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Best selling author, Saniyasnain Khan, has written numerous books for children, of which over a million copies have been sold worldwide. This book reflects his own love of story telling and deep respect for the eternal message of the Quran. He hopes that this book will make the story memorable for young children and will act as a foundation on which they may build a growing knowledge of the Quran.

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## Quran Stories for Little Hearts

The Quran is full of exciting stories, adventures, teachings and prayers, which show Allah's love for us and explain what He requires from us as believers in and sincere servants of our Creator.

The *Quran Stories for Little Hearts* series is specially designed to provide an easy way to help your children understand more about the stories of the Quran by enjoying them and learning from them in a natural way. It's a wonderful way to explain the greatest stories of the Quran to children and



encourage them to explore the meaning and purpose of the word of Allah. A simple text and magnificent colour illustrations will captivate young, active minds.

*The Builder of the Kabah* is a beautifully illustrated and creatively written story about the Prophets Ibrahim ؑ and Ismail ؑ. It will capture the interest of children both at home and in the classroom.



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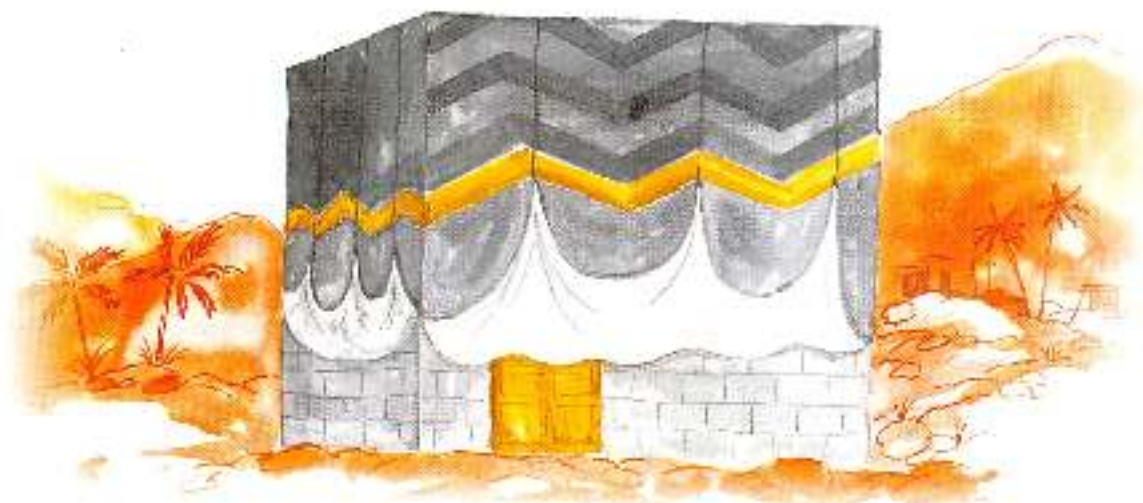
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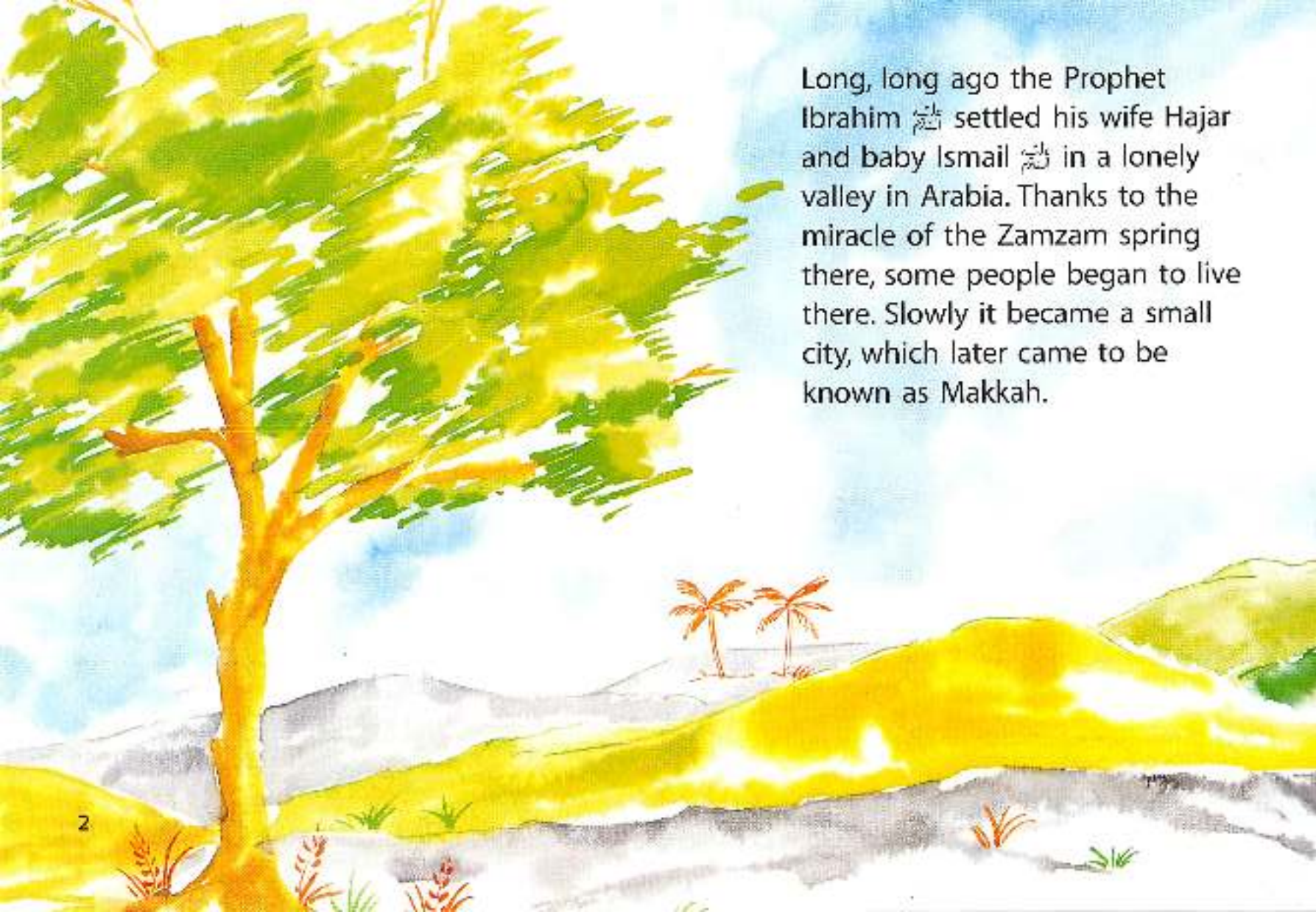


