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## SPREFACE <</p>

All praise is due to Allah Almighty, Lord of the worlds, and countless blessings and salutations upon His Chosen Beloved Prophet Muhammad . Of Allah Almighty's infinite blessings upon us in this world, dreams are such that they help us obtain insight into our spiritual lives. They may sometimes be a source of excitement for those who experience it rarely, but those who experience it regularly, feel very different due to its interpretation. The science of dreams is not new; Arabs carried it out before Islam and other nations too. This science has been referred to by the Holy Quran. This could be called the science of heavenly communication. The first authentic book on this subject is Tabeer-Ur-Ru'yaa (The Interpretation of Dreams) by Abu Bakr bin Sireen (may Allah have mercy on his soul). He was born two years before the end of the vicegerency of Khalifa Hadrat Uthman (may Allah be pleased with him) in 30 AH (636 CE). He was a Tab'i; (i.e. one who did not see The Holy Prophet Mohammad but had met the companions of the Holy Prophet Mohammad .). This booklet is a general guideline to interpreting some dreams, which has been translated from Ibn Sireen's Tabeer Ur-Ru'yaa. Some parts have also been taken from Muhammad Al-Akili's compilation from this basic text.

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In analyzing the science of dreams, we find out three important aspects, which are the main sources of our knowledge regarding the understanding of dreams: (1) The world of power which is concerned with pure ideas (2) The physical world or the sensory world (3) The subtle world or the intermediate world. It is a bridge between two stated worlds that provides corporeal form to reality. In this connection, it is very important to discuss some of the interpretations of dreams for readers.

Specific dream interpretation however, must be done through a qualified dream interpreter. In this modern age where the Unseen has unfortunately become de-emphasized and even ignored, it is essential to realize the significance of dreams which are signs from the Unseen to help us in this life. As the Hadeeth Shareef says:

"The pious dream is the forty-sixth part of Prophecy." [Sahih Muslim]

One should pay close attention to one's dreams, and recurring dreams in particular should not be ignored.

At the same time, one must also be aware of dreams that are the result of physiological conditions in the body and are not reflective of messages from the unseen. This distinction can only be made by a qualified dream interpreter. Sometimes lying on the same side, indigestion, inadequate urination, or abnormal psychological conditions may trigger images in the mind. It is also very important to not state dreams falsely or to exaggerate them, as this is a sin. The elements of the dream must be conveyed truthfully for proper interpretation.

An individual who dreams should observe the following principles of dreams:

1. Any dream at the time of reporting must begin with Bismil-

laah Hir Rahmaanir Raheem.

- 2. The dreamer should not mention the dream to a person who does not know about alpha and omega of dreams.
- 3. Dream should not be reported after sunset.
- 4. One should recite this prayer after seeing any dream: Bismillaahi Allahu Akbar Hamdan Katheeran

As mentioned in the above Hadeeth, dream interpretation is a part of prophethood, therefore anyone wishing to interpret dreams should give the proper respect and commitment to this undertaking. To be a good dream interpreter, ideally one should have sound knowledge of the Holy Qur'an and the Hadeeths (sayings and life) of Prophet Muhammad , and sayings of the Sahaba (companions of the Prophet , may Allah be pleased with them all). Consequently, knowledge of the Arabic language will also prove to be very helpful. Other qualities, which will help one to be a good dream interpreter, are the ability to judge the character of the dreamer by their facial features, and possessing an even temperament, social manners, and sincerity of intention.

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Dreams can be interpreted in many different ways, according to the circumstances, and depending upon the person who has had the dream.

Sometimes dreams can be interpreted according to verses from the Holy Qur'an, or in terms of Hadeeths or sayings of the Sahaba, or even sometimes according to popular sayings, such as proverbs or idiomatic expressions. Dreams can also be interpreted directly in terms of the thing or person being dreamed about.

Sometimes, however, dreams will have the opposite meaning from what appears in the dream. Dream interpretation, therefore, is both a science and an art, requiring the interpreter to be knowledgeable, yet also flexible according to the given person and circumstances, in order to come to the correct interpretation.

For example, there may be a dream in which he or she sees a hand tied to the neck. If the person who saw this dream is a very righteous and pious person, it may signify that he or she will be refrained from disobeying Allah Almighty and His Messenger and from committing some sinful act. However, if the person who saw this dream is not strong in faith, it may indicate the opposite meaning, e.g., that he or she will be kept in a state of helplessness or suffering in the afterlife unless there is repentance for misdeeds.

Dreams can also be interpreted according to the time in which they are seen. For example, to dream during the night of oneself riding an elephant means one will successfully handle an important matter, but the same dream in the day-time may indicate a domestic dispute.

The strongest dreams, which are most easily interpreted, oc-

cur at the end of the night just before waking. The weakest dreams occur in winter or whenever there is rain. The best time of year for propitious dreams is the time of fruit harvesting.

If the dream is highly symbolic and coherent, the interpreter only has to apply his or her knowledge directly to interpret the dream. In case there are ambiguous aspects of the dream, the interpreter should find out how the person felt during the dream. If, however, there seems to be no coherency or strong symbolism or essential principle in the dream, it should simply be dismissed.

If the dream is connected to nature or to a creature, it is important for the interpreter to understand the symbolism of the objects or creatures seen. Usually, trees, birds, and ferocious animals represent human beings.

The species or type seen must be examined. With trees, for example, a palm tree may indicate a person of good character with a generous nature, just as a palm tree is upright and provides abundant nourishing sweet dates, while a walnut tree could indicate a person who is harsh and aggressive, because synonymously a walnut shell is very hard, and the nut is difficult to extract, and its taste is slightly bitter.

## SOURCES OF DREAM INTERPRETATION ◆

Following are several examples from the different sources of dream interpretation. The purpose of this is to give a general outline of the ways in which dreams can generally be viewed and interpreted. The rest of this booklet goes into detail regarding some types of phenomena that are witnessed in dreams.

## Dream Interpretation According to the Holy Qur'an

Examples of dream symbolism, which may be properly interpreted in the light of the Qur'an are:

**Eggs:** An egg may be taken as a symbol of a woman, because of the verse:

"as if they were closely protected eggs" [37:49]

**Stones**: A stone is a symbol of hardheartedness, as in the verse:

"Then your hearts became hard after that - so that they were like stones, or even harder still." [2:74]

**Raw meat:** Raw meat is indicative of slander, because of the verse:

"Do not slander one another; would any one among you like to eat the flesh of his dead brother? So you will hate that!" [49:12]

**Keys:** Keys point to an increase in material goods, as is stated in the Qur'an:

"We gave him treasures, the keys alone to which made up a heavy load for a group of strong men." [28:76]

**Boats:** A boat signifies one being watched over and helped by Allah Almighty, such as when Allah rescued Prophet Nuh (Noah), upon him be peace, such as is referred to in the verses:

"We rescued him, and those with him, in the Ark" [10:73]

and

"So We rescued him and the Companions of the Ark." [27:15]

**Kings entering a new land or house:** A king entering a new land or home can foretell a calamity for the dreamer or for his or her community or country, because of the verse:

"Kings, when they enter a city, lay waste to it and make the mighty among its inhabitants abased." [27:34]

**Clothing:** Clothing indicates one's spouse, as it is written in the Qur'an:

"They (women) are clothing for you and you are clothing for them." [2:187]

## **Dream Interpretation According to Hadeeth**

Examples of dreams in accordance with the Hadeeth of the Holy Prophet would be that of a mouse representing a wicked woman, as in the Hadeeth in which it is referred to as "a small wicked thing." A rib also symbolizes a woman, because of the hadith that woman was created from a bent rib.

