

## THE FIVE ADORATIONS

*To Gerald Pinsent*

I PRAISE Thee, God, whose rays upstart beneath the  
Bright and Morning Star :

Nowit asali fardh salat assobhi allahu akbar.

I praise Thee, God, the fierce and swart; at noon Thou  
ridest forth to war!

Nowit asali fardh salat assohri allahu akbar.

I praise Thee, God, whose arrows dart their royal  
radiance o'er the scar :

Nowit asali fardh salat asasri allahu akbar.

I praise Thee, God, whose fires depart, who drivest down  
the sky thy car :

Nowit asali fardh salat al maghrab allahu akbar.

I praise Thee, God, whose purple heart is hidden in the  
abyss afar :

Nowit asali fardh salat al asha allahu akbar.