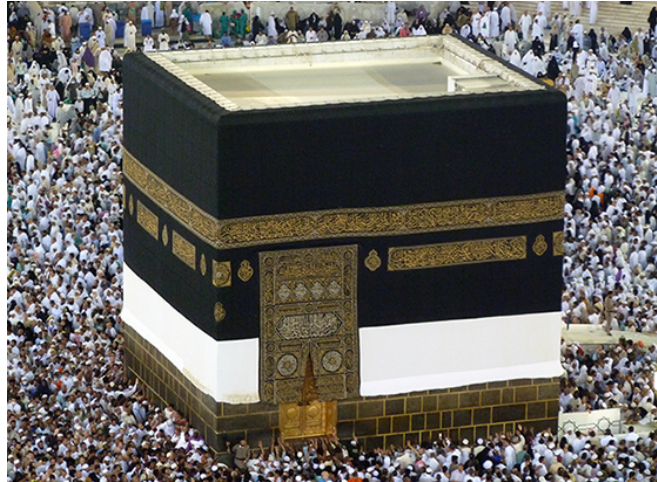


Kaaba



Pilgrimage to a person

When you are not with close friends,
You are not in the presence.
It is sad to leave people you travel with.
How much more so those who remind you of God
Hurry back to the ones protecting you.
On every trip have only one objective,
To meet those who are friends
Inside the presence.
If you stay home, keep the same purpose,
To meet the innermost presence
As it lives in people.
Be a pilgrim to the Kaaba inside a human being,
And Mecca will rise into view on its own.
Rumi

Don't open your diamonds in a vegetable market.
Tie them in bundle and keep them in your heart, and go your own way.
Kabir

Your preciousness lies in your essence;
it cannot be lost by anything that happens.
Chuang Tzu

One day he did not leave after kissing me.
Rabya

I know how it will be when I die, my beauty will be so extraordinary
that God will worship me. He will not worship me from a distance,
for our minds will have wed.
Our souls have flown into each other.
How to say this?
God and I will forever cherish myself.

No one ahead, no one behind
The path of the ancient ones has closed
And the other path easy and wide
Goes nowhere
I am alone and find my way

If he lets go of my hand
I would weep so loudly
I would petition with all my might
I would cause so much trouble
That I bet God would come to his senses
And never do that again.

Meister Eckhart