

DAY 11: Bee: [Nahl (16): 68]

“And your Lord inspired the bees, saying: ‘Take you homes in the mountains and in the trees and in what they erect.’ ”

What we plan to say: In this verse Allah talks about the busy bee! Allah tells us that He inspired/told the bee to make its' house in lots of different places. In the mountains, on trees and even where people live. Do you know what a bee's house is called? It's called a hive! Bees make honey in their hives. Honey is really really good for us to eat! (share any other interesting facts about bees/honey)

DAY 12: Tree: [Nahl (16): 68]

“And your Lord inspired the bees, saying: ‘Take you homes in the mountains and in the trees and in what they erect.’ ”

What we plan to say: Allah made all the trees! Remember yesterday we were talking about how some bees make their hives in trees. Trees are amazing, do you know who else makes their homes in trees? Birds make their nests in trees, squirrels, koalas, owls and lots of other animals live in trees too. There are small trees and big trees of all shapes and sizes. Different trees have different leaves, all made by Allah. SubhanAllah! Lets go outside and look at the different trees and their leaves.

DAY 13: Hoopoe (Story of Suleiman AS & the Queen of Sheba): [Naml (27): 20]

“He inspected the birds, and said: "What is the matter that I see not the hoopoe? Or is he among the absentees?"”

What we plan to say: This is the story of Prophet Suleiman (alayhis salaam), the Hoopoe bird & the Queen of Sheba. The Prophet Suleiman (as) noticed that the Hoopoe bird (Hud hud) was missing, so he asked the other birds: “Why don't I see the hoopoe, is he not here?” But the Hoopoe wasn't away for long and he came with some news! The hoopoe told Suleiman (as) about the Queen of Sheba and her people and how they prayed to the sun and not to Allah. Suleiman (as) sent a letter to the Queen telling her about Allah and how He made everything and that its only Allah we pray to. The Queen came to visit Suleiman (as) in his beautiful palace and she said that she realised she was doing the wrong thing by praying to the sun and she would start praying to Allah. ALHAMDULILLAH! The floor of the palace was glass and you could see through it and there was water underneath. The Queen didn't realise that the floor was glass and she thought that it was actually water so she lifted up her dress a little because she

thought it was going to get wet and then she was amazed when she found the floor was made of glass.

NOTE: The story of Suleiman (as) and the Queen of Sheba has been condensed and the section about the Jinn who brings back her throne is not included as the concept of Jinn may be difficult for very young children to understand.

DAY 14: Camel: [Ghashiya (88): 17]

“Do they not look at the camels, how they are created?”

What we plan to say: Allah made the camels. In this verse Allah asks us if we have looked at the camel and how He created it. Camels are amazing animals. They live in the desert where it can get very hot and it's very sandy. Camels have long eyelashes that keep sand out of their eyes, they have thick eyebrows that shield their eyes from the desert sun and they can close their nostrils so that sand doesn't go up their noses. They also have special feet that helps them walk across the sand easier AND camels can go a long time without eating or drinking. What amazing creatures they are!

DAY 15: Sky: [Ghashiya (88): 18]

“And at the sky, how it is raised high”

What we plan to say: Who made the sky? Allah. He is the One who made it so high. Look up at the sky, can you see any holes in it? No because Allah made the sky so perfectly (NOTE: The reference to looking up at the sky and asking if there are any holes in it is in reference to Surah Mulk).

NOTE: This discussion would be much more powerful if done outside while looking at the vastness of the sky.

DAY 16: Masjid: [Jinn (72): 18]

“And the mosques are for Allah (Alone), so invoke not anyone along with Allah”

What we plan to say: What is a mosque? It's a place where we go to pray to Allah. In this verse, Allah tells us that the mosques are for praying to Allah and no one else. Allah is happy when people go to the masjid to pray their prayers. In Ramadan everyone goes to the masjid even more to pray to Allah because it's such a good thing to do.

DAY 17: Mountains: [Ghashiyah (88): 19]

“And at the mountains, how they are rooted and fixed firm?”

What we plan to say: Allah made the mountains. Some mountains are huge! We are really really small compared to the mountains. The mountains also go deep into the earth and Allah says in another part of the Qur’an that they act as pegs (potentially have a demonstration of how a peg works).

DAY 18: Earth : [Ghashiyah (88): 20]

“And at the earth, how it is spread out?”

What we plan to say: Allah has made the earth and the land we walk and live on. We live on just one small part of the earth, but the earth is so SO big! Allah has put lots of different people on the earth in many different countries. Potentially look into an atlas/at a world map to demonstrate the vastness of the earth.

DAY 19: Elephant: [Fi’l (105): 1]

“Have you not considered, [O Muhammad], how your Lord dealt with the companions of the elephant?”

What we plan to say: This is the story of the People of the Elephant (Ashabul feel). A man called Abraha came with a big army of elephants to try and break down the Ka’bah. When he reached Makkah, he stole 200 camels that belonged to the Prophet’s (sallallahu alayhi wa salaam) grandfather, Abdul Muttalib. Abdul Muttalib went to Abraha and asked him to give his camels back. Abraha laughed and said, "What! I have come to destroy the Ka’bah, and you are asking for your camels!" Abdul Muttalib said: "I am the owner of the camels, so I have come for them. The Ka'bah too has an Owner Who will look after it".

Abdul Muttalib meant that the Ka’bah was Allah’s and Allah would protect it. This made Abraha angry and he took a BIG elephant called Mahmud to break the Ka’bah, but when he faced the Ka’bah Mahmud just sat down, and when they turned him every other way he stood up but again when they made him face the Ka’bah Mahmud sat down! He would not destroy the Ka’bah. Then Allah (SWT) sent lots & lots of birds with stones. The birds threw down the stones on the army and they ran away so the Ka’bah was saved! Alhamdulillah!

DAY 20: Jannah: [Burooj (85): 11]

“Verily, those who believe and do righteous good deeds, for them will be Gardens under which rivers flow (Paradise). That is the great success.”

What we plan to say: InshaAllah if we do good things that make Allah happy He will let us go to Jannah. Jannah is a big beautiful place. The food there will be so delicious and there will be lots of fun things to do! You can ask for whatever you like in Jannah and Allah will give it to you. You can ask for chocolate and you will get chocolate. If you ask for toys in Jannah, Allah will give you the best toys ever. I want to go to Jannah.... what about you? May Allah help all of us to do good things so that we can get to Jannah. Ameen.