

to make thee set up equals with Me concerning which thou hast no knowledge, obey them not, but be a kind companion to them in *all* worldly affairs; and *in spiritual matters* follow the way of him who turns to Me. Then unto Me will be your return and I shall inform you of what you used to do.'

17. 'O my dear son! even though it be the weight of a grain of mustard seed, and even though it be in a rock, or in the heavens, or in the earth, Allāh will surely bring it out; verily Allāh is the Knower of all subtleties, All-Aware.

18. 'O my dear son! observe Prayer, and enjoin good, and forbid evil, and endure patiently whatever may befall thee. Surely this is of those matters *which require* firm resolve.

19. 'And turn not thy cheek away from men in pride nor walk in the earth haughtily; surely, Allāh loves not any arrogant boaster.

20. 'And walk thou at a moderate pace, and lower thy voice; verily, the most disagreeable of voices is the voice of the ass.'

R. 3.

21. Have you not seen that Allāh has pressed for you into service whatever is in the heavens and whatever is in the earth, and has completed His favours on you, *both* externally and internally? And

مَا لَيْسَ لَكَ بِهِ عِلْمٌ ۖ فَلَا تُطْعُهُمَا
وَصَاحِبَهُمَا فِي الدُّنْيَا مَعْرُوفًا
وَآتَّبِعْ سَبِيلَ مَنْ أَنَابَ إِلَيَّ ۚ ثُمَّ
إِلَيَّ مَرْجِعُكُمْ فَأُنَبِّئُكُمْ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ
تَعْمَلُونَ ﴿٣١﴾

يُبَيِّنُ إِلَهُهَا إِنَّ تَكْ مِثْقَالَ حَبَّةٍ
مِّنْ خَرْدَلٍ فَتَكُن فِي صَخْرَةٍ أَوْ فِي
السَّمُوتِ أَوْ فِي الْأَرْضِ يَأْتِ بِهَا
اللَّهُ ۖ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَطِيفٌ خَبِيرٌ ﴿٣٢﴾

يُبَيِّنُ أَقِمِ الصَّلَاةَ وَامْرُ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ
وَإِنَّهُ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَاصِرٌ عَلَىٰ مَا
أَصَابَكَ ۖ إِنَّ ذَٰلِكَ مِّنْ عَزْمِ الْأُمُورِ ﴿٣٣﴾
وَلَا تُصَعِّرْ خَدَّكَ لِلنَّاسِ وَلَا تَمْشِ فِي
الْأَرْضِ مَرَحًا ۖ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ كُلَّ
مُخْتَلٍ فَخُورٍ ﴿٣٤﴾

وَاقْصِدْ فِي مَشْيِكَ وَاغْضُضْ مِن
صَوْتِكَ ۖ إِنَّكَ أَنْكَرُ الْأَصْوَاتِ لَصَوْتُ
الْحَمِيرِ ﴿٣٥﴾

أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ سَخَّرَ لَكُم مَّا فِي
السَّمُوتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَاسْبَغَ
عَلَيْكُمْ نِعَمَهُ ظَاهِرَةً وَبَاطِنَةً ۚ وَمِنَ
النَّاسِ مَن يُجَادِلُ فِي اللَّهِ بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ

among men there are some who dispute concerning Allāh, without knowledge or guidance or an illuminating Book.

22. And when it is said to them, 'Follow that which Allāh has revealed,' they say, 'Nay, we shall follow that which we found our fathers following.' What! even though Satan was inviting them to the punishment of the burning fire?

23. And he who submits himself completely to Allāh, and is a doer of good, he has surely grasped a strong handle. And with Allāh rests the end of all affairs.

24. And *as for* him who disbelieves, let not his disbelief grieve thee. Unto Us is their return and We shall tell them what they did; surely Allāh knows full well what is in the breasts.

25. We shall let them enjoy themselves a little; then We shall drive them to a severe torment.

26. And if thou ask them, 'Who created the heavens and the earth?', they will surely answer, 'Allāh.' Say, 'All praise belongs to Allāh.' But most of them know not.

