

the left: 'Eat of the provision of your Lord and be grateful to Him. A good land and a Most Forgiving Lord!'

*17. But they turned away; so We sent against them a fierce flood. And We gave them, in lieu of their gardens, two gardens bearing bitter fruit and tamarisk and a few lote-trees.

18. That We awarded them because of their ingratitude; and none do We requite *in this way* but the ungrateful.

19. And We placed, between them and the towns which We had blessed, *other* towns that were prominently visible, and We fixed easy stages between them; 'Travel in them for nights and days in security.'

20. But they said, 'Our Lord, place longer distances between *the stages of* our journeys.' And they wronged themselves; so We made them bywords and We broke them into pieces, a complete breaking up. In that verily are Signs for every steadfast and grateful person.

21. And Iblīs found that his judgment of them was true, so they followed him, *all* except a party of *true* believers.

22. And he had no power over them, but *it was so* that We might

رَزَقَ رَبِّكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لَهُ ۖ بَلَدَةٌ
طَيِّبَةٌ وَرَبُّ غَفُورٌ ﴿١٧﴾

فَاعْرِضُوا فَأَرْسَلْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ سِيلَ
الْعَرَمِ وَبَدَّلْنَاهُمْ بِجَنَّتَيْهِمْ جَنَّتَيْنِ
ذَوَاتِي أُكُلٍ خَمْطٍ وَأَثَلٍ وَشَيْءٍ مِّنْ
سِدْرٍ قَلِيلٍ ﴿١٨﴾

ذَلِكَ جَزَايُهُمْ بِمَا كَفَرُوا ۖ وَهَلْ
نُجْزِي إِلَّا الْكَفُورَ ﴿١٩﴾

وَجَعَلْنَا بَيْنَهُمْ وَبَيْنَ الْقُرَى الَّتِي
بَرَكْنَا فِيهَا قُرَى ظَاهِرَةً وَ قَدَرْنَا
فِيهَا السَّيْرَ ۖ سِيرُوا فِيهَا لِيُبَيِّنَ
وَأَيَّامًا آمِنِينَ ﴿٢٠﴾

فَقَالُوا رَبَّنَا بَعِدْ بَيْنَ أَسْفَارِنَا
وَوَظَلَمُوا أَنْفُسَهُمْ فَجَعَلْنَاهُمْ أَحَادِيثَ
وَمَرْقَأَهُمْ كُلَّ مُمَرِّقٍ ۖ إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ
لَآيَاتٍ لِّكُلِّ صَبَّارٍ شَكُورٍ ﴿٢١﴾

وَلَقَدْ صَدَّقَ عَلَيْهِمْ إِبْلِيسُ ظَنَّهُ
فَاتَّبَعُوهُ إِلَّا فَرِيقًا مِّنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿٢٢﴾
وَمَا كَانَ لَهُ عَلَيْهِمْ مِّنْ سُلْطَانٍ إِلَّا

*17. But they turned away; so We sent against them a fierce flood *from a burst dam*.

distinguish those who believed in the Hereafter from those who were in doubt about it. And thy Lord is Watchful over all things.

R. 3.

23. Say, 'Call upon those whom you assert *to be gods* beside Allāh. They control not *even* the weight of an atom in the heavens or in the earth, nor have they any share in either, nor has He any helper among them.'

24. No intercession avails with Him, except for him about whom He permits *it*, until when their hearts are relieved of fright they would say, 'What is it that your Lord said?' They (the Messengers) will answer, 'The truth.' And He is the High, the Great.

25. Say, 'Who gives you sustenance from the heavens and the earth?' Say, 'Allāh. Either we or you are on right guidance or in manifest error.'

26. Say, 'You will not be questioned as to our sins, nor shall we be questioned as to what you do.'

27. Say, 'Our Lord will bring us all together; then He will judge between us with truth: and He is the Judge, the All-Knowing.'

28. Say, 'Show me those whom you have joined with Him as partners. Nay! *You cannot do so*, for He is Allāh, the Mighty, the Wise.'