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Long, long ago the Prophet Ibrahim ﷺ settled his wife Hajar and baby Ismail ﷺ in a lonely valley in Arabia. Thanks to the miracle of the Zamzam spring there, some people began to live there. Slowly it became a small city, which later came to be known as Makkah.



Ismail عليه السلام grew up a strong  
and loving youth.





The Prophets Ibrahim ﷺ and  
Ismail ﷺ were ordered by  
Allah to build the House of  
God — the Kabah in Makkah.

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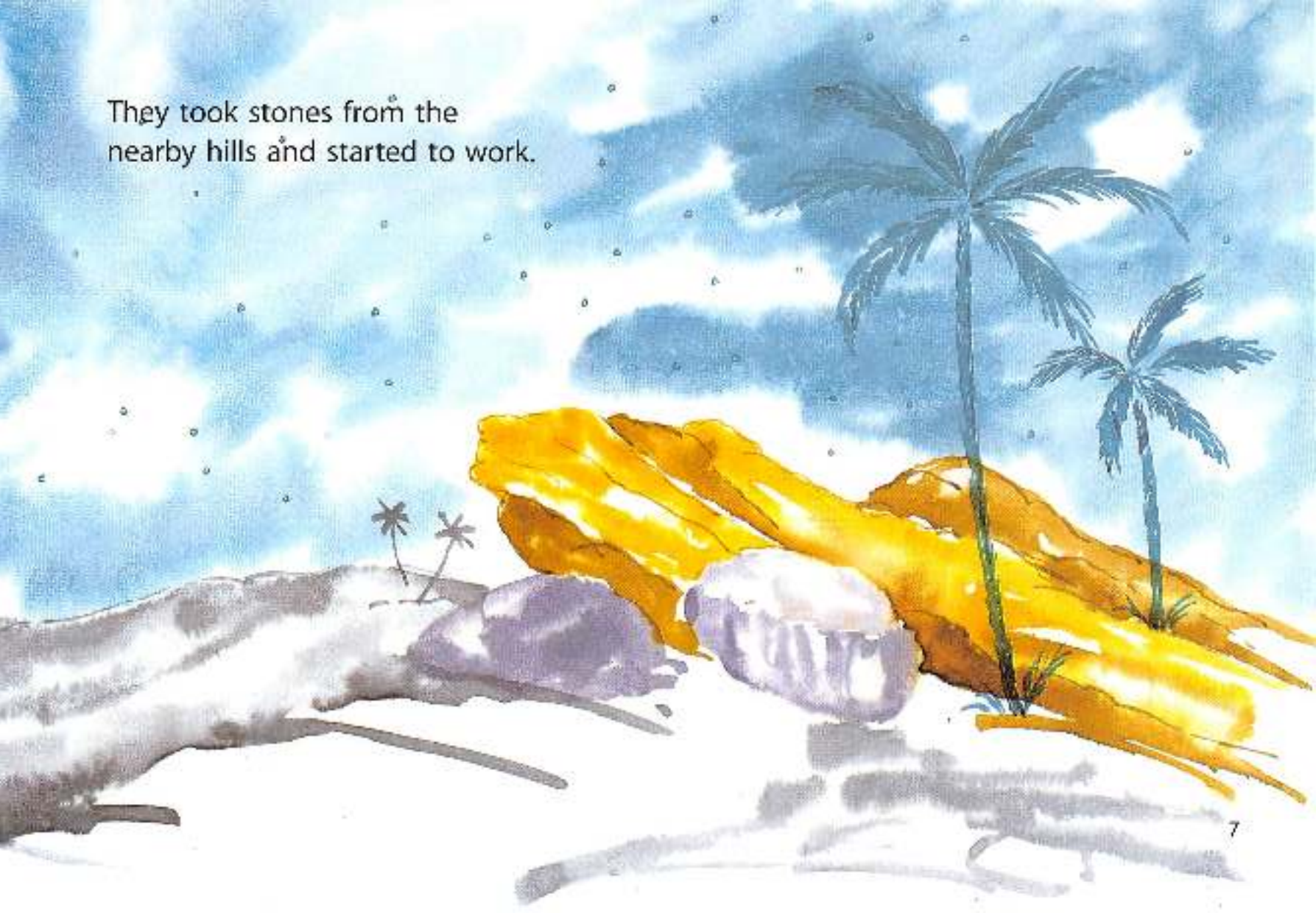
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They took stones from the  
nearby hills and started to work.





