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It was narrated from Bakr from his uncle Sudayr, who said: 'I took a pebble and scratched my ear with it. It became embedded in my ear. I made every effort to remove it, but neither I nor the medical practitioners could do it. When I performed the Hajj and met al-Baqir, peace be upon him, I complained to him of the pain I had experienced. He said to al-Sadiq, peace be upon him: "O Ja'far, take him by the hand out into the light and have a look." Al-Sadiq looked into the ear and said: "I do not see anything." Al-Baqir said: "Approach me." I approached him and he said: "O Allah, remove it as You caused it to enter, without trouble or difficulty." Then he said: "Recite that three times." I recited it. He said: "Put your finger in." I put my finger in and brought out the pebble. Praise be to Allah, Lord of the worlds.'

Hannan b Jabir al-Filistini narrated from Muhammad b. 'Ali from Ibn Sinan from 'Ammar b. Marwan from al-Munkhal from Jabir from Abu Ja'far Muhammad b. 'Ali, peace be upon him, who said that a man complained to him of deafness (*al-samam*). Abu Ja'far said: 'Pass your hand over him and recite:

If We had sent down this Qur'an upon a mountain thou wouldst have seen it humbled, split asunder out of the fear of God. And We make these examples for men; haply they will reflect He is God; there in god but He. He is the knower of the Unseen and the Visible. He is the All-merciful, the All-compassionate. He is God. There is no god but He. He is the King, the All-holy, the All-peaceable, the All-faithful, the All-preserver, the All-mighty, the All-compeller, the All-sublime. Glory be to God, above that they associate! He is God, the Creator, the Maker, the Shaper. To Him belong the Names Most Beautiful. All that is in the heavens and the earth magnifies Him; He is the All-mighty, the All-wise. (59:21-4).'

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