



The Fortress

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وَأَرْسَلْنَا الرِّيحَ لَوَاقِحَ فَأَنْزَلْنَا مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً فَأَسْقَيْنَاكُمُوهُ وَمَا

And We have sent the fertilizing
winds and sent down water from the
sky and given you drink from it. And you are not its retainers.



أَنْتُمْ لَهُ بِخَازِنِينَ

The winds come and go like the messengers. They exist on earth, and Allah reveals them when needed. The word for wind, الرياح, is plural, showing the blessings. In the Qura'an, Allah uses the word ریح for winds which bring destruction and punishment; for this the singular form of the word is used.

One violent wind can destroy everything, leaving barren emptiness behind.

وَفِي عَادٍ إِذْ أَرْسَلْنَا عَلَيْهِمُ
الرِّيحَ الْعَقِيمَ

And in 'Aad [was a sign], when We sent against them the barren wind.

مَا تَذَرُ مِنْ شَيْءٍ أَتَتْ عَلَيْهِ
إِلَّا جَعَلْنَاهُ كَالرَّمِيمِ

It left nothing of what it came upon but that it made it like disintegrated ruins.

سورة المرسلات

51:41-42

The ریح in plural form is used for productivity. We don't see the wind, but it has an effect upon the surroundings.

The word لواقح comes from the verb لَفَّحَ, to fertilize. It is presented in the form of إسم الفاعل, the title of the doer. Allah brings the productive winds which carry the moisture and condensation to the clouds and impregnates then with rain water droplets. The clouds then carry the rain and it is sent to the place which needs it. The rain is untouched and pure, it gives life to the dead land. The reminders of Allah give life to the dead hearts, they are like the rain. Allah preserves the rain and the hearts.

The word سماء is a general word, uses for anything above. Here it is used for the clouds. The rain shows the power of Allah. Allah send sghe Rishad to the land which needs it. In the same way, Allah gives life to the dead hearts with the revelation.

When the rain is sent down, the job of the clouds is finished; they are now empty.

فَأَسْقَيْنَاكُمُوهُ

The word فَأَسْقَيْنَاكُمُوهُ is one of the longest words in the Qura'an.

ف + أَسْقَى + نَا + كُمْ + وَ + هُ

أَسْقَى اللَّهُ النَّاسَ الْمَاءَ

All the water we drink is from the sky, whether it is in a stream or a bottle. Allah preserves the rain water underground, in the belly of the earth, and it is brought forth on land in the form of rivers and streams and wells.

The Qura'an is preserved, like the rain, in the shape of a Book.