## **Dream Interpretation According to Proverbs or Idioms**

Common proverbs or idioms may lend insight to dream interpretation. Some examples are:

**A long arm**: A long arm symbolizes generosity, as in the saying: "So-and-so has a longer arm than you." This expression would mean that the other person is more generous.

**Spit**: Spit is a symbol of a son, as in the expression said when a boy resembles his father: "He is the spitting image of his father."

**Washing hands with soap**: Washing hands with soap indicates despair, as in the expression, "I wash my hands of you." This means that one can expect no good outcome from the person or situation being confronted.

## **Dream Interpretation According to the Dream Object**

Sometimes dreams can be interpreted directly by the object that is seen, such as narcissus and rose showing lack of longevity because they are not long-lasting flowers, or on the other hand, myrtle showing one's longevity because of it being long-lasting.

## **Dreams With Opposite Meaning of What is Seen**

Depending upon the feeling experienced by the dreamer, the meaning of a dream may actually be the opposite of what appears. For example, tears in a dream may be an expression of joy if they are shed in silence. Similarly, joy, laughter, and dancing may be a mask for inner sadness and worry. In a dream of two persons fighting, the person losing may actually be the winner.

## SPECIFIC INTERPRETATIONS ≪

## DREAMS OF: ALLAH, ANGELS, PROPHETS, RELIGIOUS SYMBOLISM

Allah: Although we cannot literally see Allah Almighty in a particular form or likeness, Allah may appear to us in a dream by imparting to us a sense of His Divine Beauty, Majesty and Perfection and bestowing His blessings and peace upon us. This type of dream would likely have enough direct and profound effect upon the dreamer as to not need much interpretation, but needless to say, a visit from Allah in one's

dream foretells joy and happiness on the Day of Judgment and that the dreamer will enter Paradise.

If Allah appears in the dream to reproach the dreamer, or forbid something, or give a stern warning of punishment, then the dreamer must repent of some wrong act that they have been committing. It can still be seen as Allah's mercy that He is appearing in the dream to give the person guidance back to His pleasure.

Allah cannot appear in any type of statue or idol or appear defective in any way. If a person sees any of these types of dreams, they have not seen Allah in their dream, and when they wake they should also pray to Allah to guide them rightly as these types of false imagery are disliked by Him.

Angels: Angels can appear in dreams in their own or in human form. Dreaming of an angel is a blessing, signifying that the dreamer will obtain victory and honor in this world. The most noble angels, such as Jibreel (Gabriel), Mika`eel (Michael), Israfeel (Israfel), foretell joy, fertility, rain and abundance. If angels appear in a mosque, the dreamer should impart the message to his community to go to the mosque and ask for guidance and seek repentance of Allah Almighty, and give charity.

If angels appear in the marketplace, the dreamer should impart the message to the market owners to check their measures and weights to make sure they are accurate, and warn those who are purposely cheating others with defective scales to give up this sin. Dreaming of angels in or near a cemetery may foretell that an epidemic will befall a community in which they may lose many of those who are persons of knowledge. This type of dream may also foretell the martyrdom of the dreamer.

**Prophets**: To dream of any of the Prophets of Allah, and especially to be visited by the Holy Prophet Muhammad in one's dream is a great blessing and honor, and signifies that the dreamer will do good actions in his or her life and be among the successful in the Hereafter.

Our Beloved Prophet may impart to the dreamer news to share with the community. For example, if in the dream the Prophet appears in a land that has been adversely affected by drought for a long time, it signifies that the land will be fertile again in the near future. To see the Prophet @ when the community is facing any other difficult situation also foretells ease soon coming from Allah. To see the Prophet 🍩 giving a khutba (sermon) means that those who follow the Prophet will receive special blessings and guidance. To see the Prophet looking in a mirror is a calling for those who follow the Holy Prophet at to increase their loyalty and devotion to the Prophet ... If one sees the Prophet ... eating, then it is a summons for the dreamer and the community at large to give Zakat (charity) and feed the hungry. The Prophet may also impart a special blessing upon the dreamer by giving him the ring or sword that belongs to the Holy Prophet , in which there is a sure sign for the dreamer of obtaining victory and honor. If one sees the Prophet @ performing Hajj (pilgrimage), it means one may soon be making Hajj in life.

Dreams of Prophets other than Prophet Muhammad are similar to dreams with angels in them. They usually foretell rain, fertility, increase in material goods, joy, and other good news. Unlike angels, the Prophets do not bring news of martyrdom or epidemics.

The Holy Ka'ba: Dreaming of the Ka'ba means that one has protection and security. It also signifies that one's power will be conserved, and if they are in a conflict, that they will ob-

tain victory. If the Ka'ba is seen in another country, there is peace and security for that country. Performing *Tawaf* (circumambulation) of the Ka'ba or performing any other of the rites of pilgrimage in the dream is a mark of the dreamer obtaining religious piety.

If the Ka'ba is undergoing some modification, it indicates that the leader of the land where the Ka'ba is seen will undergo a severe trial. If one dreams of praying on the Ka'ba or with one's back turned toward the Ka'ba, upon waking one should pray and repent immediately because this type of dream is a sign of rejecting Islam, may Allah protect us from that.

The Qibla: To dream of praying facing the *Qibla* (the direction towards which Muslims perform their ritual prayers, i.e. the Holy Ka'ba) means that one is making the right decisions in life. However, if the dreamer wishes to pray in the dream but has doubts about where the *Qibla* is or does not know where it is, it means that their religious practice needs to be increased in their daily life.

Purposely praying in a direction other than the *Qibla* in a dream is a sign of going astray from Islam, may Allah Almighty protect us from that. Upon waking, the dreamer should repent and ask for forgiveness and guidance from Allah Almighty.

**Adhan**: Hearing the *Adhan* (call to prayer) in a dream usually heralds the obtaining of religious power and glory, or announces good news for the dreamer or the community.

Incomplete *Adhan* or speaking or hearing the *Adhan* in a foreign language has other connotations: if a pious man sees himself giving the *Adhan* but is unable to complete it, it may signify that they will go to make Hajj but be unable to complete its rites; if the dreamer hears or says the *Adhan* in an-

other language it indicates dealing in something dishonest or that the dreamer has acquired *haram* (forbidden) income, and that he or she may face public dishonor. A complete *Adhan*, however, can be an announcement that the dreamer will have fame and honor in society.

The Day of Judgment: Dreaming of the Day of Judgment means that justice will prevail in the person's life. If a certain person is seen in this dream who is a wrongdoer, it signifies that he or she will receive due punishment from Allah Almighty and the dreamer will be relieved from their oppression. Seeing oneself standing before Allah Almighty or seeing the punishments of the Day of Judgment speaks for itself.

Seeing oneself enter Paradise is a sign of receiving reward for good deeds, or that one will soon hear good news. Being offered or eating the fruits of Paradise is a symbol of good relations with others in society and of good speech, without slander or lies. To be offered fruits of Paradise but being unable to actually eat them signifies that the dreamer is not properly exploiting something available in life that could be of great profit to him or her, or beneficial to his or her religious practice. Drinking from one of the springs of Paradise or wearing the garments of Paradise shows one's piety and *Taqwa* (fear and love of Allah). Seeing gardens or a companion of Paradise points to receiving favors in this world, whose importance will be in accordance with the level of beauty witnessed.