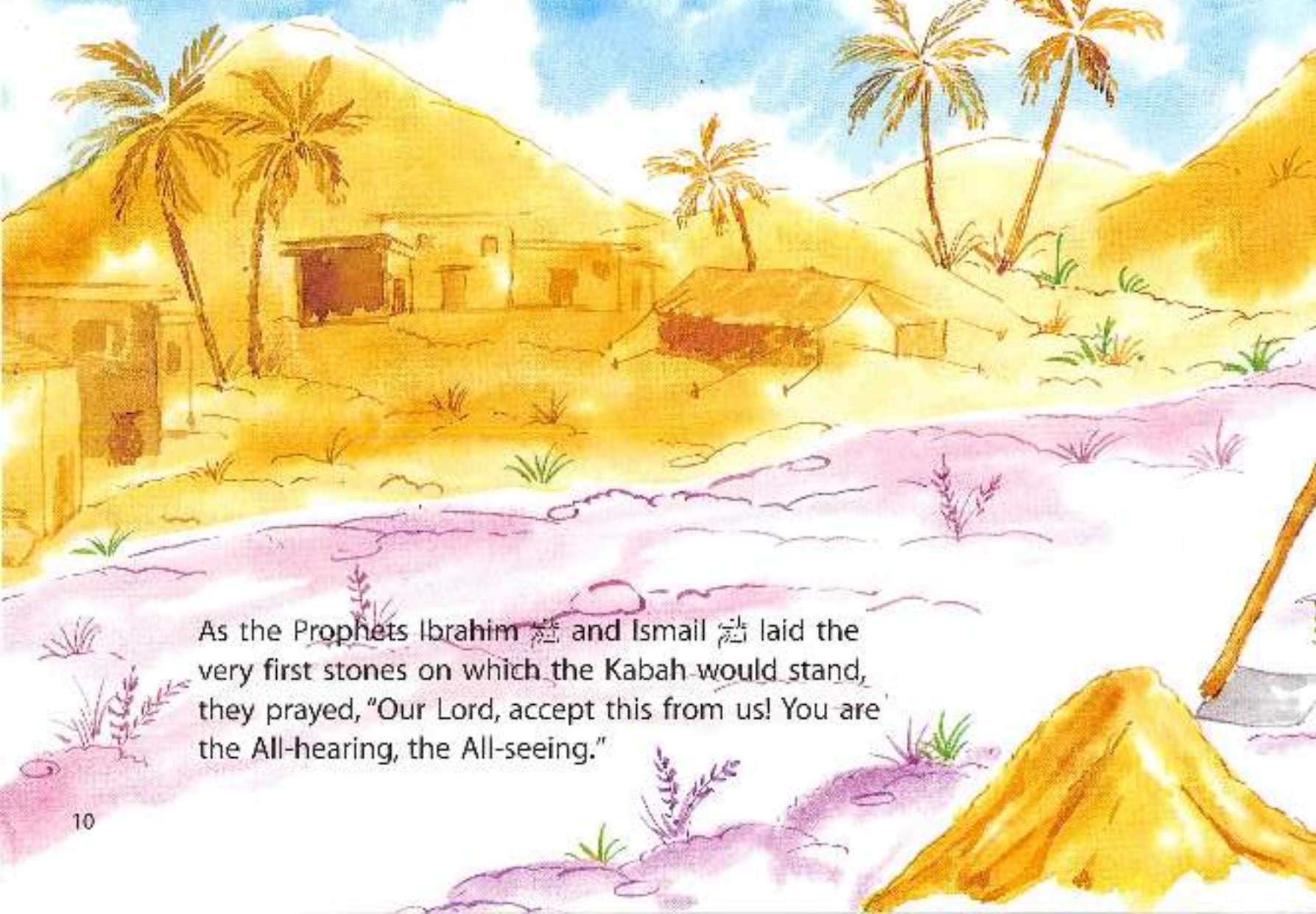




For this sacred land, Ibrahim عليه السلام  
prayed, "My Lord, make this land  
secure, and provide its people with  
fruits, such of them as believe in  
Allah and the Last Day."







As the Prophets Ibrahim ؑ and Ismail ؑ laid the very first stones on which the Kabah would stand, they prayed, "Our Lord, accept this from us! You are the All-hearing, the All-seeing."

