Can Evil Come Near the Quran?

The Three Guards — the Text, the Touch, and the Home · English – Urdu

QURAN 41:42 — THE ANSWER VERSE

لَّا يَأْتِيهِ ٱلْبَـٰطِلُ مِنۢ بَيْنِ يَدَيْهِ وَلَا مِنْ خَلْفِهِۦ ۖ تَنزِيلٌ مِّنْ حَكِيمٍ حَمِيدٍ

La ya'tihi al-batilu min bayni yadayhi wa la min khalfih; tanzilun min Hakimin Hamid.

It cannot be proven false from any angle. ⌜It is⌝ a revelation from the ⌜One Who is⌝ All-Wise, Praiseworthy.

اس پر جھوٹ کا دخل نہ آگے سے ہو سکتا ہے نہ پیچھے سے۔ (اور) دانا (اور) خوبیوں والے (خدا) کی اُتاری ہوئی ہے

THE SHORT ANSWER

The words: No — falsehood cannot approach the Quran from before it or from behind it (41:42), and Allah Himself guards the Reminder (15:9).

The touch: In its well-preserved Record it is touched by none except the purified (56:79); for a printed mushaf, handle it with wudu.

The home: Satan flees the house where Al-Baqarah is recited (Muslim 780). The guard travels with the reciting — not with a closed book on a shelf.

The Three Guards

Guard	Kept by	The proof
1 · The Text	Allah Himself	41:42 — no falsehood from any side · 15:9 — "We will certainly guard it" · 26:210–212 — the devils barred from even overhearing
2 · The Touch	The purified	56:77–79 — a blessed Quran in a well-preserved Record, touched by none except the purified
3 · The Home	Your recitation	Muslim 780 — Satan flees · Bukhari 2311 — no satan nears the Kursi reciter till morning · Bukhari 5009 — the last two verses suffice for the night

The Guard Verses

QURAN 15:9 — THE GUARDIAN NAMES HIMSELF

إِنَّا نَحْنُ نَزَّلْنَا ٱلذِّكْرَ وَإِنَّا لَهُۥ لَحَٰفِظُونَ

Inna nahnu nazzalna adh-dhikra wa inna lahu la-hafizun.

It is certainly We Who have revealed the Reminder, and it is certainly We Who will preserve it.

بے شک یہ (کتاب) نصیحت ہمیں نے اُتاری ہے اور ہم ہی اس کے نگہبان ہیں

QURAN 56:77–79 — THE TOUCH

إِنَّهُۥ لَقُرْءَانٌ كَرِيمٌ فِى كِتَٰبٍ مَّكْنُونٍ لَّا يَمَسُّهُۥٓ إِلَّا ٱلْمُطَهَّرُونَ

Innahu la-Qur'anun karim, fi kitabin maknun, la yamassuhu illa al-mutahharun.

That this is truly a noble Quran, in a well-preserved Record, touched by none except the purified ⌜angels⌝.

کہ یہ بڑے رتبے کا قرآن ہے (جو) کتاب محفوظ میں (لکھا ہوا ہے) اس کو وہی ہاتھ لگاتے ہیں جو پاک ہیں

QURAN 2:255 — AYAT AL-KURSI

ٱللَّهُ لَآ إِلَٰهَ إِلَّا هُوَ ٱلْحَىُّ ٱلْقَيُّومُ ۚ لَا تَأْخُذُهُۥ سِنَةٌ وَلَا نَوْمٌ ۚ لَّهُۥ مَا فِى
ٱلسَّمَٰوَٰتِ وَمَا فِى ٱلْأَرْضِ ۗ مَن ذَا ٱلَّذِى يَشْفَعُ عِندَهُۥٓ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِهِۦ ۚ يَعْلَمُ مَا
بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَمَا خَلْفَهُمْ ۖ وَلَا يُحِيطُونَ بِشَىْءٍ مِّنْ عِلْمِهِۦٓ إِلَّا بِمَا شَآءَ ۚ وَسِعَ
كُرْسِيُّهُ ٱلسَّمَٰوَٰتِ وَٱلْأَرْضَ ۖ وَلَا يَـُٔودُهُۥ حِفْظُهُمَا ۚ وَهُوَ ٱلْعَلِىُّ ٱلْعَظِيمُ

