THE MESSIAH, JESUS, SON OF MARY

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O Woman of Amran the Lord your prayers did hear Blessed you with Mary, chaste, honourable and sincere In Holy Sanctuary from infancy till puberty did stay "My Lord provides!" to curious minds, would say

Perplexed by Angels' news of pure boy to receive Wondered how, by man untouched, she would conceive?

Joined in matrimony by lots¹ in Heaven decreed

Gave birth to the Messiah, Lost Tribes of Israel, to lead

With Spirit from Him new life in earthbound flock infused Freed from sin, like birds from 'animal' trappings removed Leprous souls' wicked ways now slowly healed With Balm of Gospel through Holy Spirit revealed

With strong prayers in, Gethsemane, on his face did fall When Friends of Satan his Holy Mission to end did call Jewish Plots and Pilate's Cross, a Death Knell thus receive:

"... O Jesus, I will cause thee to die and exalt thee in My presence and clear thee of those who disbelieve..."²

To House of Israel yet many things to say Craves a place his weary head to lay

In distant land seeds of wisdom widely sowed Gave Good News of Ahmad,³ on whom Sacred Seal⁴ Bestowed

Jesus, Son of Mary, in lofty meadows⁵ laid to rest Immortal soul with Heavenly Peace forever blessed

^{1.} Holy Quran 3:44 (see footnote- MM Ali)

^{2.} Ibid., 3:55

^{3.} Ibid., 61:6

^{4.} Ibid., 33:40

^{5.} Ibid., 23:50