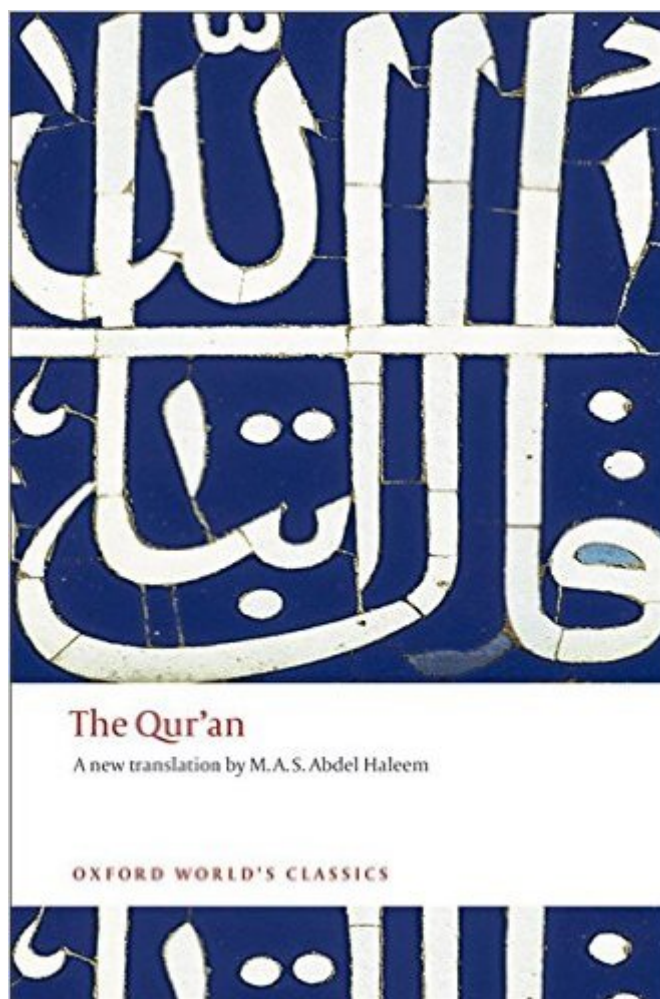


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Other reviewers have emphasized the ease of reading Abdel Haleem's translation. I have to agree. But at times the ease of reading seems to come from clarifying passages that are somewhat obscure in the original Arabic. And then there is this: There are four passages in the Qur'an on alcohol (the translation is Arberry's, considered by many to be the best, though the verse numbering follows the Fluegel edition and not the subsequent and now standard Cairo edition and can therefore be frustrating to use as a reference):16:67 And of the fruits of the palms and the vines, you take therefrom an intoxicant and a provision fair. Surely in that is a sign for a people who understand.4:43 O believers, draw not near to prayer when you are drunken until you know what you are saying2:219 They will question thee concerning wine, and arrow-shuffling. Say: `In both is a heinous sin, and uses for men, but the sin in them is more heinous than the usefulness.'5:90-91 O believers, wine and arrow shuffling, idols and divining arrows are an abomination, some of Satan's work; so avoid it; haply so you will prosper. Satan only desires to precipitate enmity and hatred between you in regard to wine and arrow-shuffling, and to bar you from the remembrance of God, and from your prayer. Will you then desist?As we all know, Islamic law forbids drinking alcohol. Verse 5:90-91 is taken to be the final word on the subject and is understood to have abrogated (annulled) previous verses that are more permissive. Clearly the most permissive is 16:67, which unambiguously calls intoxicants derived from grapes and dates one of God's signs. This unambiguously calls alcohol a blessing.

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