27. To Allāh belongs whatever is in the heavens and the earth. Verily, Allāh is Self-Sufficient, Praise-worthy.

28. And if all the trees that are in the earth were pens, and the ocean were ink, with seven oceans

وَلَا هُدًى وَلَا كِتَابٍ مُّنِيرٍ ٢١

وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ اتَّبِعُوا مَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ
قَالُوا بَلْ نَتَّبِعُ مَا وَجَدْنَا عَلَيْهِ آبَاءَنَا
أَوْ لَوْ كَانَ الشَّيْطَانُ يَدْعُهُمْ إِلَى
عَذَابِ السَّعِيرِ ٢٢

وَمَنْ يُسْلِمْ وَجْهَهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَهُوَ
مُحْسِنٌ فَقَدِ اسْتَمْسَكَ بِالْعُرْوَةِ
الْوُثْقَىٰ ۖ وَإِلَى اللَّهِ عَاقِبَةُ الْأُمُورِ ٢٣
وَمَنْ كَفَرَ فَلَا يَحْزُنكَ كُفْرُهُ ۖ
إِلَيْنَا مَرْجِعُهُمْ فَنُنَبِّئُهُمْ بِمَا عَمِلُوا ۗ
إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلِيمٌ بِذَاتِ الصُّدُورِ ٢٤

نُمَتِّعُهُمْ قَلِيلًا ثُمَّ نَضْطَرُّهُمْ إِلَىٰ
عَذَابٍ غَلِيظٍ ٢٥

وَلَكِنْ سَأَلْتَهُمْ مَنْ خَلَقَ السَّمٰوٰتِ
وَالْأَرْضَ لَيَقُولُنَّ اللَّهُ ۗ قُلِ الْحَمْدُ
لِلَّهِ ۗ بَلْ أَكْثَرُهُمْ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ ٢٦

لِلَّهِ مَا فِي السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْأَرْضِ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ
هُوَ الْغَنِيُّ الْحَمِيدُ ٢٧

وَلَوْ أَنَّ فِي الْأَرْضِ مِنْ شَجَرَةٍ
أَقْلَامٌ وَالْبَحْرُ يَمُدُّهُ مِنْ بَعْدِهِ سَبْعَةً

swelling it thereafter, the words of Allāh would not be exhausted. Surely, Allāh is Mighty, Wise.

اَبْحَرُ مَا نَفَدَتْ كَلِمَتُ اللّٰهِ ؕ اِنَّ اللّٰهَ
عَزِيزٌ حَكِيمٌ ﴿٢٨﴾

*29. Your creation and your resurrection are only like *the creation and resurrection of a single soul*. Verily Allāh is All-Hearing, All-Seeing.

مَا خَلَقَكُمْ وَلَا يَعْثُبُكُمْ اِلَّا كَنْفَسٍ
وَاحِدَةٍ ؕ اِنَّ اللّٰهَ سَمِيعٌ بَصِيرٌ ﴿٢٩﴾

30. Hast thou not seen that Allāh makes the night pass into the day, and makes the day pass into the night, and He has pressed the sun and the moon into service; each pursuing its course till an appointed term, and that Allāh is well aware of what you do?

اَلَمْ تَرَ اَنَّ اللّٰهَ يُدْخِلُ اللَّيْلَ فِي النَّهَارِ
وَيُخْرِجُ النَّهَارَ فِي اللَّيْلِ وَاسَخَّرَ
الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ ؕ كُلٌّ يَجْرِي اِلَى
اَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى وَّ اَنَّ اللّٰهَ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ
خَبِيرٌ ﴿٣٠﴾

31. That is because it is Allāh alone Who is the True *God*, and whatever they call upon beside Him is falsehood, and because it is Allāh alone Who is the Most High, the Incomparably Great.

ذٰلِكَ بِاَنَّ اللّٰهَ هُوَ الْحَقُّ وَاَنَّ مَا
يَدْعُونَ مِنْ دُوْنِهِ الْبَاطِلُ ؕ وَاَنَّ اللّٰهَ
هُوَ الْعَلِيُّ الْكَبِيرُ ﴿٣١﴾

R. 4.

32. Dost thou not see that the ships sail on the sea by the favour of Allāh, that He may show you of His Signs? Therein surely are Signs for everyone who is patient *and* grateful.

اَلَمْ تَرَ اَنَّ الْفُلُكَ تَجْرِي فِي الْبَحْرِ
بِنِعْمَتِ اللّٰهِ لِيُرِيَكُمْ مِنْ اٰيٰتِهِ ؕ اِنَّ
فِيْ ذٰلِكَ لَاٰيٰتٍ لِّكُلِّ صَبَّارٍ شَكُوْرٍ ﴿٣٢﴾

33. And when waves engulf them like *so many* coverings, they call upon Allāh, being sincere to Him in faith; but when He brings them safe to land, then some of them take the

وَاِذَا غَشَوْهُمْ مَّوْجٌ كَالظُّلُلِ دَعَوْا اللّٰهَ
مُخْلِصِيْنَ لَهُ الدِّينَ ؕ فَلَمَّا نَجَّاهُمْ
اِلَى الْبَرِّ فَمِنْهُمْ مُّقْتَصِدٌ وَّ مَا يَجْحَدُ

*29. Your creation and your resurrection are only like *the creation and resurrection of a single being*.

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