Allahu la ilaha illa Huwa, al-Hayyu al-Qayyum; la ta'khudhuhu sinatun wa la nawm; lahu ma fi as-samawati wa ma fi al-ard; man dha alladhi yashfa'u 'indahu illa bi-idhnih; ya'lamu ma bayna aydihim wa ma khalfahum; wa la yuhituna bi-shay'in min 'ilmihi illa bi-ma sha'; wasi'a kursiyyuhu as-samawati wa al-ard; wa la ya'uduhu hifzuhuma; wa Huwa al-'Aliyyu al-'Azim.

Allah! There is no god ˹worthy of worship˺ except Him, the Ever-Living, All-Sustaining. Neither drowsiness nor sleep overtakes Him. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. Who could possibly intercede with Him without His permission? He ˹fully˺ knows what is ahead of them and what is behind them, but no one can grasp any of His knowledge—except what He wills ˹to reveal˺. His Seat encompasses the heavens and the earth, and the preservation of both does not tire Him. For He is the Most High, the Greatest.

خدا (وہ معبود برحق ہے کہ) اس کے سوا کوئی عبادت کے لائق نہیں زندہ ہمیشہ رہنے والا اسے نہ اونگھ آتی ہے نہ نیند جو کچھ آسمانوں میں اور جو کچھ زمین میں ہیں سب اسی کا ہے کون ہے جو اس کی اجازت کے بغیر اس سے (کسی کی) سفارش کر سکے جو کچھ لوگوں کے روبرو ہو رہا ہے اور جو کچھ ان کے پیچھے ہو چکا ہے اسے سب معلوم ہے اور وہ اس کی معلومات میں سے کسی چیز پر دسترس حاصل نہیں کر سکتے ہاں جس قدر وہ چاہتا ہے (اسی قدر معلوم کرا دیتا ہے) اس کی بادشاہی (اور علم) آسمان اور زمین سب پر حاوی ہے اور اسے ان کی حفاظت کچھ بھی دشوار نہیں وہ بڑا عالی رتبہ اور جلیل القدر ہے

The Devil's Names in the Quran

Name or title	Meaning	Where
Iblis	His personal name, used from his refusal to bow to Adam	2:34 and ten further places — 11 in total
Al-Shaytan	"The Satan", the title used for his work against people	Throughout; e.g. 2:36, 2:168
Al-Waswas al-Khannas	The lurking whisperer, who slips in and withdraws	114:4
Ar-Rajim	The cast-out, accursed one, paired with his name in refuge prayers	3:36
Shaytan Marid	A rebellious devil, kept from the heavens	37:7
Qarin		43:36

The companion-devil assigned to one who turns away from the Reminder

Counted from the full Arabic text: the devil-word (al-Shaytan, ash-Shayatin and their attached forms) appears 88 times; the name Iblis appears 11 times separately. The Quran gives Iblis one name and several titles — no revealed list fixes "seven names of shaitan".

Tonight: The Guard-Your-Home Routine

- Ayat al-Kursi (2:255) — before sleep; a guardian from Allah stays, and no satan comes near till morning (Bukhari 2311).
- The last two verses of Al-Baqarah (2:285–286) — at night; they suffice for that night (Bukhari 5009).
- Al-Falaq and An-Nas — the refuge pair; the Prophet ﷺ protected himself with them (Muslim 814).
- Work toward Al-Baqarah in the home — the house Satan flees (Muslim 780).

THE HONEST NOTE

No source in the Quran or the Sunnah promises that a closed mushaf on a shelf, a framed page on a wall, or a printed amulet guards a house by itself. Every verified protection report is about words recited, read or lived. The blessings of keeping a Quran at home are real — it deserves the highest, cleanest place — but the texts tie protection to recitation, not to the paper's presence.

Read Next

- Manzil Dua — the full protection set, verse by verse
- Dua for Protection from Black Magic and Evil Eye
- Surah Baqarah Last 2 Ayat
- Dua for Bad Eye (Nazar)
- Fallahu Khairun Hafizan (12:64)

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