سورة الفيل
Surah Al-Fil

The Elephant · Arabic with English translation

SURAH 105 · 5 AYAHS · MAKKI

بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ ٱلرَّحْمَـٰنِ ٱلرَّحِيمِ

أَلَمْ تَرَ كَيْفَ فَعَلَ رَبُّكَ بِأَصْحَـٰبِ ٱلْفِيلِ ﴿١﴾

105:1 Have you not considered, [O Muḥammad], how your Lord dealt with the companions of the elephant?[1992]

[1992] i.e., the army under the command of Abrahah al-Ashram which was accompanied by a huge elephant and came with the intention of destroying the Kaʿbah at Makkah.

أَلَمْ يَجْعَلْ كَيْدَهُمْ فِى تَضْلِيلٍ ﴿٢﴾

105:2 Did He not make their plan into misguidance?[1993]

[1993] Causing them to perish.

وَأَرْسَلَ عَلَيْهِمْ طَيْرًا أَبَابِيلَ ﴿٣﴾

105:3 And He sent against them birds in flocks,

تَرْمِيهِم بِحِجَارَةٍ مِّن سِجِّيلٍ ﴿٤﴾

105:4 Striking them with stones of hard clay,

فَجَعَلَهُمْ كَعَصْفٍ مَّأْكُولٍ ﴿٥﴾

105:5 And He made them like eaten straw.[1994]

[1994] i.e., husks which have been chewed by cattle. This event took place in the year of the Prophet's birth.

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