

Animals in the Qur'an – The Spider

Introduction

Amongst the flimsiest structures is the spider's web. People who rely on others besides Allah, take for themselves guardians who are weak and frail. Allah is the only One who can protect and help us.

SPIDER

العَنْكَبُوتُ

Text and Translation

The Holy Qur'an says:

مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ اتَّخَذُوا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ أَوْلِيَاءَ كَمَثَلِ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ

The likeness of those who take guardians besides Allah is that of the spider

الَّتِي تَتَّخِذُ بَيْتًا

who makes a house for herself,

وَإِنَّ أَوْهَنَ الْبُيُوتِ لَبَيْتُ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ

but verily the frailest of all houses is the house of the spider;

لَوْ كَانُوا يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٤١﴾

if only they know. (al `Ankabut, 29:41)