لِنَعْلَمَ مَنْ يُّؤْمِنُ بِالْآخِرَةِ مِمَّنْ هُوَ
مِنْهَا فِي شَكٍّ ۚ وَرَبُّكَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ
حَفِيفٌ ۝٢٣

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قُلِ ادْعُوا الَّذِينَ زَعَمْتُمْ مِنْ دُونِ
اللَّهِ ۚ لَا يَمْلِكُونَ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ فِي
السَّمَوَاتِ وَلَا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَمَا لَهُمْ
فِيهِمَا مِنْ شِرْكٍَ وَلَا لَهُ مِنْهُمْ
ظَهِيرٌ ۝٢٤

وَلَا تَنْفَعُ الشَّفَاعَةُ عِنْدَهُ إِلَّا لِمَنْ
أُذِنَ لَهُ ۚ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا فُزِّعَ عَنْ قُلُوبِهِمْ
قَالُوا مَاذَا قَالَ رَبُّكُمْ ۚ قَالُوا الْحَقُّ
وَهُوَ الْعَلِيُّ الْكَبِيرُ ۝٢٥

قُلْ مَنْ يَرْزُقُكُمْ مِنَ السَّمَوَاتِ
وَالْأَرْضِ ۚ قُلِ اللَّهُ ۚ وَإِنَّا أَوْ إِيَّاكُمْ
لَعَلَىٰ هُدًى أَوْ فِي ضَلَالٍ مُبِينٍ ۝٢٦

قُلْ لَا تُسْأَلُونَ عَمَّا أَجْرَمْنَا وَلَا
نُسْأَلُ عَمَّا تَعْمَلُونَ ۝٢٧

قُلْ يَجْمَعُ بَيْنَنَا رَبَّنَا ثُمَّ يَفْتَحُ
بَيْنَنَا بِالْحَقِّ ۚ وَهُوَ الْفَتَّاحُ الْعَلِيمُ ۝٢٨

قُلِ ادْعُوا الَّذِينَ أَحَقُّتُمْ بِهِ شُرَكَاءَ
كَلَّا ۚ بَلْ هُوَ اللَّهُ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ ۝٢٩

29. And We have not sent thee but as a Bearer of glad tidings and a Warner, for all mankind, but most men know not.

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا كَافَّةً لِّلنَّاسِ
بَشِيرًا وَنَذِيرًا وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ
لَا يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٢٩﴾

30. And they say, 'When will this promise be *fulfilled*, if you are truthful?'

وَيَقُولُونَ مَتَى هَٰذَا الْوَعْدُ إِن كُنتُمْ
صَادِقِينَ ﴿٣٠﴾

31. Say, 'For you is the promise of a day from which you cannot remain behind a single moment nor can you get ahead of it.'

قُلْ لَّكُمْ مِّمَّاعَادُ يَوْمٍ لَا تَسْتَأْخِرُونَ
عَنهُ سَاعَةً وَلَا تَسْتَقْدِمُونَ ﴿٣١﴾

R. 4.

32. And those who disbelieve say, 'We will never believe in this Qur'ān, nor in what is before it;' and couldst thou see when the wrongdoers will be made to stand before their Lord, throwing back on one another the blame. Those who were considered weak will say to those who were proud, 'Had it not been for you, we should surely have been believers.'

وَقَالَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لَنُؤْمِنَ بِهَٰذَا
الْقُرْآنِ وَلَا بِالَّذِي بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ ؕ وَلَوْ
تَرَىٰ إِذِ الظَّالِمُونَ مَوْضُوفُونَ عِندَ
رَبِّهِمْ ۖ يَرْجِعُ بَعْضُهُمْ إِلَىٰ بَعْضٍ
الْقَوْلَ ۖ يَقُولُ الَّذِينَ اسْتَضَعُّوْا
لِلَّذِينَ اسْتَكْبَرُوا لَوْ لَا أَنْتُمْ لَكُنَّا
مُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿٣٢﴾

33. Those who were proud will say to those who were considered weak, 'Was it we that kept you away from the guidance, after it had come to you? Nay, it was you yourselves who were guilty.'

قَالَ الَّذِينَ اسْتَكْبَرُوا لِلَّذِينَ
اسْتَضَعُّوْا أَنَحْنُ صَدَدُكُمْ عَنِ
الْهُدَىٰ بَعْدَ إِذْ جَاءَكُمْ بَلْ كُنْتُمْ
مُجْرِمِينَ ﴿٣٣﴾

34. And those who were considered weak will say to those who were proud, 'Nay, but it was *your* scheming night and day, when you bade us disbelieve in Allāh and set

وَقَالَ الَّذِينَ اسْتَضَعُّوْا لِلَّذِينَ
اسْتَكْبَرُوا بَلْ مَكَرُ اللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ إِذْ
تَأْمُرُونَنَا أَن نَّكْفُرَ بِاللَّهِ وَنَجْعَلَ