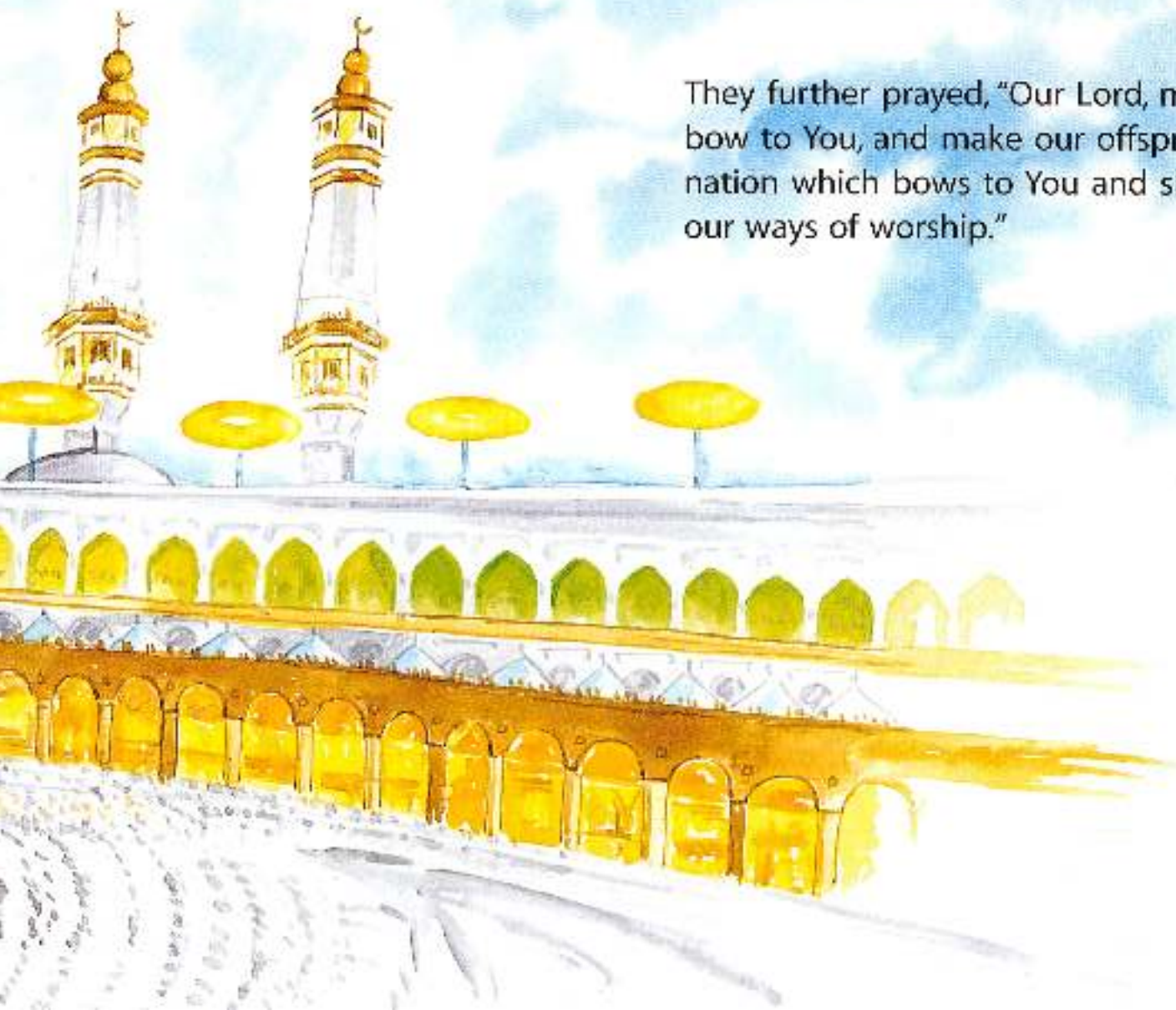








They further prayed, "Our Lord, make us bow to You, and make our offspring a nation which bows to You and show us our ways of worship."









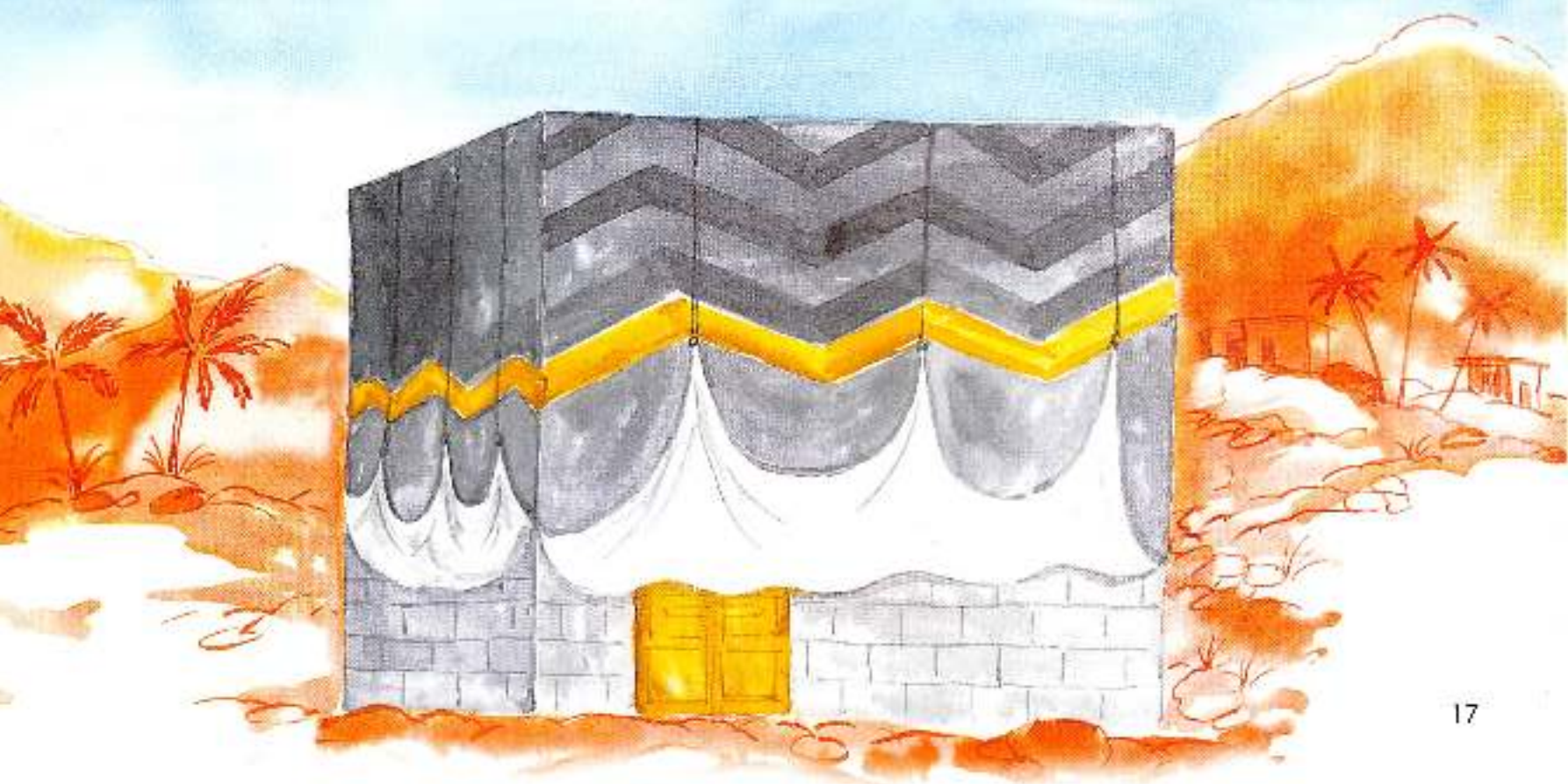
They also prayed for a prophet to be born in their family, who would teach wisdom to the people and purify their faith. Their prayer was answered many years later, when the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was born to the people who came after them.







