

## Quiet Nights in Al-Asad



Red skies at night are  
A sailor's delight,  
But a star-filled sky gets  
This soldier high.  
Even Orion's belt fails as the  
Star showers sail  
These thousand points of light  
Make for wondrous nights  
As I go to greet with open arms  
A combat sky Filled  
with peace and hope and love.  
Almost makes me believe in  
Some power up above.  
Whatever created this sight  
Did so out of love.

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