Seeing the Fire of Hell refers to the dreamer's committal of a major sin in his or her life, for which upon waking they should make repentance and resolve not to commit the same sin again. Seeing oneself being punished in Hellfire indicates that there will be severe trials in life, with the severity of the trial being commensurate with the severity of the punishment experienced in the dream.

#### NATURAL PHENOMENA

**Wind:** Wind can signify blessings as well as punishment. If the wind seen in the dream is gentle, it is a good sign, as stated in the Noble Qur'an:

"It is He who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy." [7:57]

Violent wind, on the other hand, foretells of punishment, in accordance with the verse:

"And also in 'Ad, when We loosed against them the withering wind." [51:41]

Therefore, the type of wind seen in the dream leads to appropriate interpretation.

**Thunder & Lightning:** To dream of hearing thunder without seeing or hearing rain is a portent for which the dreamer should fear of Allah Almighty's punishment. When the thunder is accompanied by rain, it is a symbol of healing for the sick, and of the nearness and mercy of Allah, the Most Exalted.

Lightning may have a terrifying effect if the dreamer sees this when traveling, but if it is seen when safe in one's own home, it is a source of hope. Lightning is a sign to bring fear and hope of Allah Almighty to people's hearts, whether it is seen in a dream or in waking. This is confirmed by what is written in the Noble Qu'ran:

"It is He who shows you the lightning, giving fear and bringing hope." [13:12]

**Rain:** Dreaming of rain is generally a sign of mercy and healing from Allah, Glorified & Exalted is He. Raining down of fat, honey, oil or milk indicates prosperity for the dreamer or

for the country being rained upon. Water flowing in the gutters following a rain indicates fertility and well-being. Seeing a rainbow following rain is also fortuitous, as it is a sign of rest and ease for the one who dreams of it. However, if the dream has heavy or continuous rain, it means there will be continuous problems in life or domestic strife. A torrent or flood indicates being attacked by one's enemies.

**Clouds:** If a dark rain cloud covers a particular land or one particular area, especially if it is accompanied by violent wind, it signifies illness and suffering, or an impending catastrophe for the people of that country or location.

Clouds in general, though, are symbols of wisdom, knowledge and mercy. They represent one's Islam if they are not accompanied by other phenomena such as darkness and wind. Ja'far as-Sadiq (may Allah be pleased with him) said of a man who dreamed of eating a cloud and before whom many clouds were assembled: "A good dream of a man who has learned sacred knowledge, who has been raised up by his Dhikr (remembrance of Allah), who has obtained glory, has reached something no one has reached before him, and who always enjoys a good reputation." Also, when told of a man who saw himself in the shadow of a cloud, he replied: "If this man is ill, he will get better. If he is poor, Allah will enrich him. If he is oppressed, then Allah will help him because a cloud means mercy: a cloud protected the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, during the vicissitudes of war."

Snow, Hail, and Ice: Snow, hail, and ice usually herald punishment or hardship. If the snow is not very thick and it falls in a familiar place, it symbolizes fertility. Hail inevitably points to difficulties ahead. Ice can be synonymous with frozen assets, such as seeing oneself fetching water in a container and seeing the surface icing over; this means that there

is potential capital or gain to be made in life, but first the person must overcome some obstacle.

Fire: Just seeing fire would be interpreted as unseen problems that may occur in life. It has also been reported that fire has different colors. If the fire is red or almost like it's natural color, it means success, but if it is blue or black it would mean hard time for the dreamer in the near future. A fire without flames or crackling which consumes part of the land is synonymous with illness and accidents. However, it is more serious if the fire is coming down from heaven to earth which means the dreamer must have committed some social injustice with their parents, or other relatives, or even with animals. If fire is without smoke, it means problems would occur in the life of the dreamer for a short period of time.

Earthquakes: Dreaming of an earthquake indicates a major event taking place in the world or in one's life. If someone sees mountains shaking, it is a sign of corrupted scholars, which means that scholars will sell out their consciousness, writings, and honor, for the sake of money and worldly resources. It is a bad sign if someone sees a victim of an earthquake; it may indicate impending death or illness. If one sees a house shaking, it indicates trouble in family life.

#### WATER

Wells: Seeing wells in a dream, identifies one's capital or salary. Digging a well without completing it signifies that one will face financial difficulties or that the return on an investment will be low. To see oneself digging a well from which water gushes forth means that one will benefit from lawful wealth that will be acquired without difficulty or fatigue. If the well is being dug within one's home, the other family members will also benefit materially or financially. Seeing water escaping from a well is synonymous with seeing one's

money suddenly disappear. Drawing water from a well and irrigating the fields is indicative of money that will be gained and spent in the way of Allah, Most Glorified & Exalted is He. If water is drawn and then poured back in again, then an investment will be made that will have neither loss nor gain. Giving people water to drink from a well indicates that the dreamer will be a helper of orphans and other helpless persons of society, or will be able to assist others in making the Pilgrimage. If water from the well is used to irrigate trees, it means that the dreamer will assist in educating orphans. Dirty water from a well signifies that one's income has haram (unlawful) elements. Dropping the bucket back into the well shows an unwillingness to use one's money to benefit society. To go down into a well can foretell that a trial that is being faced will be overcome, such as in the case with Prophet Yusuf (Joseph), peace be upon him.

Rivers and Oceans: Dreaming of rivers or oceans is indicative of one's general level of health and emotional state. The size, color and other conditions of the body of water correspond with the level of well-being of the dreamer. For example, if the waters are troubled or turbulent, then this signifies that there will be worry and anxiety in one's life. Drinking from a body of water with such conditions would also imply impending illness or trials. On the other hand, drinking clear water from a river would signify that one would live a comfortable material life and have good health.

Washing oneself in a river or ocean signifies healing. If the dreamer is worried or in trouble, Allah, Glorified & Exalted is He, will help him. If he or she is ill, Allah Almighty will grant a cure. If he or she is in debt, Allah Almighty will release that person from debt. If there is something in life that is causing dread, Allah Almighty will allay that fear. If the person is in prison or otherwise restrained, He will deliver them. As it says in the Majestic Qur'an:

"Strike the ground with your foot: This is a spring of water to wash in, cool and a refreshing drink. And We gave him back his family, and along with them the like thereof, as a Mercy from Us, and a Reminder for those who understand." [38:42-43]

Dreaming of washing oneself in spring water is also synonymous with being freed from all cares and fears, or achieving health after sickness. If it is seen by a person given to sin, the dream proclaims divine pardon. Drinking from a spring, however, is a sign of worry and anxiety.

Seeing a small shallow brook points to a pleasant life and heralds good news. Sweet water, which flows, also heralds good news. But if the water is flowing inside a house, or gushing from the walls or any other unusual place, it signifies worry and sorrow. The greater the force of the flow of water, the greater the trial will be. Drawing water from a river signifies that one will receive financial gain in an amount proportionate to the size of the body of water. Crossing a river indicates cares or worries, but if the water is agitated when crossing, it means the overcoming of one's adversaries in life.

A calm ocean shows national strength, security and peace. Drinking the water of such an ocean means that one will have a powerful position in society, with the amount of water drunk correlating to the degree of power that will be achieved. Walking on the surface of the ocean's water also symbolizes holding power over others in society.

To drown in the water of a clear ocean indicates that someone's affairs have become too much for them. If the water is agitated, there is an impending catastrophe.

Setting out in a boat or ship upon the ocean symbolizes gain-

ing health, or alternately, the receiving of favors from people with high positions in society. If the weather or water conditions are not good, such as there being black or dirty water, the dream heralds a difficult problem ahead, but one which will soon be followed by relief. To see oneself on a boat or ship which is taking on water points to impending illness or imprisonment. If one is coming to a shore or getting off a boat, this indicates that one's worries or difficulties will soon come to an end.