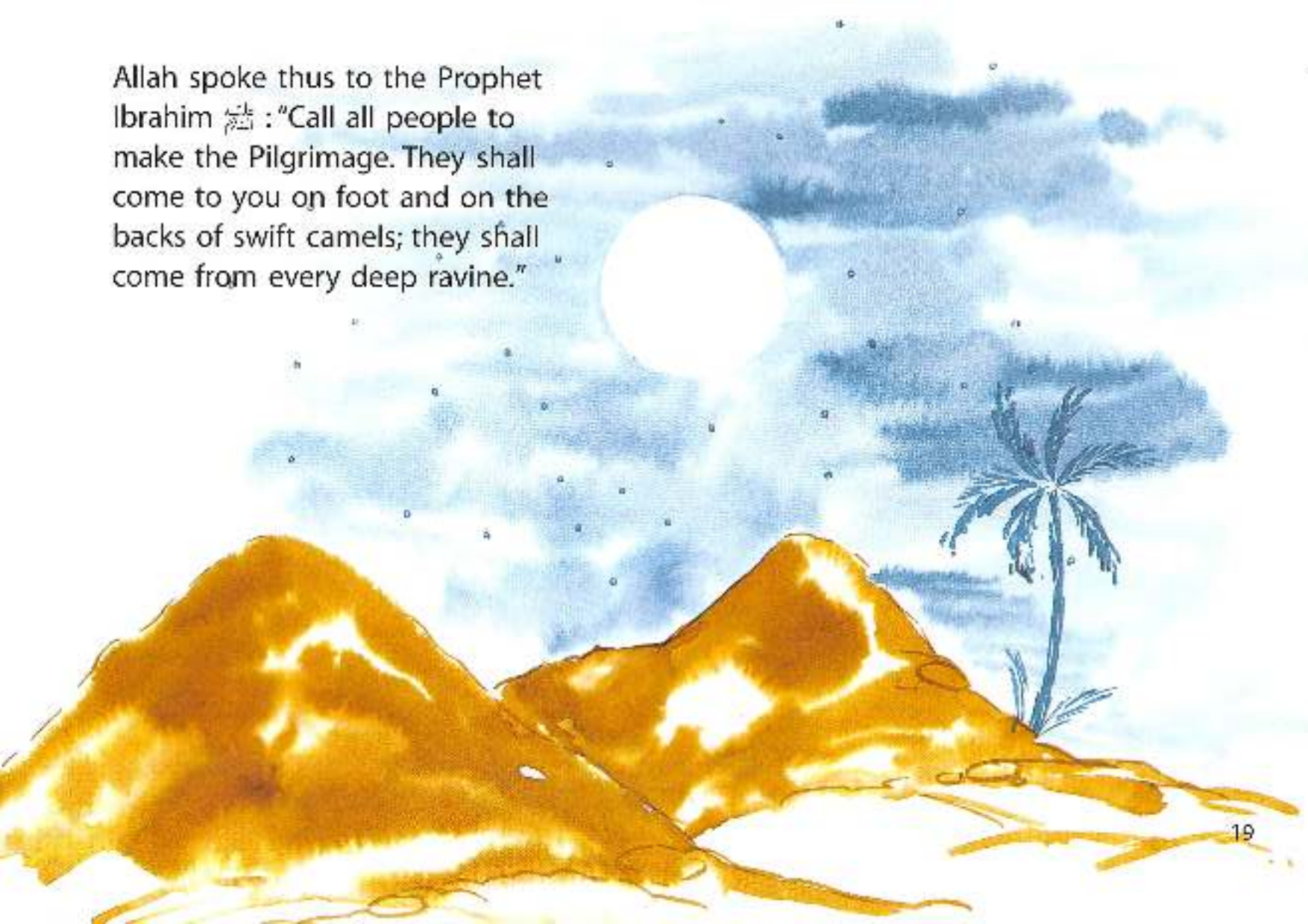
The Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام was ordered by Allah to clean the Kabah for those who came there to pray, and to call people to Hajj.





