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Q 5: Is it true that the heavens and the earth were created only for the sake of Muhammad (peace be upon him)?

A: This is not true because Allah (may He be Exalted) created the jinn (creatures created from fire) and mankind for the sole purpose of worshipping Him without associating any partners to Him. Allah (may He be Exalted) said, (And I (Allâh) created not the jinn and mankind except that they should worship Me (Alone).)He also made all that is in the heavens and on earth subservient to His Slaves. Allah (may He be Exalted) said, (And has subjected to you all that is in the heavens and all that is in the earth.) Furthermore, Allah created the heavens and earth so that His Slaves may know the Perfection of His knowledge and Power, as He (may He be Exalted) said, (It is Allâh Who has created seven heavens and of the earth the like thereof (i.e. seven). His Command descends between them (heavens and earth), that you may know that Allâh has power over all things, and that Allâh surrounds all things in (His) Knowledge.)

As for the Hadith you referred to, it is Mawdu` (fabricated) and baseless when it comes to its authenticity. The scholars have explained this blemish, and among them was Al-Dhahaby.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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