If a person dreams of drawing water from a river or ocean into a pitcher for performing  $wu\underline{d}u'$  (Islamic ablution), the manner in which that the water is used will be indicative of the length of life for the dreamer; if all the water is used, it means that one's life span may be short, whereas if only a small amount of water from the pitcher is used, then the person has a long life before them.

**Mud, Clay, or Warm Water:** Seeing mud in a dream is a sign of anxiety and worry. Clay walls, though, symbolize a large quantity of goods being accumulated. If a brick in the wall becomes loose or detached, it may indicate the loss of a member of the family.

Warm or hot water correlates with illness or worry, with the difference in degree of the water to be taken into consideration as to the nuances of the interpretation. Being splashed with warm water means that someone in life is causing obstacles or anxiety for the dreamer. Hot baths, such as the Turkish *hammam*, are also usually signs of troubles, generally caused by women and again with the seriousness of the trouble in accordance with the degree of heat. The length of time spent in the bath correlates with the length of time the difficulty will continue; worries will soon vanish if one does not remain long in the bath.

Water In General: Dreaming of drinking pure, sweet water is a promise of a pleasant life without problems. If the water is dirty, it means a difficult life, and if it is troubled, it indicates illness. Seeing water in a glass is to see one's spouse and children. Irrigating crops or gardens is synonymous with healthy conjugal relations. If the garden then flourishes and gives fruit, the union will also be fertile. If someone else is seen irrigating one's garden or plants, it means that someone will try to interfere in one's personal or private life.

Performing complete  $wu\underline{d}u'$  (ablution) in a dream is similar to its meaning in actual life which is that it is a purification of sins. Seeing oneself perform incomplete  $wu\underline{d}u'$  shows that one will not complete some business at hand. If the  $wu\underline{d}u'$  is made with a liquid other than water, such as milk, wine or fat, this indicates that in addition, great difficulties will be encountered in the life of the dreamer. To see oneself praying without completion also has the same meaning as incomplete ablution.

## **CELESTIAL OBJECTS**

The Sun: Dreaming of the sun identifies father, mother and king. To see the sun rising in one's house is synonymous with marriage for someone unmarried. For a married person it refers to power and largesse dispensed by the authority. An argument with the sun is a sign for differences either with parents or heads of states. Seeing clouds clearing the sun is a sign of relief from sickness or problems, which may be beneficial either for the dreamer or for his or her parents.

**The Moon:** Dreaming of the moon simply points out to the birth of a pious child. The possession of moon means success in a profession or to be granted a big assignment in the near future. The dark or red moon refers to a bad situation for a dreamer in that he or she may be facing a hard time in the near future.

The Stars: Seeing the Stars is a significance of honor in society. If someone dreams about eating a star, it would be interpreted that he will be having facilities from the government or high officials. It would also refer to the receiving of higher education. Dreaming about falling stars from the sky is a sign for a tough life or imprisonment for the dreamer.

#### TERRESTRIAL OBJECTS

Mountains & Hills: To dream of mountains or hills represents meeting men of great worth; the more grand the mountain, the more valuable the person. They may also represent one's own spiritual power and authority. Climbing up a hill or mountain is gaining elevation in spiritual growth or gaining greater closeness with one's Shaikh (spiritual guide or teacher). To see yourself on the peak of the mountain means to have authority within society. To possess a mountain means to have control over emotions or society. Destroying a mountain reflects someone's personality as a killer of a man. Digging up any part of the mountain indicates skill in outmaneuvering someone who is trying to gain control over you. To climb up a very steep mountain side points out difficulties in achieving one's goals or desires. Powerful men may harm the dreamer if he sees himself moving large stones, crags or mountains.

The Earth: Seeing land spreading out before you into the distance indicates a long, peaceful and happy life. Seeing land twisting underneath you may either indicate imminent death, or gaining spiritual power if one is prepared to handle the situation. Hearing the earth speak to you in a dream is a powerful message of obtaining great wealth or power in this world. If one dreams of any inanimate object speaking to him, this signifies that Allah, Glorified and Exalted is He, has given one power of understanding of secret, hidden matters. To be swallowed up by the earth shows materialism, going

after things of this world. Falling into a hole in the earth is a sign of potential harm being done by one's enemy. Seeing sand, dust, earth or similar elements points to gaining wealth. Eating earth symbolizes consumption of wealth, but if one is covered in dust while eating, it means that they will receive considerable wealth. If one dreams of walking on a dusty road or gravel road, or of carrying earth on one's back, this symbolizes receiving great reward after accomplishing a very heavy task. Digging in the earth while eating something shows making material gains by using trickery or deceit. Seeing dust in the air or fog shows an uncertain outcome for a business venture or educational aspiration. Dreaming of a vast fertile land covered with greenery, or of a large plain, represents Islam. Following a straight path in the land is synonymous with following the straight path of Islam, while deviating on the path in the dream is also synonymous with going astray in the path of Islam.

#### VEGETATION

Gardens: A garden in a dream means repentance, and repentance form sin in a dream means a garden. Watering one's garden in a dream means having marital relations. If one sees his garden dry in a dream, it means that his wife has commenced her menstrual period in which he is not permitted to have sexual intercourse with her. If he sees someone else watering his garden, it means that such a person will betray him with his wife. If one sees oneself seeing an unknown garden with its trees unattended and its pasture unkempt, it means distress and worries. A garden in a dream also represents a woman. They both need water and they both bear fruits or children. In this case, if the garden is interpreted to represent a woman, then it's trees and fruits represent her tribe, children and family. An unknown garden in a dream also represents the Holy Qur`an.

Crop: Planting in a dream means that one's wife will become pregnant. If one sees oneself plowing someone else's land in a dream it means a dispute between the two. A crop that is consumed by fire in a dream means famine and drought. If one sees himself walking through green fields in a dream, it means striving to do good, charitable deeds and leading a devout life not knowing whether his deeds will be accepted by God Almighty or not. As for a married person, planting the fields means that he will conceive a son, and for an unwed person it means that he will get married, while for a businessman in a dream, it means an increase in his profits. Seeing a green crop in a dream means longevity, while a dried crop signifies the near end of one's life. Planting wheat in a dream means charity and it will multiply one's reward. Spike or ears of grain means a misfortune or miseries.

Trees: an apple tree in a dream represents a good man who serves and cares about his community. A crack in a tree represents members of one's family who will brace against him. An oak tree in a dream means profits, prosperity, honor, associating with heedless people who live in the mountains, or perhaps it could mean visiting righteous people or a renunciate who lives in the wilderness or in uninhabited ruins. In general trees in a dream represent men and women of different tempers or personalities. Trees in a dream also represent fights unknown trees mean distress, worries, adversities, and fears, particularly if one sees them in the dark in his dream. Sitting under the shade of a tree in a dream means profits and money or it could mean dependence on people in authority, or befriending rich people for their money. Taking shelter under a tree that bears no fruit means pursuing something that will bear no comfort or benefits. Fragrant trees, flowering trees in a dream represent people of knowledge, religious scholars teachers or preachers who teach what they do not practice. In a dream, tree leaves represent clothing, except for the leaves of a fig tree

for they represent sorrow.

