# **Lateef - Design**

Lateef provides a "simplified" rendering of Arabic script, using basic connecting glyphs but not including a wide variety of additional ligatures or contextual alternates (only the required lam-alef ligatures). This simplified style is often preferred for clarity, especially in non-Arabic languages.

Six fonts from this typeface family are included in the Lateef release:

- · Lateef Light Regular
- · Lateef Light Bold
- · Lateef Regular
- · Lateef Bold
- · Lateef Book Regular
- · Lateef Book Bold

# Type Samples

Type samples showing some of the inventory of glyphs can be found here: Lateef Type Sample.

An example of some text is shown below.

( وَلَمْ يَكُنْ فِي الأرْضِ إِلَّا لُغَةُ واحِدَةٌ لَهَا مُفْرَداتُ مَحْدُودَةٌ. ( وَمَعَ ارتِحالِ النّاسِ مِنَ الشَّرْقِ، وَجَدُوا سَهلاً فِي أَرْضِ شِنْعارَد فَاسْتَقَرُّوا هُناكَ. ( فَاتَّفَقُوا وَقَالُوا: «لِنَصْنَعْ لِبْناً وَنَشْوِيهِ جَيِّداً حَتَّى نُقَسِّيهِ . » فَاسْتَحْدَمُوا بَدَلَ الحِجارَةِ وَقَالُوا: «لِنَبْنِ لَنا مَدِينَةً، وَبُرْجاً تَصِلُ قِمَّتُهُ إِلَى السَّماءِ . وَهَكَذَا نَكْتَسِبُ شُهْرَةً . وَإِلّا ، فَإِنَّنَا سَنَتَشَتَّتُ عَلَى وَجْهِ الأرْضِ . » السَّماء . وَهَكَذَا نَكْتَسِبُ شُهْرَةً . وَإِلّا ، فَإِنَّنَا سَنَتَشَتَّتُ عَلَى وَجْهِ الأرْضِ . » وَنَزَلَ اللهُ لِيَرَى المَدِينَةَ وَالبُرْجَ اللّذَينِ بَناهُما النّاسُ . ( وَقَالَ الله : «ها

Lateef Sample - Genesis 11

# **Character Set**

For a complete list of characters included in Lateef, see Character Set Support.

# Rendering the Allah ligature

In certain types of literature, the name *Allah* and words related to this name are given unique rendering. For a list of the rendering rules, see Formation of Allah Ligature.

#### **Font Features**

Alternate glyphs that are available through features are demonstrated in the Features document.

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