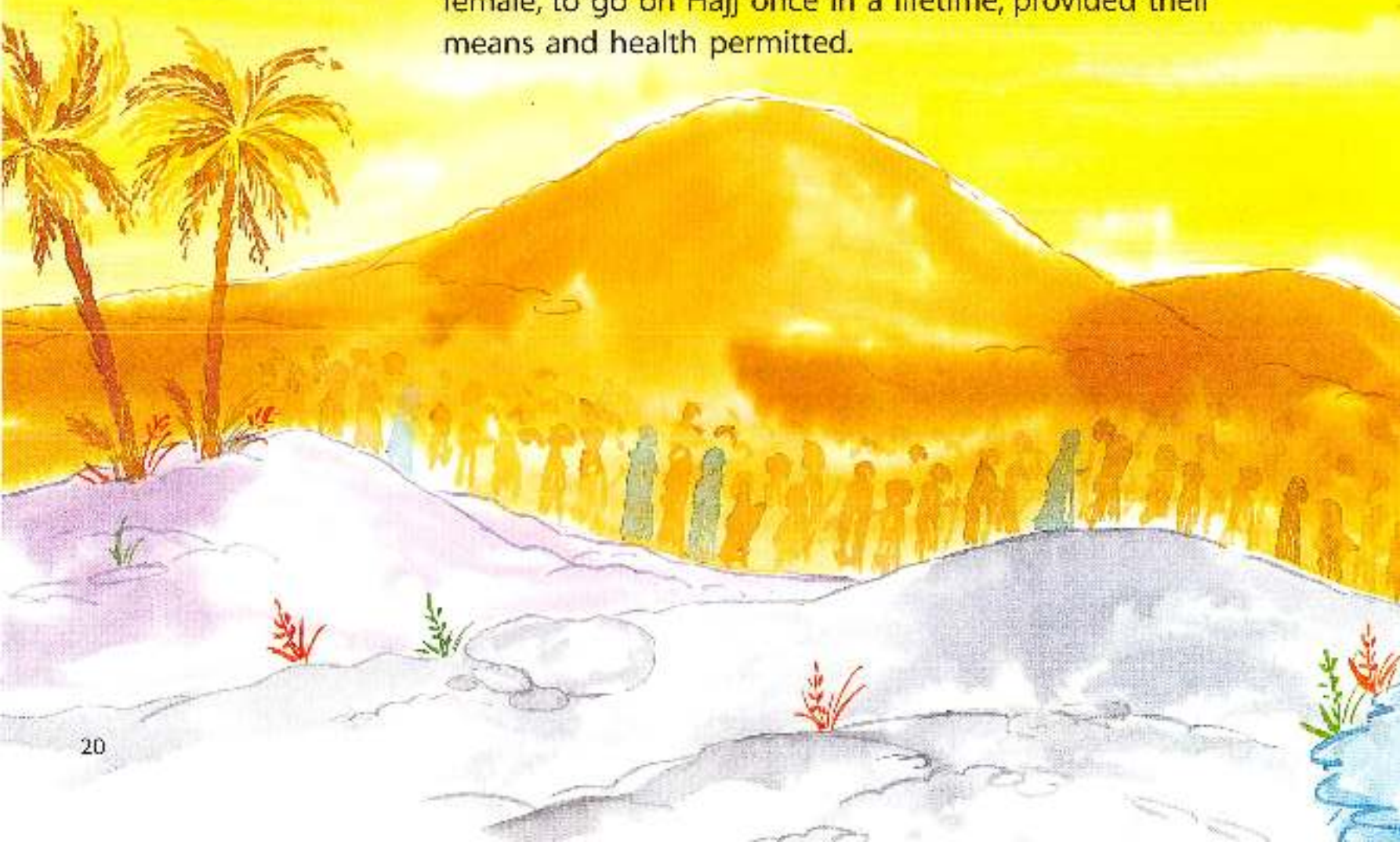


Allah spoke thus to the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام : "Call all people to make the Pilgrimage. They shall come to you on foot and on the backs of swift camels; they shall come from every deep ravine."