#### **GEMS & PRECIOUS METALS**

**Gemstone**: Owning a gemstone in a dream could mean buying one in real life.

Jeweler: A jeweler in a dream represents a pious person, an ascetic and an assiduous worshiper. He also could represent a Gnostic, or a magnanimous leader and a good example who is a man of knowledge and piety, and whose words are well respected. A jeweler in a dream also represents a man with a large family, or a rich person. A jeweler's shop in a dream means happiness, celebrations, a wedding, ornaments, Adam's apple, or a Qur`an study circle.

Gold: In a dream, gold is a disliked element, which causes damage, anxiety, and losses. Wearing a golden bracelet in a dream means receiving an inheritance. Wearing a golden ornament in a dream means marriage to an incompatible person. Any wedding gift one receives from such a person means trouble. Receiving a golden bar in a dream means losing money or business. If ones sees himself melting a bar of gold in his dream, it means that he will be persecuted for committing a loathsome act and he will become the talk of the town. Seeing broken chips of gold or a whole coin of gold in a dream means meeting the ruler of the country or the governor of the town. Minting gold in a dream represents evil, death, or destruction. Seeing one's house turning gold in a dream means that a fire will consume his house. If one's hand turns gold in a dream it means that it may be paralyzed. Seeing ones eyes turning gold in a dream means that he may become blind. Wearing a golden necklace or a silver necklace, or a necklace studded with gems in a dream means that one will become a leader or he could receive something in trust. Gold in a dream also represents the elements of fes-

tivities, joys, profits, good deeds, dispelling stress, marriage, children, knowledge, spiritual guidance, or literally the business of goldsmithing. If one sees gold turning into silver in a dream, it means decrease in value or changing conditions to relation to women, children or properties. The opposite is also true. If one sees silver turning into gold in a dream, it means increase in value, the rising moon of one's wife, children, business or clan. Any gold embroidered garment or fabric in a dream means religious offerings. Any gold plated ornament in a dream means emulating mundane people or outwardly imitating spiritual people or ostentatiously acting like them. Pure gold or silver in a dream means purity and sincerity of one's intentions, making a true covenant or signing a peace treaty. Gold plated or silver plated ornaments or gold leaf objects in a dream represent a short life, changing circumstance, spending long and sleepless nights, or it could mean forgetfulness. Wearing any manufactured or hand made piece of jewelry in a dream means perpetual earnings. The same interpretation is given to gold foils.

Silver: This represents hard earned money or savings. In dream interpretation, the substance of silver and that of a woman are the same. Silver coin in a dream represents a beautiful woman. Extracting silver in a dream means taking advantage of a woman. If one finds abundance of silver in a dream, it means that he will uncover a treasure. Melting silver in a dream means having an argument with one's wife that will become the talk of the town. Receiving silverware or silver cups as a gift in a dream means being entrusted with money or personal items for safekeeping. The same interpretation goes for receiving a silver mirror in a dream as long as one does not look into it. Once he looks into the mirror in his dream, it means adversities, defamation, and loss of respect, for only harm could come from looking into a silver mirror in a dream. Silverware, silver cups or silver pitchers, as well as the golden ones in a dream, also may represent good deeds that lead to Paradise, or they could mean good business and prosperity. To see expensive silver items mixed with trivial imitations in a dream means innovation and suspicious behavior. Silver ornaments in a dream means forcing one's way, or obliging a jealous person to revert the course of his actions. Buying something with silver coins of unknown origin, or placing them inside a silver bowl in a dream means hiding something suspicious, or receiving something as a trust that one should keep with honesty, then return it to its rightful owner when asked to do so.

Pearl: Drilling holes in pearls to string them in a dream means fulfillment of one's goals, easing one's passage, or facilitating one's marriage. In a dream, a pearl also means a son. If ones' wife is pregnant, and if she hands him a pearl in his dream, it means that she will deliver a beautiful son. If the pearl has no glitter, or if he takes it from his wife and locks it in a box in dream, then it represents a servant. A pearl in a woman's dream means goodness. If she is unwed, it means that she will get married. If one sees oneself bartering a pearl or a gem for fake jewelry, or for chips of glass in a dream, it means that he has sold a reward of the Hereafter for the temporary pleasures of this world, or that he has exchanged something precious for something worthless or that he may commit a sin, or become an apostate. Pearls in a dream also represent the Qur'an, manner of proper talking, bezels of wisdom, children, servants, integrity, beauty or money. If one sees oneself piercing a pearl in a dream, it means that he will give valuable interpretations to Quranic verses. Swallowing pearls in a dream means forgetting that ones has learnt from the Quran. Swallowing pearls in a dream also could men acquiring wisdom and knowledge. Selling pearls in a dream means acquiring knowledge and growing to be famous and respected. Throwing pearls at people in a dream and seeing people collecting them as ones remains aloof, represents a judge who issues his verdict, or

admonishes people accept what he says and abide by it accordingly. Receiving a pearl in a dream means caring for the daughter of a relative. Finding a pearl in a dream also means finding a wife. Borrowing a pearl from someone in a dream means begetting a son, and giving him for adoption, or that the boy will die shortly after his birth. Pearls in a dream also mean becoming wealthy from an inheritance. As for a scholar, a pearl in a dream represents knowledge, and for a governor it means expansion of his power. As for a merchant, it means a growing business, and for a craftsman, it means advancement in his craft. Pearls in a dream also represent the final step in adorning something and the proper way to display beauty, or they could represent fantasies and attractions. Drilling a hole in a pearl in a dream also means to have sexual intercourse with a blood relation. Swallowing a pearl in a dream means hiding a testimony. Chewing on pearls in a dream means backbiting people. Vomiting pearls means scheming against people and deceiving them. Throwing a pearl into a river means helping people. Extracting a pearl from it's shell than throwing it and keeping the shell means that one is involved in body snatching and desecrating the graves. Opening a closet with a key and pulling out stored pearls from inside it means asking a question from a scholar. Counting pearls means going through hardships. Seeing pearls in a dream means becoming joyful and happy. Receiving a gift of pearls in a dream denotes a political appointment. Pearls in a dream also denote good words, money, or servants. A pearl necklace in a dream means marriage or a bundle of money or it could mean memorizing the Qur'an. Carrying loads of pearls in a dream means carrying burdens. Throwing pearls to a swine or a over a trash pile in a dream means giving knowledge to people who are not worthy of it, or people who do not understand it and who will consequently mock him. Burning pearls to cook with them rather than wood in a dream means putting a heavy burden to someone who cannot carry it and consequently having him explode. Large pearls in a dream provide for better connotations than the small ones. Pierced pearls in a dream means easy and fast coming money. Pearls in a dream may also represent tears.

#### ANIMALS - THOSE WHOSE MEAT IS NOT PERMISSIBLE TO EAT

Lion: A lioness in a dream represents ignorance, pride, affectation and perfidy. Seeing a lion without being seen means escape from harm one may fear, and attaining knowledge and growing in wisdom. A struggle with a lion that does not lead to one's death in a dream means observing a long lasting diet caused by an illness. If one fights with a lion and eats or snatches off a piece of its flesh, bones or hair in a dream, it means that he will attain success, leadership, and wealth or conquer his enemy. If one sees a lion inside his own house, it means that he will gain the upper hand, or it could represent longevity and a high position in the world. A lion entering a town in a dream means a plague that will strike such a town.

