

The Holy Qur'an

Guidance for Mankind

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Signs for the People

“Verily, in the creation of the heavens and the earth and in the alternation of night and day, and in the ships which sail in the sea with that which profits men, and in the water which Allah sends down from the sky and quickens therewith the earth after its death and scatters therein all kinds of beasts, and in the change of the winds, and the clouds pressed into service between the heaven and the earth — are indeed Signs for the people who understand.” (Ch.2 v.165)

Moving Mountains

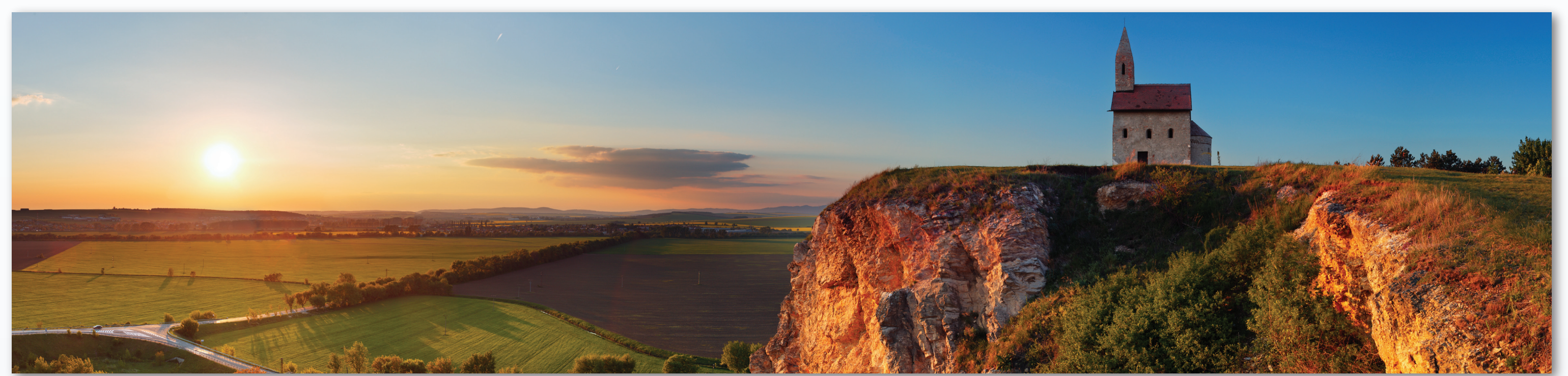
“And thou seest the mountains which thou thinkest to be firmly fixed, but they shall pass away like the passing of the clouds — the work of Allah Who has made everything perfect. Verily, He knows full well what you do.” (Ch.27 v.89)

The Inspired Bee

“And thy Lord has inspired the bee, *saying*, ‘Make thou houses in the hills and in the trees and in the trellises which they build. ‘Then eat of every *kind of* fruit, and follow the ways of thy Lord *that have been* made easy *for thee*.’ There comes forth from their bellies a drink of varying hues. Therein is cure for men. Surely, in that is a Sign for a people who reflect.” (Ch.16 v.69-70)

