



﴿وَإِذْ يَرْفَعُ إِبْرَاهِيمُ الْقَوَاعِدَ مِنَ الْبَيْتِ وَإِسْمَاعِيلُ رَبَّنَا تَقَبَّلْ مِنَّا إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ ﴿١٢٧﴾ رَبَّنَا وَاجْعَلْنَا مُسْلِمَيْنِ لَكَ وَمِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِنَا أُمَّةً مُسْلِمَةً لَكَ وَأَرِنَا مَنَاسِكَنَا وَتُبْ عَلَيْنَا إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ التَّوَّابُ الرَّحِيمُ ﴿١٢٨﴾ رَبَّنَا وَابْعَثْ فِيهِمْ رَسُولًا مِنْهُمْ يَتْلُوا عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِكَ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ ۚ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ ﴿١٢٩﴾﴾

(سورة البقرة: ١٢٧-١٢٩)

- 2:127. And [remember] when Ibrâheem and Ismâ'eel raised the walls of the House [saying]: Our Lord! Accept [this] from us, for You are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing.
- 2:128. Our Lord! Make us both Muslims submitting to You, and of our descendants a nation that is Muslim, submitting to You; and teach us our rituals [of pilgrimage]; and accept our repentance, for You are the Acceptor of repentance, the Most Merciful.
- 2:129. Our Lord, send to them a Messenger from among them, who will recite Your revelations to them, teach them the Book and wisdom, and purify them; for You are the Almighty, the Most Wise.

That is, remember Ibrâheem and Ismâ'eel, when they were building the walls of the House from the foundation upwards, and how they persisted in this great task with an attitude of both fear and hope. Whilst they were striving to complete this task, they prayed to Allah to accept their deeds from them, so that it might be a blessing for all.

They prayed for themselves, and for their offspring to be Muslim; what this signifies is humility in the heart and submission to Allah, which is reflected in outward behaviour.

﴿and teach us our rituals [of pilgrimage]﴾ that is, show us, demonstrate them before us so that we may see them, because seeing is more effective for the purpose of learning. It may be that what is