Tiger (or Leopard): In a dream, a tiger represents a tyrant, an unjust ruler, or an avowed enemy. Killing a tiger in a dream means vanquishing such an enemy. Eating the flesh of a tiger in a dream means money, profits and honor. Riding on a tiger in a dream means power and sovereignty. A tiger inside one's house in a dream represents an insolent person who attacks one's family. Seeing a tiger or a leopard in one's dream means receiving money from an insolent or an artful person. A struggle with a tiger in a dream means fighting with an insolent person. Tiger's bite in a dream represents damage caused by such a person. A tiger in a dream also represents either a man or a woman. It also represents deceit, trickery, an illness or eye irritation. Tigress milk in a dream represents enmity. Seeing a tiger in a dream could also mean repenting from sin.

Horse: Owning horses in a dream means prosperity, or victory over one's enemy. Riding a horse in a dream means dignity, honor, and wealth. Owning a mare in a dream means begetting a beautiful son. If it is a nag or a workhorse in the dream, it means that he will live satisfied, or that he may marry a rich and noble woman who will bear his children. Seeing a horse in a dream may also connote owning a good house. If it is a blonde horse in the dream, it means knowledge, devotion, piety and fear of wrongdoing. A nag in a dream represents a wife or husband. A saddled horse in a dream means a woman in her menstrual period during which time it is not permissible for the husband to engage in marital intercourse with her. A gathering of horses in a dream represents a gathering of women for a funeral or wedding.

Elephant: In a dream, an elephant represents a respected and feared enemy who is dull-witted, who carries heavy burdens or responsibilities who is an expert in war tactics. An elephant in a dream also signifies arrogance. Riding an elephant or controlling it in a dream means establishing ties with a leader or a politician and profiteering from one's connection. It also means living a long and prosperous life. Riding an elephant during the daylight hours in a dream means divorce, perfidy, betrayal, or deceit. Milking an elephant or taking something out of its trunk in a dream means either extortion or receiving lawful money from a powerful person. It is also said that an elephant in a dream represents a mighty king who is gracious and generous, patient, and tender hearted.

Crocodile /Alligator: A crocodile in a dream represents a policeman. A crocodile in water represents a person no one can trust, whether he is a friend or a foe. It also represents a thief or an untruthful merchant. If one sees a crocodile pulling him into the water where he kills him, it means that one

will be caught by a policeman who will kill him, then steal his property. If one escapes from the crocodile, it means that he will escape from such a danger in real life. In general, a crocodile in a dream means insolence, sins, a bandit, unlawful earnings, fear and depression. It may also mean the end of one's life, portrayed by his drowning. Seeing it on water is bad while seeing it on dry land means that he is weak and humiliated. If a crocodile pulls someone into the waters in a dream, it means that someone in authority will force him to do something he despises. An alligator in a dream represents a knowledgeable person who guides people from darkness into light.

Scorpion: A scorpion in a dream means distress, dismay, and trouble caused by a chatterer or a backbiter. A scorpion in a dream also means that one may be deceived by someone with a scorpion quality, and particularly if he uses a short haircut around the ears in the dream. A scorpion in a dream also represents a backbiter and an enemy from within one's family. If one catches a scorpion inside his own house, and throws it at his wife in the dream, it means that he engages with the loathsome and a forbidden sexual relationship with her from the anus. If a scorpion attacks people in a dream, the scorpion there represents a homosexual. A yellow scorpion in a dream represents a fierce enemy, though he would have more patience in getting at his prey. A yellow scorpion in a dream also means incoming money. Killing a yellow scorpion in a dream means making a good investment that will show profits. The sting of a scorpion in a dream represents the benefits one will receive and they will not remain long in one's possession. If scorpions pierce through the walls of one's house in a dream, it means the death of one's enemy. A scorpion in one's pants in a dream represents an enemy who blackmails or takes advantage of one's wife. Eating a cooked or broiled scorpion in a dream means making money behind the back of one's enemy, or winning a just inheritance case against one's opponent. Eating an uncooked scorpion in a dream means backbiting a corrupt person. This also means getting unlawful money. A scorpion coming out of one's anus in a dream means begetting children who will turn enemies of their father. Swallowing a scorpion in a dream means letting an enemy inside one's house. A scorpion inside one's shirt or shop in a dream represents trouble and distress regarding one's livelihood. A scorpion sitting on one's bed in a dream represents an inside enemy. A scorpion inside one's stomach represents that the enmity of one's employees or children who work for their father. A scorpion also represents someone who speaks his mind and does not know his friend from his enemy. It also represents an enemy who lacks determination or will. Killing a scorpion in a dream means that one will capture and destroy his enemy. The stingers of a scorpion in dream represent one's tongue.

Snake: a snake in a dream represents a person who lives in a valley. A snake in a dream also means enmity from one's in laws or children, or it could represent the evil and jealousy of one's neighbor. A sleeping snake in a dream means a sleeping enemy. As for an unjust person a water snake in a dream means receiving health, or it could represent a verdict. Owning a snake in a dream means gaining power and authority. It's flesh represents enemy money or it could mean joy. If one sees himself wearing the skin of a snake it means he will unmask his enmity toward others. Killing a snake in a dream and staining one's hands with its blood means destroying one's enemy. A snake in one's dream also represents a rich enemy, for its poison means money. If one's sees snakes being killed in the streets in a dream, it means a war. A small snake in a dream represents a little child, whereas hunting snakes in dream means tricking and deceiving one's enemies. A black snake in a dream represents a strong enemy, whereas a white snake represents a weak enemy. If one sees a snake talking to him and saying nice words to him in a

dream, it means enjoying pleasant moments with one's adversary or benefiting at the hands of one's enemy. If the snake talks harshly to him in a dream it means suffering from tyranny and oppression caused by one's enemy. Becoming a snake in a dream means being contemptible against one's own religion. Seeing one's self as a half snake half human in a dream means being able to neutralize half of the enemy's power. Discovering a snake's skin, which is made from gold in a dream, means that one will discover a hidden treasure. If a snake swallows someone in a dream it means that he will reach a powerful position. If one sees a snake sitting over his head it means he will earn the respect of people in authority. A field that is covered with snakes represents a destructive rain. A snake with a horn in a dream represents a profitable business. Black snakes and pythons in a dream represent army generals. Water snakes represent money. If one sees his garden covered with snake's means that his trees will bear with fruits and exceed the normal crop. A snake coming out of its hole in a dream represents a son. A snake leaving one's house in a dream means destruction or demolition. Killing a snake in a dream means marriage. Tapeworms or other intestinal worms in a dream represent one's relative and their children. Seeing snakes eating on one's table means separation between friends. Desert snakes represent highway robbers. In general a serpent in a dream represent jealousy, envy, perfidy, swindling people's properties, deceit, and avowed enmity.

#### ANIMALS - THOSE WHOSE MEAT IS PERMISSIBLE TO EAT

Camel: Riding a camel who is obedient to his master in a dream means solving one's problem at the hand of a foreigner. If an Arab helps resolving one's problem in the dream, it means that the person in the dream will perform a pilgrimage to Allah Almighty's House in Mecca. If he dismounts his camel during his journey in a dream, it means

that he will be inflicted with a disease that will obstruct his journey. If ones sees himself leaping over a camel it means distress, a sickness or a growing enmity toward an insolent person. If ones finds himself unable to control his camel in a dream, it means being overcome by a strong opponent. If one sees himself holding the reins of a camel and driving it on a paved road, it means that he will guide a heedless person and lead him on the straight path. If one takes the camel through a side road in a dream, it means that he will take such a person into wrongdoing.

**Goat**: A goat in a dream means prosperity, richness, a servant, associating with a cheap woman or a prostitute. A fat goat in a dream represents entertaining girls, or it could mean orphans. If one brings a goat into his house in a dream, it means that he is inviting poverty into his life.

