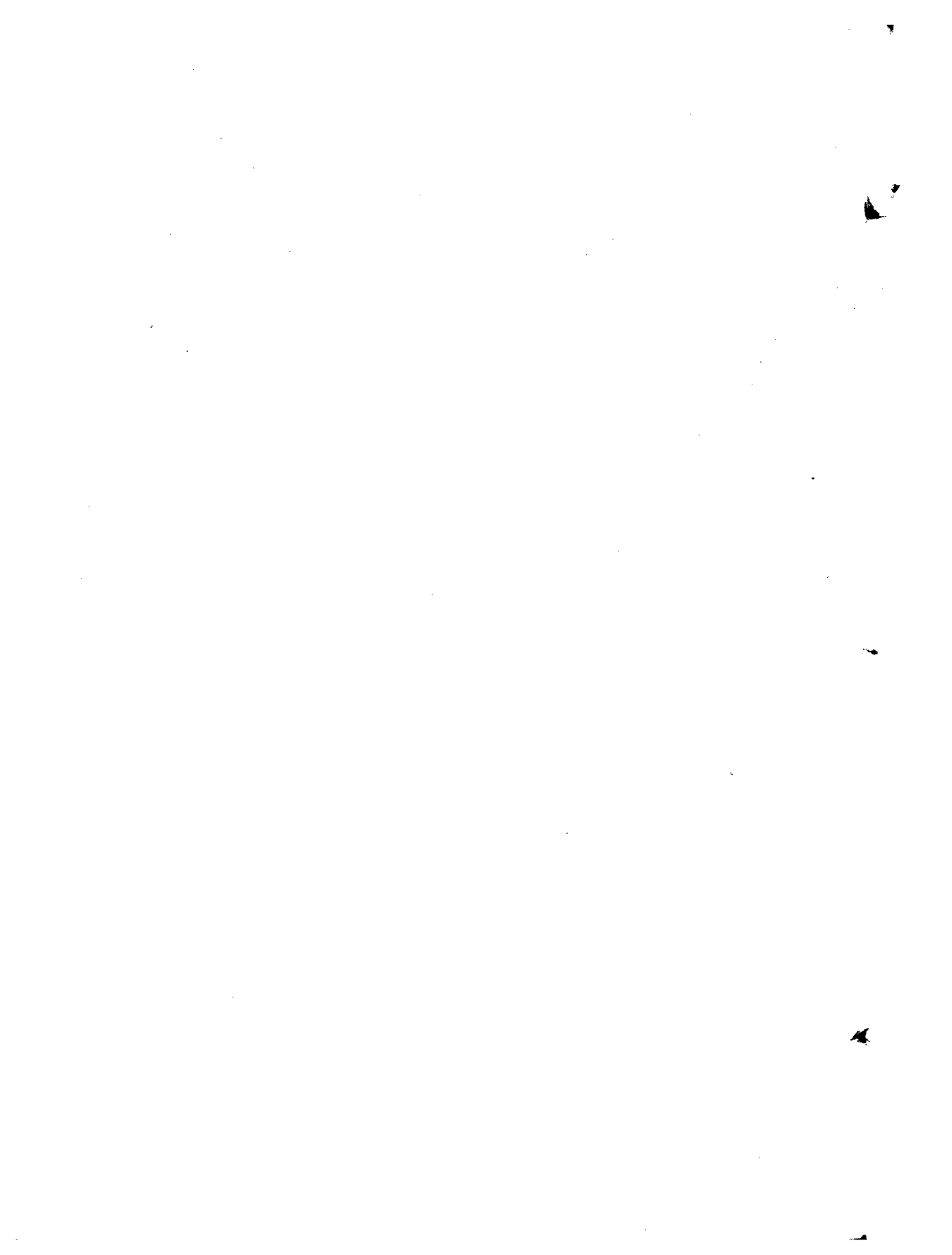
Quranic Verdict About Revelation Of Arabic:

1. The Quran says:

﴿ وَإِذْ أَخَذَ رَبُّكَ مِنْ بَنِي آدَمَ مِنْ ظُهُورِهِمْ ذُرِّيَّتَهُمْ وَأَشْهَدَهُمْ عَلَىٰ أَنفُسِهِمْ أَلَسْتُ بِرَبِّكُمْ قَالُوا بَلَىٰ شَهِدْنَا أَنْ تَقُولُوا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ إِنَّا كُنَّا عَنْ هَذَا غَافِلِينَ ﴾ (3)

And when your Lord brought forth from the children of Adam, that is, from their backs, their progeny, and made them testify about themselves, "Am I

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