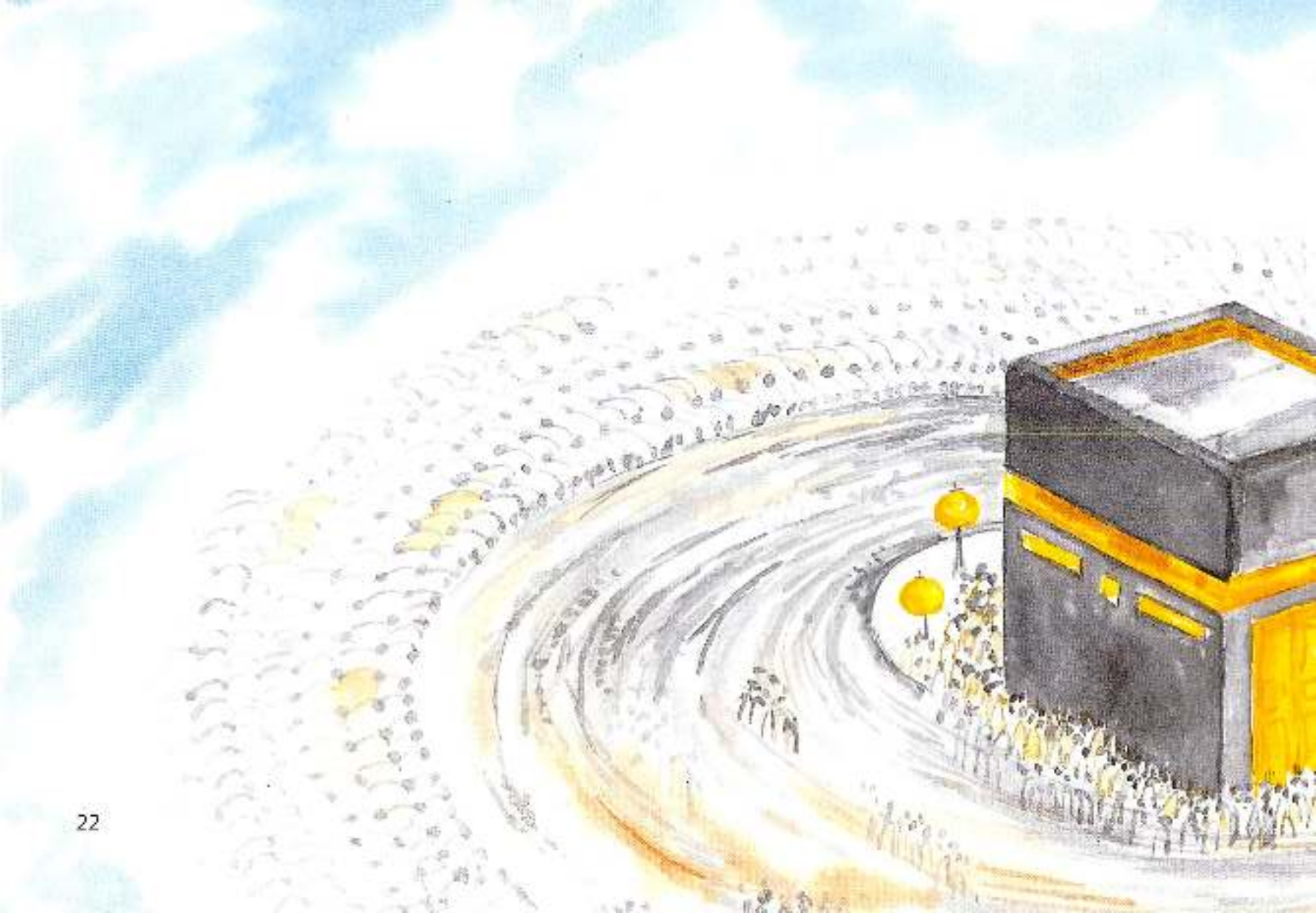


And so Allah made it a duty for all Muslims, male and female, to go on Hajj once in a lifetime, provided their means and health permitted.









Hajj is one of the five pillars of Islam. Today, over 20 million people from around the world gather in Makkah to perform this sacred duty.





The moral of the story is that believers will promise Allah to follow the example set by the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام and his family, doing Allah's bidding, whatever it may be, basing their lives on truth and, if necessary, giving up life's comforts and pleasures. Allah will be their focus, a goal from which they will never be turned aside by the forces of evil.

#### Find Out More

To know more about the message and meaning of Allah's words, look up the following parts of the Quran which tell the story of the Prophets Ibrahim عليه السلام and Ismail عليه السلام:

Surah al-Baqarah 2:125-127

Surah Al-Imran 3:95-97

ﷺ *Alayhis Salam* 'May peace be upon him.'  
(the customary blessings on the prophets)

ﷺ *SalaWahu alyhi wa salamu* 'May peace and Allah's  
blessings be on him.' (the customary blessings on the  
Prophet Muhammad)