**Sheep**: A herd of sheep in a dream represents a good flock, obedient subjects, or good citizens. Sheep in a dream also signify joy, happiness, festivities, a wife, children, a farmland, properties, prosperity or wealth, and particularly when one pays the due alms tax on his money making ventures and liquid assets. Owning a herd of sheep in a dream represents a growing wealth. Passing by a herd of sheep in a dream means passing a gathering of men who have no brain. If a herd of sheep faces someone in a dream, they represent a group of people who will welcome him with a fight, which one will eventually win. Receiving a herd of sheep as a gift in a dream means a political appointment, knighthood, knowledge, the seat of justice, or a blessing in one's life. Both the white sheep and the black sheep in a dream mean profit, though the benefits one draws from a white sheep are greater. Seeing a herd of sheep in a dream means continuous happiness.

#### WATER CREATURES

Fish: In a dream, if their number is known, fish represent women, but if their number is not known, then they represent money from a doubtful source. If ones sees a fish colony gathering at a seabed, where he is fishing, bringing them up and eating them raw as he pleases, or if he places them into baskets and divides them into lots in the dream, it means that he will prosper and invest his wealth in different ventures and savings plans. A large fish colony in a dream represents despised earnings, or earning a large amount of money one is accountable for its expenditure. Fishing in a well means homosexuality, or it could represent someone who tries to tempt his servant or his assistant to indulge in a loathsome act. If one sees oneself fishing in murky waters in a dream, it conveys evil, sorrows, or distress. If one sees oneself fishing in clear waters in a dream, it means money or hearing nice words or conceiving a son, while fishing in salty waters in a dream means difficulties.

**Whale**: A whale represents the minister of sea life, while the sea itself represents the king or the country. A whale in a pond with its jaws opened in a dream represents a prison.

#### **AERIAL CREATURES**

**Bird**: An unknown bird in a dream represents the angel of death. If ones sees a bird diving to the ground to pick a pebble, a paper, or a worm, then if he soars away from a house that hosts a sick person in a dream, it means that the sick person will shortly die from his illness. If ones sees a bird diving toward him in a dream, it means a journey. If one sees him standing over his head, or his shoulders, or sitting in his lap in a dream, it denotes one's work or profession. If the bird is white in the dream, it means that one's work is clean, if its color is tanned in the dream, it means that one's work is

tainted. If a male bird suits in the lap of a pregnant woman in a dream, it means that she will beget a boy. If a female bird sits in her lap, it means that she will beget a girl. Large or predatory birds represent kings, presidents, leaders, tyrants, men of knowledge or merchants. Water birds, sea gulls etc. represent honorable people who rose in rank in two spheres, the sphere of water and that of the air.

#### THINGS PERTAINING TO HUMAN SOCIETY

**Shops & Houses:** Dreaming of markets or shops means an unexpected increase in business or money or a job offer from an unseen source, or an increase in domestic peace. Unfamiliar shops indicate that one will travel somewhere new very shortly. A house with strangers or in an unknown place represents the Hereafter, whether good or bad. If a house is being renovated or expanded, it may indicate increase in honor or increase in family harmony. Seeing a house collapse or being destroyed symbolizes one's spiritual status being lowered because of misconduct. Building a house shows the coveting of this world, but if it is built in an unknown place it means building up good deeds in this life that will benefit one greatly in the next world. If the house in an unknown place is being destroyed, it is synonymous with one's good deeds being destroyed in this life through disobedience to Allah, Glorified and Exalted is He, and His Beloved Prophet Muhammad ... In the case that the house is in a known place, then destruction may indicate one's irresponsibility and thoughtlessness in actions, particularly spending.

Walls, Stairs & Doors: Falling from a wall denotes a downfall in business, education, health, or spiritual degradation. Jumping down from the wall however may show one's ability to face the challenges of society. Standing on top of a wall where you can see most of the city or the roofs of the houses, it reflects one's intelligence and support from friends and

hometown. If the city walls crumble down, this shows the spiritual degradation of a society and may portend its destruction or punishment from Allah, Glorified and Exalted is He. Dreaming of climbing stairs or ladders symbolizes ascension in Islam and in the next world. Brick stairs indicate spending in alms. Staircases of plaster, wood, or clay show ascension in this world. To dream of a door of a house falling down means facing a sickness followed by recovery. If a door of a room is torn off, then there may be a death of a member of one's family. If a door is open but obstructed by another object, this signifies the possibility of a divorce or separation or any other serious domestic problem. Opening an unfamiliar door means one's prayers will be granted, if God Almighty so Wills.

**Pot:** In a dream, a cooking pot represents one's wife, his livelihood and home, while the lid represents the husband. If the pot looks in good condition and of value in one's dream, then it represents his nobility and honor. A pottery cookware salesman in a dream represents comfort and one does not need to travel to earn his livelihood, while a copper cookware or other types of cookware salesman in a dream represent a livelihood based on traveling from door to door. A cooking pot in a dream also represents a scholar or a man of knowledge who is sitting in the teacher's chair, while the meat, vegetables and spices inside the pot represent his knowledge, wisdom and their benefits for the seeker. A pot on fire with water boiling inside it in a dream represents a divorced woman. A pot in a dream also represents a handsome looking man who cares about his neighbor's opinions.

#### THE HUMAN BODY

**Body**: The head and brain in a dream represent man's controller, strength, benefits, longevity, wisdom or power. The brain also represents savings. One's ears represent his wife,

daughter, sister or aunt. He eves represent one's faith, religion or children. The forehead represents one's beauty, son, power, honor, wealth, leadership or the point of prostration in one's prayers. The eyebrows represent one's protection or spiritual guardianship. The nose represents honor, longevity and respect. What comes out of the nose is good and what goes into it may not be beneficial. A bleeding nose in a dream means receiving or giving money. It also means unlawful money, or it could mean a miscarriage. One's face in a dream represents his state - his happiness or his sorrow. The two lips in a dream represent one's helpers. The mouth represents a key, one's livelihood, the conclusion of one's life, death, illness, strength, a coffer, a marketplace, a door attendant, a chief minister or a door. Seeing what is inside one's mouth in a dream means exposing one's ills. Biting on one's tongue means regret. One's skin in a dream represents the element that cloaks the human being, veils his wealth and what he wills for his heirs.

Hair: In a dream, hair represents money and longevity. If a rich person ties a strand of hair to a bun of his own, it means increase of his wealth and growth of his business based on a business loan or a mortgage. If a poor person does that in a dream, it means that he will borrow money to pay for his debts, and still borrow more money to pay for his daily expenses. If ones sees his straight hair frizzed or curled in a dream, it means that he will be honored and if he sees his frizzed hair straight in a dream, it means that he will suffer from humiliation or lose his rank. If one with straight and lengthy hair sees it longer than usual in a dream, it means that money belonging to someone for whom he works will be distributed, wasted, or lost. Women receive benefits from braiding their hair in a dream and it means saving money or investing it. If a sick woman sees herself braiding her hair in a dream, it means that she will die from her illness.

#### MARITAL AFFAIRS

**Marriage**: Marriage in a dream represents the providence of God Almighty and care for His servants. It also means imprisonment, indebtedness, sorrow, distress, depression, carrying a liability, or endeavoring to achieve a high-ranking position. If one marries a known woman in his dream, it means that he will endeavor to satisfy the normal responsibilities of a husband. If one marries an unknown woman, and if he could not see her in his dream, it denotes the nearing of his death, or it could mean moving from an old house into a new one. If a sick woman sees herself getting married to a man she does not recognize or know his name in a dream, it means that she may die from her illness. If the man who sees himself getting married in a dream qualifies, it means that he will attain a high ranking job or a suitable position. If one's wedding ceremony is made with witnesses only in the dream, it means that he has made a covenant with God Almighty. If he performs a traditional wedding ceremony with its celebrations and festivities in the dream, it means a new job, or it could mean acquiring fame, or becoming renowned for one's good reputation or character.

