

Kuntu kanzan makhfiyyan fa aḥbabtu
an u'rafa fa khalaqtu l-khalq
li-kai u'rraf.

I was an unknown treasure and wanted
to be recognized, so I created the world,
to be known.

Al-hadaf min khalqi l-'ālam
huwa ma'rifatu l-llāh.

The purpose of creation of the World is to
know Allah.

Man 'arafa nafsahu fa qad 'arafa rabbahu.

He who knows himself knows his Lord.

Ad-dunyā makhlūqatun li khidmati l-insān
wa l-insāna makhlūqun li 'ibādati l-llāh.

The world was created to serve man,
and man was created to serve Allah.

Li dhālika yajibu 'alaynā an na'rifa l-llāh.

Therefore, it is our duty to know Allah.