

## Celestial *Salawat*

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My *salawat* pierces through  
barbed barriers of thorny fences,  
its verses soaring, knocking gently  
on the wings of heaven's doors,  
sealed yet awaiting.  
Its melody surrounds the horizon,  
affirming humanity's humility  
before His greatness.

My *salawat* wanders  
in chambers of dialogue,  
transforming gloom into joy,  
weaving tales of humanity's  
shades of black and white.

Its gentle verses unravel  
countless unspoken prayers,  
guiding me in whispered repentance,  
loosening the grip of greed  
from a people lost in the warmth of blankets,  
forsaking the sacred rug of devotion.

You ask, "Shall we face His wrath?  
Those who sin but never stray,  
or those who stray but never sin?"

My *salawat* humbles  
the might of Mount Merapi,  
turning its fiery eruptions

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into love,  
not ash nor molten lava.

My *salawat* touches the pallor  
of restless Krakatau,  
its soul torn  
by the schemes of vice  
still brewing,  
whispered in the depths of the sea.

My *salawat* stirs and rises,  
melting shackled spirits,  
its verses gently cleansing  
the stains of arrogance and ingratitude,  
drawing us away  
from the wrath of the Almighty.