Pregnancy: In a dream, pregnancy indicates woman's success, diligence, and assiduity in pursuing her goals. It also means receiving recognition, respect and prosperity. If a mans sees himself pregnant in a dream, it means that he suffers from heaviness in life, or it could represent one's fear of exposing his problems in public. In general, pregnancy in a dream represents material gains. If a woman sees herself pregnant in a dream, it means difficulties and adversities beside some troubling secrets she may be hiding. However, for a learned man, pregnancy in a dream may represent increase in his knowledge, while for a craftsman, it means achieving unrivalled excellence in his trade. Pregnancy in a dream also means being madly in love, or having passionate attachment

to someone, or planting seeds in the wrong place, or being bisexual or a deviate, or suffering from edema, or perhaps it could mean that a thief will enter his house to steal something, or to hide a stolen object, or that one may steal something and hide it from its true owner, or that he may get sick from eating spoiled food, or it could mean that he may bury a dear person, or that he is affected and a liar, or he may hide his real beliefs and show a better standing in public, or it may represent an accident or a fire.

Childbirth: Seeing one's wife giving birth to a son in a dream when in fact she is not pregnant means wealth. If a pregnant woman sees herself giving birth to a girl in a dream, it means a boy, and if she gives birth to a boy in a dream, it means a girl. Giving birth to a girl means relief from distress, while giving birth to a boy in the dream means distress and worries. If a sick person sees his mother giving birth to him in a dream, it means the approach of his death. Childbirth in a dream means relief from hardships, recovering from illness or departure from one's home or neighborhood. It also means comfort, relaxation, payment of one's debts and repentance from sin. In general, if a man sees himself giving birth in a dream, it means his death or the death of a relative, or it could mean experiencing poverty. As for a needy person, it means relief or an escape. As for a merchant, giving birth in a dream means loss of his investment.

#### CLOTHING

Cloth: Weaving a cloth or hanging it in the open air in the dream means undertaking a long journey. Wearing a wrapping around one's waist in a dream represents a husband and a wife who live together without sexual relationship. Wrapping in a dream also represents a dullish or simpleminded child. To see oneself wrapped in a blanket or a cloth in a dream means being serious about one's work and earn-

ing honest livelihood. It also means receiving a medal of honor, recognition, or an endowment for his noble virtues. A wrap in a dream represents one's limbs.

Clothing: One's garment in a dream represents his inner most thoughts that will eventually show in his attitude in life. If one wears a slipper over his head and a turban in his foot it means that he is carrying trouble. Depending on its type and name, a garment in a dream could represent a man or a woman. Wearing a new garment in a dream is better than seeing an old one. If a man sees himself wearing a woman's apparel it means bachelor. If a woman sees herself wearing a man garment in a dream, means she is unmarried. Wearing a white garment in a dream means pride, honor, and dignity. Wearing a green garment in a dream means martyrdom. Wearing a woolen garment in a dream means clarity, unless if it is coarse or unfitting and in that case, it means poverty and humiliation.

#### **DRINKS**

Milk: In a dream, milk represents nature, instinct, or easy and lawful money. However, curdled milk in a dream represents unlawful money. If a man or woman discover that they are carrying milk in their breasts in a dream, it means building of one's savings. If a man sees milk flowing from his breasts in a dream it means wealth, prosperity that new opportunities will rise from every direction. Woman's milk in a dream means recovering from an illness. If a woman sees herself carrying milk in her breast in a dream when in reality she does not have it, it means she will breastfeed a newborn. If a woman sees herself breastfeeding a baby, a man, or another woman in a dream, it means that the source of earnings will be hampered or restricted to both the suckling person and to the one who is breastfeeding. In general, cow, goat or sheep milk in a dream represents lawful earnings.

Wine: This represents unlawful earnings, illegal tender, or easy money. Drinking wine in a dream means committing a major sin or it could mean becoming wealthy. It also could imply verbal abuse, temptation or represent marriage consent or dismissals from one's job. Mixing wine with water in a dream means mixing legal and illegal money, or it could represent earnings from a business partnership with a woman. Pressing grapes to make wine in a dream means serving someone in authority whose employment allows one to achieve noticeable successes in life. If one is invited to a drinking party where he finds platters of fruit and pitchers of wine in a dream, it represents his martyrdom. If a sick person sees himself drinking wine, it means that he will receive the right medicine and recover from his illness. Drinking wine in a dream also means losing one's senses, or it could denote an evil happening.

#### Death

In a dream death signifies religious failure, corruption, and rising in status in the world. This interpretation applies if one is carried on a bier and crying and lamentation except accompany his funeral if he is buried in the dream. If one witnesses his own burial in the dream, it means that his case is hopeless and that he will be ceased by the world. One's followers or assisting entourage will be as many as though who walk in his funeral in the dream. However he will conquer people and ride over their shoulders. If one dies in his dream but does not have the look of dead people and there is no crying over his death or a funeral in the dream, it means that one of his properties will be torn down, or that a room in his house will collapse, or that a wall will cave in, or it could mean a pillar will break down. Such a dream also may signify weakness in one's religious standing or blindness of his heart.

And Allah Almighty and His Beloved Prophet & know best!

### **About IECRC**

IECRC is a non-profit, non-political organization, devoted to providing academic and spiritual resources to diverse religious and cultural groups. IECRC was established in 2002 and is based in Fremont, California. As a community service organization, it is based on the model of the centuries old Islamic tradition of bringing peace and harmony to society by addressing the essential needs of people regardless of their cast, creed, color or religion.

IECRC's long-term vision is to insha Allah (God willing) establish a world-class, vibrant and dynamic university that provides a forum for those seeking to quench the thirst of the heart and mind in the merger of ancient and modern knowledge and sciences in order to provide solutions to issues of our contemporary times with the goal of promoting peace, brotherhood and the betterment of humanity at large.

In order to achieve this vision, IECRC has several short term plans which are divided into the areas of education (both children and adult), culture, research and counseling.

**EDUCATION:** IECRC would like to insha Allah establish a low-cost, affordable full-time school for children ages 5 – 15 years where the young minds will be taught both traditional Islamic as well as modern knowledges. They will also be oriented in Islamic *adab* (etiquette). *This requires a school building or a piece of land where one can be built.* 

**CULTURE:** IECRC would like to promote Islamic culture within the Muslim community and to bring Islamic cultural awareness to other faith communities. *This goal requires a community center with an auditorium.* 

**RESEARCH:** IECRC intends to insha Allah establish a comprehensive library with a collection of Islamic books including rare ones in original sources, publish a quarterly Islamic Social Sciences Research Journal, and invite scholars of high caliber from around the world on a tenure basis. *These goals require a physical facility for the library, a printing press for efficient publishing of journals and books and a guest house to lodge visiting scholars.* 

**COUNSELING:** IECRC would like to expand its already existing services of spiritual healing and counseling. Topics covered would be in the areas of Family Affairs (Marriage – *Nikah*, Divorce – *Talaq*, etc.), Individual Counseling (Depression, Anxiety, etc.), Legal Aid & Medical Camps. *The above goals require a physical facility for the counseling center that can lodge patients seeking help from far away places.* 

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