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## THE VALLEY OF PEACE

Najafi-Ashraf!

W â d i ' u - s - s a l â m !

The Valley of Peace!

Imâm `Alî's haram

Martyrial palace of bliss behind my back  
with believers' hands, transformed  
into a scream

- And a cry

(On the fingertips, as martyrs' peonies  
love for The Imâm, in a centuries' bloom)

And then, at noon  
when all paused for a twinkle  
when the day's folded out to the end  
and hasn't started yet to fold up again  
I fled. . .

Thereupon alone, as in genesis  
and even more solitary - death  
- from a tomb to tomb

Wâdi'u-s-Salâm, The Valley of Peace  
of God's Prophets, Imâms  
mortals

. . . it's started to drizzle  
(Message from Heaven)  
dispelled the remaining

A look, too wide  
I summarised in a prostration  
In the gnostic point  
whence rises to a circle  
and where lies back  
- Alif  
And with It - the Created

. . . am just listening to, as it breathes  
the whole gnosis of the world

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