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Jalan Ibadat (Al-Firdaus Mosque)

emigrated early morning
starting from the sweat of children
wiping knowledge
from the scriptures of longing

believers of Prophet's life journey are far
from the crumbs of reason's grasp
children who are shallow-minded

no caliph of Tawhid
from the continuous fragments of advice
reaching the ears of the naughty soul

but the path that spans a cubit
the imminent meeting...

between
guidance and hope
pillory of compulsory Islamic duty
the ministrations of blooded lovers of God

the unfading serenade
between the darting of trees
the timely departure
come and go

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that promise is definite
eternal human dignity
in the eyes of the divine

paradise is certain
or is this life already lost

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