Sky – The Roof

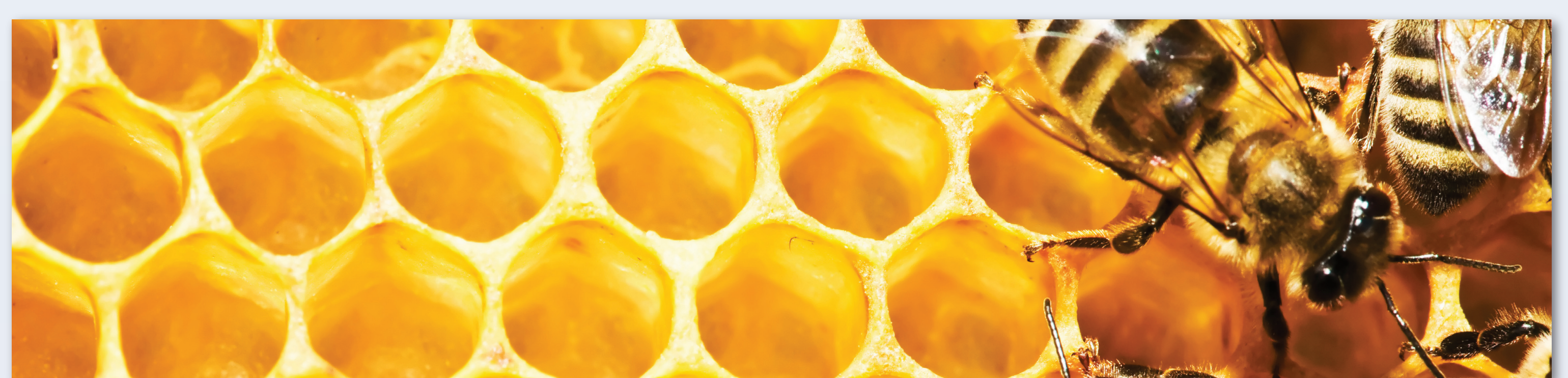
“Who made the earth a bed for you, and the heaven a roof, and caused water to come down from the clouds and therewith brought forth fruits for your sustenance. Set not up, therefore, equals to Allah, while you know.” (Ch.2 v.23)



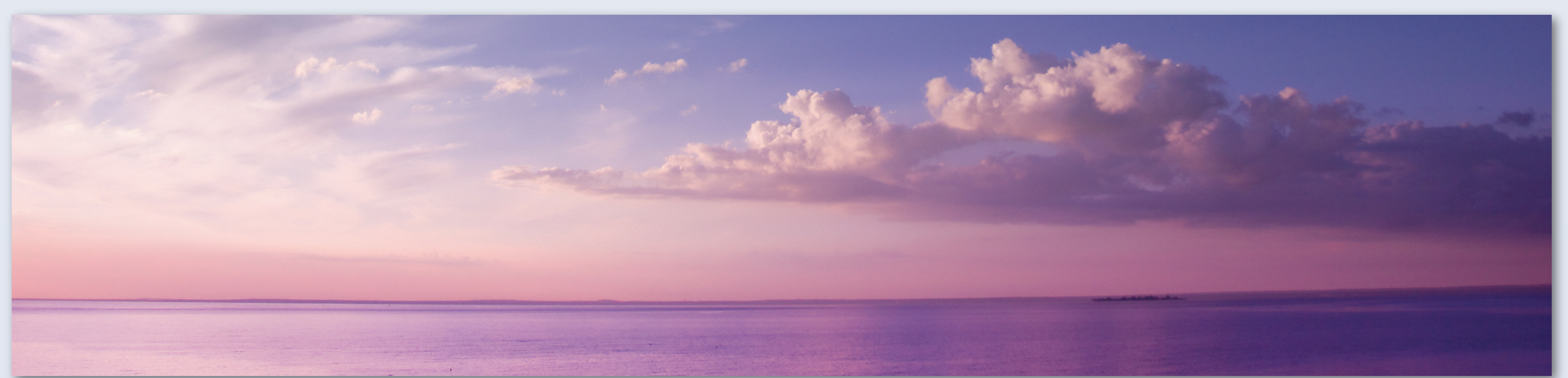
Those who remember Allah while standing, sitting, and lying on their sides, and ponder over the creation of the heavens and the earth: ‘Our Lord, Thou hast not created this in vain; nay, Holy art Thou; save us, then, from the punishment of the Fire.’ (Ch.3 v.192)



Contrary to the common belief at that time and for the many centuries to come the Holy Qur'an clearly stated that the mountains are not stationary and are rather floating like the clouds, the only logical inference to be drawn from this would be that the earth is also rotating along with them. The Holy Qur'an is thus highlighting the motion of the earth along its orbit around the sun, centuries before it became common knowledge.



The word "wahi" used to indicate "inspiration" is also used for God's revelation to his prophets. The Honey Bee is the recipient of the divine revelation or inspiration that in this context means the natural instincts with which God has endowed this species.



“And We have made the heaven a roof, well protected; yet they turn away from its Signs.” (Ch.21 v.33)

