39th Award Ceremony
King Faisal International Prize
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Speech by HRH Prince Khaled Al-Faisal, King Faisal International Prize Board Chairman

In the Name of Allah, the most Compassionate and most Merciful
The Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques
King Salman ben Abdul Aziz
Highnesses
Eminencies
Excellencies
The winning scholars of King Faisal International Prize
Ladies and gentlemen
Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmat Allah wa Barakatu.

A world tumultuous with human greed
The weak assaulted by the great
A threat of evil looms the skies

Values are sold for worthless price
Devoid of haughtiness, tanned with vice
Names, Nonentities of no weight nor size

A Kingdom with wisdom aglow
Offering a vision clear and new
Honoring Scientists whose knowledge flow

On basis of glory we build castles
We nurse the wounds of Arabian muscles
Spreading joy among Muslims without much hustle

When the night darkens, we lit the brain
If others stumble, we untie the chain
No place for the reckless or the ruthless vain

Let us all stand to salute:
The King; Servant of Islam
Scientists of Intellect and of Peace
The Award of Faisal, The Imam
Salam.

Khalid Al Faisal